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American Gothic: Madness and the Visionary

**Crazy people scare you. Repel you.
*Fascinate you.***

(Come a little closer.)

**Explore the influence of the “insane” as visionaries in popular culture.
Meditate on how madness functions in American culture.**

**In addition to studying the primary texts, we will all go stark raving mad
in the serene, meditative environment of a private ward devoted to the
pursuit of truth right down to its grisly, raw marrow.**

Go ahead and laugh.