TELLURIDE HORROR SHOW 14

OCTOBER 13-15 2023
The 15th Telluride Horror Show will be held October 11-13, 2024. Visit telluridehorrorshow.com and sign up for our email list to receive news and updates!

**FESTIVAL STORE & HOSPITALITY**
Located in the Sheridan Opera House, the Festival Store & Hospitality is the place to pick up your 3-Day Passes or 6-Packs and purchase official Telluride Horror Show merchandise.

**A SIMPLE SYSTEM**
Your 3-Day Pass or 6-Pack ticket does not guarantee a seat but does provide admission to all programs until all seats are filled on a first-come, first-serve basis. If a venue reaches capacity during any timeslot, we do our best to send you to another venue where seats are still available. All venues are within walking distance of each other, and we frequently have a later start time at the Palm, our largest venue, to accommodate any turn-aways at the Nugget or Sheridan Opera House. If there is a particular program you really want to see, we highly recommend getting in line at the venue in advance to avoid being turned away to another venue due to a sold-out show. It's as simple of a system as we can make it and our staff will be here to help you have a great weekend!

**VENUES, LINES, AND INDIVIDUAL TICKETS**
Films screen at Nugget Theatre, Palm Theatre, and Sheridan Opera House. There are two lines at each venue: 1) Pass holders & 6-Pack ticket holders. 2) The line to buy an individual ticket. Individual tickets are $20 per person, cash, unless otherwise noted. Individual tickets are only sold at the door after pass holders & 6-Pack ticket holders have been admitted. Telluride Elks Lodge hosts festival events, made possible in part by a Telluride Tourism Board grant.

**STARTING TIMES**
Doors open 15 minutes before show time, or earlier if the venue is ready. We ask all 3-Day pass holders & 6-Pack ticket holders to arrive no later than 10 minutes before show times. If there are empty seats at the start of a program, we will release them to the public. We cannot let people into a venue once the program has started. This applies to ALL 3-Day pass holders, 6-Pack ticket holders and individual ticket buyers. Don’t be late!

**TBAS (To Be Announced)**
Any TBAs will be posted online on the SCHEDULE page at telluridehorrorshow.com

**STEAMIES BURGER BAR**
Open daily 10:30am-11pm • Great Grub • Snacks • Cocktails • Treats
Close to the Sheridan Opera House and Nugget Theaters, across from the Courthouse on Main Street

**BANISH THE HUNGER**
Grab a bite between films
SPECIAL GUESTS

MICKEY KEATING
GUEST HOST
Mickey Keating is a writer, director, sometimes TV show host, and Telluride Horror Show diehard. He first arrived in the mountains in 2015 to premiere his black & white freakout DARLING, and later returned with 2017’s PSYCHOPATHS, then again in 2021 with the folk horror movie OFFSEASON. He is thrilled to be joining the festival once again this year and is looking forward to many more returns.

ADAM CESARE
GUEST AUTHOR
Adam Cesare is the author of the Bram Stoker Award-winning Clown in a Cornfield series, the Dark Horse Comics graphic novel Dead Mall (with art by David Stoll), and several other novels and novellas including the cult hit Video Night and the upcoming YA psychothriller Influencer. Clive Barker called him “an author who knows how to make us afraid.” And, yes, that blurb’s going on Adam’s tombstone.

GABINO IGLESIAS
GUEST AUTHOR
Gabino Iglesias is a writer, editor, literary critic, and professor living in Austin, TX. He is the author of The Devil Takes You Home, Coyote Songs, and Zero Saints. His work has won the Bram Stoker, Shirley Jackson, Wonderland, and International Latino Book awards. He has been nominated for the Edgar, Anthony, Locus, Reading the West, and Dragon awards.

JEREMY ROBERT JOHNSON
GUEST AUTHOR
Jeremy Robert Johnson is the author of The Loop, Skullcrack City, In the River, and Entropy in Bloom. His fiction has been praised by The Washington Post and Publishers Weekly, authors such as David Wong, Chuck Palahniuk and Jack Ketchum, and has appeared internationally in numerous anthologies and magazines. A long-time member of the Telluride Horror Show family, Jeremy is “a defining name within the [bizarro] genre. His work is most aptly described as a mixture of all these things – thrillers that become bloodbaths, horrors that blend into fantasies, and apocalypses that transcend into high art” (Los Angeles Review of Books).
**FALLING STARS**  
USA | 2023 | 80 min | Directors: Richard Karpala, Gabriel Bienczycki  
SATURDAY, 12:30PM, NUGGET  
SUNDAY, 10AM, NUGGET  
COLORADO PREMIERE  
IN PERSON: Richard Karpala, Gabriel Bienczycki  
A mysterious local crashes a couple’s vacation through the former Yugoslavia, pulling them deeper into his web of psychic rituals. A Vinegar Syndrome production, hosted by Theresa Mercado.

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**EIGHT EYES**  
USA/Serbia/Macedonia | 2023 | 88 min | Director: Austin Jennings  
SATURDAY, 7:30PM, NUGGET  
COLORADO PREMIERE  
IN PERSON: Austin Jennings  
Kaleb is about to turn 30 and has never been lonelier. He’s fighting with his sister and has cut ties with his best friend. Passionate about exotic animals, he comes home one day with a venomous spider and accidentally lets it escape… leading to skin-crawling horror and chaos in his apartment complex.

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**HELL HOUSE LLC ORIGINS: THE CARMICHAEL MANOR**  
USA | 2023 | 97 min | Director: Stephen Cognetti  
SATURDAY, 7:30PM, SHERIDAN  
SUNDAY, 5:30PM, SHERIDAN  
WORLD PREMIERE  
IN PERSON: Stephen Cognetti  
A group of internet sleuths travel to the remote Carmichael Manor, site of the unsolved 1989 Carmichael family murders. They discover a terror that has long been lurking in the shadows. In 2015, Hell House LLC premiered at the Telluride Horror Show. We welcome back director Stephen Cognetti with his latest, courtesy of Terror Films.

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**I WILL NEVER LEAVE YOU ALONE**  
USA | 2023 | 93 min | Director: DW Medoff  
SATURDAY, 3PM, SHERIDAN  
WORLD PREMIERE  
IN PERSON: DW Medoff  
After being released from prison, a brooding man with a dark past is forced to stay in a haunted house to clear it of spirits. If he leaves, he goes back to prison, but the witch-ghost may be more punishment than he can withstand.
NEVER HIKE ALONE 2
USA | 2023 | 70 min | Director: Vincente DiSanti
FRIDAY, 10:30PM, PALM
WORLD PREMIERE
IN PERSON: Vincente DiSanti with Cast & Crew
A Friday the 13th fan film and the direct sequel to Never Hike Alone (2017 Telluride Horror Show), Never Hike Alone 2 is set three months after the disappearance of MARK HILL (Courtlan Gordon). Crystal Lake’s haunted son and part time ambulance driver, TOMMY JARVIS (Thom Mathews), has all but given up on his search for the long-lost JASON VOORHEES (Vincente DiSanti / Bryan Forrest). However, when Tommy receives an emergency call to pick up injured hiker KYLE MCLEOD (Andrew Leighty), he will once again come face-to-face with the Ghost of Crystal Lake, setting into motion the epic and blood-soaked conclusion to their deadly rivalry.

LATE NIGHT WITH THE DEVIL
USA/Australia/United Arab Emirates | 2023 | 92 min | Directors: Colin Cairnes, Cameron Cairnes
FRIDAY, 10:40PM, PALM
SATURDAY, 10:40PM, PALM
COLORADO PREMIERE
October 31, 1977. Johnny Carson rival Jack Delroy (David Dastmalchian) hosts a syndicated talk show ‘Night Owls’ that has long been a trusted companion to insomniacs around the country. A year after the tragic death of Jack’s wife, ratings have plummeted. Desperate to turn his fortunes around, Jack plans a Halloween special like no other, unaware he is about to unleash evil into the living rooms of America.

THE COFFEE TABLE
Spain | 2023 | 90 min | Director: Caye Casas
FRIDAY, 10:30PM, NUGGET
SATURDAY, 10:30PM, NUGGET
COLORADO PREMIERE
Jesus and Maria are a couple going through a difficult time in their relationship. Nevertheless, they have just become parents. To shape their new life, they decide to buy a new coffee table. A fateful decision that will change their existence…

THE ORIGIN
UK | 2022 | 87 min | Director: Andrew Cumming
SATURDAY, 12:30PM, PALM
COLORADO PREMIERE
A small boat reaches the shores of a raw and desolate landscape. A group of six have struggled across the narrow sea to find a new home. They are starving, desperate, and living 45,000 years ago. First they must find shelter, and they strike out across the tundra wastes towards the distant mountains that promise the abundant caves they need to survive. But when night falls, anticipation turns to fear and doubt as they realize they are not alone. As relationships in the group fracture, the determination of one young woman reveals the terrible actions taken to survive.

SLEEP
South Korea | 2023 | 95 min | Director: Jason Yu
FRIDAY, 4:30PM, PALM
SATURDAY, 10AM, PALM
COLORADO PREMIERE
Hyun-su (LEE Sun-kyun, PARASITE) and Soo-jin (JUNG Yu-mi) are newlyweds. Seemingly out of nowhere, he starts talking in his sleep. “Someone’s inside.” From that night on, whenever he falls asleep, he transforms into someone else with no recollection of what happened the night before. Soo-jin is overwhelmed with anxiety that he’ll hurt her family while she sleeps and can barely sleep a wink because of this irrational fear. Despite sleep treatment, Hyun-su’s sleepwalking only intensifies, and she begins to feel that her unborn child may be in danger…

SUITABLE FLESH
USA | 2023 | 99 min | Director: Joe Lynch
FRIDAY, 8PM, SHERIDAN
SUNDAY, 8:15PM, SHERIDAN
COLORADO PREMIERE
Persiopathologist Elizabeth Derby (Heather Graham) has brutally murdered her young patient. Locked up in a psych ward, she recounts to her friend Dr. Daniella Upton (Barbara Crampton) an insane tale of erotic attraction, out-of-body experiences, ancient curses, grisly deaths and unspeakable evil. The latest feature from Joe Lynch, Suitable Flesh is an H.P. Lovecraft adaptation inspired by Stuart Gordon’s horror legacy.

THE SACRIFICE GAME
USA | 2023 | 99 min | Director: Jenn Wexler
FRIDAY, 8PM, SHERIDAN
SUNDAY, 12:30PM, NUGGET
COLORADO PREMIERE
IN PERSON: Jenn Wexler, Heather Buckley (Producer)
The Blackvale School for Girls, 1971. It’s bad enough that students Samantha and Clara can’t go home for the holidays, but things take a deadly turn when a gang of cult killers arrives at their doorstep - just in time for Christmas. The latest feature from Jenn Wexler, director of The Ranger and producer of Larry Fessenden’s Depraved and Mickey Keating’s Darling (2015 Telluride Horror Show), starring Mena Massoud (Aladdin), Olivia Scott Welch (the FEAR STREET franchise), and Telluride’s own Gus Kenworthy.

VINCENT MUST DIE
France | 2023 | 115 min | Director: Stéphan Castang
SATURDAY, 12:20PM, SHERIDAN
COLORADO PREMIERE
Vincent is just an average guy working at an average job with an average life when he is violently assaulted by an intern out of the blue, which soon develops into escalating attacks by random strangers for seemingly no reason.
**Films Features**

**Where the Devil Roams**
*USA | 2023 | 93 min | Directors: Zelda Adams, John Adams, Toby Poser*

**Saturation, 3:30PM, Palm**
**Sunday, 8:15PM, Nugget**

In Person: Zelda Adams

A family of traveling sideshow performers traverse the harsh conditions of Depression-era America on a bloody search for eternal life. The Adams Family, directors of “The Deeper You Dig” (2019 Telluride Horror Show) and “Hellbender” (2021 Telluride Horror Show), continue to take the indie horror world by storm!

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**You’ll Never Find Me**
*Australia | 2023 | 96 min | Directors: Indianna Bell, Josiah Allen*

**Friday, 2PM, Sheridan**
**Saturday, 10AM, Sheridan**

Colorado Premiere

An isolated man living in the back of a desolate caravan park is visited by a desperate young woman seeking shelter from a violent storm. As the savage storm worsens, these solitary souls begin to feel threatened - but who should really be afraid? A bold directorial debut from filmmaking duo Josiah Allen & Indianna Bell, this sharp, twisted contained thriller features outstanding performances from Jordan Cowan and Brendan Rock.

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**When Evil Lurks**
*Argentina | 2023 | 100 min | Director: Demián Rugna*

**Sunday, 5:40PM, Palm**

Special Theatrical Presentation courtesy of IFC Films and Shudder

The residents of a small rural town discover that a demon is about to be born among them. They desperately try to escape before the evil is born, but it may be too late... A shocking supernatural thriller from the Argentine master of horror and director of Terrified (2018 Telluride Horror Show).

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*Canada | 1980 | 106 min | Director: Peter Medak*

6PM - 8PM

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**Get Primed for the Telluride Horror Show with Two Horror Classics at the Nugget Theatre, Thursday, October 12. Free Admission!**

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**Schedule**

**October 12, Thursday**

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SCRATCH
USA | 2023 | 24 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Michael Trainotti
IN PERSON: Michael Trainotti
A Father/Son weekend adventure becomes a terrifying fight for survival.

FOUNDATION
USA | 2022 | 8 min | WORLD PREMIERE
Director: Nello DiGiandomenico
Elle searches for her boyfriend Teddy when he’s mysteriously drawn into the basement of their apartment building.

THE CUSTODIAN
USA | 2023 | 9 min | WORLD PREMIERE
Director: Colin J. Mason
On Halloween night, two young women leave a party to venture into the woods in search of their friend, who has mysteriously disappeared. They stumble on a vast ruined building that shouldn’t be there - when they go inside, they soon realize that they shouldn’t be there either.

HERE TO STAY
USA | 2022 | 7 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Christopher Sheffield
IN PERSON: Christopher Sheffield
After abandoning friends and family at a funeral, Jude hides away in his home, but he’s not as alone as he thinks, and sometimes the horrible mistakes you make have a way of following you.

THE RECLAIMERS
USA | 2023 | 20 min | WORLD PREMIERE
Director: Jason Sheedy
IN PERSON: Jason Sheedy
After her grandparents are killed by invisible creatures, a determined young woman seeks to avenge them with the help of her canine companion - the only one who can see the mysterious invaders.

TOAD BOY
USA | 2023 | 13 min | N. AMER. PREMIERE
Director: Phillip J. McLaughlin
Todd is different and the other kids at school have noticed. When unexcused absences start piling up after a run-in with several bullies the principal discovers a disturbing book in Todd’s locker and fears a retaliation.

JULIETTE WASN’T INVITED TONIGHT
USA | 2023 | 5 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Michael Lazovsky
A high school teen finds herself spending her Saturday night alone in her bedroom…

NO SIGNATURE REQUIRED
USA | 2022 | 10 min
Director: Kenneth Lawrence
A woman finds a mysterious box on her doorstep, the contents of which will alter her perception of terror.

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LOLLYGAG
USA | 2022 | 10 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Tij D’Oyen
A woman recounts her sensual yet macabre childhood memory about the boy next door.

THE NOLBERTO METHOD
UK | 2023 | 10 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: David Winstone
A suicidal man has a bizarre and life changing decision to make when his therapist brings out an extremely disgusting slug that she claims will solve all his problems if he just licks it…

RINGING ROCKS
USA | 2022 | 17 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Gus Reed
The sole survivor of a mountain climb struggles to come to terms with a supernatural incident.

BOOKWORM
Spain | 2023 | 14 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Javier Yañez Sanz
In a dark, urban wasteland, a man cares for a creature that lives inside the walls of his hidden underground dwelling. When his attempts to tame the creature fail, he is forced to reckon with the true nature of his beloved companion.

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TERROR
UK | 2023 | 11 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Giles Buchanan
A young man takes his grief-stricken boyfriend to recover at an idyllic desert resort, but awakens to an eerie new reality.

MYSTERIES OF THE DESERT
USA | 2023 | 11 min | WORLD PREMIERE
Director: Adam Hardman
IN PERSON: Adam Hardman, Whitney Crowder
"On August 6th 2020, Lula Samm stopped by the side of the road to aid a stranded motorist. She was never seen again." -Palm Desert Tribune, 2023

GET AWAY
USA | 2022 | 15 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Michael Gabrielle
A group of friends spending the weekend at a remote vacation rental in the desert, play a mysterious VHS tape, and realize that there are too many strange and terrifying coincidences.

ROBBIE AIN’T RIGHT NO MORE
USA | 2023 | 18 min | WORLD PREMIERE
Director: Kyle Perritt
IN PERSON: Kyle Perritt, Emmie Holmes
Sarah (Madeleine McGraw, THE BLACK PHONE, OUTCAST) was close with her older brother Robbie (Jadon Cal, LAST OF THE GRADS) before he went off to war. But now he’s cold and distant. He doesn’t seem quite right anymore. When Sarah refuses to let him slip away, she finds out he brought something horrific home with him.

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USA | 2023 | 13 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Andrew Jacobson
After the death of her best friend, Liz attends Julie’s funeral gathering where strange events begin to occur.

THE SPIRIT BECAME FLESH
USA | 2023 | 17 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Jesse Aultman
In the middle-of-nowhere Alabama, Sam returns to his deeply religious hometown to visit his sister. To his horror, Sam discovers that his old community has turned into a fanatic cult that worships a sinister monster residing in their woods. Through their disturbing rituals and unnerving sacrifices, Sam is cornered by his townspeople as they attempt to induct him into their faith. He realizes he must find out what this being is and how to tell his sister of its true nature.

THE THAW
USA | 2023 | 17 min | CO PREMIERE
Directors: Sarah Wisner and Sean Temple
IN PERSON: Sarah Wisner, Sean Temple
In 19th century Vermont, a young woman’s parents drink sleeping tea in order to survive the harsh winter, but an early thaw leads to horrifying results.

TINY THING
USA | 2023 | 16 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Joshua Giuliano
It's the tiny things that fuck us over in the end.

EYESTRING
USA/Argentina | 2023 | 8 min
CO PREMIERE
Director: Javier Devitt
IN PERSON: Javier Devitt
Veronica has a mysterious string growing out of her eye and a cryptic message from a hotline service. As the string grows, strange signs related to the hotline message appear everywhere. Each clue she finds only further complicates the question. She must find a way to free herself.

SORE THROAT
USA | 2022 | 6 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Quinn O’Connor
The lies of a loved one follow a troubled boy to a new city, as a voice-stealing entity threatens to consume him entirely.

JANELLE’S BABY
USA | 2023 | 10 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Michael Squid
IN PERSON: Michael Squid, Matthew Canada, Rachael Richman
Janelle’s desire to have a baby of her own takes a heart-wrenching turn when she finds out she’s infertile. With additional worrisome blood lab results from the doctor and strange, secretive behavior, her husband’s concern grows.

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UK | 2023 | 7 min | CO PREMIERE
Directors: Alice & Ren Sanders White
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FORGOTTEN LAKE
Canada | 2023 | 7 min | CO PREMIERE
Directors: Matthew Kennedy, Adam Brooks
Counselors at Forgotten Lake Summer Camp are horrified to discover the legend of the Blueberry Boy is more real than they could have imagined.

THE ENCOUNTER
USA | 2022 | 2 min | WORLD PREMIERE
Director: G. Gotham Smith
IN PERSON: G. Gotham Smith
A man walking train tracks late at night meets another man.

SAID OF A DEER THAT SHEDS ITS ANTLERS
Belgium | 2023 | 20 min | U.S. PREMIERE
Director: Salomé Crickx
Today is the 167th annual Shedding, a cheerful ceremony that brings all generations together to promote ideological renewal. This year, Ben and her parents will experience it firsthand.

96% COOKED
USA | 2023 | 7 min | WORLD PREMIERE
Director: Mike Langer
IN PERSON: Mike Langer, Caroline Haydon
At the tail end of a funeral service, a woman begins to suspect there’s something wrong with her father’s urn…

SAVE THE WATERMELON
USA | 2022 | 10 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Chris W. Smith
The world’s best gamer tests out a new video game. But everything might not be as it seems.

WE JOINED A CULT
USA | 2023 | 4 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Chris McInroy
IN PERSON: Chris McInroy, Carlos LaRotta
They just wanted to play kickball. We’ve lost track of how many times Chris McInroy has been at the Telluride Horror Show… we’re just glad he keeps making hilarious horror comedy shorts for us to show every year!

FISHMONGER
USA | 2023 | 26 min | CO PREMIERE
Director: Neil Ferron
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