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Division of Police Releases New Podcast Season

“The 5th Floor” focuses on the unsolved homicide of an Ohio State student

“The 5th Floor” podcast is back for a highly anticipated new season, set to premiere on Wednesday, November 1st. In this gripping season, the Columbus Division of Police delves into the heart-wrenching mystery surrounding the unsolved homicide of Charles "Chico" Ballard, a 22-year-old student at The Ohio State University. Chico, who was a well-liked mechanical engineering student originally from Shaker Heights, Ohio, was tragically found murdered in his off-campus apartment on February 8, 2000, leaving the community in shock and searching for answers.

The podcast will uncover new details, reexamine evidence, and explore leads that have never before been made public. This season promises listeners an immersive experience as the dedicated detectives of the Columbus Division of Police work tirelessly to bring justice to Chico Ballard and his grieving loved ones.

To listen to the new season of The 5th Floor podcast, visit your preferred podcast platform. Join us on this journey as we seek justice for Charles "Chico" Ballard and shine a spotlight on unsolved crimes that continue to haunt our community.

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