AFFLICTED BY DESIGN

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Afflicted By Design is an Austin, TX-based, guitar-driven Industrial rock band with Goth and electronic influences, founded in 2012 by S.A. Sebastian Gnolfo. 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.

It was about 10 years ago Sebastian started to put together a solo-project that would eventually become Afflicted By Design. There were 2 simple goals: to write songs that were influenced by his favorite goth, industrial and metal bands; and to record and perform these songs with his friends from the New York goth, industrial and metal scenes. But, just as things started up he got sidetracked starting another band and working as a freelance bass player. Fast-forward 10 years and Sebastian is living in Austin, TX and all those bands and projects have run their course, and Afflicted by Design is finally launched.

Afflicted By Design released its first Ep entitled #nameless as a digital-only release in 2013 and is following it up in 2014 with a special limited edition release of #nameless on CD and second Ep of new music. #nameless was performed by Gnolfo with Michael J. Carrasquillo (isol8ed, Slick Idiot), Pete Collins (Cave Penny, Freedom) 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 scenes.

Sebastian is a bass player, guitar player, composer, songwriter, producer and recording engineer. Before moving to Austin, TX in 2009, Sebastian was a fixture of the New York City goth/industrial, rock and metal scenes, playing for bands like Otto's Daughter, King Hell, Pillow Theory, All Pointz West and more. Sebastian has toured in 5 countries and recorded bass and produced upwards of 20 releases. Afflicted By Design is Sebastian's first solo effort.

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