

'Nova' explores death in the bogs of Ireland

Every "CSI" episode teaches us that death shall have no dominion over forensic science. And series like "Secrets of the Dead" demonstrate that even the moldiest cadaver can contain a smorgasbord of historical information. So what happens when researchers discover dead bodies that are both prehistoric and nearly pristine?



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"The Perfect Corpse" on "NOVA" (8 p.m., WFYI, WTU) looks at bodies discovered in Ireland's waterlogged peat bogs. The damp bogs' chemical composition have left the bodies in perfect condition, even after thousands of years.

Unlike dusty mummies or old bones, these waterlogged Irishmen retain their soft skin. Details like fingerprints and even skin pores are visible under magnification.

It seems our old friends did not meet a pleasant end. Archaeologists, historians and scientists collaborate to determine whether they met with simple foul play or whether they could have been the unlucky victims of a religious sacrifice intended to appease ancient gods now lost to history.

A medical detective story of a more contemporary sort takes place on "House" (9 p.m., Fox, TV-14). When a busy working woman (Julie Warner) is admitted for peculiar muscle tics, House's team suspects that her fertility treatments may be contributing to her ailment. But as her condition worsens, they discover that this hyperactive professional may have been keeping some secrets and telling a few lies. Meanwhile, the frequently quotable and ever-irritable Dr. House takes stock of his relationship, or lack of one, with Stacy (guest star Sela Ward).

The debut episode of "Get This Party Started" (9 p.m., UPN) involves a surprise birthday party for a friend whose life was upended by Hurricane Katrina.

The folks behind "Get This Party Started" would be wise to plan a wake for their UPN home. As readers may have read last week, both the UPN and WB will cease to exist beginning next September, when both will be imploded to form the CW Network.

Some of us thought "Commander in Chief" would become the next "West Wing." We were only half right. Like that soon-to-depart drama, "Commander" has been placed on hiatus. "Commander" is expected to return later this spring.

Tonight's other highlights

- Wannabes are Simon-ized on "American Idol" (8 p.m., Fox, TV-G).
- Emily invites Luke to dinner on "Gilmore Girls" (8 p.m., WB, TV-PG)
- On back-to-back episodes of "Scrubs" (NBC, TV-14), a new love interest (9 p.m.), with a quirk (9:30 p.m.).

• "Frontline" (9 p.m., WFYI, WTU) examines the trafficking of women from the former Soviet Union.

• An incentive to come clean on "Crumbs" (9:30 p.m., ABC, TV-PG).

• Exotic dancers expire under mysterious circumstances on "Law & Order: Special Victims Unit" (10 p.m., NBC, TV-14).

• Michael J. Fox guest stars on "Boston Legal" (10 p.m., ABC, TV-14).

• Kavanaugh tries to plant a writap in the clubhouse on "The Shield" (10 p.m., FX, TV-MA).

Cult choice

Lance Henriksen ("Millennium," "Pumpkinhead") stars in the 2002 shocker "Sasquatch" (7 p.m., Sci Fi).

Series notes

An auto chop shop yields grisly results on "NCIS" (8 p.m., CBS, TV-PG, V) ... No one watches "Fear Factor" (8 p.m., NBC) ... On two episodes of "According to Jim" (ABC, TV-PG), a birthday spat (8 p.m.), a chip on both shoulders (9 p.m.) ... Creative differences on "Eve" (8 p.m., UPN, TV-PG) ... An invitation to entertain the troops on "Rodney" (8:30 p.m., ABC, TV-PG, D, L) ... Too much information on "Girlfriends" (8:30 p.m., UPN, TV-PG) ... A spooky, small-town homicide on "Criminal Minds" (9 p.m., CBS, TV-14) ... New dreams and new clues on "Supernatural" (9 p.m., WB, TV-14, L, V) ... Music-video madness on "Love Monkey" (10 p.m., CBS, TV-14).

Late night

Beyonce and Stephen A. Smith appear on "Late Show With David Letterman" (11:35 p.m., CBS) ... Jay Leno hosts Ellen Degeneres, Gordon Ramsay and Yellowcard on "The Tonight Show" (11:35 p.m., NBC) ... Jorge Garcia appears on "Jimmy Kimmel Live" (12:05 a.m., ABC) ... Harrison Ford and K.T. Tunstall are booked on "Late Night With Conan O'Brien" (12:35 a.m., NBC) ... Craig Ferguson hosts Jeff Probst, Lauren Holly and Ne-Yo on "The Late, Late Show" (12:37 a.m., CBS).

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TUESDAY EVENING

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	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
WTTV	Friends (CC)	Every-Raymond	Gilmore Girls (N) (CC)		Supernatural "Nightmare" (N)		Sex and the City/Will & Grace		Sex and the City/Will & Grace	
WRTV	The Insider (N)	Be a Millionaire	According-Jim	Rodney (N)	According-Jim	Crumbs (N)	Boston Legal "Breathe in Show"		News (CC)	Nightline (11:35)
WISH	Inside Edition	Ent. Tonight	NCIS "Head Case" (N) (CC)		Criminal Minds (CC)		Love Monkey "Confidence" (N)		News (CC)	Late Show
WTHR	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Fear Factor "Freaks vs. Geeks"		Scrubs (N) (CC)	Scrubs (N) (CC)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		News (CC)	Tonight Show
WFYI	Business Rpt.	Across Indiana	Nova "The Perfect Corpse" (N)		Frontline "Sex Slaves" (N) (CC)		Independent Lens (N) (CC)		Tavis Smiley (N)	Time Goes By
WNDY	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	Eve (CC)	Girlfriends (CC)	Get This Party Started (N) (CC)		News	Access H'wood	South Park	South Park
WTIU	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer		Nova "The Perfect Corpse" (N)		Frontline "Sex Slaves" (N) (CC)		Independent Lens (N) (CC)		Tavis Smiley (N)	Charlie Rose (N)
WHMB	The 700 Club (CC)		Harvest (CC)		Lester Sumrall	Gospel Legends	Life Today (CC)	In Spirit-Truth	Paid Program	Wisdom Keys
WCLJ	Dr. Carl Baugh	Against Odds	Behind Scenes	Joyce Meyer	John Hagee	Bill Gaither	Praise the Lord (CC)			
WXIN	The Simpsons	Seinfeld (CC)	American Idol Auditions. (N) (CC)		House "Need to Know" (N) (CC)		News (CC)	Geraldo Large	Seinfeld (11:05)	Drew Carey
WIPX	Pyramid (CC)	Family Feud	Sue Thomas: F.B. Eye "Skin Deep"		Early Edition "Wild Card" (CC)		Doc "Rules of Engagement" (CC)		It's a Miracle	Paid Program
WTBU	Ron Phillips	John Hagee	Rod Parsley	CFNI Live With John Bevere (N)			Joel Osteen (CC)		This Is Your Day	Believer's Voice
A&E	Cold Case Files (CC)		Street Racing-Need for Speed		Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Airline (CC)	Airline (CC)	Crossing Jordan (CC)	
AMC	Dazed and Confused (6) '93 ***		Two Weeks Notice (PG-13) '02 **	Sandra Bullock, Alicia Witt. (CC)			The Man Without a Face (10:15) (PG-13) '93 ***	Mel Gibson. Drama.		
AP	The Most Extreme "Biters" (CC)		Wolf Within (CC)		The Most Extreme Dog breeds.		Profiles of Nature The coyote.		Wolf Within (CC)	
BET	106 & Park	BET.com Count					Outrageous-Black History		In Living Color	In Living Color
BRAVO	The West Wing "In the Room"		Inside the Actors Studio "Liza Minnelli" Liza Minnelli. (CC)				Queer Eye for the Straight Guy (N)		Project Runway "Flower Power"	
CNBC	On the Money		Deal or No Deal (CC)		Mad Money		The Big Idea With Donny Deutsch		Deal or No Deal (CC)	
CMT	Dukes of Hazzard		Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders: Making the Team				Cowboy U "Oklahoma"		Trick My Truck	Garth Brooks
CNN	The Situation Room		Paula Zahn Now (CC)		Larry King Live (CC)		Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)			
COM	Com.-Presents	Reno 911! (CC)	Daily Show	Colbert Report	Chappelle's	South Park	Distraction (N)	Mind of Mencia	Daily Show	Colbert Report
DISC	Dirty Jobs Viewers' questions.		MythBusters "Chicken Gun" (CC)		Dirty Jobs "Vexcon" (CC)		Into the Firestorm (N)		MythBusters "Shredded Plane"	
EI	EI News (N)	EI News	Rock Star Daughters: The El True Hollywood Story (CC)				Gastineau Girls	Gastineau Girls	Saturday Night Live (CC)	
ESPN	College Basketball Tennessee at Kentucky. (CC)		College Basketball Duke at North Carolina. (CC)						SportsCenter (CC)	
ESPN2	Hidden Images	College Basketball St. Joseph's at Villanova. (CC)			NBA Coast-to-Coast (CC)				Quite Frankly With Smith	
FAM	Smallville "Velocity" (CC)		Two Can Play That Game (R) '01 * Vivica A. Fox. Comedy. (CC)				Whose Line? Whose Line?		The 700 Club (CC)	
FNC	Fox Report With Shepard Smith		The O'Reilly Factor (CC)		Hannity & Colmes (CC)		On the Record-Van Susteren		The O'Reilly Factor	
FOOD	Good Eats	Unwrapped	Emeril Live Contest winners.		The Great Steak Cook-Off		\$40-a-Day \$40-a-Day		Iron Chef "Sushi"	
FOXMV	The Games (G) (70) ** Drama.		Alien Nation (R) '88 ** James Caan, Terence Stamp. Science Fiction.				Eternity (R) '90 ** Jon Voight, Wilford Brimley. Drama.			
FOXSM	Knockouts	Midwest Sports	Chris Myers	Poker -- Learn	Best Damn Sports Show Period		Knockouts	Sports Report	Sports Report	Best-Sports
FX	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	Phone Booth (R) '02 ** Colin Farrell, Forest Whitaker. Suspense.				The Shield "Trophy" (N) (CC)		The Shield "Trophy" (11:04) (CC)	
HALL	Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)		Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)		Falling in Love With the Girl Next Door (NR) '06	Patty Duke. (CC)	M*A*S*H (CC)		M*A*S*H (CC)	
HGTV	Curb Appeal	House Hunters	Designed to Sell	Design Remix	Decorating Cnt	Mission: Orgnz	House Hunters	Buy Me	Parents House	Designer Finals
HIST	Modern Marvels "Paint" (CC)		Shootout! "Guadalcanal" (CC)		Man Angel Machine (CC)		Modern Marvels (CC)		Modern Marvels (CC)	
LIFE	Rough Air: Danger on Flight 534 '01 ** Eric Roberts. Suspense. (CC)		Fallen Angel (R) '98 ** Alexandra Paul. Suspense. (CC)						Will & Grace	Will & Grace
MSNBC	Hardball (CC)		Countdown With Keith Olbermann		Rita Cosby Live & Direct		Scarborough Country		The Situation With Tucker Carlson	
MTV	Date My Mom	Date My Mom	Meet Barkers	Meet Barkers	Meet Barkers	Meet Barkers	Meet Barkers	Wild & Out	R. Wrld Chal.	R. Wrld Chal.
NICK	Oddparents	Jimmy Neutron	SpongeBob	Ned's School	Full House (CC)	Hi-Jinks (CC)	Roseanne (CC)	Roseanne (CC)	Roseanne (CC)	Cosby Show
OXY	Valley Girl (6) (R) '83) ** Comedy.		Real Weddings	Real Weddings	Look Who's Talking (PG-13) '89) ** John Travolta. Comedy.				The Ellen DeGeneres Show (CC)	
SCIFI	Sasquatch (R) '02 * Lance Henriksen, Russell Ferrier. Horror. (CC)		The Fallen Ones (NR) '05) Casper Van Dien, Geoffrey Lewis. Horror. (CC)						12 Monkeys (R) '95) *** (CC)	
SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	King of Vegas (N)			World's Most Amazing Videos			
TBS	Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond	Friends (CC)	Friends (CC)	Sex and the City	Sex and the City	Seinfeld (10:10)	Seinfeld (10:40)	Seinfeld (10:40)	Crocodile Dundee in Los Angeles
TCM	Flight Command (6) (NR) '40) **		Flying Tigers (NR) '42) *** John Wayne, Anna Lee. Adventure.				Wake Island (NR) '42) *** Brian Donlevy. War.		Stand-Action	
TLC	Rides "Joe Rogan's Sick Fish"		Overhaulin' "That '70s Van" (CC)		Overhaulin' "Leno's Heist" (N)		Miami Ink (N)		Miami Ink	
TNT	Law & Order "Open Season"		Law & Order "Veteran's Day"		Law & Order "In God We Trust"		The Closer "You Are Here" (CC)		Cold Case "Late Returns" (CC)	
TOON	Foster's Home	Camp Lazlo	Grim Advent.	Codename: Kid	Puffy AmiYumi	Foster's Home	Ed, Edd n Eddy	Cartoon-Toons	Family Guy	Futurama (CC)
TVL	Good Times	Good Times	Little House on the Prairie (CC)	Andy Griffith	Sanford & Son		Good Times	Good Times	That's What I'm Talking About	
USA	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Final Destination (R) '00) ** Devon Sawa, Kerr Smith. Horror. (CC)		Final Destination 2 (10:02) (R) '03) ** Ali Larter. Horror. (CC)					
VH1	I Love the '90s "1999"		100 Greatest Teen Stars "Hour 1"		100 Greatest Teen Stars "Hour 2"		The Flavor of Love		100 Greatest Teen Stars "Hour 2"	
WE	Dharma & Greg	Dharma & Greg	Carolina (PG-13) '03) Julia Stiles, Shirley MacLaine. Romance-Comedy.				Secret Lives of Women (CC)		Secret Lives of Women (CC)	
WGN	America's Funniest Home Videos		Da Vinci's Inquest (CC)		Da Vinci's Inquest (CC)		WGN News at Nine (CC)		Sex and the City	Becker "Pilot"
DISN	Phil of the Future (CC)	That's So Raven (CC)	Eddie's Million Dollar Cook-Off '03) ** Taylor Ball, Reiley McClendon. Comedy. A teen juggles a baseball game and a cooking contest. (CC)		American Drgn	Sister, Sister	The Suite Life of Zack & Cody		That's So Raven	
ENC	Ghostbusters (6:05) (PG) '84) *** Bill Murray. Comedy. (CC)		Miracle (PG) '04) *** Kurt Russell, Patricia Clarkson, Noah Emmerich. Drama. The U.S. Olympic hockey team beats the Soviet team. (CC)				Red Dawn (PG-13) '84) ** Patrick Swayze. High-school guerrillas take on invading Soviet troops. (CC)			
HBO	Jackie Chan's Who Am I? (6) (PG-13) '98) ** Jackie Chan. (CC)		Taxi (PG-13) '04) * Queen Latifah. A bumbling policeman and a cabby chase bank robbers. (CC)		Making Mrs. Harris (9:45)		Real Sports (N)		Runaway Jury (PG-13) '03) *** John Cusack. Suspense. (CC)	
SHOW	Jay-Z in Concert (6:45) From Memphis, Tenn. (CC)		Fade to Black (R) '04) ** Documentary. Rapper Jay-Z performs in concert and records an album. (CC)				Sleeper Cell "Soldier" The cell infiltrates a warehouse. (CC)		The L Word "Lifeline" Dana gets her test results. (CC)	
MAX	Ninja III -- The Domination (6:35) (R) '84) ** Lucinda Dickey. (CC)		The Jacket (8:15) (R) '05) ** Adrien Brody. Science Fiction. An amnesiac has flashbacks and visions of the future. (CC)				The Chronicles of Riddick (PG-13) '04) ** Vin Diesel, Thandie Newton. Science Fiction. A fugitive fights an invading ruler and his army. (CC)			
TMC	The Misadventures of Margaret (6:30) (NR) '98) * Parker Posey.		The Faculty (R) '98) ** Jordana Brewster, Laura Harris. Horror. High-school students suspect that their teachers are aliens. (CC)				The Crow (R) '94) *** Brandon Lee. Fantasy. A rock Strangeland star rises from the dead to avenge his murder. (CC)		(11:45) (R) '98) *	
STARZ	Cellular (7:15) (PG-13) '04) ** Kim Basinger, Jason Statham. Suspense. A kidnapped teacher calls a stranger on a cell phone. (CC)		Ice Princess (G) '05) ** Joan Cusack. A teen chases her dream of becoming a figure skater. (CC)				The Haunted Mansion (10:45) (PG) '03) ** Eddie Murphy, Wallace Shawn. Comedy. (CC)			

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Rapper's bodyguard slain outside video shoot

A star-studded music video shoot was interrupted by gunfire that killed a bodyguard for rapper Busta Rhymes, police said.



ELLIOT

Missy Elliot, Rhymes and G-Unit members including Lloyd Banks were scheduled to be filming on a ninth-floor soundstage when violence erupted outside the Brooklyn building early Sunday, said police Sgt. Kevin Farrell.



RHYMES

Israel Ramirez, 29, was killed with a single shot to the chest, Farrell said. Rhymes, a Brooklyn native whose legal name is Trevor Smith, was not injured.

About 500 people were gathered for the video that was to accompany a remix of Rhymes' latest hit single, "Touch It."

It was unclear how many of the celebrities and crew were outside the building when the shots were fired.

Investigators were still trying to determine early Monday what led to the violence, Farrell said. Shortly before the shooting, a man connected to 50 Cent's G-Unit rap group reportedly had an outburst at the studio.

The incident was the latest in a series of incidents involving rappers, among them Jam Master Jay of Run DMC, who was fatally shot in late 2002, and Notorious B.I.G. and Tupac Shakur, who were shot to death in the late 1990s.

BOMBAY, India

Adams: Writing good song cuts like a knife

Bryan Adams is writing a new album, but of the 30 songs he's already come up with, he loves just three.

"There's a saying, 'It's easy to write songs, but very difficult to write great songs.' I'm going through that right now," Adams told reporters while on his fourth tour to India.

Adams spoke of the discipline and objectivity that songwriters must have.

"It's a really difficult process," he said. "You have to be methodical and focused."

Adams has won 10 Grammys and scored 12 platinum discs worldwide.

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For Lisa Rinna, "Dancing with the Stars" is a matter of pride. She's been offered "Surreal Life," "Skating with Celebrities," "But Can They Sing" and even the first edition of "Dancing with the Stars." She turned all of them down.

"I was a little offended by the 'Surreal life' (offer). I didn't think I had gone there yet in my career," says the former "Days of Our Lives" actress. "I am not in place where I want to make fun of my career. I am in a good place now."

When the second edition of "Dancing" (8 p.m. Thursdays, ABC) was looking for a new set of all-star hoofers, Rinna got the call and jumped at the chance this time. Watching the first edition changed her mind about what the show was all about.

"It's a feel-good show," she says. "There's nothing mean spirited about this, like a lot of the other shows."

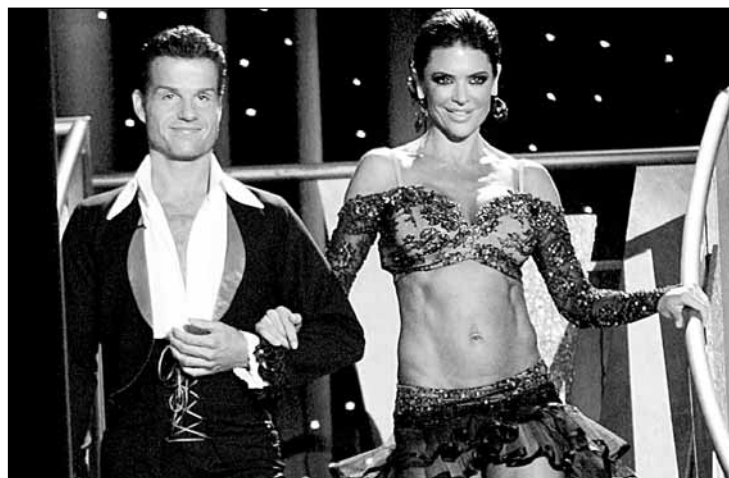
The success of "Dancing" did not hurt either. More than 18 million viewers are tuning to this edition, making it one of ABC's most durable hits.

She's vying against 10 other stars including bon vivant George Hamilton, wrestler Stacy Keibler and football champ Jerry Rice.

Rinna is being shrewd about the contest. She says the exposure could help her clothing store, and, if she continues to stay in the game, her acting career. The winner of the competition gets nothing, by the way, but pride. The show offers no cash rewards or charity donations.

For now her days consist of eight hours of dance lessons. She has five days to learn and master each week's routine.

When she isn't learning steps, she's designing her costumes for the night, running her own clothing store in the Los Angeles area and hosting SoapNet's talk show, "Soap Talk."



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Lisa Rinna and Louis van Amstel compete on "Dancing with the Stars," which airs at 8 p.m. Thursdays on ABC.

She's also married to actor Harry Hamlin. They have two children together. She got the invitation to join the show in August but didn't start rehearsals until November.

"I didn't take (dance) lessons (before November) because I could have picked up a lot of bad habits," she says. "I kind of took a risk."

It was a risk in more ways than one. "Dancing" is not always about who's best on the floor. It is often a popularity contest and which celebrity has the most loyal fan base.

Witness the success of first-season winner Kelly Monaco of

"General Hospital," whose dancing was critically trounced early on. Diehard soap fans kept her in the game weekly, though.

Rinna does not underestimate how important a fan base can be to the show, whether you're Ginger Rogers or not.

"It has a lot to do with your fan base," she admits. "It has to depend on their votes, but you do have to dance and do it well. I hope and pray my fan base is coming through. That's why I am still