



## Jeff Betz Exhibit Statement

My mother and father from whom I sprang into this life have often jokingly asked me “Jeffy, where did you come from?” when I share with them my latest mask creation. As if not wanting to claim any involvement in giving birth to a son who creates such dark monstrosities. After all I was raised in a very wholesome mid-western environment with loving parents and siblings. Nor have I ever wholeheartedly embraced the horror genre. So how and why do these works of often frightening appearance manifest themselves? I hope you won’t be disappointed if I am not able to provide the answer in this Statement of Intent. Life as well as Art will always remain a dark mystery.

With this showing it is now left to you dear viewer to look into the eyes of the mask before you and ask “from whence did you come?”. For I am merely the parent creator and I have little else to do with what these masks will become for you in the mystery of your own being.