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# Days of the Dead, Indianapolis IN

Ghouls, Goblins and Ghosts - Oh My!

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**USPA NEWS -** Indianapolis was invaded by the undead on July 6th weekend and fans loved every minute. No, it's not Halloween but you couldn't tell the thousands of enthusiasts that showed up to this years "Day of the Dead" convention at the Wydham Indianapolis Hotel.

Horror Icons such as, "They Live" [2] star and Wrestling Legend "Rowdy" [2] Roddy Piper, "Machete" [2] star Danny Trejo, Movie Legend, and TV star Gary Busey, and a "hoard" [3] of others signed autographs for fans and discussed their roles onset with the walking dead and aliens invaders. Fans came dressed as their favorite macabre, horror legends such as "" Freddy Kruger, Werewolves, and He-Man characters, to pose for pictures and celebrate their grizzly favorites. Sponsors of the event such as popular horror magazine Fangoria, and Shrunken Head Studios, were on hand with merchandise for fans to purchase.

Although catering to the gruesome and blood hungry fans, the event was promoted and geared for fans of all ages. Families were encouraged to come out for the weekend with their children who were given free admission. Kids and adults alike participated in all of the festivities of the weekend including Showtime's popular show Dexter, where you could experience being put on Dexter's table and having your DNA sampled before being disposed of his traditional iconic ways.

One-Hundred lucky participates were able to purchase VIP access passes for the weekend that enabled them to receive limited edition art prints, preferred seating during Q&A sessions, T-shirts and a special VIP only party on Saturday evening. Saturday's activities closed way into the early morning Sunday with a costume contest and "Ballroom Dance" that was enjoyed by everyone. To follow the Days of the Dead events and additional cities on tour, check out www.daysofthedead.net. To see video of the July 2013 Indianapolis event,

check out the YouTube video: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7yiv06N55Bo

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