

Celebrity News: ‘Treme’ Actor Michael Showers Found Dead at 45 in Mississippi River

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CHICAGO – Foul play may be involved in the discovery of the body of an actor from one of HBO’s hit shows. Michael Showers, best known for his work in the HBO series “Treme,” was found dead yesterday morning in New Orleans. Showers was 45 years old.

According to the [Times-Picayune](#) [14], a local New Orleans newspaper, Showers’ body was spotted floating in the Mississippi River near the French Quarter by a steamboat captain at around 11:15 Wednesday morning. The body was pulled from the water around a half hour later and was identified as the actor.

Showers was best known for his work on “Treme,” but he also worked on an episode of “Breaking Bad” and “Vampire Diaries” and was featured in film as recently as “I Love You Phillip Morris” “The Tree of Life” and as one of the cops in this Friday’s new release “Colombiana.”

An early report from John Gagliano, chief investigator for the Orleans Parish coroner’s office, said that Showers’ body had most likely been in the water for at least two days and an autopsy would be conducted to discover the true cause of his death. Showers was a resident of Chalmette, an area close to New Orleans.

HBO and the makers of “Treme” have yet to comment on the loss and there is no word on how the character of Captain John Guidry will leave the show which was recently renewed for a third season.

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