ADAM KADMON - KABBALISTIC DETECTIVE ©Paul Green & Adrian Lord

Occult Crime Thriller - Ten 60 minute episodes

Logline:

Investigator/mystic Adam Kadmon struggles with daily life but solves mysteries with the help of his tough young assistant Beckett.

Storyline:

Cerebral Adam Kadmon solves crimes and paranormal phenomena using techniques derived from Kabbalah - a mystical system, originally Jewish, that integrates magic, Tarot, astrology, and clairvoyance. It creates a framework for ritual, a focus for meditation, and a map of ten different zones of reality.

A former NHS psychologist with Jewish roots, Adam has rediscovered Kabbalism when trying to seek justice for the death of his uncle Jacob in a racist attack. This leads him to concentrate on freelance investigation and psychological profiling for the police.

But as his powers develop Adam struggles with the practicalities of modern life and the demands of family. He needs tough tearaway Tom Beckett as his minder, to deal with fast driving, digital tech and violent confrontations. He wants the support of wayward daughter Miriam and still seeks reconciliation with estranged-wife Diana, who can't understand why he's abandoned a secure career. He also has to prove his worth to hard-nosed police officers like Inspector Norman Blake - although Detective Sergeant Mouadi, the Met's only Sufist cop, is on his side.

Each episode relates to one of the ten Kabbalistic Spheres. Thus in our sample episode 8 Hod- The Sphere of Thought - a prize-winning novelist starts talking gibberish and kills her TV host while a Pentecostal congregation can't stop speaking in tongues, summoning a demon of verbal chaos that goes viral on the city streets. Kadmon and Beckett risk their own sanity in confronting the threat.

Unique Selling Points:

Adam Kadmon is a unique variation on the occult detective trope. Adam's embedded in a rich cultural matrix, unexplored in TV, with its own complex rites and rules. He's sometimes in jeopardy, depending on Beckett, who comes from a completely different background (Liverpool Catholic). Their bond develops in peaks and troughs throughout the series, an arc that becomes complicated as Beckett becomes entangled with Miriam. Set in contemporary multi ethnic UK, the series engages with social issues but sustains the narrative drive of a crime thriller.

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