

**Frightening  
encounters  
with  
shadow men  
in suits  
& hats!**



**WHAT ARE  
HATMEN?**



1  
00:00:05,860 --> 00:00:04,590  
[Music]

2  
00:00:10,540 --> 00:00:05,870  
[Applause]

3  
00:00:12,890 --> 00:00:10,550  
[Music]

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00:00:17,750 --> 00:00:12,900  
[Applause]

5  
00:00:21,910 --> 00:00:19,670  
welcome to the best of first person

6  
00:00:24,790 --> 00:00:21,920  
episodes of phantoms and monsters

7  
00:00:28,830 --> 00:00:24,800  
please like subscribe and hit the bell

8  
00:00:31,990 --> 00:00:28,840  
icon so you'll be notified of all future

9  
00:00:37,110 --> 00:00:35,110  
the hat man i saw him the hat man once

10  
00:00:39,830 --> 00:00:37,120  
when i was around five years old

11  
00:00:40,950 --> 00:00:39,840  
1970 i was spending the night at my

12  
00:00:43,190 --> 00:00:40,960  
grandparents

13  
00:00:46,069 --> 00:00:43,200

this is the first time my story is going

14

00:00:48,470 --> 00:00:46,079

public i'm 53 years old now

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00:00:49,350 --> 00:00:48,480

okay i always slept with my grandma in

16

00:00:51,830 --> 00:00:49,360

her room

17

00:00:53,830 --> 00:00:51,840

my grandpa was in the next room all of a

18

00:00:55,510 --> 00:00:53,840

sudden i see a tall man with a cowboy

19

00:00:57,350 --> 00:00:55,520

hat on like in westerns

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00:00:59,270 --> 00:00:57,360

it was really dark in the room put the

21

00:01:01,590 --> 00:00:59,280

person was darker than the night

22

00:01:02,790 --> 00:01:01,600

it was a tall figure remember i was

23

00:01:04,469 --> 00:01:02,800

around five

24

00:01:05,990 --> 00:01:04,479

it stood next to the bed where my

25

00:01:06,870 --> 00:01:06,000

grandma was at i thought it was my

26

00:01:08,950 --> 00:01:06,880

grandpa

27

00:01:09,910 --> 00:01:08,960

these are my exact words i spoke that

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00:01:12,789 --> 00:01:09,920

night grandpa

29

00:01:14,870 --> 00:01:12,799

i see you i see your head my grandpa

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00:01:17,429 --> 00:01:14,880

wore a cowboy hat and he was tall

31

00:01:17,990 --> 00:01:17,439

but this man said nothing he just stood

32

00:01:20,070 --> 00:01:18,000

there

33

00:01:21,350 --> 00:01:20,080

then my grandma said who are you talking

34

00:01:24,149 --> 00:01:21,360

to i said

35

00:01:25,429 --> 00:01:24,159

grandpa he's right there by you she said

36

00:01:28,550 --> 00:01:25,439

there's no one there

37

00:01:30,550 --> 00:01:28,560

i said yes there is it's papa

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00:01:32,550 --> 00:01:30,560

so she reaches under the bed and grabs

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00:01:35,030 --> 00:01:32,560

the flashlight and turns it on

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00:01:37,510 --> 00:01:35,040

it's not there anymore she could not see

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00:01:38,630 --> 00:01:37,520

it as soon as she turned flashlight off

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00:01:41,190 --> 00:01:38,640

there it was

43

00:01:42,789 --> 00:01:41,200

now i'm scared i grabbed the flashlight

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00:01:45,350 --> 00:01:42,799

and pointed it at the man

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00:01:46,550 --> 00:01:45,360

it was gone my grandma took flashlight

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00:01:49,429 --> 00:01:46,560

away from me and said

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00:01:50,550 --> 00:01:49,439

go to sleep and there he was again she

48

00:01:53,030 --> 00:01:50,560

could not see it

49

00:01:54,310 --> 00:01:53,040

it then slowly i mean very slowly

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00:01:56,310 --> 00:01:54,320

started moving

51  
00:01:58,550 --> 00:01:56,320  
not walking but moving without taking

52  
00:02:00,469 --> 00:01:58,560  
steps going around the bed to my side

53  
00:02:02,630 --> 00:02:00,479  
which was where our heads were not my

54  
00:02:03,350 --> 00:02:02,640  
feet the foot of the bed was against the

55  
00:02:05,749 --> 00:02:03,360  
wall

56  
00:02:07,109 --> 00:02:05,759  
at least 10 or 20 minutes had passed i

57  
00:02:09,270 --> 00:02:07,119  
couldn't tell the time then

58  
00:02:10,869 --> 00:02:09,280  
but now that's what i figured and i put

59  
00:02:13,510 --> 00:02:10,879  
my head under the covers

60  
00:02:15,430 --> 00:02:13,520  
i was saying grandma turned the light on

61  
00:02:17,350 --> 00:02:15,440  
it's coming over to my side

62  
00:02:19,670 --> 00:02:17,360  
all i could do was put the blanket over

63  
00:02:21,990 --> 00:02:19,680

my head i don't know how long i stayed

64

00:02:23,830 --> 00:02:22,000

awake that night but i did fall asleep

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00:02:25,190 --> 00:02:23,840

and when i woke up it was almost

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00:02:27,110 --> 00:02:25,200

daylight still dark

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00:02:29,670 --> 00:02:27,120

but light enough to see the wallpaper on

68

00:02:31,830 --> 00:02:29,680

the wall i turned to look at grandma

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00:02:33,830 --> 00:02:31,840

she's not in the bed she was cooking

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00:02:34,630 --> 00:02:33,840

breakfast for my grandpa and making his

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00:02:37,030 --> 00:02:34,640

lunch

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00:02:38,790 --> 00:02:37,040

i was alone and terrified the door to

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00:02:40,390 --> 00:02:38,800

the kitchen was closed and then you

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00:02:48,830 --> 00:02:40,400

won't believe what happened

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00:02:53,190 --> 00:02:50,229

our

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00:02:55,430 --> 00:02:53,200

in my dorm it's funny how time works i

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00:02:57,110 --> 00:02:55,440

saw something strange 20 years ago which

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00:02:58,070 --> 00:02:57,120

i didn't even know was strange until

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00:02:59,830 --> 00:02:58,080

recently

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00:03:01,910 --> 00:02:59,840

i was listening to a podcast which

81

00:03:04,070 --> 00:03:01,920

rekindled a long forgotten memory

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00:03:06,149 --> 00:03:04,080

the particular episode was about shadow

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00:03:08,149 --> 00:03:06,159

people mysterious dark figures which

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00:03:08,869 --> 00:03:08,159

sometimes show up in and around people's

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00:03:10,630 --> 00:03:08,879

homes

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00:03:12,390 --> 00:03:10,640

i vaguely remember reading something

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00:03:14,070 --> 00:03:12,400

about them a couple of years ago but

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00:03:15,270 --> 00:03:14,080

they themselves didn't spark any

89

00:03:17,509 --> 00:03:15,280

memories for me

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00:03:18,470 --> 00:03:17,519

however it was one type of shadow person

91

00:03:20,550 --> 00:03:18,480

in particular

92

00:03:22,390 --> 00:03:20,560

had man which caused me to do a double

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00:03:24,229 --> 00:03:22,400

take while listening dot rewinding to

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00:03:26,229 --> 00:03:24,239

the spring of 1997.

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00:03:27,430 --> 00:03:26,239

i was a freshman at rutgers university

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00:03:29,350 --> 00:03:27,440

in new brunswick

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00:03:31,190 --> 00:03:29,360

my dorm room was located on the third

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00:03:32,949 --> 00:03:31,200

floor of the rather troubleking

99

00:03:34,550 --> 00:03:32,959

it was early with the faint blue light

100

00:03:36,070 --> 00:03:34,560

of morning just beginning to seep

101  
00:03:36,949 --> 00:03:36,080  
through the crack between the window and

102  
00:03:38,550 --> 00:03:36,959  
the curtain

103  
00:03:40,390 --> 00:03:38,560  
it might have been the weekend because i

104  
00:03:41,750 --> 00:03:40,400  
recall my roommate had gone home and was

105  
00:03:43,750 --> 00:03:41,760  
not there that morning

106  
00:03:45,670 --> 00:03:43,760  
i opened my eyes and the first thing i

107  
00:03:47,990 --> 00:03:45,680  
noticed was a figure sitting next to my

108  
00:03:49,910 --> 00:03:48,000  
bed no more than three or four feet away

109  
00:03:51,589 --> 00:03:49,920  
the beds in the dorms were set lower to

110  
00:03:52,070 --> 00:03:51,599  
the ground than a typical bed would have

111  
00:03:54,309 --> 00:03:52,080  
been

112  
00:03:56,070 --> 00:03:54,319  
so i had a clear line of sight and it's

113  
00:03:57,750 --> 00:03:56,080

a sight i'll now never forget

114

00:03:59,429 --> 00:03:57,760

the figure was sitting on the floor with

115

00:04:01,270 --> 00:03:59,439

his back up against the bed

116

00:04:02,789 --> 00:04:01,280

his feet were flat on the floor with his

117

00:04:04,550 --> 00:04:02,799

knees pointing straight up

118

00:04:06,470 --> 00:04:04,560

his arms were resting on his knees

119

00:04:07,589 --> 00:04:06,480

casually and he appeared to be looking

120

00:04:09,350 --> 00:04:07,599

slightly down

121

00:04:12,149 --> 00:04:09,360

i couldn't make out the details of any

122

00:04:13,990 --> 00:04:12,159

clothing all i saw was a deep black body

123

00:04:15,830 --> 00:04:14,000

but the feature that was most dominant

124

00:04:16,150 --> 00:04:15,840

and why i'm referring to the figure as a

125

00:04:20,069 --> 00:04:16,160

he

126

00:04:21,909 --> 00:04:20,079

could not make out a face

127

00:04:23,590 --> 00:04:21,919

mostly because the brim of the hat was

128

00:04:25,670 --> 00:04:23,600

obscuring it from the side

129

00:04:27,670 --> 00:04:25,680

i had to blink hard a couple of times to

130

00:04:29,189 --> 00:04:27,680

ensure that my eyes were clear but when

131

00:04:31,030 --> 00:04:29,199

it was still there

132

00:04:32,950 --> 00:04:31,040

my next cogent thought was that a drunk

133

00:04:33,830 --> 00:04:32,960

person had stumbled into the wrong room

134

00:04:36,230 --> 00:04:33,840

and passed out

135

00:04:37,270 --> 00:04:36,240

after all this was college the problem

136

00:04:40,390 --> 00:04:37,280

with that however

137

00:04:42,469 --> 00:04:40,400

was i always lock my door at night hello

138

00:04:44,629 --> 00:04:42,479

i sat in an aggressive tone trying to

139

00:04:46,550 --> 00:04:44,639

convey that i was clearly unhappy with a

140

00:04:48,550 --> 00:04:46,560

stranger intruding in my room

141

00:04:50,790 --> 00:04:48,560

after a second or two but what felt like

142

00:04:51,270 --> 00:04:50,800

a minute or two the figure slowly faded

143

00:04:53,110 --> 00:04:51,280

away

144

00:04:54,469 --> 00:04:53,120

the spot where he was sitting visibly

145

00:04:56,550 --> 00:04:54,479

lightning as he did

146

00:04:58,550 --> 00:04:56,560

at the time it was weird because before

147

00:05:00,310 --> 00:04:58,560

that i had never had a groggy dream like

148

00:05:01,830 --> 00:05:00,320

vision which i knew some people had when

149

00:05:03,029 --> 00:05:01,840

they woke up in the morning or in the

150

00:05:05,350 --> 00:05:03,039

middle of the night

151

00:05:06,790 --> 00:05:05,360

20 years later and i still have not had

152

00:05:08,629 --> 00:05:06,800

any drowsy visions

153

00:05:10,870 --> 00:05:08,639

that morning was the only time i have

154

00:05:12,790 --> 00:05:10,880

ever experienced anything like that

155

00:05:14,790 --> 00:05:12,800

even though it was a one-time occurrence

156

00:05:15,270 --> 00:05:14,800

it was obvious to me that for whatever

157

00:05:17,270 --> 00:05:15,280

reason

158

00:05:19,110 --> 00:05:17,280

my brain had indeed conjured up an early

159

00:05:20,710 --> 00:05:19,120

morning foggy illusion and i didn't

160

00:05:22,070 --> 00:05:20,720

think about it nearly at all for the

161

00:05:24,390 --> 00:05:22,080

next two decades

162

00:05:26,070 --> 00:05:24,400

but just recently more or less exactly

163

00:05:27,990 --> 00:05:26,080

20 years after that morning

164

00:05:30,070 --> 00:05:28,000

i learned about the ghostly entity known

165

00:05:31,749 --> 00:05:30,080

as hatman upon hearing the first

166

00:05:32,469 --> 00:05:31,759

description while listening to that

167

00:05:34,230 --> 00:05:32,479

podcast

168

00:05:35,990 --> 00:05:34,240

i immediately thought of the shadow-like

169

00:05:37,430 --> 00:05:36,000

figure i had seen that morning in my

170

00:05:39,350 --> 00:05:37,440

dorm room truckers

171

00:05:41,350 --> 00:05:39,360

the parallels with dozens of accounts

172

00:05:43,350 --> 00:05:41,360

were there the figure i had seen had

173

00:05:44,469 --> 00:05:43,360

that large brimmed hat was darker than

174

00:05:46,550 --> 00:05:44,479

the darkest black

175

00:05:48,790 --> 00:05:46,560

and was spotted near my bed what's the

176  
00:05:51,029 --> 00:05:48,800  
probability that my subconscious decided

177  
00:05:53,029 --> 00:05:51,039  
to create such an image 20 years before

178  
00:05:55,029 --> 00:05:53,039  
i even knew an almost identical being

179  
00:05:56,950 --> 00:05:55,039  
existed in the paranormal world

180  
00:05:58,790 --> 00:05:56,960  
that memory which is basically laying

181  
00:06:00,629 --> 00:05:58,800  
dormant for the past 20 years

182  
00:06:01,830 --> 00:06:00,639  
has now taken on a whole new level of

183  
00:06:09,749 --> 00:06:01,840  
airiness for me

184  
00:06:13,029 --> 00:06:11,749  
i assume that this was jeepers creepers

185  
00:06:14,629 --> 00:06:13,039  
but it's hatman

186  
00:06:16,629 --> 00:06:14,639  
i just recently started doing my

187  
00:06:19,350 --> 00:06:16,639  
research on this individual called

188  
00:06:19,990 --> 00:06:19,360

the hat man i'm 29 i encountered this

189

00:06:22,870 --> 00:06:20,000

individual when

190

00:06:24,710 --> 00:06:22,880

i was 7 years old 2004 one hot summer

191

00:06:26,309 --> 00:06:24,720

night in palmdale california

192

00:06:27,909 --> 00:06:26,319

to be completely honest with you over

193

00:06:29,670 --> 00:06:27,919

the years even was such a traumatic

194

00:06:31,110 --> 00:06:29,680

experience at the time the memory of

195

00:06:32,710 --> 00:06:31,120

what happened has become faint

196

00:06:34,390 --> 00:06:32,720

especially at this age

197

00:06:36,309 --> 00:06:34,400

at the time a movie came out by the name

198

00:06:37,830 --> 00:06:36,319

of jeepers creepers and the night of was

199

00:06:39,510 --> 00:06:37,840

my first time seeing the movie

200

00:06:41,430 --> 00:06:39,520

and just like any other child at that

201  
00:06:43,270 --> 00:06:41,440  
age when i saw this individual because

202  
00:06:45,189 --> 00:06:43,280  
of the trench coat in blackburn hat

203  
00:06:47,189 --> 00:06:45,199  
i assumed that this was jeepers creepers

204  
00:06:49,029 --> 00:06:47,199  
himself note that there is a sequel to

205  
00:06:50,469 --> 00:06:49,039  
the movie where jeepers reveals his true

206  
00:06:52,550 --> 00:06:50,479  
self but in the first one

207  
00:06:54,070 --> 00:06:52,560  
the one that i'm talking about he had

208  
00:06:54,790 --> 00:06:54,080  
this trench coat on with this brimmed

209  
00:06:56,550 --> 00:06:54,800  
hat set up

210  
00:06:58,390 --> 00:06:56,560  
so me being a kid with the imagination

211  
00:06:59,909 --> 00:06:58,400  
that i had i explained to my parents

212  
00:07:00,870 --> 00:06:59,919  
that this person looked like jeepers

213  
00:07:03,029 --> 00:07:00,880

creepers

214

00:07:04,790 --> 00:07:03,039

of course since i was only a child my

215

00:07:06,550 --> 00:07:04,800

mother told me to stop watching horror

216

00:07:08,230 --> 00:07:06,560

films but i honestly knew that this

217

00:07:09,110 --> 00:07:08,240

individual was certainly not jeepers

218

00:07:10,710 --> 00:07:09,120

creepers

219

00:07:12,230 --> 00:07:10,720

i knew he was something else for him to

220

00:07:14,390 --> 00:07:12,240

come at the time of night that he did

221

00:07:21,430 --> 00:07:14,400

and to have a malicious vibe about him

222

00:07:26,629 --> 00:07:24,469

black suit wearing hat man after hearing

223

00:07:28,469 --> 00:07:26,639

these stories i'm wondering if i made a

224

00:07:29,670 --> 00:07:28,479

mistake identifying an entity my

225

00:07:31,990 --> 00:07:29,680

daughter saw

226

00:07:33,189 --> 00:07:32,000

we'd moved to a new rural area our house

227

00:07:35,990 --> 00:07:33,199

was out in the woods

228

00:07:37,830 --> 00:07:36,000

nearby was walking trails having walked

229

00:07:38,550 --> 00:07:37,840

nature trails deep in the woods in our

230

00:07:41,110 --> 00:07:38,560

hometown

231

00:07:42,629 --> 00:07:41,120

my daughter six years old at the time

232

00:07:43,430 --> 00:07:42,639

and i were well acquainted with the

233

00:07:45,909 --> 00:07:43,440

woods

234

00:07:47,749 --> 00:07:45,919

as we began the hike my daughter started

235

00:07:49,670 --> 00:07:47,759

freaking out and trying to grab my

236

00:07:51,909 --> 00:07:49,680

camera to take a picture of the monster

237

00:07:54,390 --> 00:07:51,919

she said was further down the trail

238

00:07:55,189 --> 00:07:54,400

i let her take a few pictures one came

239

00:07:57,270 --> 00:07:55,199

out normally

240

00:07:58,950 --> 00:07:57,280

one was completely black but i don't

241

00:08:01,029 --> 00:07:58,960

know if she had covered the lens with a

242

00:08:02,070 --> 00:08:01,039

hand or hit the button before taking the

243

00:08:04,550 --> 00:08:02,080

cover off

244

00:08:06,710 --> 00:08:04,560

having had experiences like this before

245

00:08:09,029 --> 00:08:06,720

i quickly got her back to the car

246

00:08:10,230 --> 00:08:09,039

on the way home i asked her about what

247

00:08:12,309 --> 00:08:10,240

she had seen

248

00:08:14,309 --> 00:08:12,319

she described a man in a tall hat

249

00:08:16,070 --> 00:08:14,319

dressed all in black with black shiny

250

00:08:18,469 --> 00:08:16,080

shoes and a black cape

251

00:08:20,309 --> 00:08:18,479

i asked her if had any other colors on

252

00:08:22,469 --> 00:08:20,319

she placed her hand on her chest

253

00:08:24,550 --> 00:08:22,479

and said it was white right there she

254

00:08:26,309 --> 00:08:24,560

didn't point directly to her throat but

255

00:08:28,309 --> 00:08:26,319

to her chest in general

256

00:08:30,230 --> 00:08:28,319

she also said he was from the empire and

257

00:08:31,350 --> 00:08:30,240

lived in the classrooms that he spoke

258

00:08:33,589 --> 00:08:31,360

like my uncle

259

00:08:34,550 --> 00:08:33,599

my uncle is from scotland and hated

260

00:08:36,630 --> 00:08:34,560

children

261

00:08:38,469 --> 00:08:36,640

how all of this was communicated to her

262

00:08:40,949 --> 00:08:38,479

in the few moments we were on the trail

263

00:08:42,469 --> 00:08:40,959

is still beyond me i assumed the white

264

00:08:44,710 --> 00:08:42,479

was a priest scholar due to the

265

00:08:46,790 --> 00:08:44,720

proximity of an old mental asylum that

266

00:08:49,030 --> 00:08:46,800

was at one time a school ran by nuns and

267

00:08:50,949 --> 00:08:49,040

priests after the asylum closed

268

00:08:52,710 --> 00:08:50,959

i didn't see anything she wasn't the

269

00:08:54,710 --> 00:08:52,720

type to make these things up

270

00:08:56,310 --> 00:08:54,720

i had told her several times that just

271

00:08:57,590 --> 00:08:56,320

because i couldn't see something didn't

272

00:08:59,350 --> 00:08:57,600

mean it was there

273

00:09:01,269 --> 00:08:59,360

that was very important that she not

274

00:09:02,630 --> 00:09:01,279

make up stories because if there was

275

00:09:05,430 --> 00:09:02,640

something there i had to know

276

00:09:07,509 --> 00:09:05,440

so i could protect her again we had

277

00:09:07,990 --> 00:09:07,519

experienced situations where she would

278

00:09:10,310 --> 00:09:08,000

see things

279

00:09:12,550 --> 00:09:10,320

her father and i couldn't we've both

280

00:09:14,550 --> 00:09:12,560

explained several times how important it

281

00:09:16,389 --> 00:09:14,560

was she not make anything up

282

00:09:17,829 --> 00:09:16,399

also she wasn't familiar with the

283

00:09:19,670 --> 00:09:17,839

vocabulary she used

284

00:09:20,870 --> 00:09:19,680

she had asked me what few of the words

285

00:09:22,550 --> 00:09:20,880

said to her meant

286

00:09:24,470 --> 00:09:22,560

i had explained what i could in the

287

00:09:25,380 --> 00:09:24,480

context she told them to me

288

00:09:31,829 --> 00:09:25,390

para mom

289

00:09:36,470 --> 00:09:34,710

the hat man with an umbrella the story

290

00:09:38,790 --> 00:09:36,480

i'm about to tell you is a truly

291

00:09:39,430 --> 00:09:38,800

terrifying experience that is in scarred

292

00:09:42,470 --> 00:09:39,440

me

293

00:09:45,509 --> 00:09:42,480

when i was 14 years old 23 now

294

00:09:47,509 --> 00:09:45,519

i was having a very typical day i just

295

00:09:49,670 --> 00:09:47,519

got home from a long day at school

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00:09:51,509 --> 00:09:49,680

and was relieved to be able to relax and

297

00:09:54,150 --> 00:09:51,519

play some video games

298

00:09:55,590 --> 00:09:54,160

i had set my backpack in the dining room

299

00:09:56,870 --> 00:09:55,600

and walked through the kitchen to the

300

00:09:59,110 --> 00:09:56,880

computer room

301  
00:10:00,870 --> 00:09:59,120  
at this time i was home alone with both

302  
00:10:01,750 --> 00:10:00,880  
parents working and sibling outed

303  
00:10:03,990 --> 00:10:01,760  
friends

304  
00:10:05,990 --> 00:10:04,000  
i sit down and begin to log in when i

305  
00:10:08,550 --> 00:10:06,000  
feel a sudden chill in the air

306  
00:10:10,630 --> 00:10:08,560  
it made my hair stand on end and so i

307  
00:10:11,509 --> 00:10:10,640  
look around suspiciously but find

308  
00:10:13,750 --> 00:10:11,519  
nothing

309  
00:10:15,590 --> 00:10:13,760  
after a few minutes of surfing the web i

310  
00:10:17,509 --> 00:10:15,600  
get on facebook when suddenly the

311  
00:10:18,389 --> 00:10:17,519  
computer chair i'm in is forcefully

312  
00:10:20,550 --> 00:10:18,399  
pulled back

313  
00:10:22,790 --> 00:10:20,560

and then tilted back while i'm still in

314

00:10:23,750 --> 00:10:22,800

it at the angle i was that i should have

315

00:10:25,509 --> 00:10:23,760

toppled over

316

00:10:28,470 --> 00:10:25,519

but something was holding me there in

317

00:10:30,310 --> 00:10:28,480

place from the force my head whips back

318

00:10:31,829 --> 00:10:30,320

and i'm looking up when i see a shadow

319

00:10:33,990 --> 00:10:31,839

looking down at me

320

00:10:34,870 --> 00:10:34,000

at that very second i screamed and then

321

00:10:37,829 --> 00:10:34,880

the chair fell

322

00:10:39,269 --> 00:10:37,839

forward with my heart racing so fast i

323

00:10:41,190 --> 00:10:39,279

thought it would burst

324

00:10:43,190 --> 00:10:41,200

i look back to a doorway and see

325

00:10:45,910 --> 00:10:43,200

something i will never forget

326

00:10:46,630 --> 00:10:45,920

a tall man standing at about six four

327

00:10:49,430 --> 00:10:46,640

maybe six

328

00:10:51,509 --> 00:10:49,440

six staring at me he was wearing an

329

00:10:54,150 --> 00:10:51,519

all-white suit with a white top hat

330

00:10:56,310 --> 00:10:54,160

and white umbrella he was leaning on the

331

00:10:57,190 --> 00:10:56,320

umbrella like a cane in a swap kind of

332

00:10:59,350 --> 00:10:57,200

pose

333

00:11:01,829 --> 00:10:59,360

the worst part was that no matter how

334

00:11:03,910 --> 00:11:01,839

hard i looked i couldn't see his face

335

00:11:05,350 --> 00:11:03,920

the only feature i could see was his

336

00:11:07,750 --> 00:11:05,360

long blonde greasy hair

337

00:11:09,750 --> 00:11:07,760

and disinhuman stretched smile it

338

00:11:11,910 --> 00:11:09,760

reminded me of the grin of the monster

339

00:11:14,389 --> 00:11:11,920  
on the disturbed album covers

340

00:11:16,710 --> 00:11:14,399  
after what seems like hours he turns

341

00:11:18,630 --> 00:11:16,720  
unfurls the umbrella giving me one final

342

00:11:21,030 --> 00:11:18,640  
look and walks upstairs

343

00:11:22,150 --> 00:11:21,040  
immediately i called my dad and told him

344

00:11:24,150 --> 00:11:22,160  
what happened

345

00:11:26,310 --> 00:11:24,160  
i know it was paranormal and not a

346

00:11:26,710 --> 00:11:26,320  
robber because of the sinister feeling i

347

00:11:31,509 --> 00:11:26,720  
had

348

00:11:33,110 --> 00:11:31,519  
to pray and said he would head straight

349

00:11:35,269 --> 00:11:33,120  
home to check on me

350

00:11:36,790 --> 00:11:35,279  
after the day had passed tonight arrived

351  
00:11:39,190 --> 00:11:36,800  
i was still startled

352  
00:11:41,030 --> 00:11:39,200  
i don't remember when i fell asleep but

353  
00:11:43,590 --> 00:11:41,040  
i finally drifted off

354  
00:11:44,470 --> 00:11:43,600  
around 3 am i woke to a sudden freezing

355  
00:11:46,949 --> 00:11:44,480  
chill

356  
00:11:49,430 --> 00:11:46,959  
my room was small and my door overlooked

357  
00:11:51,350 --> 00:11:49,440  
the stairs which i always left open

358  
00:11:53,269 --> 00:11:51,360  
standing at the top of the stairs was

359  
00:11:56,069 --> 00:11:53,279  
the same sinister being

360  
00:11:57,829 --> 00:11:56,079  
staring and smiling he stood there for a

361  
00:11:59,430 --> 00:11:57,839  
while and just watched me as if

362  
00:12:01,910 --> 00:11:59,440  
harnessing my fear

363  
00:12:02,870 --> 00:12:01,920

i was paralyzed by fear so i couldn't do

364

00:12:05,110 --> 00:12:02,880

anything

365

00:12:07,030 --> 00:12:05,120

eventually he turned and walked down the

366

00:12:09,030 --> 00:12:07,040

stairs with his umbrella

367

00:12:10,710 --> 00:12:09,040

i can still picture him walking and

368

00:12:12,790 --> 00:12:10,720

seeing the umbrella through the stair

369

00:12:13,670 --> 00:12:12,800

banister bobbing up and down as he went

370

00:12:15,990 --> 00:12:13,680

down

371

00:12:17,990 --> 00:12:16,000

he visited me three more times before we

372

00:12:20,870 --> 00:12:18,000

had a priest bless the house

373

00:12:23,030 --> 00:12:20,880

after that i never saw him again still

374

00:12:24,389 --> 00:12:23,040

brings tears to my eyes when i think too

375

00:12:26,870 --> 00:12:24,399

deeply about it

376

00:12:28,710 --> 00:12:26,880

i consider myself a very spiritual

377

00:12:30,550 --> 00:12:28,720

person because of other paranormal

378

00:12:33,190 --> 00:12:30,560

experiences i've had

379

00:12:34,949 --> 00:12:33,200

nothing as truly frightening as that i

380

00:12:37,750 --> 00:12:34,959

named him the umbrella man

381

00:12:37,990 --> 00:12:37,760

now i wonder if he was a hat man i would

382

00:12:40,710 --> 00:12:38,000

do

383

00:12:43,110 --> 00:12:40,720

almost anything to never see him again

384

00:12:45,350 --> 00:12:43,120

people tell similar stories of a hat man

385

00:12:47,350 --> 00:12:45,360

that sounds a lot like this thing

386

00:12:49,750 --> 00:12:47,360

i don't want anyone to ever have this

387

00:12:50,829 --> 00:12:49,760

experience i know he has visited other

388

00:12:55,990 --> 00:12:50,839

people

389

00:12:59,430 --> 00:12:58,550

this is lon strickler if you like this

390

00:13:01,190 --> 00:12:59,440

program

391

00:13:02,470 --> 00:13:01,200

it would help us if you would give it a

392

00:13:05,350 --> 00:13:02,480

thumbs up

393

00:13:07,990 --> 00:13:05,360

then subscribe and click the bell icon

394

00:13:10,949 --> 00:13:08,000

so you get notification when we upload

395

00:13:11,670 --> 00:13:10,959

new first person encounters we have many

396

00:13:14,629 --> 00:13:11,680

more to come

397

00:13:15,910 --> 00:13:14,639

very soon and by the way if you have a

398

00:13:18,310 --> 00:13:15,920

suggestion