

SWITCH TO: [Mobile](#) | [ePaper](#) | [Subscribe](#)

Ogden, Utah

62.6 °F

Humidity: 25 %

[Weather](#) | [Traffic](#)



[Coupons](#) [Homes](#) [Jobs](#) [Autos](#)

[Home](#) | [Opinion](#) | [Sports](#) | [Entertainment](#) | [Community](#) | [Media](#) | [Publications](#) | [Classifieds](#) | [Advertising](#)

0 comments

Civil War movie filming at Fort Buenaventura

share to ↓

- Twitter
- Facebook
- Buzz
- delicious
- Digg
- Stumble
- Print
- Email
- PDF

Last updated *Wednesday, September 29, 2010 - 9:59pm*

Story Images



OGDEN -- Fort Buenaventura will stand in for Virginia this weekend, and the Weber River will play the River Styx.

The park will be a filming site for "Blood Fare," a movie by J.A. Steel ("Denizen," "Salvation") and featuring actor Gil Gerard ("Buck Rogers in the 25th Century").

"We filmed a lot of death scenes last weekend, with actors riding across the river in death gear, standing up in a canoe dressed up like a death barge," said Steel, who runs her film company, Warrior Entertainment, from offices in Herriman.



"Nobody went overboard, so it was a good shoot."

Steel wanted to do a film with a Civil War theme to mark the war's 150th anniversary.

The ancient Greek legend of the ferryman on the River Styx has also intrigued her. The ferryman was said to escort the newly dead, by boat, from the living world to an underworld afterlife.

But passengers who did not have the fare to pay for the trip were deposited back on the shore, to spend eternity as lost spirits wandering the world of the living.

"I thought about a Civil War skirmish and what would happen if someone who died couldn't afford the fare," Steel said.

When finished, "Blood Fare" will be about a Civil War ghost, Cpl. Henry Trout, killed in a forgotten skirmish after the first Battle of Bull Run.

A century and a half later, Trout comes face to face with his descendants as the battle continues on a haunted battlefield.

Trout's fifth-generation grandchildren, Tyler (actress Brandi Lynn Anderson) and her brother Chad, will challenge the ferryman as the line between the living and dead becomes blurred.

Gerard will play Meade, a professor and mentor to Tyler. Gerard's scenes have been shot mostly at the University of Utah in Salt Lake

Tags for this Story

Topics

- Entertainment
- Movies

Authors

- Nancy Van Valkenburg
- Standard-Examiner staff

Location

- Ogden
- Utah
- Weber County

Stories with Similar Tags

- GO! to the Movies
- Getting Out: More things to do



ADVERTISEMENT

Popular Stories

- [Bothwell family still hurting after fire, seeks change /...](#)
- [Man arrested after he sexually abused nurse](#)
- [Residents: Profiling pit bulls doesn't work / Opponent...](#)
- [Board of Health might ban spice in Davis / Special meeting...](#)
- [LDS Conference Preview: Bringing clean water to Sierra Leone](#)
- [Consider detours while Wall under construction / Ogden...](#)

Recent Comments

Sativa8106 if it does show up in a drug test how long does it stay in your system
[Board of Health might ban spice in Davis / Special meeting Oct. 7 for vote](#) · 1 hour ago

Smithjt MVP doesn't mean you're the best in the league...it means you're the most valuable player

- [Twilight Mania](#)
- ['Hurt Locker' earns best-picture Academy Award](#)
- ['Twilight' brings family even closer](#)

City.

Also playing a key role in the plot is a park attendant played by Michelle Wolff ("Dante's Cove").

The shoot moves to the real state of Virginia next, Steel said. The film has not yet settled on a distributor, but Steel predicts it will be released next summer.

Steel moved from Los Angeles to Utah about six years ago.

"I got tired. The bright lights of Hollywood are really cool, but at the same time, everybody talks a good game and very few people actually make feature films that get distributed," she said.

"I came here, where it is peaceful and quiet, and I get a lot of work done. It's a nice, friendly place, and if I have a problem or question, it's easy to deal with government officials. There's not as much red tape."

Utah actors play most of the roles, and the crew is from Utah, Steel said. Makeup is by Chris Hanson, a Salt Lake City artist whose credits include "Hellboy," "Men in Black," "The Green Mile" and "The X-Files."

The Utah Film Commission suggested Fort Buenaventura as a visual double for Virginia.

"It's kind of funny to have Fort Buenaventura in the middle of Ogden, looking so much like the East," Steel said. "But it's nice to finish a shoot and drive home instead of heading for the airport."

Shooting is set for about 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the fort.

Steel said park visitors were considerate of shooting last weekend and enjoyed watching scenes from a distance.

Those interested in learning more about the film can visit Steel's website, www.warriorentertainment.com.

[Click here](#) to watch the trailer for "Blood Fare."

More Stories from Entertainment



[Subscribe by email](#) [Subscribe by RSS](#)

Add New Comment

to your own team.

[Making a pitch for Halladay at NL MVP · 1 hour ago](#)

hr Maybe the Morgan County Council will actually listen to the voters from now on ! The majority of the population of the County did not want this position and especially Garth Day ! He fired many...

[Morgan prepping for change: county rethinking council administrator position · 1 hour ago](#)

Shalae Larsen I love the term "several" when referring to the hundreds of people that have contacted UTA in support of a 25th street alignment and the several hundred more who have signed a petition for the 25th...

[Input sought for WSU transit plan · 3 hours ago](#)

Krystalstaley pit bulls are not any more dangerous than any other dog. I would know cause i have 2 and they love my 3 year old and other animals.

[Residents: Profiling pit bulls doesn't work / Opponent: Ogden would trample 4th Amendment with inspections without proof dog is a danger · 3 hours ago](#)

BobBecker Mr. Conlin runs a business on 25th Street. And he is head of the street's merchants' association and so its spokesman. I don't think we can fairly assume that any position the Association takes,... 25th Street Business Association wants height limits raised · 4 hours ago

Latest Blogs



[GOP Devil in the Lack of Details](#)

Thursday, September 23, 2010 - 5:23pm



[Taliban Dan ad from Grayson an example of how to kill...](#)

Wednesday, September 29, 2010 - 11:24am



[Drug addiction and death -- every mother's worst fear](#)

Wednesday, September 29, 2010 - 12:15am



[More Fuel to Androidâ€™s Fire: Google Announces Chrome...](#)

Monday, August 16, 2010 - 9:39am