



**\*\* PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS: DECEMBER 2 – 15 \*\***

**IN SERIES PREMIERE OF 'EXPEDITION BIGFOOT,' AN ELITE TEAM OF RESEARCHERS TRACK THE LEGENDARY CREATURE USING NEW AND UNPRECEDENTED DATA**

***Season Finale of 'The Holzer Files' Reopens Hans Holzer's Unsettling Investigation of the Infamous Barnstable House in Cape Cod, Massachusetts***

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## **NEW SERIES**

### **EXPEDITION BIGFOOT**

In "Expedition Bigfoot," old legend meets new modern-day technology as an elite team of researchers use an advanced data algorithm and groundbreaking science and tools to analyze five decades of Bigfoot sightings, to pinpoint when and where to encounter this elusive beast. With these results and gadgetry at their disposal, the team – Bryce Johnson, Dr. Mireya Mayor, Russell Acord, Ronny LeBlanc and Ryan "RPG" Golembeske – now know the time and place to search for evidence of Bigfoot. Their three-week sojourn to an undisclosed, remote location in central Oregon may finally take one of the world's greatest mysteries out of the pages of legend and lore and into reality. *[Hour-long episodes]*

#### **SERIES PREMIERE: *New Episode* – Premieres Sunday, December 8 at 10 p.m. ET/PT**

Armed with an advanced algorithm that has analyzed Sasquatch sightings and pinpointed a forest in central Oregon, an elite team of specialists begin a journey to prove once and for all that the elusive creature known as Bigfoot is real. Using an array of advanced technology, the team has just three weeks to uncover evidence of the fabled beast, and to do this, they've recruited world renowned experts. They work their way into territory rarely explored by man, but when state-of-the-art technology uncovers a never-before-seen trail through the forest, they realize it may be more than they bargained for.

#### ***New Episode* – Premieres Sunday, December 15 at 10 p.m. ET/PT**

Soon after beginning their search for Bigfoot, the team has already lost one of their key team members. With a man down, they continue to look for clues. Bryce Johnson visits with a witness who heard and saw Bigfoot, and it still terrifies him nearly 40 years later. Russell Acord makes his way to a 6,000-foot peak and ultimately finds what could be the team's first piece of physical evidence: some hairs that he cannot identify. Dr. Mireya Mayor uses the FoxPro animal calling system to elicit Bigfoot to call back – ultimately pinpointing the location.



The "Expedition Bigfoot" Team (left to right): Russell Acord, Dr. Mireya Mayor, Bryce Johnson, Ronny LeBlanc

## NEW SEASON

### THE DEAD FILES

Former NYPD homicide detective Steve DiSchiavi and physical medium Amy Allan are back on the case with a brand-new season of Travel Channel's hit series, "The Dead Files." In every episode, DiSchiavi and Allan first investigate each case separately. Utilizing his detective skills, DiSchiavi interviews witnesses and experts, and researches the history and facts behind each location. Allan, a physical medium who sees and communicates with the dead, assesses the property to identify what underlying entities reside there. Keeping their findings hidden from each other, the team avoids all contact with one another – coming together only at the very end to reveal their shocking discoveries to the property owners, and each other. *[Hour-long episodes]*

#### **SEASON PREMIERE: "Driven to Kill" – Tuesday, December 3 at 9 p.m. ET/PT**

Steve DiSchiavi and Amy Allan travel to Toledo, Ohio, where a family faces a daily onslaught of aggressive paranormal activity. DiSchiavi uncovers a grisly string of murders committed near the property, while Allan encounters a twisted spirit intent on harming the living.

#### **"Town of the Dead" – Tuesday, December 10 at 9 p.m. ET/PT**

Steve DiSchiavi and Amy Allan travel to Upper Darby, Pennsylvania, where a single mother claims the dead are attacking her three children. The activity is getting more dangerous by the day, and she's worried if it can't be stopped someone is going to die.

## NEW EPISODES

## **MY HORROR STORY**

Ordinary people share their chilling true tales of surviving the unknown. From hellish possessions and blood-drawing spirits to alien abductions and otherworldly creatures, these brave storytellers are shaken to the core as they recall their grave encounters with dark paranormal forces. It's a wild, horror-filled ride through the supernatural. *[Hour-long episodes]*

### ***"Unreal Estate"* – Premieres Monday, December 2 at 10 p.m. ET/PT**

A family is excited to rebuild their lives in a picturesque new home – until they encounter the malevolent forces within. A couple is powerless to stop a persistent poltergeist determined to tear them apart.

### ***"Return to Horror"* – Premieres Monday, December 9 at 10 p.m. ET/PT**

A woman awakens a powerful evil when she returns to her childhood home. A soldier moves into a new home after completing his tour of duty in Iraq and is thrown right back into battle – this time with the paranormal.

## **HOMETOWN HORROR**

Many white picket fence communities across America are gripped with tales of horror, mystery and intrigue that have lingered over these towns for centuries – dark forces haunting unassuming communities with stories of the undead, ghouls, monsters and things that go bump in the night. "Hometown Horror" delves into these quiet communities to examine what is behind these stories and myths and to shine a light on what may be lurking in the shadows of small-town America – such as the Pigman of Angola in New York, the hauntings of circus town Baraboo, Wisconsin, the bloodstained history of Perryville, Kentucky, and more. *[Hour-long episodes]*

### ***"Three-Ring Terror"* – Premieres Monday, December 2 at 11 p.m. ET/PT**

An infamous cave system runs beneath Hannibal, Missouri. Locals believe ghostly experiences within the town hark back to sinister scientific experiments and missing children considered long lost underground. But are there darker forces at play?

### ***"Missing Children of Hannibal"* – Premieres Monday, December 9 at 11 p.m. ET/PT**

A dark energy overshadows Baraboo, Wisconsin, home to the Ringling Bros. circus dynasty. Every inexplicable event and ghostly encounter is a chilling reminder that this modern town was built on top of an ancient burial ground.

## **PARANORMAL SURVIVOR**

In this revealing paranormal documentary series, survivors of paranormal experiences recount their terrifying and life-changing stories. Each episode features three remarkable stories interlinked by a specific supernatural theme while professionals in the field give expert insight into these extraordinary events. From dark shadows to demons, violent ghosts to the grim reaper, we document the stories of very different participants with similar experiences and journey with them every step of the way, as they recount the frightening process of what they've been through. *[Hour-long episodes]*

### **SEASON FINALE: *"Evil Intent"* - Premieres Tuesday, December 3 at 9 p.m. ET/PT**

Paranormal activity in Lisa Blakely's home puts her son in harm's way, a shadowy figure terrorizes a young boy and Micky Bailey falls victim to an evil spirit intent on inflicting harm.

## **FAMOUSLY AFRAID**

Hollywood is no stranger to stories of the unexplained being played out on the big screen. But behind the scenes, some celebrities experience encounters with the unknown that are all too real. In the new Travel Channel series “Famously Afraid,” some of the biggest stars tell their terrifying, true tales of coming face-to-face with unexplained phenomena. A variety of superstars, from championship athletes to Emmy Award-winning actors, offer a front-row seat to the most horrifying and emotionally draining experiences of their lives. From haunted houses to real UFO sightings to demonic possessions and beyond, these stories show that even celebrities can get spooked. *[Hour-long episodes]*

### ***“Brandi Glanville and Chris Kattan” – Premieres Tuesday, December 3 at 10 p.m. ET/PT***

“Saturday Night Live” star Chris Kattan discovers a portal to another realm in his basement, actor Willie Aames confronts a beast lurking outside his home and reality television star Brandi Glanville avoids disaster with the help of a guardian angel.

### ***“Carson Kressley, Christi Lukasiak and Fred Williamson” – Premieres Tuesday, December 10 at 10 p.m. ET/PT***

Queer Eye’s Carson Kressley struggles to renovate his haunted dream home, Dance Moms’ Christi Lukasiak narrowly escapes a supernatural attack in her grandparents’ basement and NFL star and actor Fred Williamson has a disturbing vision from the past.

## **AMERICAN MYSTERY**

“American Mystery” explores the mysteries that have never been solved – providing a deeper look into the stories and theories that surround them. Each episode will dive into the history of three different mysteries through interviews, archival footage and re-creation, as well as the theories behind each story and new facts and findings. What is the truth of what really happened? Opposing theories will be presented, letting the viewer ponder which one they believe. *[Hour-long episodes]*

### ***“American Mystery: Gone Missing” – Premieres Wednesday, December 4 at 11 p.m. ET/PT***

Intriguing new theories about Jimmy Hoffa's disappearance are revealed, a stunning film clip may reveal what really happened to Michael Rockefeller and experts investigate JFK's missing brain.

### ***“American Mystery: Paranormal Destinations” – Premieres Wednesday, December 11 at 11 p.m. ET/PT***

Experts investigate disturbing phenomena at Skinwalker Ranch, top-secret experiments may have been conducted at a former Air Force base in Long Island, New York, and new theories could explain why Mount Shasta is a magnet for paranormal activity.

## **THE HOLZER FILES**

In “The Holzer Files,” a dedicated paranormal team – led by investigator Dave Schrader, psychic medium Cindy Kaza and equipment technician Shane Pittman – investigates terrifying true hauntings from the recently discovered case files of America’s first ghost hunter, Dr. Hans Holzer. Recognized as the “father of the paranormal,” Holzer’s legendary four-decade exploration into disturbing hauntings like the Amityville Horror house helped spawn legions of supernatural enthusiasts, more than 120 books and even inspired Dan Aykroyd and Harold Ramis to write “Ghostbusters.” Now, for the first time ever and with the help of Holzer’s daughter, Alexandra Holzer, Travel Channel exclusively reopens Holzer’s most

captivating case files – digging into thousands of documents, letters, photographs and chilling audio and visual recordings dating back to the 1950s. *[Hour-long episodes]*

***“Possessor’s Curse”* – Premieres Thursday, December 5 at 10 p.m. ET/PT**

When Hans Holzer visited the Ayers-Allen House in Metuchen, New Jersey, in 1960, he found entities dating back to colonial times. Now his case file is reopened, and the team discovers the spirits there may have a more ominous origin.

**SEASON FINALE: *“Bloodline”* – Premieres Thursday, December 12 at 10 p.m. ET/PT**

The team reopens Hans Holzer's unsettling investigation of the infamous Barnstable House in Cape Cod, Massachusetts. They discover the tragic spirits from the property's past may still be seeking a horrific reckoning with the living.

**GHOST NATION**

The “OG” paranormal investigators that started it all – Jason Hawes, Steve Gonsalves and Dave Tango – are back for all-new adventures to the other side in “Ghost Nation.” Only this time, they’re not alone. The pioneers of the genre respond to urgent calls from local paranormal investigators nationwide who have reached a dead end with their harrowing personal cases, helping homeowners who are dealing with high-stakes hauntings and people whose lives have been overtaken by unexplained phenomena. Armed with brand new state-of-the-art technology and their meticulous methodology, the team, under their new banner, United Paranormal Research Organization (UPRO), will face the most challenging and dangerous paranormal mysteries the country has to offer. With the help of their local contacts, they’ll embed themselves in the community, conducting robust multi-day investigations in an effort to track down the true source of these hauntings and restore peace to the living ... and the dead. *[Hour-long episodes]*

***“Haunting of Weems Plantation”* – Premieres Friday, December 6 at 10 p.m. ET/PT**

Jason Hawes, Steve Gonsalves and Dave Tango investigate strange noises and unnerving apparitions inside a pre-Civil War home in Locust Grove, Georgia. They uncover evidence that the haunting could be related to the evil plantation owner who once lived on the property.

***New Episode* – Premieres Friday, December 13 at 10 p.m. ET/PT**

Episode description TBD

**DESTINATION FEAR**

“Destination Fear” may be the most terrifying road trip ever attempted. Paranormal explorer and documentary filmmaker Dakota Laden – who has spent the last few years investigating the frightening unknown with the “Ghost Adventures” crew – is taking his sister, Chelsea Laden, and best friend, Tanner Wiseman, across the country in an RV to spend the night in the most haunted abandoned locations in America. Pursuing paranormal evidence, the team must first overcome fear itself. In each episode, the team travels to a different destination in the United States. The location remains a surprise to all but Dakota. Not knowing the haunted horrors that await them, it’s a road trip driven by suspense and fueled by excitement. The team explores each haunted location together, zoning in on areas of reported paranormal activity. But the luck of the draw determines where each one will sleep overnight – separated and alone. Armed with cameras and dread as their only companions, the team members will

test the limits of their own fears in an effort to ultimately understand the paranormal. *[Hour-long episodes]*

***“Statler Hotel” – Premieres Saturday, December 7 at 10 p.m. ET/PT***

Dakota Laden, Chelsea Laden and Tanner Wiseman are pushed to their limits when they check into a historic hotel in Buffalo, New York. Disembodied voices and shadows are everywhere, but the haunted elevators prove most terrifying when communications fail and they each find themselves alone.

***“West Virginia State Penitentiary” – Premieres Saturday, December 14 at 10 p.m. ET/PT***

The team heads to Moundsville, West Virginia, to investigate what was once one of the top 10 most violent prisons in America. Dakota Laden fears he may have to leave some part of his soul behind after he is targeted in a horrific physical attack.

**LOST SECRETS**

From family relics to private collections and museum displays, people often unknowingly possess unusual objects that hold hidden pasts and secret histories. In Travel Channel’s new series, “Lost Secrets,” historian Justin Jampol journeys around the world to unlock the mysteries of the past held within these recently discovered items, revealing covert histories that have unexpectedly, and unknowingly, changed the world we live in. Using state-of-the-art scientific testing coupled with an insatiable curiosity, Jampol’s globe-trotting investigations reveal how these mysterious objects can hold the real truths behind pivotal moments in our history that we thought we already knew. *[Hour-long episodes]*

***“The Lewis and Clark Conspiracy” – Premieres Sunday, December 8 at 11 p.m. ET/PT***

Justin Jampol’s journey to solve the mystery behind the death of famed 19th-century explorer Meriwether Lewis leads him deep into the secret land wars that almost changed the face of America.

***“Civil War Spies” – Premieres Sunday, December 15 at 11 p.m. ET/PT***

A mysterious invoice written by Harriet Tubman sends Justin Jampol deep into former Confederate territory to investigate whether a secret network of escaped slaves turned the tide of the Civil War in favor of the Union.

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