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Syfy, Netflix declare Ghost Wars

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US cablenet Syfy has begun production on a 13-episode paranormal action series to which Netflix has taken global rights outside the country.



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Ghost Wars comes from Fargo, Van Helsing and Hell on Wheels producer Nomadic Pictures and was created by Simon Barry, who will also serve as showrunner.

The series is set in a remote Alaskan town overrun by paranormal forces, where a local outcast must overcome the town's prejudices

and his own personal demons to harness his repressed psychic powers and save the town.

The cast includes Vincent D'Onofrio (Jurassic World), Kim Coates (Sons of Anarchy), Avan Jogia (Tut), Kristin Lehman (Motive) and Meatloaf (Fight Club).

David Von Ancken, who previously worked with Nomadic Pictures on the pilot and multiple episodes of AMC's Hell On Wheels, will direct. The hour-long drama, which is currently being shot in Vancouver, will premiere in the US on Syfy and globally on Netflix later this year.

"Ghost Wars is not just a contemporary homage to classic psychological horror, it's also an opportunity to tell stories about human politics and how we shape our beliefs and lives based on our individual perspectives and biases," said Barry.

Nomadic is also shooting season two of Van Helsing, which airs in the US on Syfy and globally on Netflix.