

AMERICAN HORROR STORY™

SEASON 1

Touted as the most terrifying new series on television this fall, *American Horror Story* revolves around the Harmons, a family of three who move from Boston to Los Angeles as a means to reconcile their past. They take up residence in a stately 1920s mansion that hides dark secrets within its walls. Having suffered through a miscarriage and marital infidelity, former cellist Vivien (Connie Britton), her husband Ben (Dylan McDermott), a psychiatrist, and their troubled teenage daughter, Violet (Taissa Fermiga), attempt to put the dark memories of their past behind them. While Ben begins treating a new patient, Violet struggles to fit in at school and Vivien occupies her time uncovering a bizarre mural she's discovered underneath the wallpaper. Then, Ben meets a former resident of the house who has his own tragic tale to tell; Vivien hires an elderly housekeeper (Frances Conroy) with secrets of her own; and the family meets their kleptomaniac neighbour, Constance (Jessica Lange), and her daughter, Adelaide, who seem too well acquainted with the mysterious house and its foreboding history.

DID YOU KNOW?

Dylan McDermott was nominated for an Emmy Award and three Golden Globe Award nominations for *The Practice*. He won the Golden Globe award in 1999.

Connie Britton garnered two Emmy Award nominations for the critically acclaimed series *Friday Night Lights*.

Jessica Lange has been nominated for six Academy® Awards and has won the Oscar twice in her career as Best Actress in *Blue Sky* and Best Supporting Actress in *Tootsie*.

- *American Horror Story* series debut in US averaged a strong 3.2MM total viewers of which a considerable 63% were key Adults 18-49
- Ranked as FX's highest-rated series debut among the key Adults 18-49 demo
- Continues to garner high praise from renowned critics:
 - "The arrival of FX Canada makes it certain that Canadian viewers will see one of this fall's most talked-about and provocative new shows, the erotic horror drama *American Horror Story*." John Doyle, *Globe and Mail* (08/06/11)

CAST

VIVIEN HARMON - Connie Britton (*Friday Night Lights*)
CONSTANCE - Jessica Lange (*Tootsie*)
LARRY - Denis O'hare (*The Proposal*)
BEN HARMON - Dylan McDermott (*The Practice*)
TATE LANGDON - Evan Peters (*Kick Ass*)
VIOLET HARMON - Taissa Farmiga (*Higher Ground*)

EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS

Ryan Murphy (*Glee*)
Brad Falchuk (*Nip Tuck*)
Dante Di Loreto (*Glee*)



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