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[English version]

The eccentric style of <u>Devendra</u>

<u>Banhart</u>[Houston, Texas, USA, 30-5-1981] is being clear by his demonic figures at the Yellow Big Project. I believe that Banhart blesses his figures with an eccentric stigmatizing that looked like to a standardized tattoo and his art is being influenced by the civilization of <u>Mayas</u> or <u>Incas</u>. Banhart uses human organs like hands and he creates by them

weird animals or unexplained shapes. In other cases hands seemed to have another function: they replaced teeth and a furniture took the place of sea-creatures as a reference to the incident of <u>lonas</u>, which is being described at the Old Testament. The lines at his drawings remind a lot the rays of the sun or the waves of the sea as a ritual procedure to the healing idioms of these pagan gods. Furthermore these lines are being characterized by an endless streaming.

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