



## Investigation Summary Report

### Steamboat Restaurant Washington, LA



### HISTORY

Construction of the Steamboat Warehouse Restaurant began in 1819 and was completed around 1823. Restored in 1977, the Steamboat Warehouse Restaurant, located on the banks of Bayou Courtableau, is a wonderful location for any historian or "Ghost Hunter". Settled in 1720, the town of Washington is the third oldest settlement in Louisiana. The Steamboat was used as a warehouse for cotton, tobacco and many other goods and was the largest of the 10 warehouses on the bayou. Steamboats would travel the Mississippi from New Orleans to St. Louis distributing these goods to various locations along the route. There are several antiques located inside the restaurant, as well as an old steamboat anchor found in the Bayou Courtableau.

## CLAIMS

One of the staff claims she witnessed a cart rolling several feet one evening during close out. Another evening a female staff member was pushed in the back while waiting for her order from the kitchen. The owner and chef (Jason Huguet) claimed that one night he came to the restaurant around 2am and while he was there he heard dishes "clanking" in the restaurant. Another employee has seen a female and young girl walking along the bayou.

## INVESTIGATION

There were 4 investigators for this location; Jennifer, Elissa, Charles and Marci. Our investigation started with a long walk through with Jason and Dustin. During the walk through we heard several knocks and voices. After our walk through we began to set up our equipment. While setting up our equipment we continued to hear knocks, bangs, and voices. Jenn was setting up a camera in the dining room, heard a noise, looked up and thought she saw a figure walk by, stood there for a while to see if just eyes playing tricks, then heard talking again. We started recording early, just in case. When we finally did start investigating, we heard singing, men talking, women talking, and movement. We would move to where noises were coming from, and now they were where we were before. The talking and singing went on all night, as well as the creaks. Not long after Charles got there, we heard 2 men fighting outside like yelling. We stopped filming and went to look, absolutely no one out there. We also had a camera outside behind restaurant, because they claim to see a lady and a girl walking by the bayou. Through the night, we got some K2 blips and temperature drops. At one point we asked that the temp. drop from 70.1 to 68...it dropped to 68.4! Then a few minutes later it dropped down to 68.0. At one point we all saw shadows on the staircase. Around 2:30, we were sitting in the bar area and heard a very loud bang from the kitchen area, then another knock in the dining area, then right near the bar entrance! We got up to explore, turning on all the lights, only to find nothing or no one inside!

## EQUIPMENT

During our investigation we carried digital recorders, digital cameras, recorders, K-2 Meters, EMF/Temperature Meter and Thermal Camera.

## EVIDENCE

We collected several EVP's.

## SUMMARY

This was a very interesting and exciting investigation. We experienced knocks, bangs, voices, footsteps, music, shadows and several personal experiences. The building itself is absolutely beautiful. We would like to thank Jason, Dustin and Cory for their company and hospitality. We are all looking forward to our next investigation there!