



Bumps in the Night!!!!

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Black Eyed Kids (BEK)

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No, Not the Black Eyed Peas, we know who they are. The question is who or what are these Black Eyed Kids. Is this truly a paranormal phenomena or an urban legend. There are varying opinions as to who or what they are; there are opinions that they are Vampires, Hybrids, Lost Souls, and Shape Shifters to demons. The stories and opinions vary on which one you read. There has never been anyone that has actually invited them in that has been able to pass on their findings so currently no one knows for sure.

Before we get into the BEK's there is a medical condition that currently exists called alkaptonuria. This is a rare disease that affects one in 250,000 people. Vision is not usually affected, but black pigmentation in the white part of the eye is evident in most patients by their early 40s. The disease may not turn the sclera completely black but just general dark pigmentation. There are so many other issues with this disease that the last thing that a person with this would be doing would be trying to get into someone's house or car.

Now let's get back to the BEK's. It was thought that the first reported incident or encounter with these BEK's was first reported by a reporter named Brian Bethel on January 16th, 1998, near Abilene Texas. The story states that he was sitting in his car and the car was approached unknowingly to Brian by a pair of olive skinned kids asking for a ride home explaining that they were on the way to the movies and had forgotten their money. The feeling that is expressed was that he felt the urge to allow them into the car. The urge to do this was resisted and seemed to agitate the BEK's who demanded that he allow them in his car. It was at this point that it was noticed the "Coal Black" eyes this is where he became paralyzed with fear. Brian collected himself at this point and left the scene. This seems to be a common thread in all these reports. The feeling that the mind is being controlled or some sort of hypnosis is being applied to the victim.

After researching into this phenomenon it actually may go back further in time. There is a report from the small town of Autlán, outside of Jalisco Mexico where the first possible encounter with a BEK may have happened in the 1950's. This report varies in some of the details but the feeling that he was being manipulated by the child bear the same commonalities of the other stories. Since this first sighting there have been reported sightings in 23 other states to date. It seems that most reports come from larger cities. They seem to be a more metropolitan being unlike other such entities or phenomena which seem to happen in more rural areas. The BEK's have been seen in Boston, Philadelphia, Portland and Seattle.

The common scenario is as follows: The BEK's are usually in pairs but there has been reports of three as well. They will approach usually without notice startling the individual. Most of the reports state that they are dressed appropriately for the time and location. There have been reports ranging from kids in hoodies to long black coats, gym shoes to boots. The ages of the

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BEK's seems to vary from 10 years up to about 23 years old. There are a few consistencies that seem to come up in each story. One of those is the completely black eyes, no pupils, whites or cornea, only the coal black lifeless eyes. This along the feeling that they are in the presence of evil, the feeling or impending doom and overall having a gut feeling of something not being right. There are also several reports of time loss or time standing still during these encounters. It seems that once eye contact has been established the feeling of being controlled becomes overwhelming and it is a struggle to resist what is being asked.

Since I am a huge horror movie fan, this is very reminiscent of many of the vampire and creatures of the night where these creatures need to be invited in of our own free will. We all know the endings to these movies. Could this be why there are no witnesses to anyone ever having actually inviting them in? Of course if they looked like Fergie, how could we resist?

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