A Short History of Horror Films
Part IV: 1950-1970

A Timeline of Horrors (-1950)

1910 1920 1930 1940 1950
European Tales of Terror American Monsters

A Timeline of Horrors (1950-)

British Horror Euro-Horror Hollywood Devility Video and Violence
The Resurrection of Horror Film

The Monsters Return (1950-1960)

House of Wax, 1953
D: Andre de Toth
A: Vincent Price, Charles Bronson

Lust of the Vampire
I Vampiri, 1955
D: Riccardo Freda, C: Mario Bava
I was a Teenage Werewolf

A: Michael Landon

Curse of Frankenstein

D: Terence Fisher
A: Christopher Lee (Monster), Peter Cushing (Baron Frankenstein)

Hammer: The House of Horrors

•Mystery of the Mary Celeste, 1936; with Bela Lugosi
•A Stolen Face, 1952; directed by Terence Fisher
•The Quatermass Experiment, 1955
•Curse of Frankenstein, 1957 (Terence Fisher)
•Horror of Dracula, 1958 (Terence Fisher) with Christopher Lee (Dracula)
•The Revenge of Frankenstein, 1958 (Fisher)
•The Mummy, 1959 (Fisher) with Lee as the mummy
•Brides of Dracula, 1960 (Fisher)
•The Two Faces of Dr. Jekyll, 1960 (Fisher)
•Curse of the Werewolf, 1951 (Fisher) with Oliver Reed as werewolf
•The Old Dark House, 1962 (William Castle)
•Phantom of the Opera, 1962 (Fisher) with Herbert Lom as Phantom
•Kiss of the Vampire, 1963 (Fisher)
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- Curse of the Mummy’s Tomb, 1964
- Evil of Frankenstein, 1964 (Freddie Francis)
- Fanatic, 1965 with Tallulah Bankhead
- Hysteria, 1965 (Freddie Francis)
- Dracula – Prince of Darkness, 1966 (Fisher) with Lee
- Plague of the Zombies, 1966
- The Devil’s Own, 1966 with Joan Fontaine
- Frankenstein Created Woman, 1957 (Fisher)
- The Mummy’s Shroud, 1967
- The Devil Rides Out, 1968 (Fisher)
- Dracula has Risen from the Grave, 1968 (Fisher) with Lee
- Frankenstein must be destroyed, 1968 (Fisher)
- Taste the Blood of Dracula, 1970 with Lee

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- Horror of Frankenstein, 1970
- Scars of Dracula, 1970
- Vampire Lovers, 1970 (based on Carmilla)

- To the Devil… a Daughter, 1976 with Lee, Nastassja Kinski

Night of the Demon

Night of the Demon, 1957
D: Jacques Tourneur, St: M.R. James
A: Dana Andrews
**Dracula (aka Horror of Dracula)**

Dracula, 1958
D: Terence Fisher
A: Christopher Lee (Dracula), Peter Cushing (Dr. Van Helsing)

**Macabre**

Macabre, 1958
D: William Castle

**William Castle: The Master of Gimmicks**

- Macabre
  insurance against fright
- House on Haunted Hill
  skeleton
- The Tingler
  wired seats
- 13 Ghosts
  ghost goggles
- Homicidal
  fright break
- Mr. Sardonicus
  interactive ending
Revenge of Frankenstein

The Revenge of Frankenstein, 1958
D: Peter Cushing (Frankenstein)

House on Haunted Hill

House on Haunted Hill, 1958
D: William Castle
A: Vincent Price

The Mummy

The Mummy, 1959
D: Terence Fisher
A: Christopher Lee (Mummy)
The Tingler

The Tingler, 1959  
D: William Castle  
A: Vincent Price

Eyes without a Face

Les Yeux Sans Visage, 1959  
D: Georges Franju  
A: Alida Valli, Edith Scob

House of Usher

House of Usher, 1960  
D: Roger Corman, St: Edgar Allan Poe  
A: Vincent Price (Roderick Usher)
Cormen, Poe, and Price

House of Usher, 1960
The Pit and the Pendulum, 1961
Premature Burial, 1962 (without Price)
Tales of Terror, 1962
The Raven, 1963
The Haunted Palace, 1963
Masque of the Red Death, 1964
Tomb of Ligeia

Little Shop of Horrors

Little Shop of Horrors, 1960
D: Roger Corman

Black Sunday

La Maschera del Demonio, 1960
D: Mario Bava
A: Barbara Steele
The Second Golden Age of Horror
The Birth of the Modern Horror Film (1960-1970)

Peeping Tom
Peeping Tom, 1960
D: Michael Powell
A: Karlheinz Boehm

Psycho
Psycho, 1960
D: Alfred Hitchcock,
N: Robert Bloch
A: Janet Leigh, Anthony Perkins
The Innocents

The Innocents, 1961
D: Jack Clayton
St: Henry James ('Turn of the Screw')
A: Deborah Kerr

Night of the Eagle
(aka Burn, Witch Burn)

Night of the Eagle, 1962
D: Signey Hayers
N: Fritz Leiber

Carnival of Souls

Carnival of Souls, 1962
**Whatever Happened to Baby Jane?**

Whatever Happened to Baby Jane, 1962  
D: Robert Aldrich  
A: Betty Davis, Joan Crawford

**Blood Feast**

Blood Feast, 1963  
D: Herschell Gordon Lewis

**Dementia 13**

Dementia 13, 1963  
D: Francis Ford Coppola  
P: Roger Corman
The Haunted Palace

The Haunted Palace, 1963
D: Roger Corman
St: Lovecraft
A: Vincent Price (Charles Dexter Ward)

The Haunting

The Haunting, 1963
D: Robert Wise, N: Shirley Jackson
A: Julie Harris, Claire Bloom

The Raven

The Raven, 1963
D: Mario Bava
A: Vincent Price, Boris Karloff, Peter Lorre, Jack Nicholson
Repulsion
Repulsion, 1965
D: Roman Polanski
A: Catherine Deneuve

Fearless Vampire Killers
The Fearless Vampire Killers, 1967
D: Roman Polanski
A: Roman Polanski, Sharon Tate

Witchfinder General
Witchfinder General, 1968
D: Michael Reeves
A: Vincent Price
Hour of the Wolf

Vartimmen, 1968
D: Ingmar Bergman
A: Max von Sydow, Liv Ullmann