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John Dante Bianchi

Enantiodromia

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LONG ISLAND CITY -- Tyler Wood Gallery is pleased to present an exhibition of new works by John Dante Bianchi.

Enantiodromia also refers to the process whereby one seeks out and embraces an opposing quality from within, internalizing it in a way that results in individual wholeness. One must incorporate an opposing archetype into their psyche to obtain a state of internal 'completion' [the individuation process].

The alchemists, who in their own way knew more about the nature of the individuation process than we moderns do, expressed this paradox through the symbol of the Ouroboros, the snake that eats its own tail. The Ouroboros has been said to have a meaning of infinity or wholeness. In the age-old image of the Ouroboros lies the thought of devouring oneself and turning oneself into a circulatory process, for it was clear to the more astute alchemists that the *prima materia* of the art was man himself. The Ouroboros is a dramatic symbol for the integration and assimilation of the opposite, i.e. of the shadow. This 'feed-back' process is at the same time a symbol of immortality, since it is said of the Ouroboros that he slays himself and brings himself to life, fertilizes himself and gives birth to himself. He symbolizes the One, who proceeds from the clash of opposites, and he therefore constitutes the secret of the *prima materia* which...unquestionably stems from man's unconscious.

-Carl Jung- Psychology and Alchemy

Bianchi received an MFA from Yale University and BFA from Cooper Union. He has had one-person exhibitions at Tyler Wood Gallery in San Francisco; Galerie Derouillon, Paris; Denny Gallery, New York; Thierry Goldberg Gallery, New York; Signal Gallery, Brooklyn; and Primetime, Brooklyn. He has been included in group exhibitions at Galerie Derouillon, Paris; David Zwirner, New York; James Fuentes, New York; and Night Gallery, Los Angeles. Bianchi lives and works between Detroit and New York.

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