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## SIRIUS XM Launches 'Author Confidential' Series on SIRIUS XM Book Radio Channel

**Charlaine Harris, #1 New York Times bestselling author of the beloved Sookie Stackhouse novels, kicks off exclusive series on which iconic authors sit down for candid interviews and conversations with fans**

**For a video excerpt of "Author Confidential" with Charlaine Harris, visit [www.youtube.com/siriusxm](http://www.youtube.com/siriusxm)**

NEW YORK, May 26 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- SIRIUS XM Radio (Nasdaq: SIRI) today announced that it will launch *Author Confidential* — an exclusive new interview series featuring intimate conversations with iconic authors in front of a live studio audience — on June 7 on SIRIUS XM Book Radio with inaugural guest Charlaine Harris, the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author whose beloved Sookie Stackhouse novels serve as the basis for HBO's hit show *True Blood*.

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On *Author Confidential*, Harris sits down with SIRIUS XM Book Radio hosts Kim Alexander and Maggie Linton for a revealing, intimate and in-depth conversation about her career, the Sookie Stackhouse novels (including her latest in the series, *Dead in the Family*), the *True Blood* phenomenon and more, bringing listeners inside the modern-day Louisiana world she's created where vampires and humans mingle.

*Author Confidential* with Charlaine Harris will air June 7 at 7:00 pm ET on SIRIUS XM Book Radio, SIRIUS 117 and XM 163. It will replay June 9 at 9:00 pm ET, June 11 at 4:00 pm ET and June 12 at 8:00 pm ET. The new season of *True Blood* premieres June 13 on HBO.

For a video excerpt of *Author Confidential* with Charlaine Harris, visit [www.youtube.com/siriusxm](http://www.youtube.com/siriusxm). Select quotes from the interview:

Charlaine Harris on how the Sookie Stackhouse series began: "I was left looking at turning fifty trying to decide what to do. It came to me that it would be fun to write a book about Louisiana, about a very down home young woman who was dating a vampire and everything kind of built from that kernel."

Charlaine Harris on writing about vampires: "There are all different kinds of ways to interpret the vampire rules. I've tried to bring something different to the genre."

Charlaine Harris on working with *True Blood* creator Alan Ball: "I knew that he

got me. Not everyone gets the mixture of humor and horror and blood and death...with a wink, and I knew Alan did."

SIRIUS XM is home to *Artist Confidential*, an exclusive music series that features the biggest names in music sitting down for candid interviews, intimate conversations with fans and live performances. Past guests include Paul McCartney, Santana, Coldplay, Pink, James Taylor, Sting, Mary J. Blige and over 100 others.

SIRIUS XM Book Radio connects millions of listeners all across the country with books, authors, and notable guests from all walks of the literary life with a programming lineup that includes author interviews, daily audio book broadcasts including "drive time bestsellers," radio theater and more. For more information about SIRIUS XM Book Radio and future *Author Confidential* guests visit [www.sirius.com/siriusxmbookradio](http://www.sirius.com/siriusxmbookradio) and [www.xmradio.com/siriusxmbookradio](http://www.xmradio.com/siriusxmbookradio).

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