"Hence all impressionism must be banished to build a vertiginous literature; and without a certain ‘disproportionality of scale’, without the juxtaposition of the minute and the limitless, the punctual and the infinite, there can be no vertigo."

—Michel Houellebecq,
H. P. Lovecraft: Against the World, Against Life

The shadow of H. P. Lovecraft’s influence looms large over popular and outsider culture alike, referenced overtly in the works of Nick Blinko, Guillermo Del Toro, H. R. Giger, Stephen King, Mike Mignola and Ridley Scott, among others. Not just the bleak literary philosophy of "Cosmicism," Howard Phillips Lovecraft trades in the limitations of the human condition and an awe-inspired fear of the unimaginable. His creative output, too often described reductively as a Haeckel-inspired pastiche of tentacles and convoluted language, boldly synthesizes historical and proprietary mythologies with contemporary science, including a displayed awareness of the emerging field of quantum physics.

Ars Necronomica is a three-part exhibition that will reframe Lovecraft in the visual arts with a body of new work by contemporary fine, commercial and outsider artists in examination of the life and creative output of a literary iconoclast. Nothing but the expected is off limits. This series of events is being held in conjunction with NecronomiCon Providence, an exploration of the intersections of the arts & sciences in the creative legacy of author H. P. Lovecraft, being held Aug 22-25, 2013. in his beloved home city of Providence, RI

Joe Broers
Jason Eckhardt
Bob Eggleton
Stephen Gervais
Lisa Gravenstetter
Nick Gucker
Robert Knox
Allen Koszowski
Dean Kuhta
Andrew Leman
Jason Mckittrick
Lomig Perrotin
Gage Prentiss
Liv Rainey-Smith
Rick Sardinha
Michelle Soul暑er
Jason Thompson
The Joey Zone

Justin Bartlett
Beastman
Nick Blinko
Alan Brown
Michael Bukowski
Dan Christoferson
John Coulthart
The H.P. Lovecraft Historical Society
Robert Hardgrave
Bryan Moore
Paul Romano
Darrell Lee Tutchton
Webyouyrkids

The Cohen Gallery
154 Angell Street
Providence, RI

Aug 5 – Sept 13
Reception Aug 22, 7pm

Providence Art Club
11 Thomas Street
Providence, RI

Aug 12 – Sept 6
Reception Aug 22, 7pm

Julian’s Restaurant
318 Broadway,
Providence, RI

Aug 1 – Aug 31
Reception Aug 18, 10pm

Receptions set to coincide with start of NecronomiCon Providence:
An examination of the intersections of the Arts & Sciences
in the creative legacy of author H. P. Lovecraft, Aug 22-25, 2013

CONNECT
Mitchell McArter, Curator, 401-864-1247
Art@NecronomiCon-Providence.com
NecronomiCon-Providence.com/Ars-Necronomica
@necronomiconpvd #arsnecronomica #necronomiconprovidence
Lovecraft Arts & Sciences Council, Inc. P.O. Box 100123, Cranston, RI 02910

Sponsored by the Revival Brewing Company