

"SCREAM" And "SCREAM" Again: Kevin Williamson On Parts 4 & 5

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"Oh please! By definition alone, sequels are inferior films!" But that's not the reason why Jamie Kennedy's Randy won't be in the new SCREAM, as screenwriter-producer Kevin Williamson explains.



[FearNet](#) spoke with Williamson, who is contracted to pen SCREAM 4 & 5 in what he hopes will be another SCREAM trilogy. Wes Craven directed the first three films and is returning to helm SCREAM 4.

"Wes and I feel 100 percent that we're gonna need to surprise the audience," Williamson says. "If we don't, there's no reason to do it. And so we're hoping that we'll be able to balance that in a way that's satisfying to everybody. It's a SCREAM movie. People have to die. And I'm no stranger to killing people. Even on THE VAMPIRE DIARIES we'll take regular characters and just kill 'em. I think that what we do know is we've got characters that people respond to and care about. Because I think the problem with a lot of horror films has always been, and the reason I wrote SCREAM in the very beginning, is you don't really get a lot of characterizations of people you're really emotionally invested in. What we're gonna try to do with SCREAM 4 is let people care about Sidney again, and let people care about Sidney and Gale and Dewey and all the new characters that are circling around them. And have some fun. I get my new characters, I get my old characters, I get to watch them all interact. It's fun. I get to go back to Woodsboro. It's exciting."

One of those old characters will not be horror geek Randy, who was killed off in SCREAM 2. "We're not that movie. We're not that universe where you can bring people back from the dead. That would be a cheat. It's such a disservice. Everyone's like, 'When's Randy coming back?' I'm like, 'You know what? I would love nothing more than to have Jamie Kennedy in the film. However to have Randy in the film, it sort of just takes it... I mean SCREAM 2 was a lie, you know? It's a false move.' So I just won't do it. I can't do that."

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Williamson confirms that a deal for SCREAM 6 isn't done, but he did pitch three films to Dimension. "The story is about returning to Woodsboro, and SCREAM 5—knock on wood, if we actually get to it, because 4 has to be good in order for us to make a 5—will be a continuation of 4, but 4 is its own movie. It has a beginning, middle and end, and 5 has a beginning, middle and end; it's just a continuation of the lives of all the people that live in 4."

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