Capital Region Author Releases Fourth Installment of Supernatural Thriller Series

BALLSTON LAKE, NY, UNITED STATES, September 15, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- October 10, 2026 marks the highly anticipated return of literature's favorite reluctant paranormal investigator in The Curse of Castle Dracula and Professor Spectre, the spine-tingling fourth installment of the Professor Spectre supernatural thriller series.

> Professor Spectre stalked the halls of Castle Dracula, leaving no hiding space unexplored."
>
> *Jack Pendleton*

In this latest chapter, Dalton Peck—a man whose life was irrevocably changed by his exposure to the supernatural—is drawn out of his self-imposed isolation. When old friend Alex Hargraves asks him to assist with the renovation of a historic carnival dark ride called Castle Dracula, Dalton excitedly agrees. What begins as a creative restoration project quickly spirals into a living nightmare.

During the renovation, Dalton and Alex uncover a horrifi c, true crime history buried within the twists and turns of the ride. As Castle Dracula's dark past is unearthed, history begins to repeat itself. A series of sudden, mysterious deaths plague the installation, casting a shadow of suspicion over the project and putting Dalton directly under the scrutiny of law enforcement. With the sheriff closing in and a malevolent force awakened, Dalton's alter ego Professor Spectre must race against the clock to stop the bloodshed and break the curse before he and Alex become its next victims.

The Curse of Castle Dracula and Professor Spectre delivers the trademark psychological suspense, eerie atmosphere, and fast-paced action that fans of the series love, while raising the stakes to a terrifying new level.

A contemporary horror series, the Professor Spectre novels are all set in upstate New York.

About the Author & Illustrator:
Jack Pendleton is the author and cover illustrator behind the Professor Spectre series. Residing in the Capital Region of New York state, Pendleton channels his firsthand experiences as an avid hiker and explorer of abandoned places into his writing and art. His deep fascination with forgotten history and eerie, neglected landscapes directly inspires the hauntingly authentic atmospheres found within his supernatural thrillers.

About the Book:
 Title: The Curse of Castle Dracula and Professor Spectre (Professor Spectre Book 4)
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 Available For: Review copies (Digital ARC), interviews, and feature articles upon request.

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Discover the horror that lurks within Castle Dracula in the fourth installment of the terrifying Professor Spectre series of supernatural thriller novels.

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