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NATALIE

He's a sculptor, Mr. Monk. It's his livelihood.

MONK

That's no excuse.

Across the studio: Evan Gilday is cleaning and sorting some tools. He's an intense artist-like Pollack or Picasso.

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CAPT. STOTTLEMEYER Mr. Gilday? We're with the San Francisco Police.

MR. GILDAY

(without looking up)
Then what are you doing here? Why
aren't you looking for the sonofabitch
who killed my wife?

MONK

(knowingly)

We are.

Gilday pauses. He considers Monk.

MR. GILDAY

Who is this?

CAPT. STOTTLEMEYER

This is Adrian Monk. He's consulting with us.

LT. DISHER

Mr. Gilday. Where were you last night, around 11 o'clock?

MR. GILDAY

I was here. All night. I was working.

LT. DISHER

Were you alone?

MR. GILDAY

No. I was with her.

Gilday removes a sheet, revealing: a NEARLY-FINISHED STATUE. It's big-life-size. It's of a NAKED WOMAN... in a tasteful, non-revealing pose.

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HNT. ARTIST'S STUDIO - MOMENTS LATER - SEPIA FLASHBACK (SFB- 20 20 6)

ANOTHER SEPIA FLASHBACK. We're back in the studio.

Monk is making the same uncomfortable face. He's trying not to look at the nude statue. He averts his eyes, as ...

MR. GILDAY

I'm not gonna win any Husband Of The Year Award- I admit that. But I didn't kill Nancy. I never get violent. If I'm angry, I take it out on the stone.

(beat)

Besides, it's not possible- I mean, not physically possible. I was here all night.

(indicates statue) With her. Ask Sgt. Carney. I was finishing up when he came in this morning.

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He's awkwardly During this, Monk is studying the NUDE STATUE. doing his famous Zen moves and averting his eyes at the same time.

COURTROOM -- PRESENT DAY INT

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The FLASHBACK ENDS. Monk is still on the stand

JACKSON POWELL our Honor. I'd like to introduce Defense Exhibit A.

Powell indicates the MIBI STATUE, which is under a SHEET. Powell whips off the sheet, revealing: the nude sculpture.

Monk- again- averts bis eyes.

> CKSON POWELL (CONT'D) Is this the statue you M. Monk. saw in Mr. Gilday s studio?

MONK (barely looking)

Yes.

JACKSON POWELL You're not looking at it. Mr. Monk, this scatue is my client's alibi. (MORE)

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MONK

That's true. At first, it <u>looked</u> like an airtight alibi...

24 INT. ARTIST'S STUDIO - MONTHS EARLIER - DAY - SEPIA FLASHBACK (SFB-7)

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ANOTHER SEPIA FLASHBACK. We're back in Gilday's studio. Natalie is covering the nude statue with the sheet.

NATALIE

Is that better?

MONK

Thank you.

LT. DISHER

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(to Gilday)

How do we know when you sculpted this? You could've done this last week.

CAPT. STOTTLEMEYER

Or last year.

MR. GILDAY

Here's how you know: it was sculpted from a two-ton slab of Belgian black marble, which was delivered here last night, at 7:30.

Gilday produces a receipt. Stottlemeyer examines it.

MR. GILDAY (CONT'D)

Here's the receipt. You can call the quarry yourself.

MONK

How do we know this is the <u>same</u> slab of marble? You could be sculpted

NATALLE

(prodding, gently)

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Nude statue enytime maybe last week When the marble was delivered yesterday, all you had to do was hide it.

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MR. GILDAY

Hide it?

(chuckles)

You think I <u>hid</u> a two-ton slab of marble? That is <u>fantastic</u>! Where is it, detective? Under the couch?

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Monk, Stottlemeyer and Disher exchange concerned looks.

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25 INT. COURTROOM -- PRESENT DAY

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BACK IN THE COURTROOM. Monk is <u>still</u> fidgeting with the gooseneck microphone.

JACKSON POWELL

And did you look for the missing twoton slab of Belgian black marble, Detective Monk?

MONK

Yes I did...

26 INT. ARTIST'S STUDIO - MOMENTS LATER - RESUME SEPIA FLASHBACK (SFB-8)

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We resume Monk's SEPIA FLASHBACK. Still in the studio. Monk is now searching for the missing marble. He's in his famous "Zen" mode.

He notices: a new-looking, dust-free EXTENSION CORD, coiled up. He also sees: an ELECTRIC CLOCK, on a shelf, that's 20 minutes slow.

Monk opens a beat-to-shit FREEZER.

MR. GILDAY

What's your theory, Mr. Monk? Did I hide two tons of marble in my freezer?

Monk reaches in, and takes out... a POPSICLE. The popsicle is <u>bent</u>. Apparently it melted, then re-froze. Monk reacts, puzzled.

27 EXT. ARTIST'S STUDIO - GRAVEL DRIVEWAY - MOMENTS LATER - SEPIA FLASHBACK (SFB-9)

Our SEPIA FLASHBACK CONTINUES. A few moments later. We're outside. On the gravel driveway.

Our foursome- and Mr. Gilday- are walking toward their vehicles.