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Coroner, Burden of Truth among raft of CBC renewals

The pubcaster has renewed 10 original series heading into Canadian Screen Week.

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A number of domestic series including *Coroner*, *Burden of Truth* and *Frankie Drake Mysteries* are heading into Canadian Screen Week with the security of a greenlight after CBC unveiled 10 additional renewals for its 2019-2020 schedule.

Coroner (Muse Entertainment, Back Alley Films, Cineflix Studios), which was CBC's highest-rated new series of the current broadcast season, will go to a second season. The premiere episode garnered an audience of **1.05 million**, making it CBC's most-watched drama premiere in four years and the series was also picked up by **NBCUniversal International Networks**.

Meanwhile, heading into third seasons are *Burden of Truth* (ICF Films, eOne, Eagle Vision, 8 x 60 minutes), *Frankie Drake Mysteries* (Shaftesbury, 10 x 60 minutes) and *The Detectives* (WAM Media GRP, 8 x 60 minutes).

CBC's ever-present *Murdoch Mysteries* (Shaftesbury) was also greenlit to its 13th season. The Yannick Bisson-fronted series has continued to draw average weekly audiences in excess of one million during its season-12 run.

Alberta-shot drama *Heartland* (Seven24 Films, Dynamo Films) will head into its 13th season.

The pubcaster also unveiled renewals for its CBC Arts series *Exhibitionists* (season five, 26 x 30 minutes), CBC Docs POV (season five, 18 x 60 minutes), *In the Making* (season two, White Pine Pictures, 8 x 30 minutes) and *The Nature of Things* (season 59, 18 x 60 minutes).

Previously announced renewals for CBC's 2019-2020 schedule include *Schitt's Creek* (Not A Real Company Productions), which was last week **renewed for a sixth and final season**, *Still Standing* (Frantic Films, season five, 13 x 30 minutes), *Kim's Convenience* (Thunderbird Entertainment, season four, 13 x 30 minutes), ***The Great Canadian Baking Show*** (Proper Television, season three, 9 x 60 minutes), *Dragon's Den* (season 14, 10 x 60 minutes), ***Baroness***

Von Sketch Show (Frantic Films, season four, 10 x 30 minutes) and *Anne With an E* (Northwood Entertainment, season three, 10 x 60 minutes).

CBC noted in a press release that additional renewals across all genres will be announced later in the spring. Renewals have not yet been confirmed for series including *Cavendish*, *Workin' Moms*, *Street Legal* and *Little Dog*.

In total, CBC properties are nominated for 236 Canadian Screen Awards this year.

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