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## Haunted Travels, Exhibit Brochure

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## Exhibit Design

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# Haunted Travels

“Prepare for Goosebumps”

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## Ghost Tourism

Ghost or paranormal tourism has boomed in the past decade, spurred by people's interest in the mysterious and supernatural. With the boom came reality shows such as Ghost Adventures and Ghost Hunters exploring unexplainable phenomenon. Anticipation, curiosity and fear encourages people to participate in these ghostly activities.

Ghost tourism has generated many different ways for people to experience the unknown. This brochure offers just a glimpse of the many events and tours available around the country, as the desire to walk on the darker side and hear the tales of murder, mayhem and mystery continues to grow.

Everyone loves a great ghost story!

## Paranormal Investigations

The **Spanish Military Hospital** in **St. Augustine, FL** is well known for its paranormal activity, and reportedly imparts a strong feeling of "evil" and "fear" in all who visit. The sounds of screams and cries have been known to emanate from several rooms in the hospital. You can take a tour of the museum during the day time, but, for the more daring, there are also "Paranormal Adventures" which allow small groups to wander through the museum at night with infrared cameras and digital recorders. Dowsing rods available upon request.

## Prison Tours

Discover the "**Terror Behind the Walls**" at **Eastern State Penitentiary** in **Philadelphia, PA**. The Penitentiary was known for solitary, strict discipline and the spiritual renewal of inmates. Closed in 1971, it now offers daily tours. The prison also hosts an annual, premier Halloween experience, with six attractions sure to entertain everyone. Begin your evening with a VIP tour of the National Historic Landmark, including a visit to the cell of the penitentiary's most famous inmate, Al Capone. End it by visiting cellblock 12 and experiencing the "Lock Down".

## Haunted Balls

Haunted Balls have fascinated both ghost and vampire fans for years. The legendary **Shining Ball** takes place on Halloween night at the famous **Stanley Hotel** in **Colorado**. Why not try your hand at ghost hunting? Top off your night with a stay in one of the haunted rooms or take a ghost tour of the hotel property.

The **Vampire's Masquerade Ball**, held annually in **Salem, Massachusetts**, is another famous paranormal ball. This world-renowned event takes place in the heart of Witch City and is part of the Festival of the Dead. Revel in Gothic music and satisfy your earthly vices with decadent food and wine. Round out your evening with a stop into the Psychic Fair for a reading, receive a message from beyond the grave in a séance, or go on an authentic ghost hunt. This is an evening to remember!

## Graveyard Tours

**Saint Louis Cemetery** is one of **New Orleans'** most well-known and oldest cemeteries. Founded in 1789, this Catholic cemetery is listed in the National Register of Historic Places and is the final resting place for many of New Orleans' most illustrious citizens. Constructed entirely of above ground vaults, this cemetery feels like a 'city of the dead.' The movie "Easy Rider", starring Jack Nicholson, Peter Fonda and Dennis Hopper was filmed on location in 1969, and was the first and last non-educational movie to film on location. This is the supposed final resting place of Marie Laveau, renowned Voodoo priestess.

**The Lafayette Cemetery No. 1** was designated as a city burial site in 1833 and has been in continuous use ever since. Located in the garden district, this Protestant cemetery is known for its cinematic beauty and has been featured in many movies, including "Interview with a Vampire" and "Double Jeopardy". Anne Rice lived nearby and this cemetery was a featured setting in many of her novels. Gather up some friends and test your courage with a midnight cemetery tour...if you dare.