

# CBC's "Coroner" becomes Highest-Rated Drama Series

CBC has recently announced that "Coroner," co-produced by Muse, Back Alley, and Cineflix, has become the highest-rated drama series launch in four years.

Numeris, the Canadian audience measurement organization, confirmed that "Coroner" reached two million in Canada and delivered an average minute audience of more than one million viewers for each episode on CBC. In the UK, "Coroner" premiered as Universal TV's highest-ever rated series launch.

The press release states that inspired by the best-selling series of books by M.R. Hall, "Coroner" (8x60) is a character-driven, one-hour drama about Dr. Jenny Cooper (actress Serinda Swan of "Ballers," "Inhumans" fame), a recently widowed new coroner who investigates suspicious, unnatural, or sudden deaths in Toronto.

Morwyn Brebner ("Saving Hope") is creator, executive producer, and showrunner; Adrienne Mitchell ("Durham County") is lead director and executive producer for Back Alley Films; Jonas Prupas is executive producer for Muse Entertainment, and Peter Emerson and Brett Burlock executive producers for Cineflix Studios.

For CBC, Sally Catto is General Manager, Programming; Helen Asimakis is Senior Director, Scripted Content; and Sarah Adams is Executive in Charge of Production. Cineflix Rights has the exclusive worldwide distribution rights for the drama.

"'Coroner' has struck a chord with viewers in Canada and the UK, which is a testament to the series' outstanding cast and creative team and the authenticity of its themes and characters," said Sally Catto, General

Manager, Programming, CBC. "Bringing the best of Canada to audiences at home and around the world is CBC's top priority, and we couldn't be more proud to have commissioned this original drama from Muse, Back Alley, and Cineflix."

"We are exhilarated to see how audiences are responding to 'Coroner's' unique take on character-driven drama elevated by an awesomely talented ensemble cast," said showrunner Morwyn Brebner and lead director and executive producer Adrienne Mitchell. "We can't wait for audiences to see where we take Jenny Cooper for the rest of our inaugural season and beyond," Catto adds.

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