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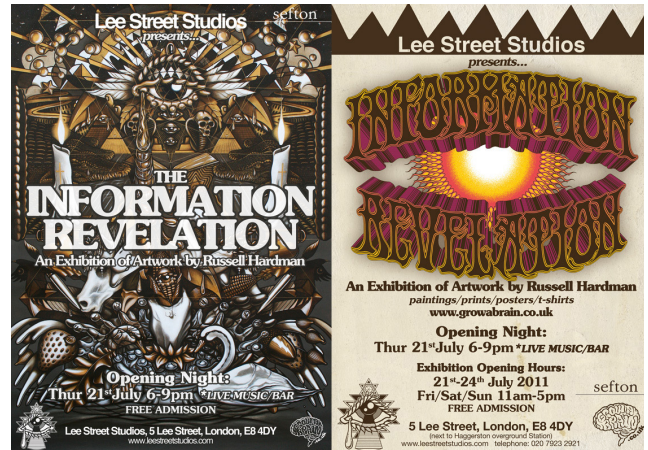
GrowABrain in association with Lee Street Studios Presents:

Information Revelation

An Exhibition of Artwork
by Russell Hardman

Thur 21st July - Sun 24th July 2011

Opening Night: Thur 21st July 6-9pm



The **Information Revelation** is an exhibition showcasing the latest work by UK artist and illustrator Russell Hardman at **Lee Street Studios** from **21st-24th July 2011**.

Representing **GrowABrain** Russell will be exhibiting upholstered printed vinyl canvases (volumenbilder), various prints, silkscreened t-shirts and large format paintings, the largest of which, the 6 x 9 foot 'Ancient Confessions', took 6 months to complete.

This past year Russell has been working extensively with the band **Dodgy** since their reunion tour, producing illustrations, t-shirts, posters and also working on art for their upcoming album, 'Stand Upright in a Cool Place' released January 2012.

Letter from psychedelic artist Abe Gurvin:

Hey Russell, Intrepid Voyager, Cultural Savage, Fellow Sojourner Into The Nether Worlds, Explorer of the Phantasmical, and Kindred Spirit. Your artwork, full of lucidly liberating visual iconography and earnestly iconoclastic imagery is a Delight. It's sheer holographic quantum gravity ranks it up there on my pantheon. A refreshing blast of hyperventilated Rx antidote to blast through the mundane matrix of Illusion. You are The Real Deal and my advice is worth just what it cost, but I'll give it to you straight anyhow: "KEEP IT UP, whatever the hell it is you are reaching toward and wheresoever this wild ride may take you." I would add to fear not serendipitous sidetracks and foolhardy and anguished diversions, all of my demi-gods and goddesses have clay feet and abound with such, whether it be the potpourri of groups represented in the Rhino Nuggets collection or Janis Joplin, or say the rapturously spellbinding Jimi Hendrix or the visionary mind-expanding sacrilegious ramblings of John Lennon, Terrence McKenna, R.Crumb and even Carlos Castaneda (of fact or fiction). They all were pioneers and transformational trailblazers into the infinite, expanding the doors of perception, and contributed to assisting us mere mortals to break through and emerge beyond the dark Platonic shadow worlds to Places of Heart, Soul and Substance and you too often get there in your chosen craft.

Do check in now and then, push the boundaries of what was thought possible, and share your Vision.

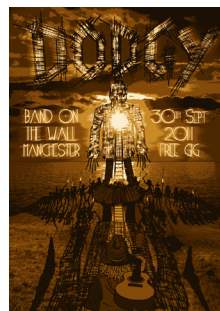
Abe Gurvin



Ancient Confessions...
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Volumenbilder ready for shipment
© Russell Hardman 2011



Dodgy/Band on the Wall
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Custard Cream Wallpaper
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Listing Information

Dates:	21 st July - 24 th July	Opening Event:	Thur 21 st July 6pm - 9pm
Address	Lee Street Studios 5 Lee Street London E8 4DY	Tube:	Liverpool Street or Old Street
		Train:	Haggerston Overground Station
		Price:	FREE ADMISSION
Opening Hours:	Thursday (Opening) 6pm - 9pm Friday-Sun: 11am - 5pm		



Don't Follow a Path...
© Russell Hardman 2011



Good Morning/Sleep Well
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Step Inside Love
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Heroes and Villains
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Editor's Notes

Lee Street Studios

Lee Street Studios:

Our unique 800 sq ft creative space is available as a location for hire, we offer competitive rates and can also offer referrals for photographers, hair, makeup, styling and set design/props upon request.

The building is a 1930's era industrial unit with white painted brick walls & black concrete floors. With lots of natural light from our huge skylight the studio also has 5m 'barn' doors that open up allowing further natural light and ground floor access.

Located just off Kingsland Road, in Haggerston, the studio is ideally located between Hoxton and Dalston, with the new Haggerston, East London Line Overground Station located just a stones throw away.

GrowABrain

What is GrowABrain?

GrowABrain is the brainchild of artist and illustrator Russell Hardman. 'Grow a brain' is the artist's statement both to the world and to himself. One man's struggle within the limitations of his own mind. Desperate in his attempts to avoid the Dodo's conundrum, Russell set up GrowABrain to try and achieve the impossible. And guess what! It's working, in a recent interview with the artist he admitted that his brain is growing! GrowABrain studios was set up in 2010 to facilitate Russell's artistic practices.

Most recently GrowABrain studios has been working extensively with British music institution **Dodgy**, teaming up to spearhead the psychedelic revolution with a new album release in January 2012, 'Stand Upright in a Cool Place'.

For information and updates on Russell's recent activities visit: www.growabrain.co.uk

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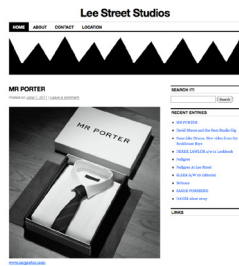
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