

# Netflix's *Witcher* works best when it begs delving into source material

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For the Keizertimes

I have a confession: As much as I like watching films and television, I generally prefer a nice book to anything that comes from a silver screen.

This means that when Hollywood (or in this case, Netflix) inevitably exhausts their already minuscule supply of original ideas and decides to adapt a printed story, the product is almost always inferior to the original no matter how good it is on its own. The best thing an adaptation could do, in my opinion, is inspire the viewer to peruse the work that inspired it. I have never read *The Witcher Saga* by Polish author Andrzej Sapkowski (or have played any of the critically acclaimed video games based on the series), but the Netflix adaptation certainly makes me want to dip my toes into the lore despite some noticeable growing pains the first season suffers.

One problem afflicting the eight-episode long debut of *The Witcher* is a lack of accessibility. Despite some familiar fantasy tropes, I was often bewildered as the show threw unfamiliar terms and concepts at me with little interest in explaining them. Not only this, but the story itself is structured in a bizarre way. *The Witcher* focuses on three different characters: Geralt (the titular



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Henry Cavill turns in Superman's cape for the sword of Geralt of Rivia in Netflix's *The Witcher*.

Witcher, a "mutant" monster hunter with magical abilities), Cirilla (a young princess), and Yennefer (a formerly deformed mage) as they find adventure in their three different storylines. What the show neglects to tell you until the fourth episode is that these storylines all take place at different times, and the characters themselves do not even come together until the final episode. The end result is a mismatch of different occurrences

that make the experience feel fairly alienating and sometimes even baffling.

Despite this, there is still a lot of good to be found in *The Witcher*. The acting is top notch and the production values are simply stunning. There is swordplay and action galore, all of it thrilling and brutally realistic. This leads me to a very important point: The show is TV-MA and well deserves the rating. People are dismembered and disembow-

eled frequently, and nudity and vulgarity are not uncommon. Do not show this to your kids unless they are particularly accustomed to adult themes.

All in all, I enjoyed *The Witcher* season 1 quite a bit despite its flaws. I was entertained and look forward not only to season 2, but also to reading the books. As far as I'm concerned, that's all an adaptation needs to do.

*The Witcher* season 1 is now available on Netflix.



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Alex and Cathy Bales show off their *Keizertimes* at the Eiffel Tower in Paris on a recent trip to Scotland, England, France and Italy.

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## public notices

### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF MARION PROBATE DEPARTMENT

Case No. 19PB09428  
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS  
In the Matter of the Estate of WILLIAM GORDON RICE, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KARI MILLER has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-captioned Estate. All persons having claims against the Estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative at the address shown below within four months after the date of first publication of this Notice. All persons whose rights may be affected by the probate proceeding may obtain additional information from the court records, the Personal Representative or the attorney for the Personal Representative.

DATED AND FIRST PUBLISHED this 20th day of December, 2019.

Monica D. Pacheco, OSB# 064600

### PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

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### NOTICE OF SEIZURE

NOTICE OF SEIZURE FOR CIVIL FORFEITURE TO ALL POTENTIAL CLAIMANTS AND TO ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS READ THIS CAREFULLY

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counsel; and (3) A statement that you have an interest in the seized property. Your deadline for filing the claim document with forfeiture counsel named below is 21 days from the last day of publication of this notice. **Where to file a claim** and for more information: Lori Evans, Salem City Attorney's Office, 555 Liberty St SE, Room 205 Salem, OR 97301.

**Notice of reasons for Forfeiture:** The property described below was seized for forfeiture because it: (1) Constitutes the proceeds of the violation of, solicitation to violate, attempt to violate, or conspiracy to violate, the criminal laws of the State of Oregon regarding the manufacture, distribution, or possession of controlled substances (ORS Chapter 475); and/or (2) Was used or intended for use in committing or facilitating the violation of, solicitation to violate, attempt to violate, or conspiracy to violate the criminal laws of the State of Oregon regarding the manufacture, distribution or possession of controlled substances (ORS Chapter 475).

IN THE MATTER OF: U.S. Currency in the amount of \$15,604.00, Case # 19-37751 seized 10/28/19 from Jorge Mozqueda-Alvarez and Amayrani Galindo-Santos at 4647 Dark Forest PL NE, Salem, Marion County, OR

IN THE MATTER OF: U.S. Currency in the amount of \$13,245.00, Case # 19-36842 seized 10/21/19 from Juan and Imelda Garibay at 2585 Burlington St NE, Salem, Marion County, OR  
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### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

Circuit Court of the State of Oregon  
Marion County  
Estate of Alice M. Norton  
Case No. 19PB09370  
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PARTIES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the Estate of Alice M. Norton, Marion County Circuit Court Case No. 19PB09370. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative at P.O. Box 442, Lake Oswego, Oregon 97034, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorneys for the personal representative.  
Dated and first published:

December 20, 2019.

Bruce W. Thompson  
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### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Marion  
In the Matter of the Estate of Nell J. Condit, Deceased.  
No. 19PB09431 - Probate  
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the estate of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present such claims within four months after the date of first publication of this notice to Erin H. Pascual, P.O. Box 1048, Salem, OR 97308, or the claims may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the Personal Representative, or the attorneys for the Personal Representative.

Dated and first published December 20, 2019.

✍️ Joni L. Erich  
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### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF MARION (Probate Department)

Case No: 19PB09175  
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS  
In the Matter of the Estate of BILLY L. BALDWIN, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Peter M. Baldwin has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the Decedent's Personal Representative's attorney, Cassie N. Hutton, Howard Law Group, LLC, at 1114 12th Street SE, Salem, OR 97302, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred.  
All persons whose rights

may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the lawyer for the personal representative, Cassie N. Hutton, 1114 12th Street SE, Salem, Oregon 97302.

Dated and first published on December 20, 2019.

✍️ Cassie N. Hutton, OSB No. 191678  
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### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF MARION PROBATE DEPARTMENT

Case No. 19PB08733  
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS  
In the Matter of the Estate of JACQUELINE ALICIA MAGUREN, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SONJA L. PRINCE has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-captioned Estate. All persons having claims against the Estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative at the address shown below within four months after the date of first publication of this Notice. All persons whose rights may be affected by the probate proceeding may obtain additional information from the court records, the Personal Representative or the attorney for the Personal Representative.

DATED AND FIRST PUBLISHED this 27th day of December, 2019.

Ryan E. Gibb, OSB #972693

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### NOTICE

**Notice of Preliminary Determination for Groundwater Registration Modification T-13102**

T-13102 filed by City of Keizer, PO Box 21000, Keizer, OR 97307, proposes a modification in the point

of appropriation under Registration Application GR-3069 (Certificate of Registration GR-2872). The registration allow the use of 450 gallons per minute from a well in Sec. 2, T7S, R3W, WM for municipal water district in Sects. 34 and 35, T6S, R3W, WM, and Sects. 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 14, and 15, T7S, R3W, WM. The applicant proposes to move the point of appropriation to Sec. 26, T6S, R3W, WM. The Water Resources Department proposes to approve the modification, based on the requirements of ORS Chapter 540 and OAR 690-382-1000.

Any person may file, jointly or severally, a protest or standing statement within 30 days after the last date of newspaper publication of this notice, 01/03/2020. Call (503) 986-0815 to obtain additional information. If no protests are filed, the Department will issue a final order consistent with the preliminary determination.  
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### NOTICE

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T-13101 filed by City Of Keizer, PO Box 21000, Keizer, OR 97307 proposes a modification in the point of appropriation under Registration Application GR-3066 (Certificate of Registration GR-2869). The registration allows the use of 200 gallons per minute from a well in Sec. 11, T7S, R3W, WM for municipal water district in Sects. 34 and 35, T6S, R3W, WM, and Sects. 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 14, and 15, T7S, R3W, WM. The applicant proposes to move the point of appropriation to Sec. 26, T6S, R3W, WM. The Water Resources Department proposes to approve the modification, based on the requirements of ORS Chapter 540 and OAR 690-382-1000.

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### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

Estate of Suzanne Mirijam Crow  
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS  
Case Number: 19PB06884

Notice: The Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Marion, has appointed the undersigned as Personal Representative of

the estate of Suzanne Mirijam Crow, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same, with proper vouchers to the Personal Representative c/o Cascade Legal Planning, LLC at 3635 SW Hood Ave. Portland, Oregon 97239 within four (4) months from the date of first publication of this notice as stated below, or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by this proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the Personal Representative, or the Attorney for the Personal Representative.  
Dated and first published December 27, 2019.

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### NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Marion  
In the Matter of the Estate of Wilbur Leland Metteer, Deceased.  
No. 19PB09050 - Probate  
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the estate of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present such claims within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, to Lorraine Davidson, 3410 Croisan Creek Road, Salem, OR 97302, or the claims may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the Personal Representative, or the attorneys for the Personal Representative.  
Dated and first published December 20, 2019.

✍️ Lorraine Davidson  
Personal Representative

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