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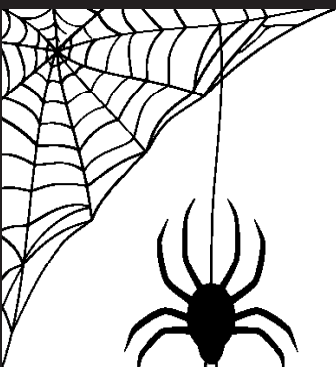
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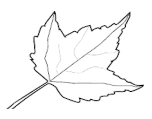
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by, Emma Ferguson



Halloween History



Halloween, the holiday every kid, teenager, and adult loves! October 31st has become one of the most popular times of the year in today's history. The spooky season is celebrated all across the world.

However, no one seems to know where the holiday originated, even though it is a huge part of most kids' childhood. While some may believe the holiday was created for kids to get free candy, it was actually not originally created for kids at all.

According to an article by Grateful, Halloween is believed to be created more than 2,000 years ago. A festival was held at the end of October to celebrate the end of the harvest. It was believed on October 31st the dead overlapped with the living, and the dead came back to life. Then, the Roman empire declared November 2 as All Souls Day in honor of the dead. They celebrated by dressing up in devil, angel, and saint costumes, and had bonfires and parades.

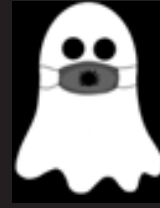
However, Trick or Treating stemmed from a three-day event called Allhallowtide. Participants dressed in black to mourn the dead. This also started the practice of "souling" in which people went door-to-door begging for food and treats for the memory of the dead.

Halloween became more and more popular throughout the world, as people began to celebrate it on October 31st. America first saw the concept when Irish and Scottish immigrants shared the tradition. In the early 1930s, more and more people began dressing up and going door to door for candy. It became a holiday to celebrate with family and friends. Halloween is now one of the most celebrated holidays, and will always have a special place in our hearts.





Hoosier Frights



Everyone loves a good ghost story to tell around the fire, especially when the ghosts might be sitting right next to you! These ghost stories are all from our home state of Indiana, perfect for late October nights and terrifying fellow Hoosiers.

The Old Kosciusko County Jail

First, a story from our very own town, Warsaw. The Old County Jail was designed and built by George Garnsey and Richard Epperson in 1870. The jail operated from the time it was built until 1982 when the current Justice Building took over the inmates. The Old County Jail is now a local museum and was listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Although none of the history seems especially spooky, there was a seedy underbelly of the jail. Between John Dillinger rolling through town in the 1930s and murders occurring between the inmates, there definitely may be some ghosts lurking in the jail. Visitors and workers alike have reported seeing spirits walking through the jail in old fashioned clothes, smelling lingering clouds of tobacco smoke, and items moving without an explanation.

Indiana Central State Hospital

Once known as The Hospital for the Insane, the Indianapolis Central State Hospital first opened its doors in 1848. The most patients the hospital ever took in was about 2500 men, women, and children. The final patients were released in 1994 after allegations of abuse within the hospital. Recently, it was discovered that there were up to five miles of tunnels underneath the hospital where patients were restrained and punished as a mental health treatment. Many historians believe that spirits still linger on the grounds. Although many of the original buildings have been torn down, several still remain. Due to the sheer amount of patients the hospital housed, the hospital workers were forced to bury deceased patients on the grounds, some even in unmarked graves. Physics, mediums, and paranormal experts all agree that the hospital contains a multitude of dark energy. Surviving patients, past workers, and anyone who has visited the grounds since the hospital closed have reported witnessing some very spooky events. Pipes clanging, unexplained shadows moving, maniacal laughing, and even violent ghost attacks.

Finch Cemetery

The Finch Cemetery in Portland, Indiana has graves that date back to the 1800s. It is a very small cemetery but it hosts some big tales. The most infamous is the grave of a young boy that died named Cinderella. On the walk to his grave you will count 13 tombstones but on the way back there are only 11. There is also a grave deeper into the woods that surrounds the cemetery that stands alone. The shifting gravestones and the strange spacing of the cemetery provides an eerie feeling on the small plot of land.

-Piper Ellis

Superstitions...

Superstition, according to Merriam Webster, is “a belief or practice resulting from ignorance, fear of the unknown, trust in magic or chance, or a false conception of causation.” Although they may seem like fake stories made up to scare people, superstitious things like black cats, broken mirrors, the number 13, knocking on wood, throwing salt over your left shoulder, four-leaf clovers, and walking under ladders are believed to be true by at least 25% of U.S. citizens alone. If you’re a numbers person, it might be helpful to know that that is 82,375,000 people who consider themselves to be superstitious. Friday the 13th, opening umbrellas inside, finding a horseshoe, knocking twice on wood, and saying “God bless you” are also common superstitious things to believe in. There is no definitive reason why people choose to believe in things that are logically untrue, but whatever the reason, it has caused people to avoid some very ridiculous things.



By: Zo Shearer

Friday the 13th...

As many of you already know, Friday the 13th has long been a day for people to fear. Here are some major events in the past that have taken place on Friday the 13th. And in case you were wondering, here is a list of when Friday the 13th will occur within the next decade.

F	2022: May
R	2023: January, October
I	2024: September, December
D	2025: June
A	2026: February, March, November
Y	2027: August
THE	2028: October
1	2029: April, July
3	2030: September, December
T	2031: June
H	2032: February, August

On Friday the 13th of 1964, Kitty Genovese (who was the owner of a bar), was stabbed and sexually assaulted by a stranger named Winston Moseley. During the investigation, it was found that over 30 people had witnessed the event, but they decided to turn a blind eye. This event actually became an example of the bystander effect in classrooms learning psychology (the bystander effect happens when people decide not to take action because they assume that somebody else will). Later on, it was discovered that not nearly as many people had actually seen the attack take place, and for those who did, they did not understand the gravity of the situation.

On Friday the 13th of 1972 (in October), a rugby team named Uruguayan Old Christians Club took a flight to Chile for their next event. Unexpectedly, the plane crashed into the peak of an Andean Mountain because of navigational issues. Of the 45 passengers that were on board, only 27 survived the crash, and those 27 didn’t know the half of it yet. They had little to no gear for cold weather, and a small food supply; eventually, the passengers were dying of starvation and turned to cannibalism. Several passengers became sick and died, and an avalanche killed eight additional people. By the end of December, two of the passengers made a final effort in hopes of survival for their fellow passengers and themselves by hiking and begging for help. They succeeded and a rescue team was miraculously able to save the 16 remaining people. In total, these 18 people survived 72 days with no food, shelter, or warm clothes, but evidently, the other 27 people didn’t stand a chance.

Other Major Events on Friday the 13th:

- Bombing of Buckingham Palace (1940)
- guy who survived a jump over Niagara Falls died jumping into Genesee Falls (1829)
- deadliest cyclone ever known struck Bangladesh and killed over 300,000 people (1970)
- First official day of the pandemic in US (2020)
- Tupac Shakur died (1996)
- 13 year old boy struck by lightning at 1:13 pm (13:13 in military time) (2010)

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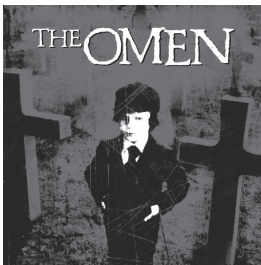
Who doesn't love Halloween, right? From the candy, to decorations, dressing up, or even all the scary movie marathons. We have all seen the new(ish) movies like: *Things Seen and Heard*, *The 8th Night*, and maybe even *Fear Street (1-4)*. What about all the classic horror movies that seem to slip everyone's minds? The OG halloween flicks, that immortalized these characters forever, here's just a few of the best.



Surprisingly not many have seen this twisted physiological thriller, it was filmed in 1968. Based on Ira Levin's book *Rosemary's Baby*, centers on a pregnant woman living in Manhattan with her husband. As her pregnancy develops, she has thoughts her baby may not be of this world, something evil maybe lurking inside of her.



ROSEMARY'S BABY

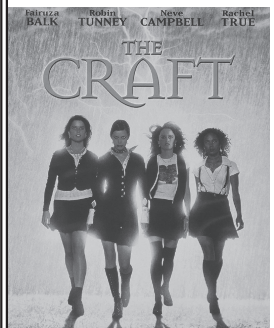


1976 supernatural film, unfolds a story about a small boy named Damien. Damien is adopted by a small family, Robert and Katherine: after they realized they couldn't have children. But, weirdly everyone Damien finds himself coming in contact with are dying in the most ungodly ways. Roberts starts to have suspicions of Damien, looking deeper into his past; finding he may be the son of something much more sinister than they thought.

THE OMEN



"If God and the Devil were Playing football, Manon would be the stadium that they played on; He would be the sun that shone down on them." In this occult classic, three Los Angeles high school students find themselves practicing witchcraft; and worshipping the embodiment of nature known as "Manon." They find their fourth member Sarah Bailey (Robin Tunney) as she is new to their school, and undeniably perfect for the rituals as she has telekinetic gifts. As they find power in worshipping him, three of the girls become power-mad. Using the power for evil, creating catastrophic events to occur.



THE CRAFT



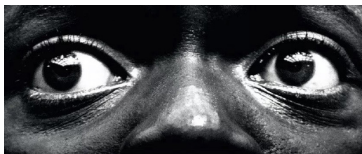
-Emma Hall

Jordan Peele's Impact on Horror

Some of the best horror films are classics, but have you ever thought of recent horror films; that have completely changed the game? I guess we would all think of *The Conjuring*, the many *Saw* movies, or maybe even *Midsummer*. Or what about remakes of the most classic horror films like, critically acclaimed *Candy Man*. Do you know who directed *Candy Man*, *Get Out*, or even *Us*? Jordan Peele is not only a comedian, but a redefining figure in the horror genre. (yes Peele from Key & Peele).



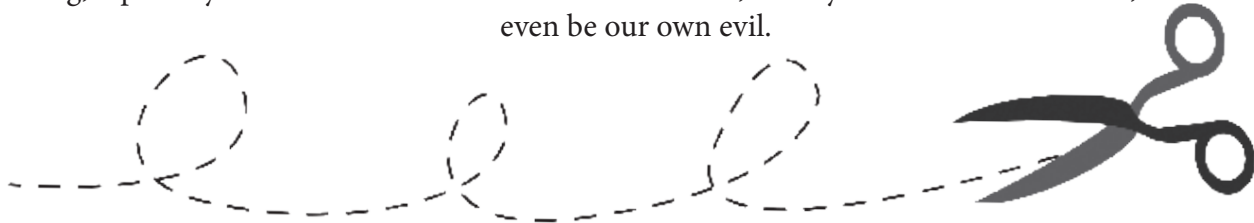
Get Out was one of Jordan Peele's first feature horror films. Making 255.4 million dollars in the box office. It was voted in the top ten movies of 2017, rating ninety-eight percent on rotten tomatoes. *Get Out* was nominated for thirty-nine major awards, and given seventeen awards. Featuring Daniel Kaluuya, Lakeith Stanfield, and Lil Rel Howery. Racial stereotypes are deeply talked about in this neo-horror movie.



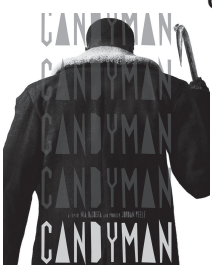
GET OUT



Lupita Nyong'o features as Red in blood curdling horror *Us*. Peele's movie made about 255.4 million dollars in the box office. It ranked ninety-three percent on Rotten Tomatoes. The plot of the movie is based on the doppelgänger jinx, how we all have opposite sides of ourselves; portrayed in a tortuous evil way. The movie possesses a lot of deep thinking, especially on the idea of America's fear of outsiders, or maybe the fear of ourselves; because we might even be our own evil.



The brand new remake of *Candy Man*, coming out just about two months ago. Peele was an executive producer on the movie set, to which it made 75.1 million dollars in the box office. It explores the macabre history of the original *Candy Man*, in a thrilling way. It also features the original *Candy Man* "Tony Todd."

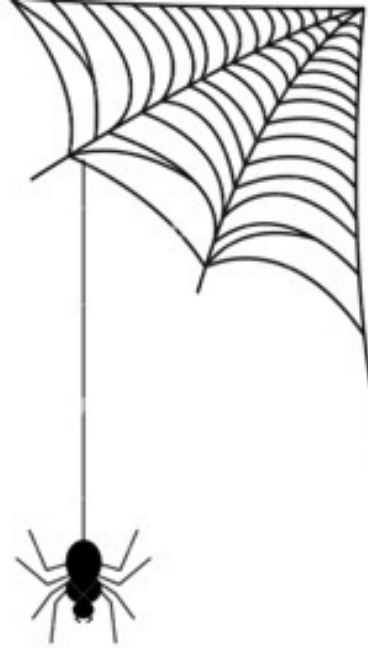


One of the best directors of the new horror generation is Jordan Peele. Not only from his grossing sales, but his stomach turning ideas. His movie's are awarded for the cinematic appeal, raving soundtracks, and deep thinking. He is also a very inclusive director, talking a lot about issues that are frequently ignored today such as: systematic racism, racial stereotypes, and gentrification. -Emma Hall

BOOK BABBLER

REVIEWING

THE PICTURE OF DORIAN GRAY



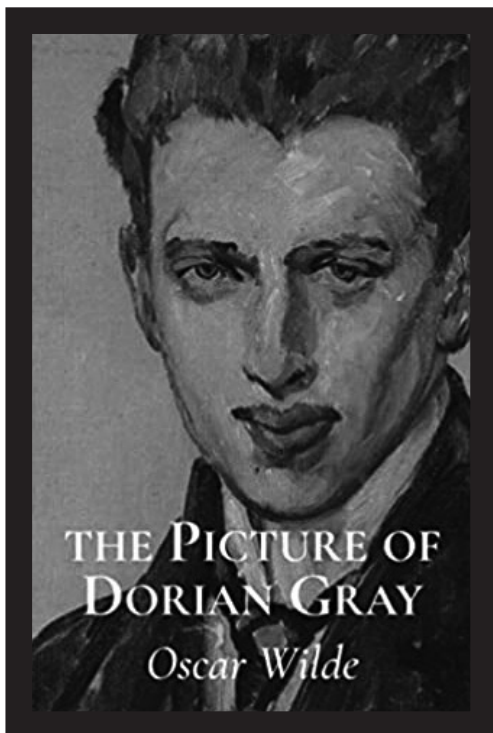
Every Halloween I pick out a supernatural, eerie story to read. A couple of years ago I chose to read *The Picture of Dorian Gray* and was enraptured by this tale debating the value of beauty compared to the value of one's soul. The main characters within this story include the artist Basil Hallward, the beautiful, wealthy Dorian Gray, and the scandalous Lord Henry Wotton. Oscar Wilde, the witty author, writes about the corruption and moral downfall of Dorian Gray, taking a surprising, almost horrifying turn that portrays the consequences of being too concerned with vanity.

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“Those who find beautiful meanings in beautiful things are the cultivated. For these there is hope.” -Oscar Wilde *The Picture of Dorian Gray*



GABBY PETITO § WHAT HAPPENED?

Blogger Gabby Petito went missing while on a 4-month long cross-country road trip going to the national parks in the western part of the United States with her fiancé Brian Laundrie.

The couple would post about van life and would post updates on their road trip including where they were. Petito and Laundrie departed from where they lived in Florida in June of 2021. On July 2nd of 2021, the couple left New York after seeing Petito's little brother in Blue Point, New York, where Petito was raised. The couple visited to celebrate her brother's graduation before starting their cross-country road trip.

The couple rode across the country in a 2012 Ford Transit van that they had converted into a living space. On August 12th, in Moab City, Utah, 911 got a call about Laundrie and Petito in a domestic dispute where Laundrie slapped and chased Petito. Another witness stated that he locked her out of the van (which) was hers for



for a while before they left. Not long after the call, police pulled over the van for swerving, and also because of the 911 call. When pulled over, Petito was crying while Laundrie was extremely calm, Laundrie then blamed Petito for grabbing the steering wheel while driving making him swerve, Petito denied this.

In a report from Officer Eric Pratt, it states "both the male and female reported they are in love and engaged to be married and desperately didn't wish to see anyone charged with a crime." The officers saw scratches on Laundrie's arm which were blamed on Petito and the officers took photos of them, even though they never took photos of the bruises and scratches on Petito. The officers advised Petito and Laundrie to stay at separate places for the night, they gave Laundrie a free hotel room to separate him from "the primary abuser." In an official report the officer described Petito as "confused and emotional." Officer Robbins' report stated, "After evaluating the totality of the circumstances, I do not believe the situation escalated to the level of a domestic assault as much as that of a mental health crisis."

The officers on the scene also labeled Petito as the primary aggressor and continued to joke with Laundrie. No charges were ever filed and the couple was free to go. According to the Laundrie family attorney, Brian Laundrie flew home on August 17th, but flew back to Utah on August 23rd, to "rejoin Gabby."

On August 27th, the last known sighting of Petito occurred when she and Laundrie were at a restaurant called the Merry Piglet. According to witness Nina Celio Angelo, Laundrie was extremely mad and was yelling at the hostess while Petito cried and kept apologizing until she left the restaurant unexpectedly while still in tears.

On August 30th, Petito's mother received her last ever communication from Petito.

On September 1st, Laundrie returned home in Petito's van without her.

On September 11th, Petito was reported missing.

That night when the police went to Laundrie's house where he was nowhere to be found. On September 18th, the FBI started a dual search for the couple, bringing in search dogs and even divers to search the Carlton Reserve which is known as the last confirmed time Laundrie was spotted. September 19th was the day Petito's body was found in Wyoming in what the police said was a homicide. On September 23rd, an arrest warrant for fraud was issued by the FBI because after the death of Petito, Laundrie had used one of her debit cards.

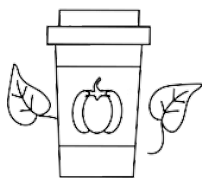
On October 12th nearly a month after Petito's body was found, the full autopsy was announced. Her body had been left in the wild for at least three weeks before the police found her body, and she died by strangulation. Brian Laundrie was found dead in the Carlton Reserve on October 20th, and the autopsy was inconclusive. A notebook that belonged to Brian Laundrie was found by his body. The notebook has been described as possibly salvageable by police, this may be the only way we can find out what truly happened to Gabby.

We may never know what happened to Gabby Petito, we can only speculate on what happened on that fateful day. You can donate to the Gabby Petito Foundation in honor of her. The foundation works to support organizations that help to locate missing people and assist victims of domestic violence situations by teaching people prevention strategies and awareness.

By Kelaney Barden

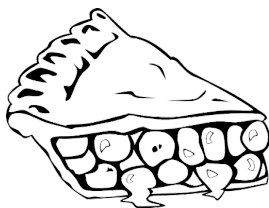
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Fall Favorites



Pumpkin Spice latte, one of the most famous fall drinks of all time. These festive drinks have become a staple for the holiday. Without it, is it really fall?

This delicious sugar-filled treat is something everybody needs during the holidays. During fall, pies are a must!



Yum, pumpkin rolls! This addicting treat is bound to be scarfed down in seconds, having you begging for seconds.

Last, but certainly not least, caramel apples. These caramel-covered fruits are a huge part of fall. Everyone knows these sticky treats are a must-have.



Some *HORRIBLY SCARY,* **DANGEROUSLY AWFUL** **JOKES**



What do Italian ghosts have for dinner?
Boo-ghetti.

Why was the candy corn booed off
the stage?
All of his jokes were too corny.



How do ghosts wash their
hair?
With sham-boo.

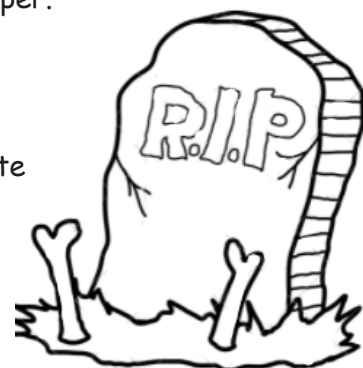
How do vampires get around
on Halloween?
On blood vessels.

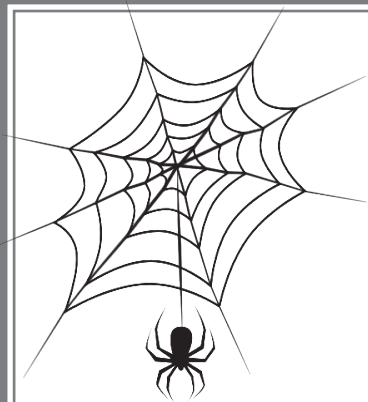
What room does a ghost not need?
A living room.

What's a mummy's favorite type of music?
Wrap.

What do you call a cleaning skeleton?
The grim sweeper.

What's a vampire's favorite
fruit?
Neck-tarines.





Well, I used to see shadow people when I was little, but here is an experience I'll never forget.

I was at a sleepover with a couple of friends during the summer of the upcoming 2017 - 2018 school year. We did all of the regular things girls like to do at sleepovers: talk about boys, gawk over really cute

clothes we saw online, do face masks, and play scary sleepover games. Somewhere around midnight, a girl I knew (let's call her L) wanted to play "Catscratch." Catscratch was a game where you told a story of a lady and her cat. Supposedly, after you told the story while

rubbing someone's temples, you'd have scratches on your back. I played last of course since I wanted to see it firsthand when others did it. I thought it was just some silly game with a stupid tale. But, when it became my turn, my friend rubbed my temples and L started telling the story. By the end of the story, they had lifted the back of my shirt and gasped loudly. They took a picture of my back and showed me. I was horrified to see the

When I was at least 8 or 9, I woke up to my doorknob shaking like someone was messing with it. And like the stupid kid I was, I didn't turn on any lights. I went checked behind my door and there was nothing there. I freaked out and woke my mom up. She was tired but she came upstairs (the doorknob was still shaking) and was so confused and told me to go back to bed. Then she went back downstairs. It went on for a while and then it stopped. I swear to you this was real, it may seem fake, but I remember it like it was yesterday. Very creepy.
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dark red scratches that had been strung across my back. The scratches located on the top left of my back looked bruised. They were vertical, long, and had made that area of my skin puff up. The ones in the center of my back looked bloody even though they weren't bleeding, these were horizontal and I could feel them start to burn. The ones at the bottom of my back were very minor and had a peachy color to them. When the others and I compared pictures, I had the most scratches on my back and felt like I was being watched for the rest of the night. I never slept and went home around 9 AM the following day.

Needless to say, 2 years ago, I was snapping friends at 2 AM (it was really dark) and behind me were two red eyes, the same ones as those of the picture of the lady and her cat from "Catscratch." I

When I was in 6th grade, I was terrified of the dark. I always had to have a night light in my room for me to be able to sleep. One night it blew, leaving me in the dark. I decided to open my door a bit to keep the light in. I go to sleep for the night, I had nightmares about demons leaping at me from my closet and my bed. When I woke up to get ready for school in the morning my door was wide open. There in the middle of the hallway was a woman. She was in a purple velvety dress, she had void black eyes, her mouth was gaping open, black liquid came out of that black mouth of hers. She also had long greasy black hair and white perfect skin. Not to mention she was floating a foot off the ground. She started to get closer to my room, her head twitching little bits with each bit she got closer to me. I was paralyzed in fear, tears were streaming out of my eyes. Once she reached my doorway I blinked and she was gone. She's haunted my dreams after that incident. I wonder what would have happened if she got to me.

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started to cry, dropped my phone to the floor, and hid under my covers. I'm not sure what happened that night, but something followed me home all those years ago and nobody had scratched my back on the night of the sleepover. I

still see shadow people often too.

But, whatever that thing was... is a mystery to all including myself.

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Halloween Movies

Hulu

- Corpse Bride
- Edward Scissorhands
- The Ring
- Stephen King's It (1990)
- Elvira, Mistress of the Dark

HBO Max

- The Craft
- Scream (1-3)
- The Shining
- Poltergeist
- Scary Movie (1-3)

Netflix

- Monster House
- Paranorman
- The Twilight Saga (Team Edward)
- The Conjuring (1-2)
- Insidious

Disney+

- Hocus Pocus
- Halloweentown (1-4)
- The Nightmare Before Christmas
- Haunted Mansion
- Frankenweenie

Amazon Prime

- Coraline
- Beetlejuice
- Hotel Transylvania (1-3)
- Jennifer's Body
- The Halloween Franchise

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