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P.M.A.C.:

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# WHEN ZOMBIES ATTACK!

by David Salcido

What do you get when two veterans of the special effects/make-up industry cross undead creatures of the night with a proven formula for must-see reality television? The first in a proposed series of first-class and very lively supernatural spoofs of the popular *COPS* franchise, entitled *P.M.A.C.: When Zombies Attack!!* And a huge hit on the sci-fi/horror circuit for those lucky enough to catch it.

The brainstorm of Matt Rose and Chad Waters, creative wizards at Rick Baker's Cinovation Studios, *P.M.A.C.: When Zombies Attack!!* follows a paranormal clean-up crew—the

bureau of Post Mortem Animation Control (P.M.A.C.), headed by one Officer Frank Hadely—as they chase down and dispose of the corporally-challenged in fictional Burke County.

Creative partners for six years, but with a combined total of 25 years in the special effects/make-up field, Rose and Waters have worked together on such memorable characters as: the mummified remains of Mother Bates in *Gus Van Sant's* remake of *Psycho*; the guilty space alien, Mikey, in *Men In Black* and the loveable giant gorilla in *Mighty Joe Young*. Putting their years of combined experience to work through the formation of their own company, Grimm Grotto Goods, not only did the duo create the make-up, effects, props and costumes for

the pilot episode of the *P.M.A.C.*, they also wrote, produced and directed the project.

Already receiving rave reviews from those who have experienced this first adventure of the *P.M.A.C.*, this outrageous 25-minute entry has been cited for its "great production values, plenty of cool zombies..." and for being, "absolutely hilarious," by Ryan Rotten at [creature\\_corner.com](http://creature_corner.com). Exciting viewers wherever it is screened, it has won two awards, for Best Short Film and Best Make-up at the Los Angeles Horror/Thriller Film Festival (Shriekfest) in October of 2001. From there, it has gone on to appear on *Shovertime*. Next as part of the multi-content series *Piratenet* and can currently be viewed at [IFILM.com](http://IFILM.com) and [Hollywood.com](http://Hollywood.com).

*P.M.A.C.: When Zombies Attack!!* also made a huge splash at San Diego's infamous Comic Con International in early August of this year. So impressed were fans at this last venue that public service zombie puppets, created as props for a special appearance by Officer Hadely, started a bidding war between several merchandising distributors who want to mass market the manually-operated grotesques. The reason for all of this ghoulish mass exposure is simple: public awareness.

"Ultimately we would like to see *When Zombies Attack!!* spin-off into its own T.V. or cable series," says Waters. "The title, *When Zombies Attack!!* was meant only for this stand alone episode. In fact, the Post Mortem Animation Control are

entangled with the whole spectrum of supernatural and paranormal beings. This series will be driven not only by bizarre mysteries and macabre creatures, but by the many characters and amusing storylines that deal with these unreal situations."

It may be a while before the *P.M.A.C.* makes its way to a cable station near you, but in the meantime, Rose and Waters are hard at work on further adventures for Officer Hadely and his crew. They are currently in production on the next installment, and making appearances at Science Fiction and Horror conventions near you. Any wanting updates on the *P.M.A.C.*'s quest for a home on the airwaves can check out the website at [www.grimmgrottoogoods.com](http://www.grimmgrottoogoods.com)

