

# Recent string of celebrity home burglaries linked to social media posts: Police

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## Burglary ring targeting celebrities busted

Officials say five suspects are responsible for a string of burglaries in California that targeted celebrities like Rihanna, Christina Milian and Yasiel Puig. ABC News' Maggie Rulli reports.

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Celebrities no longer seem to be just objects of fame and fortune -- but also targets of burglary.

A recent pattern of celebrity burglaries has left police digging for answers and looking over surveillance videos for clues of possible suspects.

Well-known stars have been a popular mark for burglars recently. Some of the prominent names who have been targeted include Alanis Morissette, Nicki Minaj, Emmy Rossum, Jaime Pressly, David Spade, Christina Milian, Yasiel Puig, Derek Fisher, and Byron Scott.

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*Rihanna attends an event for Fenty Beauty in New York, Sept. 14, 2018. Stephen Lovekin/REX/Shutterstock*

Most recently singer Rihanna, Los Angeles Dodgers player Yasiel Puig and Los Angeles Rams wide receiver [Robert Woods](#) have all been victimized by burglaries.

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The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) said in an announcement Monday they're aware of the burglaries.

“[We] have become aware of a series of residential burglaries targeting actors, producers, musicians, and professional athletes living in the Los Angeles area,” the LAPD said in the press announcement.

Last week, [Woods' Woodland Hills home](#) was burglarized right when he finished playing a game against the Minnesota Vikings at the Los Angeles Coliseum, according to police.



*Los Angeles Rams wide receiver Robert Woods is pictured before a game with the Minnesota Vikings at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum in Los Angeles, Sept. 27, 2018. Jevone Moore/CSM/REX/Shutterstock*

Police also responded to a call on Sept. 25 when [Rihanna's Hollywood Hills home was targeted](#) by burglars.

The incident followed a previous break-in just a few months prior where Eduardo Leon, 26, was arrested for allegedly breaking into Rihanna's house and spending 12 hours inside. Leon was charged with stalking, first-degree residential burglary, and vandalism, police said. The "Work" singer was not home at the time of both incidents, which seems to be a pattern with the celebrities who are being targeted, according to authorities.

Puig's [Encino home](#) has been hit four times by intruders. Two of those four break-ins occurred within the last 10 months, according to police, while Puig was at Dodgers Stadium. Police said they had surveillance footage from both break-ins that would help them in narrowing down possible suspects.



Yasiel Puig of the Los Angeles Dodgers reacts after grounding out against the Cincinnati Reds on Sept. 10, 2018 in Cincinnati, Ohio.  
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What may have at first seemed like a random string of burglaries amongst Hollywood's elite, police say is no longer the case now.

"During recent months, the Los Angeles Police Department has become aware of a series of residential burglaries targeting actors, producers, musicians and professional athletes living in the Los Angeles area," the LAPD said. "Initially, it was believed that the homes were being burglarized at random. Detectives learned, however, that this wasn't the case. The victims' homes had been selected based on social media posting, touring or travel schedules of the owners."

Capt. Lillian Carranza, commanding officer of the LAPD Commercial Crimes Division, announced Tuesday at a press conference the arrests of four people in connection to the high profile Los Angeles area burglaries.

The suspects, Tyress Williams, 19, Damaji Hall, 18, Jshawne Daniels, 19, and Ashle Hall, 34, the mother of Damaji, are gang associated, according to LAPD.



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The four monitored the celebrity target's social media and travel schedules before committing the burglaries, LAPD said.

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