Haunted places charging paranormal groups

Posted by ghostman50 - 14 Apr 2012 18:42

Years ago you could go into a place with permission and investigate without having to pay some crazy price now days if you really want to go to a haunted location with known activity you better hold a fund raiser lol ill use waverly hills as an example this is a paranormal playground but for the investagtor you better have 150.00 per person and a 6 hour limit just wanted to know how you all feel about these kinds of places making profit then you have all the ghost shows on tv you think they pay for investagting these places i would think not because its free advertisment for them then they want you to think you have to go out and buy all the latest top dollar equipment and if your a serious investagtor like me you know thats not true because with a 25 dollar voice recorder from walmart i can catch the same evps lol it seems like this feild is all about money now and its just too bad i would rather go into a uncharted place thats haunted then have someone holding there hand out for the check before i got started this is just my view what about you all .

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Re: Haunted places charging paranormal groups

Posted by Steven Matrix - 21 Apr 2012 14:10

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bergenparanormal wrote:

As I said, they don't have an obligation to cater.

I'm not rich by any means, but $150 really isn't that bad. I don't know. I prefer to investigate homes. For me, going to one of these locations is simply for leisure, which I'd expect to pay for. These places offer an incredible amount of history and a step back in time. Many of these places offer tours, and time to investigate alone.

They do offer an incredible amount of activity, and offer the closest thing researchers can get to a laboratory setting.

Once again, I can't help my belief in free market.

Free market can be a great thing Bergen, to be sure. Of course, how people want to spend their money is absolutely none of my business. And no, none of these places have an obligation to cater and offer free admission. We as consumers have the same choice as well at the opposite end of the issue. As has been mentioned, these places will eventually be torn down. While any part of history being torn down is sad, it's also part of an historical cycle.

I'm with you, I prefer other places to go myself. I have to confess I'm partial to cemeteries where there's friends we haven't met yet. Lol.

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Re: Haunted places charging paranormal groups

Posted by DestinyStarr - 21 Apr 2012 14:53

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IMHO places that charge should be quite careful. I think someone else brought up the fact that "if you don't get your money's worth". It is a very good point indeed. The places that charge are kind of offering an agreement. "You pay me $150 to see spirits and ghosts and paranormal activities." A free market is great, but it is goods and services being sold. I just don't see how anyone can "sell" paranormal activities. Sorry, but I am not going to pay $150 for a dress I may not get.

They do have the right to charge whatever they want to and I am in full agreement with Steven, I also have the right not to seek out their so called business. I personally am much more skeptical of places that charge. I almost get the feeling that they set it up so something will always happen just so they can keep the money coming in.

With that being said, I do think places are now jumping on the "paranormal bandwagon." With the shows that are out and popular now-a-days they want their location to be noted as being haunted. I would think just earning that notation would increase the income of certain buildings. Let's face it, everyone wants to spend the night in a "haunted" hotel. Sure, I can see charging to normal rate for the investigators to get a room, I just cannot see charging anyone to investigate. If your in it to make money perhaps the paranormal is not an area for you.

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Re: Haunted places charging paranormal groups

Posted by bergenparanormal - 21 Apr 2012 15:46

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Well, I understand that point. Therefore, all advertisements must be carefully worded. Without a doubt, they can't guarantee that anything will happen. However, if they're advertising the ability to explore historic sites, while offering tours and such it is a different story. In those cases, they are offering a service.

For example, Rolling Hills Asylum. Rolling Hills charges strictly for admission to search for paranormal activity. This could be seen as a liability, as they offer no other service. They do offer tours, yet an additional fee is expected.

Therefore, places that include a package deal including a tour / historic walk through appear more credible, and can arguably offer a service worth monetary value.

Moving on, I hope the comment "If your in it to make money perhaps the paranormal is not an area for you", wasn't directed towards me. My team investigates completely free of charge, as we feel it is inappropriate to do otherwise.

No, money shouldn't be an incentive in this field. However, money shouldn't be an incentive in too many things that already are. Healthcare, for example.

What can you do? Just don't go then.

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Re: Haunted places charging paranormal groups

Posted by DestinyStarr - 21 Apr 2012 16:00

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bergen my comments were not directed toward any person here. I was speaking of establishments that strictly charge for paranormal investigations. If I offended you with my comment I sincerely apologize for it was directed only to the commercialism of paranormal activities.

I have no problem with any historic site charging for tours, as long as they are not advertising paranormal activities along with that tour. If you want to run a business then do so, I just don't think charging for investigators to prove/disprove hauntings is a justified business expense. (Again, only my opinion here)

I just don't think they should sell the paranormal service. I think if they want to make money off their historic site then offer tours ONLY for the historic value. They should not advertise paranormal activities and expect to make money off it. To me that is just setting themselves up for failure. Honestly I would think they could then be sued for offering a service they cannot guarantee, depending on the local laws of course. (Leaving the paranormal out of this most states require good and services to be sold, if you have accepted money then you must provide a good or service and I just do not see how they can always do that.)

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Well said.

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Re: Haunted places charging paranormal groups

Posted by ghostman50 - 21 Apr 2012 16:39

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bergenparanormal i really respect your opion but im just going to stick with facts here the places you have mentioned would never have been put on the paranormal map if it wasent for big groups such as taps ghost adventures when these people bought these properties they seen free advertisiment and dollar signs in there heads there making lots of money its all about buusiness and thats there choice this is a free country more power to them i dont really care but what i really care about is the feild were all in here is two examples lets start with wavverly when ghost hunters was there they asked the owner do you think this place is haunted she replied by saying yes very haunted and i quote i guarantee there are ghost here Rolling Hills Asylum owner replied the same thing how can you make a statemmet like that how can you guarantee a spirit will come out on cue lol everytime if you notice a new place gets

investigated by big name group on tv everyone at home says wow i need to go there its haunted i could go on and on but i wont bc its simple and its a fact these people are sitting back raking in the green stuff laughing it all the way to the bank

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Re: Haunted places charging paranormal groups

Posted by ghostman50 - 21 Apr 2012 16:42

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i agree with you DestinyStarr used your words very well

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Re: Haunted places charging paranormal groups

Posted by ghostman50 - 21 Apr 2012 16:44

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couldnt agree with you more mcprs would also like to commend you on a job well done with your live investigation i would much rather watch this then the syfy channel keep up the good work guys

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Re: Haunted places charging paranormal groups

Posted by ghostman50 - 21 Apr 2012 16:48

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i agree with you rob this site will keep growing the little time i have been here i have watched it grow myself your doing a great job with this site thank you for putting together a site such as this my friend

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