



USS Nightmare Awards

The USS Nightmare is America's Premier Haunted Steamboat. Since its conception, it has become bigger, more detailed, more intense, and nationally recognized as one of the premier haunts in the nation. The "Death Dredge" strives to provide its patrons with unmatched Halloween fright and fun. Every year, thousands of people experience the USS Nightmare and live to tell the tale of America's "premier haunted steamboat".

Here are some highlights and awards of the past few seasons as depicted by local media, national media, and local haunt reviewers. The information is from past seasons therefore dates, times and prices may not be accurate for this season. Visit WWW.USSNIGHTMARE.COM for this season's details.

*Local12.com – interview with the Captain of the USS Nightmare

http://www.local12.com/news/local/story.aspx?content_id=d3e4c663-08bc-44a3-8aa0-ae893622d29e

'What is the scariest thing on the tour of the USS Nightmare? Well, just look at her. The grand old steamboat is authentic in every way. I personally think the boat's size (40 minute non-stop fear filled tour) and horrific history is the scariest of all. Stop by and watch actual news footage of the Mitchell massacre; live action caught on tape as the massive dredge breaks loose on a raging river and takes a collision course for disaster. As you tour the 70 year old boat, almost every phobia know to man will be experienced by my guest.'

*Haunted Cincinnati – Randy Karshner

www.hauntedcincinnati.com

'Actors: 5/5

This year I have not seen a more motivated well trained acting staff which has been so enthusiast. Going through several times got me exactly the same results! They walk, they talk and they don't just jump out for a quick scare.

Environment: 5/5

Take one historic boat, pepper it with the most minuet details and lighting and you have nothing short of Hollywood sets. Throw in the Cincinnati skyline in the background and you simply can't go wrong.

Scare Rating: 5/5 (Well Done!)



*The Cincinnati Enquirer

<http://www.cincinnati.com/freetime/weekend/ussnightmare.html>



'This 20,000-square-foot ship is three times bigger than last year. Think of any eerie theme and the *Nightmare* probably has it: graveyard, *X-Files* room, mad scientist, fun house. Docking it on the banks of the Ohio River adds to the creative special effects.'

*The Scare Factor

<http://www.thescarefactor.com>

'Fright Effect: 10 Screams

USS Nightmare takes all the elements and puts them together to offer you one of the best fright nights we have seen in a long time. If being on the water in a rickety old rusted boat isn't enough to scare you, just wait until you get inside. Special effects and characters and creatures with thousand of places to hide and re-hide will get you at least once through your tour. No matter what you may be scared of it will find you on the boat. There is a startle, a jump, and scare for each person in your group.'

*Ohio Valley Haunts

<http://reviews07.ohiovalleyhaunts.com/ussnightmare.html>

'**RATING: 9+**, Now in it's 16th year, *USS Nightmare* is ranked among the 13 best haunted attractions in the country by *Hauntworld* magazine. You can't possibly see all it has to offer the first time through, so take advantage of the \$5 re-entry offer, and be prepared to have the ship scared out of you!!'

*HauntWorld Magazine

<http://www.hauntworld.com>

-TOP 13 HAUNT IN 2006-

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TOP 13 HAUNTED HOUSES HAUNTS IN UNIQUE LOCATIONS

Attraction Name: Asylum/Hotel Fear
Location: Las Vegas, NV
Years in Operation: 15
Average Annual Attendance: 12,000 ea.
Website: www.LasVegasHaunts.com
Months of Operation: Sliding Schedule weekends to daily the last week in October
Type of Haunt: Mobile/Trailer Configuration

THE ASYLUM Hotel Fear

The Asylum and its sister Haunt Hotel Fear complete the interlinked story of the Mortimer Feoray of Hotel Feoray and Dr. Vander of Meadview Asylum. What really happened may never be known.

Mortimer's family disappeared under mysterious circumstances. Although Mortimer was suspected, nothing could be proven. Dr. Adrian Vander arranged to have Mortimer admitted for treatment. After radical treatment, Dr. Vander gave him a clean bill of health. Returning to the hotel Mortimer went berserk and killed everyone except Adrianna in Room 13! Readmitted to Meadview, Dr. Vander and his methods came under scrutiny.

Soon Meadview fell into disuse and decay. Mortimer and the Dr. slipped through the cracks and disappeared. Are Mortimer and other tortured souls still roaming the halls of Meadview or has he returned to the scene of the crime... Hotel Fear! Is Room 13 the only safe place? Are you brave enough to find out!!

The Asylum and Hotel Fear are unique attractions build in a totally mobile environment utilizing semi-trailers. Utilizing a mix of animations and actor based scares, these attractions totally immerse you in their original storyline woven between the two haunts. Reality based rooms set the tone instead of walls set up in a tent or large mall space. As mobile attractions, they also have the advantage of creating a total exterior environment. You actually SEE Meadview Asylum, not just a sign on the front window of a mall building!!

Over the past fourteen years, the USS Nightmare has terrorized over half a million visitors. The 2006 show promises to be bigger and better than ever before with the addition of the all new freak show to entertain visitors as they wait.

The captain and crew await your visit and promise this is one steamboat adventure that will scare the ship out of you!



USS NIGHTMARE
All Aboard for TERROR!

Attraction Name: USS Nightmare II
Location: Newport, KY
Years in Operation: 15
Average Annual Attendance: 35,000
Website: www.bbriverboats.com
Months of Operation: Weekends in Sept. / Wed. thru Sun. in October
Type of Haunt: Floating Haunted House

The USS Nightmare, America's premier haunted steamboat, will celebrate its 15th terrorizing season in 2006. Rated annually among the Greater Cincinnati area's best haunted attractions and listed by the Southeast tourist commission as one of the top 20 events in the Southeastern United States, the USS Nightmare is constructed on a real steamboat and houses some of the Ohio River's most notorious spirits. As the longest haunted attraction in the area, the thirty minute bone chilling tour winds through the boat's two levels encompassing 35 horrifying regions such as the infirmary, the torturer's chamber and the boiler pit all of which are built around authentic steamboat equipment and inhabited by the ship's ghostly crew. Returning in 2006 for more screams are the vile Rat Lady, the infamous crew members from the Death Dredge, the legendary Captain Mitchell and his daughter, Anna. In addition to more than 40 cast members, the show's scares are enhanced by some of the industry's top animated effects including a few USS Nightmare original interactive scare stations and the private chicken coop for the faint of heart who are too frightened to continue!!



*Randal's House of Doom – Randal Schadel

<http://community-1.webtv.net/haunt666/RandalsBIGPAGEOF/page5.html>

'They all have an outstanding venue to perform in. The ship is detailed to the extreme-both with its original massive pieces of machinery, antiques, and

specialty props. The pantry, already highly detailed, saw \$1000 worth of gory props and set dressing added this year. Likewise, the Mitchell Museum (the first scene entered) had over \$1000 spent on new items (many of them antiques from a closed Friday's eatery). Make sure you say 'Hi' to Ryo the skeleton there-I think he's using his new hobby of photography to pick up chicks, but at any rate you can buy a copy of the picture he takes of you at the end of the tour. There's the Meat Locker, The Galley, the exterminators, the side wheel wells (where only a rusty grated catwalk stands between you and a long drop into the waters of the Ohio River), the Tombs, the Ship's Sick Bay, and more. For a real treat, check out the details in Ana's Room (Ana is Captain Mitchell's homicidal daughter). A large stuffed Panda features a huge scar on its forehead and golden letters sewn across its belly state 'Dady Killz'. Child's artwork posted on the walls display demented images and messages. All the toys appear normal at first glance, but upon closer examination are just...wrong. This sort of detail permeates the entire ship-there are layers upon layers of things to discover every time through.'

Best Costuming-USS Nightmare
Best Character Makeup-USS Nightmare
Best Sound-USS Nightmare
Best Lighting-USS Nightmare

USS Nightmare-5 Stars-Legendary!

Voted best Haunt in Cincinnati from 2003-2006

[*City Blood Haunt Reviews](#)

http://ohioshaunted.com/?v_action=ussnightmarereview

*Voted best haunt in Kentucky for 2007

'**Final Stab-9.4:** USS Nightmare has really brought it's 'A' game this year and has become better than ever. The actors are more intense, there are some surprise scenes you have to see to believe and overall it's just a more terrifying experience. If you think you know the USS Nightmare, think again.'

www.ussnightmare.com