Outdoor Sightings of Aliens: Mantis

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The number of sightings of Mantis in the outdoors falls between the Greys and the Reptilians. Mantis are usually seen in spaceships, but they appear in the outdoors too. The Mantis are often caught by surprise after which they immediately cloak themselves, or disappear 'into thin air'. They always move away, or cloak themselves, as soon as possible, as if they are afraid of being captured or hurt by humans. I suspect that a lot of the so-called 'transparent' beings (looking as in the Predator movie) are actually cloaked Mantis beings. See my article of *Translucent Humanoid Beings*.

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Sequoia National Forest, California, USA, 2014

Ricky in San Diego, California called in to tell of a terrifying encounter he had while camping in the Sequoia National Forest:

I just want to share an experience I had about two years ago in the Sequoia National Forest. My sister took my friend and I out there, and we were deep in the forest, far away from civilization. We were having a great time. I'm a believer in the paranormal, Bigfoot, aliens and all that stuff but while I was there, I never had that thought. I was there camping with my family, having a great time.

At about 9 o'clock, everyone decides to go to sleep and my friend and I were left staring at the bonfire. I decided it was a good time to listen to music, so I went to my sister's forerunner, and I was opening the back to grab my Ipod. And as I opened the back door, I heard something come out of the tree. It didn't come out of the tree. It was almost like it was holding on and it fell. And I heard this huge thump. I could feel it. And as I... I had a flashlight on me. I looked over at the tree I heard the fall from and I swear on my life and I swear to God, honest to God, I saw a 6 to 7 foot tall praying mantis. And as I laid eyes on it, I completely lost breath. I was completely taken aback. It took a step back and it became completely invisible. I could not believe what I saw.

I slammed the door and I ran back to the campfire. I alerted my friend. I woke everyone up and no one would believe me. I was really upset because I knew what I'd seen. So that happened and my friend didn't believe me. He was laughing at me and then all of a sudden I could hear all these things surrounding us and finally when I brought it to my friend's attention, he kinda put his ear to it, and he heard it too. Finally, I was patrolling the campground with my flashlight and I could just hear these things surrounding us and I heard like this clicking sound, it was like (makes clicking sound). It was really strange. I was so scared.

Source: Coast To Coast AM - September 27, 2016

Hackettstown, New Jersey, USA, 2006

I have recently been doing research regarding an encounter I had about five years ago.

Fly fishing on the Musconetcong River in New Jersey with my boss, I saw briefly what I could only describe as a Praying Mantis Man.

Although the water was clear, there had been heavy rains the past couple of days. We should not have been out there; the river was smooth but the current was exceptionally strong. I was leaning backwards and digging my heels into the the gravel but the river was still kicking me along pretty good. Sketchy navigating.

Please know, I am privy to the paranormal and always have been. Shadow people, ghosts, whatever. But what I encountered that day was not Spirit. It was a biological, living creature. But it disappeared into thin air almost as soon as I saw it.

For whatever reason, my searches at the time turned up nothing. But then by chance I came across an 'Alien Race' type video on YouTube and there in the artwork I saw what I saw: Ancient Mantis Leaders. So when I began searching Mantis Alien instead of Praying Mantis Man, I found a lot more.

They say they are Inter-dimensional, whatever that means, but I did not get that impression. No, this creature was cloaked and because of both my innate sensory perception skills and the particular physical circumstances at the time, (important), --I can add details if you are interested-- I just Caught it. Movement out of the corner of my eye to my left and there it was...

Humanoid. Tall. 6 foot at least --no reference points-- but I sense 6'6 - 7'. Moving away from me back up the bank. (I am chest-high in the river) The first thing I see was the 'grasshopper' thigh, but bending forward like a human. Then the whole form. He is looking at me over his shoulder, moving up the bank, astonished, amazed. What, that I am in the water in a strong current, that I can see him? But yes we lock eyes and this creature is astonished-- I get the sense that he can't believe I am in the water, that he can't believe I have seen him, that I am not perturbed at all-- something of all three, I still don't know-- just astonishment, and he is actually trying to get away from me and the water!

Triangular Head. Huge, slanted black eyes. Just like a Praying Mantis. It's whole body was gangly, nobby, ((Nobby!) but you could still sense it was powerful, and no-- I would not say it was a Big Bug-- it was definitely humanoid despite the mantis/insect qualities...

No, I did not tell my boss about this, who was in the water too about fifty yards behind me at the time. Being privy to the paranormal you just see these things and sort of go okay. No fear, no nothing-- but I do get the sense that my whatever attitude contributed to this creature's astonishment. Frankly, I didn't give the encounter much though until recently.

I can forward more details. I just believe now that this encounter was somehow very important.

I wrote back to the witness (I am not going to reveal a name at this time) requesting further detail.

The description of the head is not too uncommon from other sightings

that have been reported:



This took place in Hackettstown, NJ. The stretch of the Musconetcong River here is unusual in that it's west bank borders Rt. 46, (a local highway, congested with lots of stores) but the east bank where we were fishing borders fields and farmlands.

No bank to speak of on the developed side, but the sloping bank on the rural side was high (ten feet?) A strip of trees about 10 - 20 yards thick separated the river from the fields beyond, but there was the occasional gap/path, each about 20 yards wide that allowed clear access to the river.

Like I mentioned, the weather had been bad the previous several days, and the sky was white and heavy. It was mid-afternoon.

When I saw The Mantis Man, it was in one of these gaps, moving back up the bank towards the fields, looking back at me over its left shoulder. About 15 - 20 yards away.

So understand that it was several feet above me (I looked up at it) and framed clearly against that blank/white sky. Like a full ghost apparition, it was indeed clear but nevertheless nearly transparent and fading fast. Then it evaporated midstride.

Again, I stress the strong impression that The Mantis Man was cloaked and I caught it just right; it abruptly found itself against a new/blank background and was adjusting quickly. No, I do not believe it slipped into another dimension/plane.

I detected movement and first saw that strong left thigh, (and strong right calf) then the whole thing and immediately those eyes/face. The whole encounter was only a couple of seconds. I can not tell you with any strong certainty what its feet or hands looked like --I wasn't looking there-- but I can tell you that its arms were normal, and not the literal Mantis forelegs I have recently seen in drawings of these Aliens.

Source

Hackettstown, New Jersey, USA, 2014

I saw something strange a few weeks ago on the M'cong River near my home here in Hackettstown, New Jersey.

I was driving home from the drug store on Newburgh Rd. As I drove near the bridge over the river, I noticed to my left something (I thought a fisherman) standing in the river just off the south bank. I slowed the car and looked closer. It wasn't a person and it was transparent-like with a weird shape. It moved slowly towards the bank and into the trees. I drove further, so I could see it coming out of the trees. That's the last I saw of it.

It was tall, 8 ft. or so and had long thin arms hanging off of it. The color was a pale brown, but I could see through it! The head was small compared to the body. It was sunny that day, so I thought it may be glare from the water, but after I thought back I realized I wasn't seeing a mirage or glare.

I checked the internet and didn't see anything about it.

I mentioned it to a co-worker in my office at lunch on Wednesday. He gave me the strangest look. I thought 'uh-oh' he thinks I'm nuts. We went back to his computer, and he brought up the Hackettstown forum with the mantis man witness. Your information was there, so I decided to contact you today.

Source

New Jersey, USA

I definitely believe you bro. I live in south jersey and i have a swamp out back. I was sitting on my porch, i don't know what time it was but it was starting to get dark. I flicked my lighter to light my cigarette and I saw something out of the corner of my eye. I looked to my left and what I saw had me stuck like a deer in the headlights. It was that freaking mantis thing. It was about 30 yards out right in my driveway it had huge black soulless eyes and its arms were bent over like a praying mantis. It was at least 7 feet tall and a brownish grey in color. Our eye contact only lasted for a second but it felt like for ever. After our eye contact it took off down my driveway and it was fast. I thought it ran so fast it disappeared. My mom opened the door at the same time we were looking at each other and when it took off she saw it go invisible like the predator in the movie. Shit was crazy, and I was glad she caught a glimpse of it because no one would have believed me. Not that I care cause I know what I saw. This was like a year ago. The other day my dad said he was sitting on the porch around dark, and he saw a tall stick figure thing run across my front field. He said it was unbelievably fast. I don't know what it is or where it came from, but i do know its as real as you and I. Thanks for sharing your story. I'm glad I am not the only nut case.

Your fellow mantis sighter, Wayne Fields.

Fillmore, NY, USA 2018

This is in response to your recent post about a mantis-like entity. The incident occurred on June 22, 2018 a bit before 12 AM midnight in Fillmore, New York. I was in the shed to use WiFi for my phone because the kids were on devices and dogs are loud in the house.

While I was watching from inside the shed I noticed something an hour after I was in there. I heard movement of something shuffling in the tall grass. I thought it was a deer until my cat started growling and staring at the shed door. When I scanned the tree line and bushes with my big LED light I thought I saw a head pop up into the dark. I pretended I didn't see it and spotted my light to the left and heard it quickly get closer. I flashed the light back fast and it was very close, now about 30 feet in front of me. We stared at each other for what seemed like forever but I know it was probably only 20 seconds or so. I was so scared I couldn't move. Also it didn't move as I watched it.

I noticed its limbs and features while we stared at each other. It was greenishgrey with very big mantis eyes. The skin was smooth and had broad shoulders, but as you followed down it got skinny. The eyebrow ridge stuck out with a wide head with an upward slant. Its eyes reflected green. There were light green flecks that shown yellow and orange from my light. It was over 6 foot tall.

I suddenly got the feeling that it was going to grab me, so I slammed the shed door and turned and ran to my house. When I got in I told my husband about what I had seen, I noticed that a whole hour pasted by it was now a few minutes after 1AM. I know I didn't look at this thing for an hour. My husband came out with me with his gun but it was gone.

I was really scared after that. I will not be out at night anymore. I always feel like I'm being watched. I started to look into UFOs and abductions. I had never read up on this before my experience and now believe I was abducted, but have no memory of it. (Source)

Villa Park, Illinois, USA, 2012

This incident occurred on April 23, 2012 at approximately 4:40 AM. At the time, I lived in a town house in Villa Park, Illinois, and often sleep on the ground floor in my living room on the couch. I could see both front and back doors, including a sliding glass patio door leading to the back yard. I am a 31-year-old male Army veteran, and lived alone at the time. Being a former military man, I was and am still a very avid and active supporter of self-defense. During and also after my military service I have always kept a weapon in my home for self-defense purposes. Even sleeping with a weapon (.380 caliber pistol) no further than arms

length, in case of an intruder or burglar. Up until this event I was also very skeptical of anything I hadn't seen with my own eyes, especially things related to the paranormal. All of this changed that early morning.

As I slept on my living room couch a strange feeling came across me and awoke me from my sleep in the pitch blackness of the room. As I moved myself to the sitting position, I saw a small flash of yellowish light piercing my sliding glass patio door through the closed tall swaying blinds. At first I didn't think much of it, until only seconds later. I see another flash of light, this time the flash was red and seemed larger. Thinking maybe there was an intruder inside the closed wooden gate of my backyard I quickly grabbed my .380 pistol from the floor near the couch and hurried to look through the blinds. What I saw next changed my life and has affected me mentally until this day.

As I stood at the sliding glass door looking across the parking lot, maybe 60 feet away on the rooftop of the adjacent townhome directly in front of me, was a perfectly round extremely bright orb which could have been approximately 5 to 6 feet in diameter. I couldn't help feeling as if I was being beckoned to come to the door with these flashes of light. After about 10 seconds or so of staring at the bright luminescent orb it had doubled in size and again changed color to yellowish green in a single flash of bright light. Immediately following the flash there was what sounded like a very loud helicopter, if one could have been directly above my house. At the same time the orb grew something that looked like a large praying mantis mixed with a snake flew out of the orb and straight up. I could see that it had what seemed like a long 3-4 ft tail as it exited what I can only describe as a 'portal' and then the portal was gone. Almost as quickly as it had exited this orb, the being flew directly towards me as the loud sound was ear piercing. The being moved at an extreme speed toward me. It took all of 2-3 seconds to cross the 60+ ft. of parking lot between the adjacent rooftop of the town home directly behind mine, over my wooden backyard fence where it came to a stop directly in front of me no more than two and a half feet, hovering about five feet off the ground.

At this time the creature displayed no lights. It was all black with what seemed like very strange symbols I had never seen before that went across its midsection (torso area). At first glimpse I could only describe this being as a bio-mechanical praying mantis mixed with a snake. It had a small head, long ringed neck but very large in-laid black eyes that extended beyond the sides of its head.

I quickly and carefully looked it over from bottom to top, my jaw stood wide open in awe. Out of sheer terror and the close proximity it was to me, I immediately raised my weapon over my head and pressed it firmly against the glass of the sliding doors. Almost as soon as I had made this motion the creature then extended from both sides what I can only describe as two sets of wing like appendages and emitted what looked like hundreds of tiny blue, sparkling lightning bolts in every direction, above and below each of the 4 'appendages' (I say appendages because if they were wings they didn't seem to be used for flight). The small bolts encompassed and engulf the being completely. At this

moment the loud helicopter, static-like sound had completely stopped. Each of these small blue lightning bolt like energy emissions were no larger than my pinky finger. After just a few short seconds of me witnessing these lightning bolt-like electric emissions the entity shot directly up and over the roof of my home at an amazing speed, out of sight towards the front of the townhome.

After much time and thought I've come to the conclusion that this entity did not spread the wing-like appendages and emit the plasma like discharge until I brandished my weapon. This led me to believe that this display must have been some sort of protective energy field to shield itself had I fired upon it. This entire encounter lasted no longer than a few minutes. After the being had disappeared out of view over my home, I quickly ran to the back door and went outside. As I stood there staring into the sky I immediately realized that it had left almost the exact time of dawn because the sun was coming up.

Honestly, I don't like mentioning this part of the account. At that moment I realized that what I thought to be only a few minutes was, in reality, an hour or more had passed because it was now dawn with the sun quickly rising. Until this day, years later, I'm still no closer to an answer of what this being could have been, what it wanted or why it beckoned me to the door with the light flashes. And, most importantly, what happened during that missing hour. (Source)

Monahans, Texas, USA, 2009

We were having a family/friends get together to celebrate a birthday. During the celebration two of my nephews and a niece came tearing into the house, screaming at the top of their lungs, saying that a plane crashed in one of the adjacent pastures. My brother, myself and about 3 others walked outside to see what was causing all the ruckus.

We didn't see anything out of the ordinary except a strange burning smell that smelled like burning mesquite. We didn't think anything of it since it was kind of nippy and someone could have been burning some wood in their fireplaces. We told them to show us where they saw the plane go down, and we walked over to the place they showed us.

The first thing we noticed was that all the dogs in the area were going bonkers. They were barking up a storm, like they were all seeing the same thing. The area we live in is pretty much a rural community, unless you live in the city of Monahans, TX, many of the houses are set on large plots of land, usually 4-5 acres per house. Although we can see the houses of many of our neighbors, and we do have traffic on the road, you do get the feeling of being all to yourself out here. Some land by our house is overrun by wild mesquite tree's. Only a small portion of the land surrounding the house is cultivated and cleared out. Beyond the stand of trees runs a small barbed wire fence that separates us from our neighbors, who I could see were home from the lights on in the house.

We walked around the edge of the trees, not wanting to really go into the stand at night. Even though it's technically winter, there could be rattlesnakes seeking shelter in among the trees, not to mention that mesquite trees have some wicked thorns that protrude from them. They are razor sharp and quite capable of punching through a pair of jeans or boots, and they hurt like hell to get out. As we looked around, we started noticing a sort of electrical charge to the very air around us. Almost like the kind you feel when you approach a large electrical substation or a charged and active radio antenna.

As we made our way around the trees, one of my brothers noticed some light peeking through the trees, I told him it was probably one of the neighbors leaving or coming home. He promptly told me that it couldn't be head lights because the light seemed too defused and not as concentrated as a car's headlight. We moved around and as we cleared the stand of trees, we were shocked to see an oval shaped object hovering, maybe 4-5 feet off the ground. We stood there in total shock, and awe. I can only imagine that our jaws were probably on the ground. As we stood there watching this object hover there without a sound, I took note that the object was maybe about 30-40 feet from front to back, it was maybe the same dimensions around. The object seemed to be of a highly polished material that reflected the surrounding area. The reflection of the distant street lights from the surrounding neighbors properties seemed to reflect off the surface of the object. There was also a small dull glow to the object, barely noticeable unless you were really looking, almost like an aura of sorts, an iridescent blue of sorts.

As we stood there in total shock, My brother next to me expressing his disbelief, we saw two strange looking "Men" appear from around the object. They at first didn't notice us, they were busy running around and gathering objects from the ground, from the trees. They didn't seem to notice us at first. They looked to be about the size of my oldest nephew, about 4 feet tall, but they looked very skinny, like they had no meat on their bones. Their heads were large and their arms were long, skinny and hung down around their knee's. About this time my two nephews came walking up behind us (scaring the hell out of us). They saw the object and the strange "men" and in a voice that only a kid can project, screamed out loud "WHAT ARE THOSE THINGS!".

That's when the creatures turned and noticed us. The sight of these creatures was something that will haunt me till the day I die. It turned and looked right at us. Its eyes were large, almost like the eyes of a praying mantis, except they were jet back and wrapped around its head. The two creatures looked at us for about 7 seconds, not an ounce of movement, before they calmly walked around the craft, one right after the other. They disappeared behind the craft, and we never saw them again.

A few seconds later the craft lifts up, not a sound coming from the object, no rush of wind, not even a swaying of the nearby branches of a mesquite tree. It rose quietly and hovered about 40 feet from the ground, and shot out like a bat out of hell. As it zoomed away, it started glowing and made it easier to track as it zoomed away getting higher and higher till it faded away.

We stood there in complete silence as we tried to make heads or tails of what the

hell we just saw. My brother finally piped up and said "Should we call the police?" After which, I burst out in laughter and replied to him " And tell them what?" My nephew looked like he had just seen the devil himself, which considering what we just saw I don't blame him.

He didn't want to talk about it, and after we made our way back to the house, he still didn't talk about. I tried to ask him about it yesterday, and he basically told me that he didn't want to think about it yet, he was still processing what had happened to him. I was more than happy to leave it at that.

I never really believed in the subject of UFO's or Alien's, but after the events of this night, I'm seriously going to re-evaluate that belief.

I know that I plan to keep my mind open, and start looking up towards the sky a little bit more from now on.

Source

Pembroke Pines, Florida, USA, 2014

Sighted on Friday 24. October 2014

Walking the dog around the neighborhood and came around a curve in the sidewalk/street. I noticed something unusual and stopped walking, staring at it, trying to figure out exactly what I was seeing. The dog seemed more annoyed I'd made him stop, he did not bark or react in any way.

There was a figure ahead of me, about 10 feet away, standing in the swale area, between the sidewalk & street. It was not facing me. It was skeletal thin or bony, taller than my 5'3", white or light grayish skin, no hair, there was something blue near its left ear?

At first, I thought maybe it was a spiritual type being, but clearly was not human. It sensed I was staring at it, looked over its right shoulder; looked at me, then looked down at the dog, immediately started to run, slanty into the middle of the street & down the street. Its knees were backwards. As it ran, it began to gradually fade, like the edges of it kept disappearing until I couldn't see it anymore. A friend suggested it sounded like an insect-type alien or praying mantis alien.

I'm in my late 50s, don't drink or get stoned, and this is not a Halloween prank. I would really love to know if anyone knows what this might be. <u>Source</u>

Georgia (?), USA, 1947

Here is my mantis experience--this must have been in about 1947? After I recalled this I was living in Columbus, Georgia and met a guy whose sister around my same age had a similar mantis experience as a child-either people don't tell it or few people experience them?

In 1992 while at a workshop in Orlando I consciously recalled when I was 3 or 4 years old, playing on Indian mound next to our house that was planted in cotton. I had strayed over on the east side where the cotton was way over my head when suddenly a huge green praying mantis insect appeared trying to grab me. I ran screaming up the hill toward the house and as I ran out of the taller cotton I saw a group of greys by a tree over near the road wearing khaki coverall style jumpsuits. They were watching the chase, excitedly chattering to each other, making clicking type sounds. To my right I saw a small shiny saucer shaped craft parked there and a man appeared in the door, apparently in response to my screams. I thought he was a doctor because he had on a white lab coat like doctors wear. He rushed down the steps to rescue me or, so I thought, so I ran to him.....After that my memory is vague, I just have impression of being in a clinical white room where they used one of those probe type instruments on meyikes, don't even want to remember! I don't recall how I got to the house but must have tried to tell about it......and why family nicknamed me Bugs?

C'EST LA VIE

UFOBC Responds:

Hello K,

Thank you very much for sharing your experience. The date goes way back. Would you be able to provide any drawing of the craft or beings?

Sincerely

Martin Jasek UFOBC

K. Responds:

Hi Martin, I am poor artist--but the craft was small-20-30' & pn notes what I drew reminds me of a helmet turned upside down & it had slit type portholes. The greys were your typical 3' or so except 4 the surprising attire--khaki coverall type jumpsuits. The 'doctor' was blond, maybe around 30yrs old. As far as i recall the mantis was just like a real one, except standing upright, and huge-about 6' tall with evil face:

Worse than above--rereading old notes & had forgotten that the greys may have had on space helmets? Also, impression that the craft had an antenna on top & it emitted a crackly low-pitched hum & rather than parked on legs actually may have been hovering though had door ramp that 'doctor' ran down--the doctor had on slacks & shirt under white lab coat & I had noted his hair was brown- though in my minds eye seemed blonde & must tell u he seemed very Aryan-like a Nazi Dr. from WWII-don't know why I got that impression.

I had titled my notes:

UFO-Ancients-Doctor-Spaceship on east side of hill re Ancients-don't know why I used that word?

K.

Stillwater, Nevada, USA, 1994

Location: Stillwater, Nevada - June 1994 - evening

The witness and his wife were driving under a slight rain in an isolated area when they saw what appeared to be an accident off to the side of the road. It looked like an accident because there were lots of flashing lights around the site. Curious the witness slowed down to see if he could help and as they came closer they saw what they thought was an ambulance but it turned up to be an object resembling a large soda can lying on its side and resting on three "legs." It was a weird, sort of creamy color, but with a bright red halo around it. Flashing lights could be seen around the object.

As they watched fascinated, his wife suddenly let out a blood-curling scream the witness turned around and saw two "aliens" coming towards the car. These were described as bug-like, with their heads looking like preying mantises. They had humanoid-looking bodies, however, and wore bluish gray jumpsuits. The terrified witness, who was armed with a gun, pulled it out and fired two shots towards the road in front of the figures. This must have startled the humanoids, which suddenly ran back to their landed cylinder shaped object. At this point the witness began speeding away from the area, looking back he saw additional similar appearing humanoids standing around the craft, about 9 or 10 of them. They did not see the object depart.

Source: UFOs and Aliens OnLine

New London, Connecticut, USA, 2011

I just watched a show called 'Monsters and Mysteries in America on the Travel Channel and the last part was about a brown mantis man near a river in NJ. I actually saw one of these a while back in 2011 in southeastern Connecticut right near the Thames River.

I was driving home from work (Mohegan Sun Casino) and it was after midnight. I saw a small 1 1/2 to 2 foot tall Praying Mantis humanoid running on the side of Pequot Avenue in New London, CT. The avenue runs alongside the Thames River, and I was driving southbound on Pequot when I saw it on the side of the road directly on my left. It was a mahogany brown color and it looked exactly like the CGI version on the show. I stopped my car and watched it and it was looking right at me the whole while as it ran towards a storm drain. It never took its eyes off

me then it jumped down the storm drain.

When I got home I told my boyfriend at that time about it, and we both laughed it off. I chalked it up to being over tired and seeing things because I was so exhausted. But now I know I wasn't 'seeing things!' It's disturbing to realize this could've been real!

Source

Wielkopolska Province, Poland, 2001

Location. Wielkopolska province, Poland Date: 2001 Time: evening. name of the witness was Marcin Mizera of Poland.

A 23-year old woman was camping in the area and one evening was walking along a forest on a long meadow on her way to her tent when she noticed a bizarre creature standing by a nearby lake. The creature made a movement as if picking something up from the ground. It then apparently heard the witness approach and quickly disappeared from sight. The witness stood literally petrified as she watched the creature standing only 8 meters from her. She feels that the creature was also frightened. She described the creature as resembling a large insect (mantis?). Its face was long and thin, its body very thin and subtle and it was about 1.6m tall. Its skin was gray or beige in color. It also had something resembling long and narrow insect wings. Its eyes were large and dark, insect-like. The eyes terrified the witness. "It gazed at me and I knew that it did not know what it would do. Our encounter had no meaning or aim; it appears to have been a total surprise for both of us." The witness stated. The witness states that she has witnesses numerous other strange phenomena since that particular encounter. (No details on that yet). (source: www.ufoinfo.com)

Texas, USA

Saw mantis-like being when in a rural town in east Texas when I was around 8 years old. Basically, my brother and I were in the town with my dad while he was renovating a house. We were staying in the house while he was working on it. I don't have many memories from back then but this sticks out.

It was dark out, probably around 7 o'clock at night. My father was cooking dinner while my brother and I were playing and doing stuff kids do. The porch door was open with a fly screen door closed, there was a hallway running from the front of the house to the back. As we ran across the hallway we both noticed something peeking around the corner from the porch. It looked like a giant cockroach/mantis with massive black eyes just staring. It was nearly as tall as the doorway, slightly hunched over. Both my brother and I saw it and felt extremely terrified.

We ran to the kitchen and tried to get dad to have a look but he just brushed it off. Peeking around the corner again we saw it still standing there, still staring. Our dad finally agreed to look but it had disappeared. I believe this is the only

time we saw it.

About 2 years ago I brought it up with my brother and he remembers it as well. Hard to put it into words, it's a lot clearer in my mind.

Name withheld

Source

Mt. Kiera, Australia, 1971

Throughout his life, Danny Enderson of Mt. Kiera, New South Wales, Australia had many strange and unusual experiences. One evening in 1971 while lying in bed, a whirling red light appeared in his bedroom and he found himself being pulled upward into a large room with flashing lights and strange instrument panels. A seven-foot-tall humanoid in a green suit instructed Enderson to sit in a weird chair.

The humanoid placed his hand over Enderson's eyes, causing pain. "Before long though," said Enderson, "the pain gave way to a beautiful peaceful feeling and I knew I never wanted to leave that place. A moment later I was back in bed."

Back at home, Enderson discovered his sense of hearing and touch were now both ultra-sensitive. His face was red and swollen and two hieroglyphic-like marks appeared on his chest.

Following this, Enderson experienced repeated visits with insectoid beings, Bigfoot-like beings and more.

One afternoon, Enderson was watering the plants in his garden when he saw a mantis-type creature exit Sam's dog-shed, and disappear behind it. Sam was Enderson's pet dog. He was old and crippled with arthritis, and would yelp with pain if anybody petted him. Enderson was planning on having old Sam put to sleep.

Enderson rushed into the shed to check on Sam. The dog was not only fine, he was healed. "His coat was suddenly glossy and his eyes were brighter than they'd been for years. From that day, the arthritis never troubled Sam." There was no sign of the mantis being. Enderson feels humbled to be connected to these beings who he says are "full of love and peace."

Source: *Humanoid Encounters: The Others Amongst Us* by Albert Rosales: 1970-1974, page 72

Forth Smith, Arkansas, 2004

Location. Fort Smith, Arkansas

Date: August 4 2004

Time: 2200

An eyewitness, A.T. and his girlfriend were lying on the grass in Kay Rodgers Park when they spotted two strange figures nearby. They saw the figures walk out of the bushes about 10 feet away from where they were sitting. The figures wore gray or off-white tunic-style outfits. They wore shiny bronze or gold medallions on the center of their chest or shoulder. They had (praying) mantis-like heads and made strange clicking sounds. Their eyes would change from blood red to neon green. The witnesses stood up and stared at the humanoids for about 5 to y minutes, and then the humanoids disappeared into a white light. Both humanoids were approximately 7 feet tall, but the one on the left was a few inches short. They appeared from the direction the direction of the Harper Stadium area at an average walking speed.

HC addendum

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Greenville, South Carolina, mid 1970s

Hi, I'm a 42 year old female, married with grown kids and five grandchildren. First of all, since this encounter, I have never forgotten it. Although exactly what happened is a mystery to me.

I was young, and we lived in a trailer park in Greenville, South Carolina in Mr. Hicums Trailer Park. This would have been in the mid-1970s. All this information has been confirmed by my Mom.

It was a warm and sunny day. I was playing outside with my two older brothers. I was the youngest of three. It was a day like all the others. We were playing tag or hide and go seek. I went to hide. I ran around the back of our home, and suddenly I almost ran into a humanoid praying mantis. At the time I thought it was a giant insect, I could not really comprehend what I was seeing. I felt like all the breath was taken from me. It was taller than my dad and it was standing next to our propane tank. Years later when I thought about it I told my self that maybe there was a gas leak.

Anyway, back to the mantis. I stood there frozen in broad daylight and the creature was just staring back at me. And then everything is blank, until I come running back into our trailer screaming that I'm in pain between my legs. My mother is so concerned that she pulled down my shorts and underwear to inspect. She says nothing is wrong, and I go to sleep crying. This has always been with me. It and this praying mantis stays in the back of my mind.

Phantom and Monsters