

American Gothic

US TV series : 19 : dir. Sam Raimi : : ? x 60 min
 prod: : scr: Shaun Cassidy : dir.ph.:
[Lucas Black](#)
 Gary Cole; Paige Turco; Brenda Bakke; Sarah Paulson; Nick Searcy; John Mese;
 Brent Jennings; Jake Weber

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Sunday Times review:

"An offbeat American drama series, directed by Sam Raimi, of the **EVIL DEAD** movie trilogy. It is written by Shaun Cassidy, the former teen idol and David's half-brother. Gary Cole is an over-zealous sheriff in the small South Carolina town of Trinity, where nameless horror lurks just behind the picket fences. Following the murder of his sister and imprisonment of his father, a young boy (Lucas Black) becomes the focus of attention for the sheriff, the hospital doctor and a long-lost journalist cousin who heads for Trinity on hearing of the killing."

" – Gail reluctantly enlists the help of Lucas Buck to learn more about her past."

The Guardian (The Guide) review:

"What is going on in Trinity? Just when you thought **"American Gothic"** was the **"Twin Peaks"** that humans are able to understand, they go and make an episode like this one. Caleb's dead sister returns from the grave, "borrowing" the life of an unborn child in order to go on a hot date with Sheriff Buck's unwitting stooge, Ray, and so making her huge-headed brother jealous. Or does he suspect where her "life" is coming from? And is that why Buck is trying to keep her alive? Another hour of Deep South weirdness from the supernatural regulars, following on from the rather more unintentional horror of **"Dressing for Breakfast"**."

Radio Times listings:

" – "The Beast Within"

Caleb's dreams become a living nightmare when the man in his visions turns out to be Ben's brother.

- "Resurrector"

Radio talk show host Mel Kirby approaches Lucas for help in bringing his show to TV. When Lucas refuses, Mel vows to ruin him. Meanwhile, a depressed Caleb decides he wants to give Merlyn a second funeral by throwing a party for the dead.

– "Strong Arm of the Law"

Four strangers move into town and make a mistake when they set up a protection racket – in Trinity, protection comes under the jurisdiction of Sheriff Buck.

– "The Buck Stops Here"

Just as Caleb warms to the idea of being Lucas Buck's son, Billy Peele is arrested for the sheriff's murder. "

TV Times review:

"The poisonous Sheriff Lucas Buck brings trouble to Dr Matt Crowther's hospital tonight – but both men end up battling for survival when a wounded gunman takes them hostage. **"American Gothic"** (starring Gary Cole as the sheriff and Jake Weber as Matt), with its almost unrelenting mood of evil and corruption, is steadily building up a band of devotees here, as it has in the US. Sam Raimi, Hollywood horror film director and executive producer of this series, says its appeal is in its reflection of the struggle between decent folk and a force from the dark side. "Lucas likes to destroy individuals," says Sam, "and it's the

heroes of the show, Dr Matt, the young boy Caleb and his cousin Gail, who must defeat this evil."

– "Ring of Fire"

Gail is quite determined to learn more about her past."



Author of the series Sean Cassidy, in his cuddly teen sexpot days.

Source: indeterminate website

No further information currently available. ** Caleb Temple = 10

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