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When Alan Brown published his well-received *Haunted Places in the American South*, a kind of seance swirled around him. Locals who knew ghost stories began haunting him with ghoulish reports from houses, schools, libraries, sanitariums, inns, battlefields, train depots, radio stations, and bridges. Following these leads, he uncovered even more ghost-ridden southern locales.

In Kentucky's White Hall, the ghost of Cassius Clay's first wife Mary Jane roams the upstairs in a black dress, and the night air smells of candle wax, perfume, and bourbon. The spirit of a boy who died in a tragic accident half a century before plagues Mississippi's Cahill Mansion.

Written in the vein of its successful predecessor, *Stories from the Haunted South* contains fifty-three accounts from Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia.

Balancing the history with the legends of each supernatural locale, Brown focuses on personal stories of ghostly encounters. From folk archives across the South, Brown also includes nearly forgotten legends, such as the Headless Horseman of Hobkirk. With directions to each place, *Stories from the Haunted South* will be an important addition to the ghostlore of Dixie.

Alan Brown is a professor of English at the University of West Alabama. His books include *Haunted Places* in the American South and Shadows and Cypress: Southern Ghost Stories (both from University Press of Mississippi).



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