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Austin-based Industrial Rock Project Afflicted By Design Releases First Ep #nameless

Austin, TX, May 14, 2013 – The Austin-based industrial rock project **Afflicted By Design** releases its first EP, **#nameless**

On May 14, 2013, Afflicted By Design released its first Ep, entitled **#nameless**. #nameless was written and produced by Afflicted By Design's S.A. Sebastian Gnoflo and features 3 original songs — “Jesus Christ Machine,” “South Side of Sickness” and “Dreaming Mona” — with heavy metal riffing, hyper-overdriven sounds, declarative vocals and not-totally-organic sounds, synths and loops which draw on Gnoflo's Goth, industrial and heavy metal roots.

“In creating #nameless it was very important to me that it sound as much like it was performed by a live band as possible, and that it sound like a collaboration. Especially after a dozen years in Industrial and goth bands playing music that was edited, quantized to death and locked to a grid,” says Gnoflo. So he enlisted the help of Michael J. Carrasquillo (isol8ed, Slick Idiot), Pete Collins (Freedom, Cave Penny) and Skunk Manhattan (Quartershackle, A Good Rogering) – several of his former bandmates and friends from the New York City, NY and Austin, TX industrial and metal music scenes, to record the songs on the Ep.

With the musicians recording in different studios in different states live drums were key to creating a live-sounding record. “Editing and quantizing performances to fix timing and Auto-Tune and pitch correction wasn't allowed. All performances on #nameless had to be done in single takes with live overdubs and punches to fix performances,” says Gnoflo, “Each musician contributed something cool and unique to themselves making #nameless sound like a real, live, band album.” Mike's live drum performances laid the foundation for Sebastian's vocals, bass, rhythm guitars and synths; Skunk Manhattan's lead and noise guitars; and Pete Collins' lead and noise guitars.

The #nameless Ep is available from most major download and streaming music services and is also available directly from Afflicted By Design with a “name-your-price” model which includes choice of format, a free bonus remix and digital booklet.

About Afflicted by Design

Afflicted By Design is an Austin, TX-based Industrial Metal band founded in 2012 by S.A. Sebastian Gnoflo. As its main producer, singer, songwriter, and instrumentalist, Sebastian is the only official member of Afflicted By Design. Afflicted By Design pays homage to Sebastian's Goth, Industrial and Heavy Metal roots, drawing comparisons to bands such as Rammstein, Ministry, Rob Zombie and Filter.

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