



SOUTHERN PSYCHIC



LOGLINE:

"The Southern Psychic" An unscripted docu-series following the adventures of Carl Woodall, a gay, southern, single dad, psychic-medium ...living in the conservative bible belt of the deep south.

CONCEPT:

Carl Woodall is the most sought-after psychic in all of Georgia. Want to know what happened to your favorite hunting dog? If Uncle Jed went to heaven? Why the ghost haunting your trailer insists on driving your Ford F-150 at 3am every night? Carl's got the sight and he's not afraid to share – in his signature gruff, profanity-laced blue-collar style: "Zip yer damn lip! Who's doing the reading here?" The Southern Psychic's readings are often hilarious and heart-warming, and always unfiltered. Carl is quick to tell all - even when it's harsh ("They're telling me you're bat shit crazy..."), awkward ("Your dead wife is showing me her boobs... Not bad, just not my thing"), or blunt ("They want you to get off your ass.") And when he's not busy on psychic house-calls, Carl can be found teaching mediumship classes out of the old red barn (no, really a red barn) also know as The Southern Psychic Metaphysical Center. Think the X-men School for the Gifted taught by a fabulous and gay Professor Charles Xavier with students ranging from retired judges, soccer moms, and drag queens.

The Southern Psychic also reveals what life is like for a gay medium in the heart of the Bible Belt. When Carl is off the clock, he juggles his busy professional life with raising his 11 year old son, Nickolas, taking care of his ultra conservative father, Carl Sr, and keeping his mother, nicknamed the "shit-magnet" in place. With the help of his best friend, Dorothy, a "Korean Hillbilly Psychic-in-training" Carl brings a deeper understanding to the Deep South, one reading at a time.

STONE:

Think *Hollywood Medium*, but instead of visiting some celebrity's mansion, Carl is more likely found doing readings for a blue collar family on the farm. Carl's readings are more reminiscent of a good mechanic showing you what's under the hood than the crystal balls and card tricks that populate fiction or roadside neon storefronts. The overall tone is upbeat and grounded with a focus on individual stories that often break open Southern stereotypes and connect audiences to a universal humanity.



CARL WOODALL:

Carl knew he was psychic well before he knew he was gay. "Being psychic was easy; as far as I knew it was normal. It was much harder when I finally realized - *wait a minute, these people are dating women???*"

Now he works full time as a professional psychic medium, and his books are always full. Clients love his blunt honesty, deep compassion, and of course, his undeniable ability.

Outside of the psychic lifestyle, Carl is just like any other middle-aged guy trying to make ends meet. He's a single dad, raising his son and coaching the little league team. A devoted father, Carl is most at home with his son and his son's friends. And Carl's parents are still kicking: his mom is spry enough to babysit (and cause trouble), as his dad watches the whole parade rather warily.

Carl's desire is to help people walk their personal truth, one reading at a time. "Look, we're all still here. We got air in our lungs. The rest ain't that big of a deal!" Along with traveling around Georgia making "house calls," Carl is also the owner and operator of The Atlanta Metaphysical Center which hosts a monthly psychic fair and psychic development classes. About 95% of Carl's students are there to help themselves - having psychic 'tendencies' can be terrifying, and many even have to self-medicate to cope with the unknown. But occasionally an exceptional student shows the potential for more. Among these devoted psychic mentees, are Dorothy, Lauren and April, who (now that they've reached a certain skill level) also function as his sounding board and support system.





DOROTHY FIGUE: (pronounced “pig”) *The Best Friend*

Dorothy, who describes herself as a Southern Korean Hillbilly Psychic-in training,” is learning the ropes from Carl as rides along with him on the house-calls.

Over the past few years, she has emerged as one of Carl’s strongest students. With her quirky demeanor and infectious laugh, she makes an excellent foil for Carl’s dry wit. The snarky banter between the two is always balanced with respect and a healthy dose of irreverence.

Dorothy’s incredible gift is finally beginning to take focus where she is skilled as a ‘future-oriented channel’ but unlike Carl, she has yet to truly trust what she’s sees/hears. With continued practice, she continues to work on trusting herself, and finding out just how deep the rabbit hole goes.



APRIL GRIFFIN: *The Ambitious Student*

April is a single mother of 6 kids, a part-time nurse and part-time clairvoyant-for-hire. She sought out Carl for advanced training, and quickly became a part of his circle of friends.

April’s work ethic and entrepreneurial spirit is matched only by her big personality - hilarious and skilled, April has found much success in the psychic field, marketing herself as “The Lovable Psychic.” Her critics have suggested, however, that she might be too lovable - her penchant for selfies, YouTube videos and provocative clothing make her a target for snide remarks.



LAUREN CARTER: *The Assistant*

Lauren, Carl’s secretary assistant and gifted psychic student, is more like a daughter to Carl than anything else. A natural beauty with a unique innocence and a curious heart, Carl is very protective when it comes to Lauren offering her spiritual advice as well as practical beauty tips.

“Sweetness, you got more damn makeup on than Tammy Fay... now scrub it off your pretty face and you’ll attract a decent man.”

A bit on the “ditz” side, she is better equipped to handle visiting spirits than handle Carl’s demanding schedule. She has been known to drop a few balls by triple booking Carl or giving him bad directions, leaving him way out in the sticks where even the GPS doesn’t work.



NICKOLAS WOODALL (Carl's son)

Nickolas is Carl's 11-year-old son, a sweet unassuming kid... and an astral traveler. Having grown up with a psychic dad, Nick has no idea that what Carl does for a job is unusual. Because of Nick's extreme sensitivity to energies, Carl refers to his son as his "radar." A normal day for Nick includes school, baseball practice, and occasionally accompanying his Dad on a reading. Of course, Nick is entering that tender age when every kid starts to care what his peers think, so bridging the chasm between his two worlds may prove challenging.



MAMA WOODALL (Carl's mom)

Carl lovingly refers to his mother as the "shit magnet" because she stirs up and attracts drama wherever she goes. A running family joke, Mama Woodall once received a toilet brush for Christmas with the attached note, "Next time you feel like stirring up shit, do it in your own house!" Regardless, she has always been a protective mother, recognized and nurtured Carl's abilities when he was very young. Now she extends that same (very) hands-on attention to her grandson Nickolas, whose unique gifts have even Mama a little baffled.



CARL WOODALL, SR (Carl's dad)

Carl Senior is the quintessential Southern father - stubborn, conservative, Trump supporter, and a little checked out emotionally - at best you're lucky to get a one-arm half-hug. Carl Sr. admittedly had a hard time raising a child so different... being psychic is one thing, but being a gay psychic is something else. Colorful and candid, Carl Sr is now in a phase of life where he is trying to understand.

THE CLIENTELE

Carl's clientele range from a concerned farmer down in the Cotton Belt to a jealous housewife in Buckhead. Judges, NASCAR fans, executives, drag queens, -- all races, incomes, religious beliefs, young and old – they all come to Carl for all sorts of reasons. These folks give a picture of Dixie living that is honest and true.

EPISODES:

Episodes will be broken into two sections:

CARL'S PROFESSIONAL WORLD - The Psychic House-call readings will be the main focus of the episode, as well as teachings/interactions with his students at the Red Barn aka The Southern Psychic Metaphysical Center.

Psychic House calls will be emotional and healing but there will also be humor and uniqueness framed by the types of people Carl meets. Not every story will revolve around loss and some of the more colorful clients will argue with spirit, test Carl, or keep reformatting the questions until they try to hear what they want to hear leading to comedy gold.

The School for Psychics – this is a fully functioning center for the study of spiritual communication. If you can imagine a gay, southern Professor X surrounded by a multitude of aspiring mediums, each with a different level of ability and experience.

CARL'S PERSONAL WORLD - As interesting and unexpected as the psychic element, Carl's personal life is the glue that holds the show together. We will invite the audience into a behind-the-scenes view of being a professional psychic in the Bible Belt - while also following Carl's family and friend relationships.

Carl's Family – Here's how it breaks down: an average 11 year old kid, a gay psychic dad, and two God-fearing grandparents. It's a recipe for drama any way you mix it. Let's just say Carl came by his "no filter" style of communication naturally.

Social Life- Carl and co like to go to the lake, ride 4 wheelers, country-line dance and try to enjoy sometime off the clock. He also coaches his son's baseball team and occasionally likes to hit the nightlife. Unfortunately for Carl, being a psychic does not help with his gaydar.

SUMMARY:

Carl never had a choice to live a normal southern life and he has experienced the many blessing and sometimes challenges for being different. At one point he wanted to hide but has since made a choice long ago to walk his truth, fulfill his responsibility and honor his extraordinary gift by waking people up to a bigger picture one reading at a time.

