



ALCATRAZ EAST

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Guests Weigh in On Binge-Worthy Crime Shows at New “What’s Your Crime?” Alcatraz East Crime Museum Exhibit

Alcatraz East Crime Museum, located in Pigeon Forge, is adding a new pop culture exhibit featuring binge-worthy crime shows

PIGEON FORGE, Tennessee (July 23, 2020) – During the pandemic closures, one of the most popular activities is binge-watching crime shows. In fact, Nielsen reports that the series “Tiger King: Murder, Mayhem, and Madness,” was watched by 34.3 million people during the first 10 days it was released. Now, Alcatraz East fans can see a new exhibit “What’s Your Crime?” featuring some of the favored crime docuseries. This new display, located in the museum’s Pop Culture section, also gives fans a chance to share their opinions through their social media platforms. The new pop culture exhibit is scheduled to open this Friday, July 24, 2020.

The museum’s survey results, from museum fans on social media and the monthly newsletter, had these shows as the top 10 favorites:

- Tiger King: Murder, Mayhem, and Madness
- Jeffrey Epstein: Filthy Rich
- Don’t F*** with Cats
- Evil Genius: True Story of America’s Most Diabolical Bank Heist
- The Staircase
- The Keepers
- Fyre Fraud
- The Inventor: Out For Blood In Silicon Valley
- Serial Killer Culture TV
- Making a Murderer

“What’s Your Crime?” features objects from a few of the top shows. The first 100 guests who visit to see the new exhibit will get a free magazine courtesy of Big Cat Rescue.

“Our visitors enjoy making connections in the museum to things they’re already familiar with,” says Janine Vaccarello, chief operating officer at Alcatraz East Crime Museum. “We hope they’ll be excited to see these objects or be inspired to watch one of the shows.”

In addition to the new binge-worthy crime show display, the museum is also currently featuring a temporary exhibit featuring the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI). This exhibit showcases the important work that the bureau does across the state on a daily basis. The exhibit features information on some of TBI’s most famous cases, as well as provide an in-depth look at the bureau’s work and ongoing cold cases.

Alcatraz East Crime Museum reopened in May, following the pandemic closure, with measures in place to help keep visitors safer. To help “police” these new safety rules, the museum added a new K-9 mascot “Doc” (law enforcement abbreviation for Department of Corrections). Guests will see signage and friendly safety reminders from Doc throughout the museum. The museum’s updated safety measures include reduced hours, enhanced cleaning, spatial distancing protocols, employee health screenings and employee PPE. Guests are encouraged to review all safety rules prior to their visit on their web page devoted to COVID-19: <https://www.alcatrazeast.com/covid-19/>.

Alcatraz East Crime Museum has a star-studded panel of experts who make up the Advisory Board, including those in law enforcement, collectors, a medical examiner, crime scene investigators, and others. The board includes Jim Willett, a retired prison warden; Anthony Rivera, a combat veteran and Navy SEAL chief; and Judge Belvin Perry Jr., who is best known for the Casey Anthony trial. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit: www.alcatrazeast.com. Or, visit the TBI page at <https://www.alcatrazeast.com/temporary-exhibits/tennessee-bureau-of-investigation-2/>.

About Alcatraz East Crime Museum

Alcatraz East is the most arresting crime museum in the United States. Guests of all ages can encounter a unique journey into the history of American crime, crime solving, and our justice system. Through interactive exhibits and original artifacts, Alcatraz East is an entertaining and educational experience for all ages - so much fun it’s a crime! This family attraction is located at the entrance of The Island, located at 2757 Parkway, Pigeon Forge, TN. General admission tickets are \$14.95 for children and \$26.95 for adults. Group ticket sales are available. Guests are encouraged to check the website prior to visiting for reduced hours, as a result of COVID-19, and the last ticket sold 60 minutes before closing. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit: www.alcatrazeast.com.

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Variety. *Tiger King nabbed over 34 million US viewers in first 10 days.*

<https://variety.com/2020/digital/news/tiger-king-nielsen-viewership-data-stranger-things-1234573602/>