PANELS & WORKSHOPS

SATURDAY

MAKEUP DEMO: GET SKULLED

Join SPX Makeup artist Tabi Weaver for an amazing horror makeup demo! Learn how to create a skull ripping through your skin, all done only with face paint!

A HISTORY OF MONSTERS

Join us for a spirited look at how the creatures of our nightmares have evolved and transformed over the decades. From the classic monster archetypes to theweirder and wilder beasts of contemporary horror, our panel of genre authorswill examine what scares us and why Featuring authors DAVID J. THIRTEEN, SEPHERA GIRON, DEREK CLENDENING and ANDREW SUTHERLAND, moderated by Rue Morgue's MONICA S. KUEBLER.

PROGRAMMING FEAR: WOMEN OF HORROR FILM FESTS

As women occupy more positions within the horror movie industry, female film fest programmers are at the front lines. Join JEN GORMAN and CAROLYN MAURICETTE of the Blood in the Snow Film Festival, along with LAURA DI GIROLAMO and KRISTA DZIALOSZYNSKI of the Bloody Mary Film Fest, for a discussion on diversity behind the camera and the importance of representation in genre cinema.

SCREENING: DAMAGED

Damaged is a digital psychological thriller and interactive experience, about a young man who tries to unravel the mystery of a local gang and their connection to a serial killer called The Wolf.

LADY KILLERS IN THE HORROR CINEMA OF THE 1990s lecture by ALEXANDRA WEST Women who kill in such films as Single White Female, Urban Legend, Serial Mom, and The Rage: Carrie 2 have something truly disturbing in common beyond their shared gender.

Join THE FACULTY OF HORROR'S ALEXANDRA WEST for a discussion of the depiction of female killers in popular horror movies of the '90s and how their narratives correspond with the real women dominating the headlines at the time.

VS PANEL

So many topics, so little time! Join us for a raucous good time as we pit two members of our panel of horror experts to duke it out on a contentious topic in the tradition of the classic column from RUE MORGUE magazine. Audience votes for the winner!

WITCH FINGER PODCAST LIVE SHOW feat. DEAD ALIVE

Join the women of the WITCH FINGER HORROR PODCAST for an outrageous custard-squirting live episode recording featuring Peter Jackson's splatterpiece, DEAD ALIVE! Audience participation encouraged!

SPECIAL EFFECTS & PROSTHETIC DEMO WITH THE BUTCHER SHOP

Join the Butcher Shop as they demonstrate techniques on how to apply, blend and paint prosthetics.

SCREENING: QUIET ROOM BEARS

Simon's week alone for home renovations quickly turn into a nightmarish spiral into madness and horror with the arrival of a mysterious teddy bear, whose dark origins are more sinister than they seem. Welcome to the horrific world of the Quiet Room Bears! Join the filmmakers and cast for a Q&A after the Niagara premiere of the short film – a new horror film 17 years in the making!

SCREENING: BLOODY BITS - VOLUME TWO
The official shorts compilation of THE BLOOD IN THE SNOW FILM FESTIVAL, BLOODY BITS is a collection of some of the best short films to screen during the festival's tenure. Featuring some of the most unique and exciting new voices in Canadian genre film, BLOODY BITS is back for VOLUME TWO in this special screening at Frightmare in the Falls. All proceeds from the DVD will go to the Parkdale Community Food Bank. Films include Summoned (2016), Tik-Tik (2016), Brother(s) (2016), Talking Heads (2017), No Trespassing (2016), Spookslayers (2013) & Marauder (2017).

MUMMIFICATION 101

Join Dr. Eugenia Mooney for a hands-on experience like no other. The Art of Mummification will be revealed before your very eyes. Listen to Dr. Mooney as she explains the rituals and secrets of this mystical practice while giving a select few the opportunity to get their hands dirty and take home their very own piece of mummified flesh.

THE BLACK MUSEUM PRESENTS: CULT ESCAPISM IN HORROR CINEMA

Toronto's premier horror lecture series presents a mini-lecture on the recent spate of horror films involving cults, including The Ritual, The Invitation, The Void and The Endless among others. Hosted by the Black Museum's GINA FREITAG, don't miss this discussion on narrative elements, mesmerizing aesthetics and a compromised sense of reality.

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AN EAR FOR FEAR

Join the legendary MAURIZIO GUARINI of GOBLIN in interview with Rue Morgue's AARON VON LUPTON as they discuss the process behind creating a horror film score, favourite soundtracks, what makes an effective horror score, and trends in film scoring today.

PLAY DEAD: HORROR IN VIDEO GAMES

Join RUE MORGUE Games Editor EVAN MILLAR for an overview of horror in gaming, and why the genre lends itself so well to the interactive medium.

FRIGHTMARE IN THE FALLS HORROR COSTUME CONTEST

Think your costume has what it takes? Then enter our horror costume contest and go up against the most gruesome and authentic horror costumes around, all for the chance to win one killer prize!

SO YOU WANT TO BE A HORROR WRITER?

Members of the Horror Writers Association speak about the current opportunities in the markets as horror writers. We'll discuss how to submit your manuscripts, how to find out about markets, how to get an agent or if you even need one, explore traditional vs self-publishing, what makes a good horror story, and more!

THEY CAME FROM HORROR PODCASTING

Horror love goes viral with podcasts and YouTube channels! Join the hosts of THE FACULTY OF HORROR, THE WITCHFINGER PODCAST and FROM MY PARENT'S BASEMENT to discuss the online world of horror and answer your questions!

MAKEUP DEMO: CREATING A WEREWOLF

Watch SPX Makeup artist Tabi Weaver turn someone into a full werewolf right before your eyes!

EXPLORING DIVINATION WITH SEPHERA GIRON
Sèphera gives a hands on demonstration about how to use tarot cards,
a brief history of tarot cards and how they work. She'll also cover tea leaf reading, how to read crystal balls, how to use
a Ouija board, and other forms of divination. Sèphera has been reading tarot cards for over twenty years.
She's the in-house astrologer for Romance Daily News. https://www.romancedailynews.com/

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DIY OR DIE: A ZINE MAKING WORKSHOP

Join MARIAM BASTANI (Former Sr Coordinator, Maximum Rocknroll magazine), ALISON LANG
(Former Editor, Broken Pencil magazine), and VALESKA GRIFFITHS (Executive Editor, Grim magazine)
who will walk you through a history of horror zines and the nitty-gritty basics of launching your
own print media empire. Includes a zine-making workshop!

VIRAL HORROR - TERROR TALK ON YOUTUBE
Join Bloodbath & Beyond hosts JOHN LYLE & TRAVIS BASHIR,
Screaming Shark's MITCHELL PATTERSON and Rue Morgue TV's JOE O'BRIEN
for an intimate chat on bringing horror talk to YouTube!

ABANDON ALL HOPE: CINEMATIC DEPICTIONS OF HELL Lecture by Rue Morgue Editor ANDREA SUBISSATI
Nobody knows what hell is really like, but horror films like Hellraiser, Event Horizon and Constantine
have given us a few options to choose from. RUE MORGUE's Executive Editor ANDREA SUBISSATI presents
an exploration of hell as depicted in genre cinema and how those depictions correspond with cultural attitudes surrounding sin, punishment and justice.

LAVENDER SCARES: QUEER PERSPECTIVES IN HORROR

Join Queer Fear programmer JOSHUA CROSS along with filmmaker ALEX JOSSELYN-HAMILTON, queer studies scholar KATIE CONNELL and Bloody Disgusting columnist JOE LIPSETT for a discussion on queer perspectives in horror and the recent titles that are paving the way.

THE PARANORMAL PROFILERS TV/YOUTUBE SHOW
Hosted by Peter Andrew Sacco.Do you believe in the paranormal ghosts, aliens, monsters and the bizarre. Now in its 3rd season, cast members will discuss 'scary' things that they have experienced in the supernatural and paranormal!