



## MONOLOGUES

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### *The Hauntings at Cedar Park* by Del Martin

*(VERN sits down on the bench. He looks at the ground as he remembers.)*

#### VERN

I was in Montreal with my folks. This was like four years ago. We were staying in this old hotel. Like my mom picked it because of its charm, but apparently charm just means uncomfortable. And anyway, it was at night. My parents had gone down the street to get Tylenol for my mom. I was in this room by myself. I was watching TV, but it was all in French except for the sports channels they were in English and I remember thinking, I don't know what's worse, *The Big Bang Theory* in French or golf highlights in English. So I turned off the TV. I was just sitting there. In the silence. And then I got up to go to the mini fridge because I had stashed some peanut butter cups, but not the Reese's kind. These were special—from a chocolate shop. Hand-made. So I bend down to the fridge 'cause it's the kind that's low to the ground. I get my peanut butter cups and I'm really excited and then I stand and I freeze.

*(Beat.)*

I feel it. Right behind me. The hair on the back of my neck stands up. I can barely breathe. And then I feel like I have to turn around. I tell myself, 'Look. Just look. Face it.' And in my mind, or what do they call it...my mind's eye? In my mind's eye, I could see it, but not really... It was more like I could feel the outline of it. It's there. Right behind me. And then I feel it come closer and I turn around. I don't want to, but I do. And just as I turn around, my parents open the door. And it's gone. Whatever it was. It was there. And then it wasn't. That was our last night there, which was good because I couldn't sleep at all knowing that it was still probably still in the hotel, or in the room...watching me.

*(VERN finally looks up at them. The remembered horror still fresh on his face.)*

#### **THE HAUNTINGS AT CEDAR PARK** by Del Martin

**Length:** 30-35 minutes

**Cast Size:** 16 actors, gender flexible (suggested casting: 16 any)

**Genre:** Drama

**Synopsis:** Shifting between multiple time periods, we follow two groups of students as they search for a mysterious ghost in blue. They've all heard the legend. And though some don't believe it, for all of the teens who venture into Cedar Park, the legend sure does believe in them. In the end, that's all that matters.