

Jordan returns to liven up the morgue



RETURNING DRAMA CROSSING JORDAN

Sunday, 1/14, 10/9c, NBC

The last time we saw Jordan Cavanaugh, she was running from the law, a suspect in her ex's murder. When *Crossing Jordan* kicks off its sixth season on January 14, she's still on the lam. Here, Jill Hennessy, who plays the whiskey-voiced crime buster, lets us in on some secrets of the new season.

Does Season 6 have a new focus? What you'll notice this year is that it's about the central cast and their relationships. **Meaning more romances in the morgue?** Well, Jordan's becoming closer with Woody [Jerry O'Connell]. Nothing solid has been written about them getting back together, but there's definitely tension. Jordan and Macy [Miguel Ferrer]

are getting closer, too. But the show's a little edgier. In the second episode, Jordan deals with a teenage boy's suicide. We're tackling some pretty intense subject matters and taking them as far as we can without having to move to cable.

Any shake-ups in the lab? Somebody will be leaving the morgue [in the 1/28 episode]. **You've done several cross-over episodes. Are more planned?** There's one with *Las Vegas* that centers around the murder of a boxer that will air February 25. I also suggested we do one with *Heroes* [Tim Kring created both shows] where I could autopsy a superhero. Wouldn't that be awesome?

RETURNING DRAMA JERICHO

Wednesday, 2/21, 8/7c, CBS

Many cliff-hangers are looming over the town of Jericho, Kansas, not least of which is who *did* drop those nuclear bombs? Look for some answers when the series returns with an episode about what happened 36 hours before the attacks that wiped out Denver and, presumably, Washington, D.C., leaving Jericho cut off from civilization. We'll find out what Jake (Skeet Ulrich) was up to before he returned to town. But the show will quickly move back to the present and address bigger issues—like who's running the country. "There's confusion about who's in line for the presidency," says exec producer Carol Barbee. "There are several places where capitals have sprung up." That's all we need: more hangouts for politicians.



Will Emily choose Jake over her fiancé?

ALSO COMING: COMEDY

● **In Case of Emergency** (Wednesdays, 9:30/8:30c, ABC) Four down-on-their-luck Los Angelenos (led by David Arquette) reunite years after high school to help one another get on the right track—or to giggle at their misfortunes.

● **Monk** (Friday, 1/19, 9/8c, USA) Stop the obsessive hand-washing and enjoy the return of *Monk*. Familiar faces down the stretch include Tony Shalhoub's old *Wings* pal Steven Weber, who plays a murderous shock jock.

● **Psych** (Friday, 1/19, 10/9c, USA) The network said "Psych!" to viewers when *Psych* took a break. But the future's clear: This winning series about a faux police psychic, back to finish its debut season, has already been renewed.

● **The Naked Trucker & T-Bones Show** (Wednesday, 1/17, 10:30/9:30c, Comedy Central) A rig-driving longhair (*Freaks and Geeks*' Dave Allen) and his compone sidekick (David Koechner of "Anchorman") move their stage act to TV.



Arquette gets a kiss for luck