

# TRANSCEND PARANORMAL: ALWAYS ASKING WHY

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On a typical Friday or Saturday night, I'm in bed and asleep well before midnight. But this isn't a typical night. In fact, it's quite on the opposite end of the spectrum. I'm at a historic location trying to communicate with spirits that may or may not be there, in hopes that someone – or something – will answer the questions I am seeking to fulfill. I am a paranormal investigator.

Founded in 2010, Transcend Paranormal is a team of individuals who are actively trying to find answers to questions that are beyond the scope of normal scientific understanding. We strive to assist those who are experiencing paranormal activity in their homes and locations, both public and private. We also partner with non-profit organizations and foundations of historical locations to assist in the continued effort of preservation and educational experiences put forth by these organizations.

You may be wondering what exactly we are doing so late at night in a building with all the lights turned off. First and foremost, I want to quickly dispel the myth that ghosts are only active at night; they are not. In fact, we've found just as much paranormal activity during the day at some locations as at night time. We are simply investigating at night because there is less contamination: fewer people out and about, fewer cars driving past the location, and less noise and light pollution.

When we investigate a location, we are utilizing scientific equipment to identify and record environmental



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changes, temperature drops, light and sound anomalies, and more. We do this through the use of audio and video recorders, electromagnetic field (EMF) detectors, thermometers, and other tools. By using and combining these technologies, we are able to go about a location collecting recordings in a manner that removes as much contamination as possible. We are looking for outliers in our recordings – voices on an audio recorder that weren't heard with the human ear, changes in temperature or the EMF field, or anomalous lights or objects on video recordings.

We aren't just looking for these oddities for the sake of it, though. We're looking to piece together a puzzle. We aim to answer many questions: is someone still here, and why? Is this spirit lost? Are they trying to communicate with purpose? Or are they simply hoping to not be lost in history?

We aren't only looking to answer these questions from our time on-site at a location investigating, however. A key piece to understanding the goings-on at a location is understanding the location's past. Finding out that your house stood on Civil War battlegrounds, or that the building was used as an all-boys' school, for example, could lead to a deeper understanding of what is going on at a location and why.

So why do we do it? Not for the pay, that's for sure; every piece of equipment, every mile driven, every minute spent is all free of charge. We do it for the never-ending scientific endeavor of understanding. As humans, we are constantly seeking to improve our understanding of the things around us. We're trying to provide an answer to "what goes bump in the night" – to transcend above the fog that shrouds what we can't quite understand or explain.

For eight years Transcend Paranormal has been studying the paranormal. We have found compelling evidence that something "else" exists; something we can't quite explain away with the current understanding of physics and the natural world. To be completely honest,

we have found that we have more questions now than answers. That is science at its most raw, basic form though – consistently asking, "why?" We'll keep asking, and we'll keep looking. The truth is out there yet to be discovered.

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