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DARKSTONE ENTERTAINMENT RELEASES FIRST IN-HOUSE MOVIE TITLE

Characters in Limited Edition Movie Anthology are Relatives of
Horror Authors H.P. Lovecraft and Edgar Allan Poe

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA — September 24, 2010 — What happens when the horror monsters of literature come to life? That's the premise of Darkstone Entertainment's first in-house film release, *The Lovecraft Chronicles, Vol. 1*.

It's "in-house" because this is the first time that Darkstone, known for such titles as the horror series *Skeleton Key*, has released a title entirely without the help of third-party distributors. The company is handling all aspects of production, packaging, and sales.

Directed by John Johnson, *The Lovecraft Chronicles* comes as a limited edition DVD featuring a trilogy of short films: "Juggernaut" (9 minutes), "Dumas" (21 minutes), and "Leviathan" (14 minutes), plus over 40 minutes of extra features. A booklet insert contains a fourth story, "Raven," by Matthew Warner.

The trilogy stars Mariah Smith as Harriet Lovecraft, an illegitimate descendant of the famous pulp writer H.P. Lovecraft. Aided by far-flung relatives of other famous writers such as Winstin Poe, played by Donnie Sturges, these modern-day crusaders hunt down rampaging monsters to restore the natural order. Co-stars include horror scream queens Monique Dupree and Chainsaw Sally as vampire brides. The screenplays were co-written by John Johnson and Matthew Warner.

Darkstone Entertainment was founded in 1993 and has produced more than 100 films, including an ongoing audience-participation web series, *Spade*. The film company is currently gearing up for a remake of the sci-fi/horror classic, *Plan 9 From Outer Space*, retitled *Plan 9*.

Author Matthew Warner's (matthewwarner.com) novels include the forthcoming horror thriller *Blood Born* from Sonar4 Publications. His other collaborations with Darkstone include scripts for its ongoing web series, *Criswell Predicts!*

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