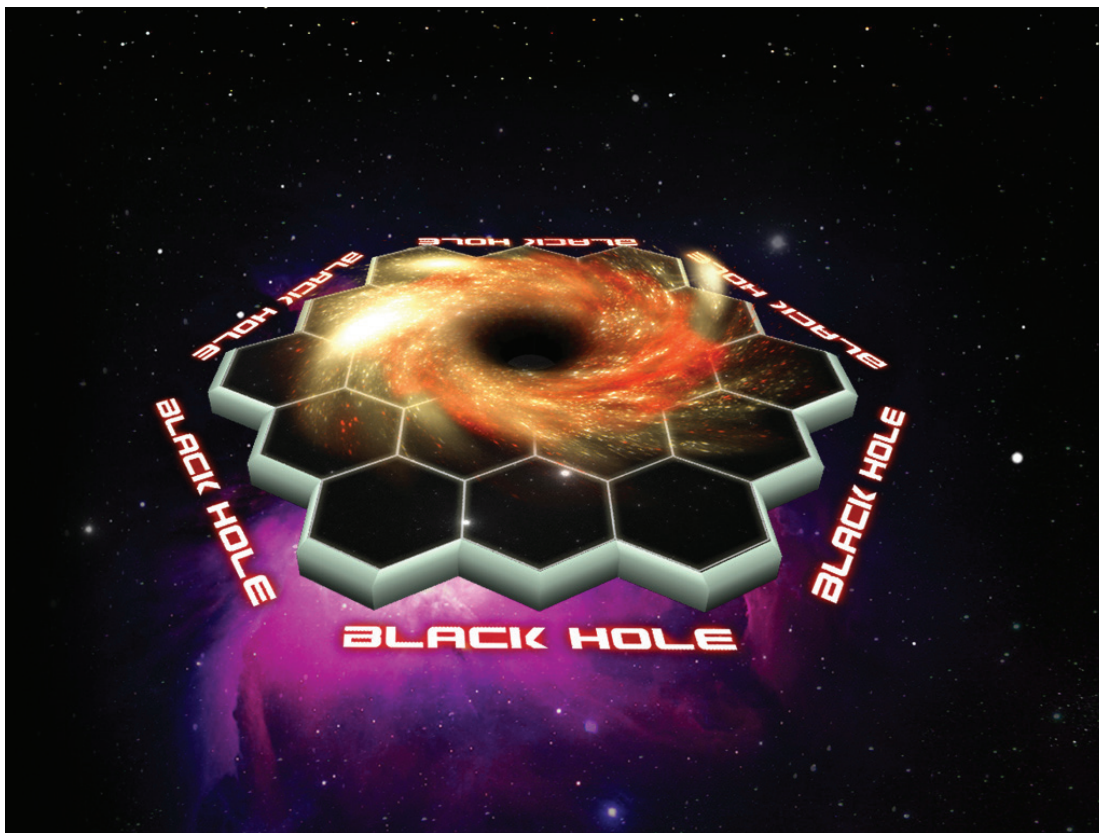


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BLACKWELL HIRD: ONWARDS Original Works For The New Video Game

April 30 - June 8, 2013



BLACKWELL HIRD: ONWARDS: ORIGINAL WORKS FOR THE NEW VIDEO GAME, an exhibition of concept art created for the artist's most recent computer generated game.

Based on a turn-based strategy wargame for the iPad and Android tablets, ONWARDS will be on view at the Nohra Haime Gallery from April 30th through June 8th.

Featuring preliminary sketches and fully rendered illustrations of sci-fi characters and vehicles, the exhibition informs the visual concept, development and mood of the video game. Executed in graphite, ink and digital media, early concepts for great warriors, galactic machinery, totem-like destroyers and spaceships invite the viewer to read an enigmatic narrative of defeat and victory.

Involved from conception and 3D modeling to animation and art direction, Blackwell Hird renders an intriguing cosmic journey that reflects his growing concern over the human condition. In ONWARDS, you command vast fleets to explore a small corner of your galaxy, and uncover planets and the resources they contain in order to fuel their conflict. You compete for a galaxy using troops and spaceships. The ultimate goal is to destroy your opponent and conquer the world while building an empire. The exhibition provides a sneak peek of the new video game.

DATES: April 30 - June 8, 2013

OPENING RECEPTION: Saturday, May 4 from 5 to 7 p.m.

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