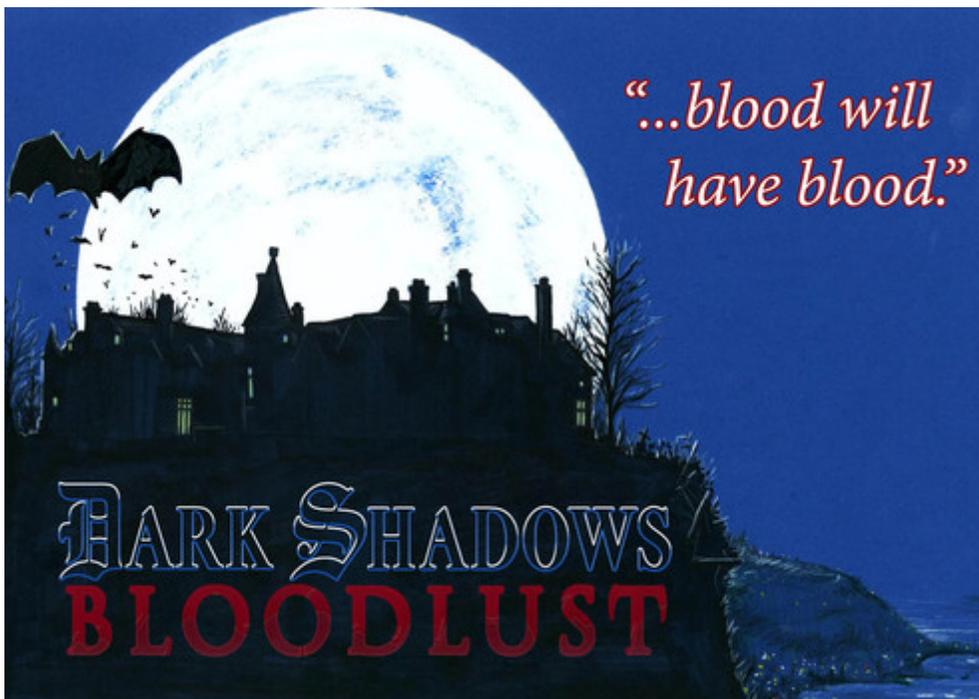


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"Dark Shadows" might have left the airwaves in 1971, but the gothic soap opera, whose principal characters included vampires, witches, werewolves, ghosts and man-made monsters, has proved to have more lives than a cat. Its latest incarnation takes the form of innovative audio dramas produced by Big Finish Productions, featuring several stars of the original series.

Big Finish has announced that the latest audio drama, "Dark Shadows: Bloodlust," a 13 episode mini-series, will debut in January, 2015. In a nod to the daytime serials that inspired the drama, the episodes will be released twice weekly. [Kathryn Leigh Scott](#), who played Maggie Evans on the original series, stars. The cast also includes [David Selby](#) (Quentin Collins), [Lara Parker](#) (Angelique), Alec Newman (Barnabas Collins in the 2005 TV movie) and Matthew Waterhouse. Installments will be

available from Big Finish both on CD and via download from Big Finish Productions at [www.bigfinish.com](http://www.bigfinish.com).

The official synopsis released by Big Finish is as follows:

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**“ Some describe it as the town at the edge of the world.**

***When Melody and Michael Devereux come to Collinsport on their honeymoon, they don't know the secrets that are hidden behind closed doors. But those secrets will be unearthed when an innocent is viciously murdered.***

***Collinsport will be a town divided. One woman's rise to power will lead to further death and destruction. Families will be ripped apart. Blood will be spilt.***

***And the dark forces that wait in the shadows will wait no more. For in Collinsport, death is never the end...***

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Actress and author Kathryn Leigh Scott played Maggie Evans in the original series and the feature film “House of Dark Shadows.” She’s also the author of several books about “Dark Shadows,” including the behind-the-scenes book “Dark Shadows: Return to Collinwood.” She shared her thoughts about her latest foray into “Dark Shadows” territory exclusively with Examiner:

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***"It's always fun to see my Dark Shadows colleagues again and even better when we have***



*the opportunity to work together. I loved having a full day with Lara in the recording studio. It was hard work and we had to stay very focused, but we also had time for some laughs.*

*The Big Finish scripts are always interesting because the plotting and story lines are a departure from the original series, which is wonderful, but also makes working within our characters a challenge. Also, we have to depend solely on our voices to convey emotion, and the paranormal elements seem to require quite a lot of screaming! Lara and I were both hoarse after our 30- page confrontation, which was very dramatic.*

*This production is by far the most complex. Our characters enter realms of terror and horror that are very dramatic. I think the fans of these Big Finish productions will be captivated.*

*I can only say that I love doing these recordings and hope there will continue to be a demand for them. My only wish is that we could use the talents of all the Dark Shadows actors in these roles."*

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Kathryn Leigh Scott's other published books are available at her website, [www.kathrynleighscott.com](http://www.kathrynleighscott.com). Other "Dark Shadows" audio dramas are also available from Big Finish.

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