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episode of the new series - Smith and Jones - were also up on last year's launch show by more than half a million.

The Beeb smash easily saw off rival ITV1's 5.5m audience for Harry Potter and The Chamber of Secrets.

BBC1 controller

getting used to her new-found fame.

She said: "He's a property developer and not in the TV industry so he had no idea how big this was going to be."

Next Saturday, in The Shakespeare Code, the Doc meets the Bard and battles three evil witches.



SLAYED: But The Cheeky Girls were in on the reality telly spoof

CHEEKY GIRLS 'KILLED' ON TV



SO CHEEKY: 'Reps' pose with the pop twins

THE Cheeky Girls will be "kidnapped and murdered" as part of a shock stunt for a spoof new reality show.

Viewers will see twins Monica and Gabriela Irimia, 24, gunned down after filming a new video in Greece.

In the frame for the double murder are six unsuspecting Brit tourists who end up being thrown in prison for the crime.

But what they don't know is that it's all part of a sick joke for a new telly programme called Killing The Cheeky Girls. The

by PETER DYKE

victims of the hoax all thought they were going to work as holiday reps for a TV show.

But they were secretly being strung along for the grisly prank.

Alki David, 36, a British film-maker and actor, masterminded the spoof.

Cool

He's now touting it round telly stations trying to sell it for broadcast.

Critics claim it has taken reality TV into a sickening new dimension.

But last night David said: "This is a cool, social experiment into how

humans react to tragedy. All the people in the show were told at the end that it was an experiment.

"The Cheeky Girls were, of course, in on the act and were a joy to work with."

"The 'tour reps' have all signed release forms and are happy for the footage to be shown."

"They have even said they'd do it all again. No one suffered."

David was also behind shock programme Killing Brigitte Nielsen, where a group of tourists were duped into thinking they'd witnessed the murder of the 43-year-old Celebrity Big Brother star.

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