The Nameless (Sample)

INT: Three chairs with desks (just chairs if not available) sit in a row diagonal with audience. To the right, A Podium stands on diagonal to them, the **TEACHER** behind it. Sitting in the first chair to the right of the teacher is **GARY**, to the chair on his right is **CLARE**, to the chair on her right is **H.P LOVECRAFT**, head face down on table with black cloak covering his face.

TEACHER:

(with apathetic cheer) Hello, thank you for showing up for the first day of class. Why don't we get started with our names and pronouns? I'm Madeline, and I go by she, her and hers. I'm going to be calling you off this list. Next, We got Gary.

GARY:

Hey, My name is Gary and I go by he, him and his.

TEACHER:

Ok, great, (slight pause as she looks at list) Clare?

CLARE:

I'm Clare, I'm majoring in Bio-Chem and my preferred pronouns are they, them and theirs.

TEACHER:

Fantastic, (hesitant confusion) H.P Lovecraft?

HP:

(raises his head from his cowl) Have I been summoned?

TEACHER:

Yes, Are you Howard Phillips Lovecraft?

HP:

I once was, I have since abandoned that moniker in favor of another, you henceforth shall call me (*turns to audience*) "The Nameless".

(Pause)

CLARE:

"Nameless", What's your pronouns?

HP:

If I must be "talked to" or "thought of", I prefer the pronouns "It", "that" and "Accursed Thing".