

M4340 MIDNIGHT CALLER (USA, 10/25/1988-5/10/1991) [TV SERIES]

Series summary: Detective/mystery series set in contemporary San Francisco. Jack Killian (Garry Cole) is an ex-cop. He quit the police force after accidentally shooting his partner. He was approached by Devon King, the manager of a local radio station, and accepted a job as a talk-back host. Ever the humanitarian, Jack (together with his side-kick Billy Po) often gets personally involved with the plight of those who call his show.

Home to roost (/ /90? rebr. 6/21/91]

Credits: director, Michael Marks ; writer, Robert Singer

Cast: Robin Thomas, Yuji Okumoto, Alice Carter, Steven Anthony Jones

Summary: A Vietnam war orphan (Okumoto) encounters a policeman (Thomas) and a friend of Jack Killian who, as a soldier in Vietnam, may have been responsible for the death of his parents. When officials fail to take action, Vietnamese Americans kidnap the policeman and demand air time to make their case. The cop initially denies everything but ultimately is brought to confess his guilt and commits suicide.

Take back the streets (11?/ /89)

Credits: director, Dan Lerner ; writer, John Schulian

Cast: Madge Sinclair, David Rayner, Arnetia Walker, Teddy Wilson, Harvey Brumfield.

Summary: The drug trade hits too close to home for a San Francisco neighborhood. Their personal war on crime becomes the focus of Jack's show. One of the supporting characters (Brumfield) is a Vietnam vet.

Williams, Tony. "Midnight caller" in Viet Nam war films II (edited by Jean-Jacques Malo and Tony Williams) [GB]