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A New Look into the Haunted Mind and Strange Life of H.P. Lovecraft

*"Dr. Bob Curran takes you to places that only your mind can create
with his words and stories – he delights the imagination!"*

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San Francisco, CA (August 22, 2012) — On the heels of his long series of award-winning titles, the world-famous Irish author and historian, Dr. Bob Curran, is presenting a fresh, detailed, enlightened look at life and the hair-raising, dark stories and theories of H.P. Lovecraft.

Enlivened with spectacular illustrations by Ian Daniels, *A Haunted Mind: Inside the Dark, Twisted World of H.P. Lovecraft* explores what motivated Lovecraft—revealing a personal life as strange as his creations—and drove him to create his terrible cosmos. Based on extensive research into folklore and history, Curran investigates Lovecraftian mysteries and answers many questions, such as:

- *What sort of a man was Lovecraft? what in his odd life were the inspirations for his terrible universe?*
- *Do some of the Mythos books actually exist?*
- *Are there known texts that parallel such books?*
- *Did some of the horrifying creatures originate in ancient, previously worshipped gods?*
- *Did Lovecraft have access to knowledge that has been denied to the wider world?*

Arguably no American writer has had more of an impact on the modern horror scene than Lovecraft, the man who created the Cthulhu Mythos, with its strange gods, eerie places, and forbidden books. An historian who has for decades written and lectured on the arcane and the mysterious, in *A Haunted Mind*, Dr. Curran lays out previously unknown and unexamined Lovecraft material. For Lovecraft's devoted fans, for game-players, and for readers who are just stepping into this bizarre world, *A Haunted Mind* is a must-have to accompany all of the Lovecraft lore.

About the author: renowned in Europe and beyond as a writer, lecturer and broadcaster, a history teacher and folklore expert, Dr. Bob Curran has acted as advisor to the Cultural Committee of the Northern Ireland Legislative Assembly. He has written extensively on the arcane and the mysterious, from Celtic lore and Irish fairies to zombies and vampires.

Dr. Bob Curran has dozens of books to his credit, including:

- *Vampires: A Field Guide to the Creatures That Stalk the Night*
- *Lost Lands, Forgotten Realms: Sunken Continents, Vanished Cities, and the Kingdoms that History Misplaced*
- *Zombies: A Field Guide to the Walking Dead*
- *Werewolves: A Field Guide to Shapeshifters, Lycanthropes, and Man-Beasts*

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