

ACCIDENT OR ARSON? HAS SOMEONE GOTTEN AWAY WITH MURDER? A BRAND NEW EDGE-OF-YOUR-SEAT TRUE CRIME SERIES FROM THE MAKERS OF THE CASE OF KELI LANE

Absorbing and emotionally gripping, this new series from multi award-winning journalist Caro Meldrum-Hanna is a stunning investigation into the untold story of the 1979 Ghost Train Fire at Sydney's iconic Luna Park.

On a winter's night over forty years ago, cries of delight turned into screams of terror as the Park's iconic Ghost Train ride erupted into flames – fast becoming a hellish inferno, it consumed everything in its vicinity.

Tragically, six boys and one man died – John Godson and his two sons, Damien and Craig, and four schoolboy best friends: Jonathan Billings, Richard Carroll, Michael Johnson and Seamus Rahilly.

At the time, while the public outcry was loud and the media coverage considerable, the fire was written off by authorities as a terrible accident. But the devastated families of those who died in the fire, and many of those who survived it, have long suspected foul play. Despite multiple inquiries, rumours and innuendo, no one has ever been held accountable – and the mystery behind the fire continues to haunt.

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Leaving no stone unturned, Caro and investigative journalist Patrick Begley are determined to get at the truth of this catastrophic event. With unprecedented access to the key people involved, *EXPOSED: The Ghost Train Fire* features an astonishing cast of eyewitnesses, police, investigators, and government insiders who have never spoken before.

The compelling journey to uncover the real story of what happened to the Ghost Train, and the deeply felt, lingering trauma for all those involved brings an immediacy to this unsolved mystery, as silences are finally broken and shocking secrets finally told.

Also available: EXPOSED: The Case of Keli Lane

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EPISODE ONE: JUST FOR FUN

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EPISODE TWO: WHERE THERE'S SMOKE, THERE'S FIRE

The EXPOSED team reveals stunning new information that points to arson as the possible cause of the deadly 1979 Ghost Train fire at Sydney's Luna Park. Witnesses and investigators who have never gone public with their story before, interrogate claims by police that the fire was nothing more than a terrible accident. The testimony of this key group of people suggests something sinister occurred. As the full story unfolds, everything is pointing to a monumental cover up.

EPISODE THREE: SIN CITY

The EXPOSED team delves head-first into the horrifying claims of an intricate network of corruption and cover-up in this explosive conclusion to The Ghost Train Fire. Determined to solve the mystery of the deadly fire at Sydney's Luna Park, they speak to insiders whose incredible stories may contain the answer. As questions are raised about relationships between senior detectives, politicians and Sydney's criminal underworld, police insiders and judicial figures lift the lid on a 'web of criminal endeavour' reaching all the way to the top. Could this tragedy - that killed a father and his two young sons as well as four schoolmates - be one of Australia's biggest miscarriages of justice.

This final riveting instalment of the three-part series will leave audiences reeling.



MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

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Two years in the making, this is must-see TV' TV Tonight

'Gripping, gut-wrenching and addictive... mark it in your diary' News.com

'Incredibly moving and vivid...could be the best Australian docuseries of the year' <u>Mediaweek</u>

'Come for the rigorous reporting of suspicious events; stay for Caro's flair for theatrics' Herald-Sun

'I came out of it with nerves shot and knuckles gobbled; impressed by the film-making and the bravery of the interviewees, and devastated by the content'

The Guardian

'A gooseflesh-raising stretch of television about an event so shocking it almost defies words' The Guardian

'A story replete with hypnotic themes – of terrible tragedy, grief and vulnerability, obsession and survival'

The Australian

'Bombshell after bombshell' The Australian





SOCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Caro and Patrick need their own series... Remarkable reporting and production values. It's like a mix between the *Chernobyl* series and *Hillsborough* documentary. I can't speak. **@RedJules4**

Wow @caromeldrum best production I've seen in a long time and I watch way too much TV. Hopefully the search for justice hasn't ended. Watch *The Ghost Train Fire* on iview people! @sea_creature

The ABC's Luna Park Fire documentary is some of the best television I've ever seen. A true unresolved scandal in Sydney. Bravo @caromeldrum @begley_patrick @cokeefe9

As good or better than any true crime production we have seen from anywhere in the world. Often these things a have a sensational build up with little or no substantive meat in the bones. Absolutely compelling. @drmikehunt

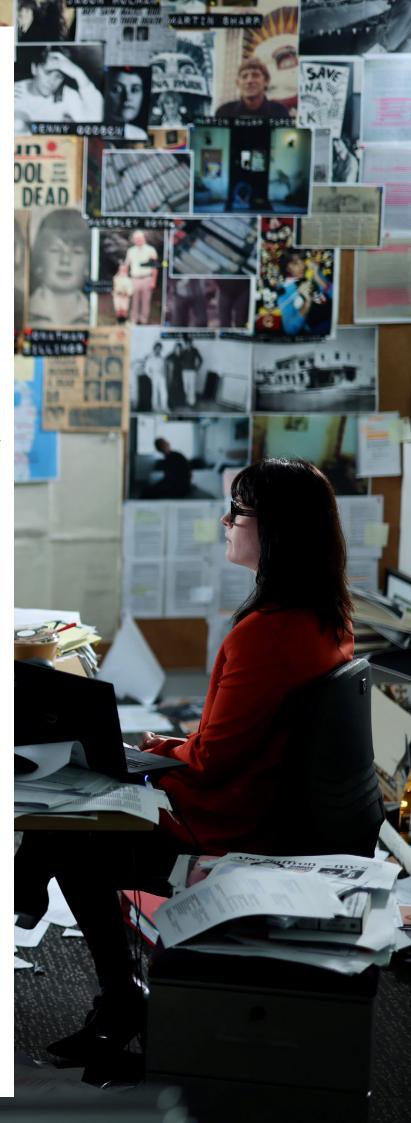
The most professional and gripping doc I have seen in a decade of Australian TV – well done to all involved @Commsday

If you're not watching @caromeldrum's new series on the 1979 Luna Park Sydney ghost train fire, get on it – it's an absolute cracker. @MeghanBHopper

This is stunning and shocking and riveting and horrific and heartbreaking and sad, so utterly sad. Must see television, brilliantly produced. Bravo @hillzo



Exceptional television. Really incredible. World standard. @TheMikeStockton





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This doco series is sublime. Possibly the most powerful storytelling I've ever watched. The recreations, archival footage, account of witnesses, and the (previously buried) revelations are hugely moving. Unmissable. @edwinawilltweet



About as good as investigative documentary filmmaking can get. Absolutely outstanding **@Trixie_Boo**

Just extraordinary. Compelling viewing, amazing journalism @caromeldrum #ExposedABC @TheBarrow



This is the standard against which all investigative journalism should be measured. #ghosttrainfire #ExposedAbc @stevejco



Was absolutely incredible viewing and first class journalism. @JudeDonnelly



Exceptional, moving, such human work @caromeldrum @josephodonoghue

The number of witnesses and police and other people with pertinent information you were able to interview was phenomenal. @garigalAnj

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Rarely have I watched something and felt such power knowing this is truly groundbreaking. Every episode of #ExposedAbc hits with unrelenting & monumental force. Phenomenal work. @josh_jerga

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OMG, just finished *EXPOSED*: *The Ghost Train Fire* and left breathless. Thankful for journalists like @caromeldrum for exposing such a despicable cover-up **@DarebinDyke**

SOCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



This series is a masterclass...the amount of corruption uncovered is staggering. Incredible work @caromeldrum @Aaron_OBrien9



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Brilliant...will leave you shocked and angry @willowclarissa

The best TV I have watched in years! @dalts22

Thank you for your work on this, the dead deserve answers, and the living need closure @nicole_jenkins

Brilliant program @shepoldfirm

Amazing work, can't wait to see Eps 2 and 3 @andrewmercado

Incredible television @STrudge06

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Absolutely riveting doco, truly outstanding investigative journalism. Can't wait for the next episode @robyn_rankin

Heartbreaking. I can't stop thinking about it @marinago

That. Was. Intense. I'm hooked! Well done. Really well produced and creatively delivered @Spencertive

Fantastic stuff @LadyCaf

