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# Just When You Thought It Was Safe to Go out VAMPIRES LURK IN THE UNITED STATES

*“Dr. Bob Curran takes you to places with his words and stories  
that only your mind can create. He delights the imagination.”*

— TOM DANHEISER, PRODUCER, COAST TO COAST AM

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**San Francisco, CA (October 1, 2012)** — In time for Halloween, the newest in a long series of award-winning titles by the internationally known Irish historian, Dr. Bob Curran, *American Vampires: Their True Bloody History From New York to California* comes covered in a book jacket dripping with blood.

Famous for decades as an expert on the arcane and the mysterious, with nearly forty books on Celtic lore and Irish fairies, zombies and werewolves, vanished cities and ghosts, Curran now delves into American vampire lore.

Complex creatures, the vampires he discovers in North Carolina are different from those in South Carolina and in New York State. Not all of them are human in form . . . and they cannot necessarily be warded off by a crucifix or a bulb of garlic.

He turns up the dreaded creatures of the night in the Louisiana bayous, on the back streets of Manhattan, the hills of Tennessee, the Sierras of California, the deserts of Arizona, and more locations in America where even local residents are unaware of what lurks in their midst.

Adding to the cold shivers in *American Vampires* are the dramatic illustrations by Ian Daniels, an artist whose works create the dark atmospheres of ancient myth, ghosts and dreamlike horrors. (Daniels created the nightmare-producing illustrations for Curran’s bestseller, *Zombies*.)

### **About the author:**

Renowned in Europe and beyond as an author, lecturer and broadcaster, a history teacher and folklore expert, **Dr. Bob Curran** has acted as advisor to the Cultural Committee of the Northern Ireland Legislative Assembly.

Raised in the Mourne Mountains area of County Down in Ireland, a region steeped in folklore and legend, Dr. Curran has worked as a gravedigger, professional musician, journalist, and civil servant. He also works with the Office of the First and Deputy First Minister of Northern Ireland, and conducts tourism tours on Irish history.

**Dr. Bob Curran is the author 38 books, including:**

- *A Haunted Mind: Inside the Dark, Twisted World of H.P. Lovecraft*
- *Vampires: A Field Guide to the Creatures That Stalk the Night*
- *Lost Lands, Forgotten Realms: Sunken Continents, Vanished Cities, and the Kingdoms that History Misplaced*
- *Zombies: A Field Guide to the Walking Dead*
- *Werewolves: A Field Guide to Shapeshifters, Lycanthropes, and Man-Beasts*
- *The World's Creepiest Places*

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