



CJTV OCTOBER 2026

FEAR UNDER EXAMINATION

Crime. Psychology. Evidence. Belief.

PUBLIC PROGRAMMING GUIDE

October 1-31, 2026

Throughout October, CJTV examines fear through criminal justice, psychology, sociology, forensic science, law, and evidence. Each program separates dramatic labels from what evidence can actually establish, while exploring the human beliefs and perceptions that make frightening ideas so powerful.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2026

WE FEAR DEATH — SO WHY DO WE WATCH OTHERS DIE?

Death Psychology | Mortality | True Crime

Death is among the most powerful sources of human fear, yet death, murder, catastrophe, and violent crime remain major forms of entertainment and public fascination. This episode examines the apparent contradiction through psychology, criminology, sociology, and media research. CJTV explores mortality salience, morbid curiosity, fear regulation, true-crime consumption, empathy, emotional distancing, and the psychological attraction of observing danger from a position of safety. Rather than assuming that an interest in death reflects pathology, the program asks a more difficult question: can watching death and violence actually become one way human beings attempt to understand, control, and psychologically rehearse the thing they fear most?

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EDUCATE
ANALYZE
QUESTION
UNDERSTAND

WE
ALL
WATCH
IN THE
END.

CJTV PRESENTS

WE FEAR DEATH

SO WHY DO WE WATCH OTHERS DIE?

DEATH PSYCHOLOGY | MORTALITY | TRUE CRIME

TRUE CRIME
WHY WE WATCH

PSYCHOLOGY
TRUE CRIME
MEDIA
MORTALITY

DEATH
SHAPES
US ALL

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2026

FEAR | CURIOSITY | CULTURE | THE HUMAN MIND

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026

WITCHCRAFT — Psychology, Sociology, and the Criminal Justice Perspective

Witches | Belief | Accusation | Law

Witchcraft has existed simultaneously as religious belief, cultural identity, accusation, explanation for misfortune, and justification for punishment. This episode moves beyond fictional witches to examine what accusations of witchcraft reveal about human behavior and institutions. CJTV investigates belief formation, magical thinking, conformity, moral panic, social labeling, collective fear, false accusation, historical prosecutions, and the continuing legal problems created when supernatural beliefs collide with criminal conduct. The central issue is not whether supernatural powers can be scientifically demonstrated, but what happens when people sincerely believe that such powers exist—and governments, communities, victims, suspects, or defendants act upon those beliefs.

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HISTORY
BELIEF
PEOPLE
LAW
CONSEQUENCES

SAME QUESTIONS.
A DARKER MONTH.

WITCHCRAFT
PSYCHOLOGY, SOCIOLOGY, AND
THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE PERSPECTIVE

WITCHES | BELIEF | ACCUSATION | LAW

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026

BELIEF SHAPES PEOPLE.
PEOPLE SHAPE LAWS.

FEAR CREATES ACCUSATIONS.
EVIDENCE CREATES JUSTICE.

FEED U CATE | ANALYZE | QUESTION | UNDERSTAND

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2026

THE SCIENCE OF A HAUNTING — Why Intelligent People See Ghosts

Ghosts | Perception | Psychology

Seeing or sensing a ghost does not necessarily require irrationality, deception, or mental illness. Human perception is an active process in which the brain interprets incomplete and ambiguous information, particularly under conditions involving darkness, expectation, fear, fatigue, grief, isolation, and uncertainty. This episode investigates apparitional experiences through cognitive psychology, neuroscience, environmental explanations, sleep phenomena, memory, suggestion, pareidolia, expectation, and social influence. CJTV separates the reality of the experience from claims about the cause of that experience: a person may genuinely perceive something extraordinary without that perception establishing that a supernatural entity was actually present.

The poster features a man with a beard and glasses in the foreground, looking towards a large, glowing ghostly figure in the background. The background is a dark, atmospheric scene with a large, ornate house and a full moon. The title 'THE SCIENCE OF A HAUNTING' is prominently displayed in the center, with 'WHY INTELLIGENT PEOPLE SEE GHOSTS' below it. The date 'THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2026' is shown in a red box. Various thematic elements like a skull, books, and a crow are scattered around the bottom. Text on the left lists 'QUESTION ANALYZE EXAMINE UNDERSTAND' and 'PERCEPTION MEMORY SUGGESTION SLEEP ENVIRONMENT CULTURE THE UNKNOWN'. Text on the right lists 'REAL EXPERIENCES. COMPLEX EXPLANATIONS.' and 'PERCEPTION PSYCHOLOGY NEUROSCIENCE ENVIRONMENT CULTURE BELIEF'. A 'CASE FILES' list includes 'APPARITIONS PERCEPTION ENVIRONMENT TESTIMONY EXPLANATION ORIGINS REALITY?'. The bottom text reads 'THE BRAIN SEEKS MEANING. SOMETIMES, IT FINDS MORE THAN WE EXPECT.' and 'SAME QUESTIONS. A DARKER MONTH.'

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UNDERSTAND

PERCEPTION
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ENVIRONMENT
CULTURE
THE UNKNOWN

**THE SCIENCE
OF A
HAUNTING**
WHY INTELLIGENT PEOPLE SEE GHOSTS

REAL EXPERIENCES.
COMPLEX EXPLANATIONS.

PERCEPTION
PSYCHOLOGY
NEUROSCIENCE
ENVIRONMENT
CULTURE
BELIEF

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THE BRAIN SEEKS MEANING.
SOMETIMES, IT FINDS MORE
THAN WE EXPECT.

GHOSTS | PERCEPTION | PSYCHOLOGY

CASE FILES
APPARITIONS
PERCEPTION
ENVIRONMENT
TESTIMONY
EXPLANATION
ORIGINS
REALITY?

SAME QUESTIONS. A DARKER MONTH.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2026

THE VAMPIRE IN THE COURTROOM — When Bloodlust Becomes a Criminal-Justice Question

Vampires | Forensic Psychology | Law

The supernatural vampire belongs to folklore, but blood-focused behavior, vampire identities, ritualized conduct, unusual beliefs, and crimes described through vampire mythology have occasionally entered real criminal investigations and courtrooms. CJTV examines what happens when sensational labels collide with forensic psychology and criminal law. The episode distinguishes folklore from clinical terminology, subculture from psychopathology, fantasy from criminal conduct, and unusual identity from evidence of dangerousness. Most importantly, it asks whether calling an offender a “vampire” explains behavior—or merely replaces careful forensic analysis with a frightening and memorable label.

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ANALYZE
QUESTION
UNDERSTAND
SEPARATE
FACT FROM FICTION

FOLKLORE
IDENTITY
BEHAVIOR
LAW
REAL CASES

MYTH
CAN ENTER
THE COURTROOM.
THE EVIDENCE
STILL MATTERS.

**THE VAMPIRE
IN THE COURTROOM**

WHEN BLOODLUST BECOMES A
CRIMINAL-JUSTICE QUESTION

VAMPIRES | FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY | LAW

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SENSATIONAL LABELS
DO NOT REPLACE
SCHOLARLY ANALYSIS.

SAME QUESTIONS. A DARKER MONTH.
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Stacks of books and case files with labels: FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY, CRIMINAL LAW, SUBCULTURE, IDENTITY, VIOLENCE, MYTHOLOGY, EVIDENCE, JUSTICE, CASE FILES, IDENTITY, RITUALIZED CONDUCT, FORENSIC ANALYSIS, CRIMINAL LIABILITY.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2026

POSSESSED OR PSYCHIATRIC? — When Demons, Mental Illness, and Criminal Responsibility Collide

Possession | Forensic Psychology | Criminal Responsibility

Across cultures and historical periods, unusual behavior has sometimes been interpreted as demonic possession and at other times as evidence of mental disorder. The distinction becomes particularly consequential when violence or criminal conduct occurs. This episode examines possession claims without ridiculing religious belief or treating religious explanations as clinical diagnoses. CJTV explores culturally informed assessment, psychosis, dissociation, malingering, religious experience, competency, criminal responsibility, and the legal standards governing mental-state defenses. The central question is evidentiary: when supernatural and psychiatric explanations compete, what can forensic science actually establish—and what remains beyond its legitimate reach?

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BELIEF
CULTURE
MENTAL ILLNESS
CRIMINAL
RESPONSIBILITY
REAL CASES

DIFFERENT EXPLANATIONS.
REAL CONSEQUENCES.

FAITH.
SCIENCE.
LAW.
HUMAN NATURE.

POSSESSED OR PSYCHIATRIC?
WHEN DEMONS, MENTAL ILLNESS, AND
CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY COLLIDE

POSSESSION | FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY | LAW

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2026

SAME BEHAVIOR.
DIFFERENT EXPLANATIONS.
REAL CONSEQUENCES.

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CRIME. PSYCHOLOGY. EVIDENCE. BELIEF.

RELIGION
PSYCHIATRY
FORENSIC SCIENCE
CRIMINAL LAW
CULTURE
HISTORY
HUMAN BEHAVIOR

BELIEF
BEHAVIOR
EVIDENCE
CONTEXT
JUSTICE

MENTAL ILLNESS
OR
DEMONIC
POSSESSION?
?

CASE FILES
EVALUATION
DIAGNOSIS
TESTIMONY
EVIDENCE
VERDICT

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2026

WOULD YOU SPEND THE NIGHT IN A MURDER HOUSE?

Murder | Haunted Places | Social Psychology | Law

A building in which someone was murdered may remain physically unchanged, yet knowledge of the crime can completely transform how people experience it. This episode uses the “murder house” as a psychological and sociological experiment. CJTV examines stigma, expectation, fear conditioning, environmental perception, memory, dark tourism, property disclosure, notoriety, community identity, and the commercialization of tragedy. If two identical houses produce radically different emotional reactions simply because one carries a violent history, the episode asks where the fear actually resides: inside the building—or inside the human interpretation of the building?

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PSYCHOLOGY
CRIMINOLOGY
FORENSIC SCIENCE
PARANORMAL CLAIMS
MEDIA
CULTURE
REAL CASES

PLACES
HOLD STORIES.
AND SOMETIMES
THEY HOLD
SOMETHING ELSE.

MEMORY
TRAUMA
SUGGESTION
PARANORMAL
REALITY

**WOULD YOU SPEND
THE NIGHT IN A
MURDER HOUSE?**

FEAR, PSYCHOLOGY, AND THE REALITY
BEHIND HAUNTED CRIME SCENES

TRUE CRIME | PSYCHOLOGY | PARANORMAL CLAIMS | EVIDENCE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2026

REAL PLACES.
REAL CASES.
REAL QUESTIONS.

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CRIME. PSYCHOLOGY. EVIDENCE. BELIEF.

SOME HOUSES
NEVER
FORGET

PEOPLE
LEAVE.
EVIDENCE
DOESN'T.

CRIME SCENE DO NOT CROSS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2026

THE DEAD DON'T LOOK DEAD YET — The Strange Forensic Science Between Death and Decomposition

Corpses | Decomposition | Forensic Science

Death is not a single visible transformation. Between the cessation of life and advanced decomposition lies a complex sequence of biological and environmental changes that forensic investigators must interpret carefully. CJTV examines the postmortem interval, algor mortis, rigor mortis, livor mortis, autolysis, putrefaction, insect activity, environmental effects, decomposition research, and the limitations surrounding estimates of time since death. The episode also confronts the unsettling reality that popular entertainment often portrays death far more cleanly and predictably than forensic science allows. The body becomes evidence—but evidence whose interpretation changes continuously after death.

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FORENSIC SCIENCE
DECOMPOSITION
PSYCHOLOGY
TIME SINCE DEATH
ENVIRONMENT
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION
REAL CASES

DECOMPOSITION
DOES NOT LIE.
IT TELLS A STORY.
WE JUST HAVE
TO KNOW
HOW TO READ IT.

SCIENCE.
EVIDENCE.
CONTEXT.
REALITY.

**THE DEAD DON'T
LOOK DEAD YET**
THE STRANGE FORENSIC SCIENCE BETWEEN
DEATH AND DECOMPOSITION

FORENSIC SCIENCE | TIME SINCE DEATH | ENVIRONMENT | REAL CASES

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2026

DEATH CHANGES.
SCIENCE EXPLAINS.
THE TRUTH MATTERS.

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CRIME. PSYCHOLOGY. EVIDENCE. BELIEF.

DECOMPOSITION
ENTOMOLOGY
FORENSIC PATHOLOGY
ENVIRONMENT
BODY FARM RESEARCH
TIME SINCE DEATH
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION
REAL CASES

RIGOR MORTIS
LIVOR MORTIS
ALGOR MORTIS
DECOMPOSITION
INSECT ACTIVITY
ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS
ESTIMATING TIME
CAUTION IN CONCLUSIONS

EVIDENCE
CASE:
ITEM:
DATE:
ANALYST:

The body tells
a timeline.
Nature leaves
evidence.
Time reveals
what humans hide.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026

THE DEVIL MADE ME DO IT — Can the Supernatural Become a Criminal Defense?

Demonic Belief | Courts | Responsibility

Can a defendant escape criminal responsibility by claiming that a demon, spirit, or supernatural force caused the criminal act? This episode separates dramatic courtroom mythology from actual principles of criminal responsibility. CJTV examines voluntariness, mens rea, competency, insanity doctrines, diminished mental functioning where legally relevant, religious belief, delusion, and the evidentiary problems created by supernatural explanations. Historical and modern cases provide the framework for a larger question: courts do not have to determine whether demons exist, but they may have to determine what a defendant believed, how that belief affected mental functioning, and whether those facts satisfy a recognized legal standard.

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LAW
MENTAL HEALTH
RELIGION
CRIMINAL DEFENSE
PSYCHOLOGY
CULTURE
REAL CASES

EXORCISM
INSANITY DEFENSE
RELIGION
PSYCHOLOGY
CRIMINAL LAW
CULTURAL BELIEF
REAL CASES

FAITH.
ILLNESS.
MANIPULATION.
OR SOMETHING
ELSE?

WHEN THE
SUPERNATURAL
ENTERS
THE COURTROOM,
THE QUESTIONS
ONLY GET
HARDER.

NOT
GUILTY
BY REASON
OF
POSSESSION?

**THE DEVIL
MADE ME DO IT**
CAN THE SUPERNATURAL BECOME
A CRIMINAL DEFENSE?

INSANITY DEFENSE | CULTURE | PSYCHOLOGY | REAL CASES

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026

EXTRAORDINARY CLAIMS.
REAL CONSEQUENCES.

Possession?
Psychosis?
Malingering?
Cultural belief?
Or something else?

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HOLY BIBLE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2026

THE TWELFTH DOOR — PRELUDE: The Evidence That Should Not Exist

Forbidden Archives Prelude | Evidence | Audience Investigation

Two nights before Halloween, CJTV opens the file but does not reveal the answer. This special prelude introduces the evidence surrounding The Twelfth Door, a fictional case constructed around genuine problems in criminal investigation, forensic psychology, criminalistics, eyewitness evidence, digital evidence, memory, and scientific inference. Viewers receive selected pieces of the case and are challenged to develop competing explanations before the complete investigation is presented on Halloween night. Every artifact may matter. Every witness may be mistaken. Every explanation must confront the evidence. The case is fictional—but the investigative problems are not.

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INVESTIGATION
PSYCHOLOGY
FORENSIC SCIENCE
PARANORMAL CLAIMS
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CULTURE
REAL CASES

THE TWELFTH DOOR
PRELUDE:
THE EVIDENCE THAT SHOULD NOT EXIST

INVESTIGATION | FORENSIC SCIENCE | PSYCHOLOGY | SKEPTICISM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2026

SOME CASES AREN'T SOLVED.
THEY'RE EXPLAINED AWAY.

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CRIME. PSYCHOLOGY. EVIDENCE. BELIEF.

SOME DOORS SHOULD STAY CLOSED.

NOT ALL CASES HAVE A NATURAL EXPLANATION.

CASE FILE
CLASSIFIED
The evidence is real.
The story isn't over.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2026 — HALLOWEEN NIGHT

CJTV FORBIDDEN ARCHIVES: THE TWELFTH DOOR — The Case That Should Not Exist

The case is fictional. The questions are not.

On Halloween night, CJTV abandons the traditional lecture format and opens a case that should be impossible. The Twelfth Door is an original fictional investigation built from real principles of forensic psychology, criminology, criminalistics, sociology, law, and scientific reasoning. Evidence appears to contradict witnesses. Witnesses contradict one another. Forensic findings challenge the apparent timeline. Rational explanations solve portions of the mystery while creating new problems elsewhere. Viewers become investigators and must decide what the evidence establishes, what it merely suggests, and what cannot legitimately be concluded. The objective is not simply to solve a fictional mystery. It is to demonstrate how quickly certainty collapses when observation, memory, science, belief, and fear enter the same investigation.

REAL CONCEPTS.

ACADEMIC DISCUSSION.

AUDIENCE INVOLVEMENT.

UNSETTLING POSSIBILITIES.

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FORBIDDEN ARCHIVES

THE TWELFTH DOOR

The Case That Should Not Exist

2026 HALLOWEEN SPECIAL

CRIME

PSYCHOLOGY

FORENSICS

POLITICS

CONSPIRACY

HUMAN BEHAVIOR

THE UNKNOWN

CASE 12

FORBIDDEN

EVIDENCE

INTERVIEWS

ANALYSIS

THEORIES

UNANSWERED QUESTIONS

THE CASE IS FICTIONAL.

THE QUESTIONS ARE NOT.

Twelve Doors.

Five People.

No Explanation.

What Would You Believe?

CLASSIFIED

SOME CASES.

SHOULD STAY CLOSED.

SAME EVIDENCE.

DIFFERENT TRUTHS.

WHAT DO YOU SEE?

LIVE ON CJTV

THINK DISCUSS CHALLENGE BELONG

OCT 31 2026

8:00 PM ET LIVE

INTERACTIVE LIVESTREAM

BELIEVE NOTHING. TEST EVERYTHING.