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## Medium sees a future for herself on TV show

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Robin Turner, Western Mail

A PROFESSIONAL Welsh medium who has helped police investigate cases is hoping to land her own TV show after becoming Britain's number one psychic.

Diane Lazarus won Channel 5's Britain's Psychic Challenge 2006, which was presented by Trisha Goddard.

Over 2,000 people applied for the show in which eight psychics were eventually picked with one person being voted off each week.

In each show Diane, pictured, had to complete a number of tasks, proving herself to a number of sceptics and a jury until she proved to be the best.

After winning she has been inundated with offers from TV, radio and from people hoping to harness her psychic ability to find missing relatives.

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The 39-year-old mother-of-two from Cross Hands, Carmarthenshire, is about to fly to Ireland to help missing County Down man Martin Kelly.

His mysterious disappearance has attracted huge media interest in Ireland and an Irish TV company has asked Diane to help find "Marty".

Mr Kelly, 21, from Holywood, went missing on New Year's Day after going with friends to Pat's Bar in Garmoyle Street in the docks area of County Down.

Solicitor's wife Diane says her children, Liam, aged 11, and 17-year-old Lisa, have been also displaying psychic powers for years.

And according to Diane her daughter, a part-time model who is this year's Miss Llanelli, drew partially on her contact with the spirit world to pass her GCSEs with some A stars.

She now hopes to get her own show on cable channel UK Living which features psychics like ex-Liverpool footballer Derek Acorah. And on April 6, she will pack Carmarthen's Lyric Theatre with a live show in which she hopes to put members of the audience in touch with their dead loved ones.

Diane has also helped police forces look for killers in cases where detectives have had difficulty.

She helped police in London in their search for the killer of TV presenter Jill Dando.

And she also became involved in trying to help find whoever was behind the baffling 1985 Swansea murder of a sex shop manageress.

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Diane conducted a seance at the site of the murder, which is still used as an outlet for sex magazines and films, with ex-policeman Peter Hall.

Both have had a long running interest in the case, which led to the conviction and release on appeal after seven years in jail of Neath brothers Paul and Wayne Darvell.

The hunt for the true murderer is still going on.

Diane claims to have spoken to Mrs Phillips during the seance at the shop.

She said, "It was terrifying, she told me she was beaten and strangled by the telephone and the telephone wire.

"The person doing the attacking was screaming 'make the call... make the call'.

"I believe that the attacker was a regular at the store and for some reason did not like the fact that Sandra Phillips became the manageress there.

"He had dark hair and a dark complexion and still has constant nightmares about the killing.

"The Darvell brothers were simply in the wrong place at the wrong time."

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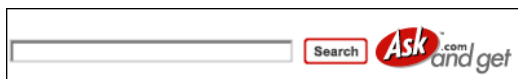
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