

Ron Athey, *Gifts of the Spirit: Automatic Writing*, Whitworth Hall, Manchester, 27 June 2011. Photograph © Roshana Rubin-Mayhew.

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Gifts of the Spirit: Automatic Writing Automatic Writing Workshop July 23-27, 2013 For participants only, see enclosed call for applicants

Ron Athey Gifts of the Spirit: Automatic Writing Saturday, July 27, 9pm Public performance

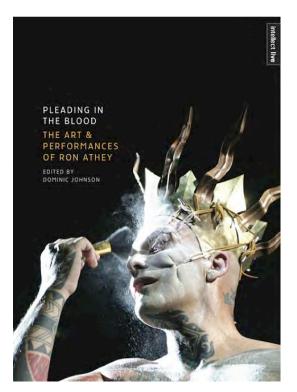
Pleading in the Blood: The Art and Performances of Ron Athey Monday, July 29, 7pm Artist talk and book launch

I had a dream in which I spewed ectoplasm: I opened my mouth and a manifesto poured out... --Ron Athey, Gifts of the Spirit, script





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Pleading in the Blood: The Art and Performances of Ron Athey is the first publication surveying the artist's career and impact from its origins to the present. Published this summer by Intellect Live and edited by Dominic Johnson, *Pleading in the* Blood includes three newly commissioned essays on different aspects of Athey's work by Adrian Heathfield, Amelia Jones, and Dominic Johnson. These scholarly essays are complemented by shorter texts by Homi K. Bhabha, Jennifer Doyle, Tim Etchells, Guillermo Gómez-Peña, Matthew Goulish, Lydia Lunch, Juliana Snapper, Julie Tolentino, Alex Binnie, Catherine (Saalfield) Gund, Bruce LaBruce and Catherine Opie. The book will also include Athey's own writings, including new pieces and hard-to-find archival texts. Pleading in the Blood is lavishly illustrated with full-color images by photographers including Catherine Opie, Manuel Vason, Elyse Regher, Slava Mogutin, Dona Ann McAdams, Bruce LaBruce, Rick Castro, Sheree Rose, Edward Colver, Jennifer Precious Finch. and others. Antony Hegarty (Antony and the Johnsons) has written a foreword to the publication. Intellect Live is a new collaboration between Intellect Books and the Live Art Development Agency dedicated to influential artists working at the edges of performance.



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