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NecronomiCon Providence to Commemorate 125th Birthday of H.P. Lovecraft August 20-23, 2015

PROVIDENCE, RI (July 15, 2015) – The countdown is on and passes are selling fast for NecronomiCon Providence 2015! The world’s foremost celebration of author H.P. Lovecraft and the many writers and artists he inspired returns August 20-23 to the Biltmore and Omni hotels in downtown Providence, Rhode Island. With Lovecraft’s hometown of Providence as a backdrop, this four-day event will serve as a tribute to his influential writing, as well as the city’s celebrated culture and history. This year’s convention coincides with the 125th anniversary of Lovecraft’s birth in 1890, and organizers are busy coordinating citywide festivities to commemorate the grand occasion.

H.P. Lovecraft is often considered the father of supernatural horror fiction. Many authors and filmmakers, from Stephen King to Guillermo del Toro, point to Lovecraft as a primary inspiration for their own work. Although there are several Lovecraft events held around the world, only NecronomiCon Providence has the unique distinction of taking place in Lovecraft’s city. “Lovecraft was born here and lived most of his life here. Only visitors to Providence can experience firsthand the narrow streets and fabled architecture that shaped the author’s particular style of storytelling, a unique blend of cosmic horror and science fantasy known as weird fiction,” says Niels Hobbs, director of NecronomiCon.

NecronomiCon Providence 2015 is anticipated to be the largest gathering of H.P. Lovecraft devotees ever assembled, including prominent Lovecraft scholars, celebrated authors, filmmakers, and artists. The festivities officially commence on Lovecraft’s birthday, Thursday, August 20, kicking off four days of panel discussions, walking tours, academic talks, author readings, film screenings, Lovecraftian gaming, specialty merchants, a costume ball, concerts, and other happenings, some of which will be accessible to the general public.

To view the complete schedule and lineup of special guests, and to purchase convention passes via credit card or PayPal, go to necronomicon-providence.com.

NecronomiCon Providence is presented by the Lovecraft Arts & Sciences Council, a nonprofit educational corporation that serves as a networking center for scholars, writers, and fans of the literary world of H.P. Lovecraft and associated authors. Founded in Providence in 2012, the organization develops public programming that explores the life of Lovecraft and the fictional universe he created. By working with academics and enthusiasts, the council fosters a critical review of related research, literature, art, and the cultural impact of Lovecraft’s writings on the modern world. For more information, email lovecraft@necronomicon-providence.com.

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