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## Will fans ever get to see *Law & Order: Organized Crime*'s Christopher Meloni and *Special Victims Unit* star Mariska Hargitay lock lips? Hear his answer.

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[***Law & Order: Special Victims Unit***](https://www.eonline.com/news/law_and_order_special_victims_unit) fans have long thought a romantic relationship between Elliot Stabler and Olivia Benson would be worth an investigation.

And while the former partners have certainly been gravitating toward one ever since [**Christopher Meloni**](https://www.eonline.com/news/christopher_meloni) reprised his role of Det. Stabler on [***Law & Order: Organized Crime***](https://www.eonline.com/photos/32460/everything-to-know-about-law-order-organized-crime), he and [**Mariska Hargitay**](https://www.eonline.com/news/mariska_hargitay)'s Capt. Benson have yet to lock lips. As a result, fans are practically begging *Law & Order* showrunners to do something—*anything*—that will offer a glimmer of hope (especially after Meloni and Hargitay's [**near-kiss**](https://www.eonline.com/news/1346000/mariska-hargitay-and-christopher-meloni-set-hearts-racing-with-near-kiss-on-emmys-stage) at the [**2022 Emmys**](https://www.eonline.com/news/emmys)!).

E! News was determined to get answers. So, ahead of the highly-anticipated [**upcoming *Law & Order* crossover event**](https://www.eonline.com/news/1343289/all-3-law-order-shows-unite-in-giant-crossover-event), we asked Meloni what it would take to see him and Hargitay share a kiss.

His response? "You might as well win the Powerball."

While not the most reassuring of answers, *Law & Order* fans know to always expect the unexpected. After all, as Meloni put it, there's a special bond between Benson and Stabler. "What's his favorite thing about her? Well, it's that familiarity," he told E! News. "And now it's the idea of you're in a space where you're allowed to give full expression to feelings that you always had, but were not allowed to act on."



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It's not like Stabler is in the great position to start a relationship, either. Looking at his character's future, Meloni said, "I think he's a man who needs to come to terms with a lot of his pains or just literally the death of his wife. I just think that's a tough thing."

"*And* I have a complicated relationship with my ex partner," Meloni continued. "I mean, these are real juicy, complicated things that I would think are very interesting to explore."

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Thankfully for fans, that's exactly what *Law & Order: SVU* and *Organized Crime* are gearing up to do.

The *Law & Order* premiere event airs Thursday, Sept. 22, from 8 to 11 p.m. on NBC. You can also tune in to all three episodes the next day on Peacock.

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