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Murder & Mystery

“Celebrity Celebrations”



Introduction:

We are pleased to bring you “Celebrity Celebrations” a murder mystery game which can be specifically tailored for you. It is a perfect activity to integrate in to a dinner evening; it brings fun and animation and requires from all participants to communicate and interact.

The game is interactive and integrates from minimum 14 to 120 maximum participants, with a character ratio of 30-70 (female to male) for the casting. Ideally, the game should be played out over cocktails followed by dinner. Several rooms at the venue location would be required to maximize the evening with a suitable décor to create the appropriate atmosphere in relation to the theme. There can be one or several winners as to who guesses “who did it”, additionally there can be prizes for the best costume.



Game Synopsis:

It's 1961. The world's richest man – Jerry Oilman – has invited anybody who is anybody to his birthday party – the biggest party of all time. Jerry Oilman is an extremely wealthy man, even though he is very short. Naturally enough, he made his money in oil. He is very eccentric and he's known for his collection of stuffed bats. These black winged creatures hang from the walls and ceiling of his house spooking everyone who enters.

Tonight Jerry has invited a host of rich and famous people. For example, Marilyn Monroe is here looking for the perfect man. And when you get this many big names together you know there's sure to be a conflict. What Jerry didn't guess, and what you don't know, is that something sinister and frightening is about to take place...

What you will all be asked to do is to work out who is the villain behind this dastardly crime, a crime that will take us all the way to the graveside...

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Sample of characters:



Fred Astaire I am a debonair man and I have sung and danced like no other. People say I gave Ginger class and she gave me sex appeal. I practice all the time.

Ginger Rogers I am a dazzling singer and dancer. I won an Academy Award for "Kitty Foyle". When I retired from Hollywood fame, I bought a dairy farm. I am very attached to my dairy cows.

Jimi Hendrix I know I am going to be one of the most daring, inventive and influential rock guitarists. But at present, I'm still in the army.

Janis Joplin I am the first goddess of rock. I have a raw iron soul and sing like a blues mamma. I keep begging God to buy me a Mercedes Benz, but so far he hasn't.

Marilyn Monroe I am a sex goddess, singer, actor and model. I spent part of my childhood unloved in an orphanage. I posed for Playboy and I am a member of the "Rat Pack".

Elvis Presley I am the King of Rock 'N Roll. I am also known for my pelvic gyrations. I have acted in a number of movies. I am religious, but I ain't no saint.

Judy Garland I have sung and danced in thirty-two feature films and I am one of the world's greatest entertainers. I am a member of the "Rat Pack".

Rita Hayworth I am an actress, singer and dancer. Some people have branded me as the screen's sultry love goddess. I married a prince. My face was painted onto the A-bomb which was dropped on Hiroshima in 1946.

Groucho Marx I am the most famous of the Marx Brothers and I am known for my one-liners. I set fire to the first film we made as the Marx Brothers because I thought it was bad. I never work with children or animals.

Bob Marley I am going to put Reggae on the map. I am a Jamaican Rastafarian and I don't eat salt because of my beliefs. I shot the sheriff (in one of my songs).

Extra famous roles are also available, plus 10 roles for the various authorities e.g.:

Hugh Powell I am a police officer. I'm a tough no-nonsense cop. I love the power that comes with my position.

Dr Virgil Vinessi I am a police forensic specialist. I love the thrill of finding needles in haystacks. I won't give up till I find what I want.

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and 8 roles for creatures, e.g.:

Vampire Witch because Jerry was a big fan of Dracula, my master and I have been present in Jerry's house. I am one of Count Dracula's loyal servants. We are the Un-Dead. There is nowhere to escape us. Our blood is their sustenance.



Development of game:

1. Prior to the event, a casting is needed. We will present you with a list of the different characters to choose from: the suspects, the authorities, the witnesses, the creatures (optional).
2. Each participant, minimum 2 weeks before the event, will receive a personalised invitation along with their own character description, dress and accessories suggestions for their part.
3. The day of the event, each participant should come dressed with their costume / disguise to the venue and will be welcomed at the aperitif reception on arrival. Instructions and clues will be handed out along with name tags stating who they are.
4. After everyone has met and mingled and discovered all characters present at the evening, facilitators give an introduction and debrief of the rules, after which the game shall commence and everyone is led to the discovery of the crime scene.
5. The rest of the evening is spent around the dinner thru which the game will progress thru different interventions of some guests, distribution of clues, readings of medical and police reports, guests meetings, leading to the discovery of the murderer.



Language:

The game can be played in English or French.

Venue:

A venue enabling access to two or three areas is needed for the setting of the game. Hence we suggest appropriate venues to you in the region of your choice. Several venues can be chosen of different standards depending on your budget.

Transportation:

We can organize a collective transportation to transfer guests to and from the venue. Pick up and drop off could be at the location of your choice.

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Dress:

We recommend that everybody dresses for the occasion as suggested, from the sixties period. Over dressing and going to extremes is highly recommended. Generally, the more people put into the event, the more fun it will be.



Aperitif:

It is imperative for all the guests to have the opportunity to meet and mingle and discover each other in their character; an aperitif is the ideal opportunity and ice breaker to meet with all characters of the game.

Dinner:

There is no strict format, served dinner or hot buffet with sufficient tables and places for the guests to roam and mingle. A sit down meal can be accommodated with free movement amongst the guests encouraged between courses.

Live Music (Optional):

A lot of the guests are famous musicians and singers from the sixties and a selection of their music will be played during the evening. A live band can be integrated in the game during dinner playing music tracks related to those artists, this would be an additional suggestion to complete the scene.

Actors:

Some actors can integrate your group in order to bring an additional dynamic to the game. We recommend the presence of an actor especially when the group character is quite introverted and is not experienced in team activities. The actor will bring them together and stimulate them for communicating and interacting.



Prize (suggestions):

The winners of "who did it", and there may be several, could be awarded with a prize of your choice. If you choose the photographer option, we can suggest a group framed photograph as a souvenir of the evening. In addition, a surprise prize can be awarded to the best costume.

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