



PRESS RELEASE

It is with great sadness that we learn of the passing of Joël Santoni.

Everyone at TF1, and especially in our French drama teams, extends their sincerest condolences to his family and loved ones at this particularly distressing time, as we pay tribute to one of the greats of French cinema and television.

Joël Santoni will remain one of TF1's stand-out directors and screenwriters, in particular with the iconic series *Une Famille Formidable*, which has been successfully bridging the gap between the generations ever since it was first shown in 1992.

Fabrice Bailly, the TF1 group's Head of Programmes and Acquisitions, says: "*Joël Santoni was a leading light of French drama on TF1. We have lost not only a great director, but also a warm and sincere man. Everyone at TF1 shares in the grief of his family and pays tribute to his immense talent.*"