## STIFF\_Robert Grey\_**SIDE TWO**

Robert
I've been very clear since the beginning!
Stanley
How many times are you going to do this? How many times are you going to run away and throw a fit?
Robert
A million times if I have to!
Stanley
You're being ridiculous. This is childish behavior.
Robert
Refusing to contribute to the destruction of your words, your ideas, is not childish!
Stanley
Locking yourself in the bathroom is childish.
Robert
(Pause) Not in the defense of art!
Stanley
That's even sillier.
Robert
It's not silly. It's a statement.
Stanley
How is that a statement? You're not stating anything. You're not even communicating

Robert
I'm communicating through my actions.
Stanley
No, you are not
Robert
Yes, I am!
Stanley
Locking yourself in the bathroom, only communicates you are childish or you have indigestion So which is it? (pause) If you have indigestion, I'll leave you alone.
Robert
(Robert bursts out the door.) I don't have indigestion, and I'm not being childish. I am clearly taking a stand against months of work, good work, being performed by two people who can barely communicate a concept in the English language, and being directed to perform it like they're on high doses of Milltown, so that the end result is the murder of my soul.
Stanley
The murder of your soul?
Robert
I'm not going to settle for it.
Stanley
Is that your statement?
Robert
Yes, it is.
Stanley
Because you're not in the bathroom anymore.

## Robert

I'm going back in. (He returns to the restroom.)