

Prehsitoric Starcrossers

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Jeff Wilson — 26 Apr 2002, 02:38

From:

"Tony Ellis" <LittleSense at necronomicon.co.uk>

Jeff Wilson wrote:

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Jeff Wilson

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Andy Robertson — 26 Apr 2002, 01:40 · follows Jeff Wilson

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From: "Jeff Wilson" <jwilson at io.com>

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Oh Pooh

Look, the Abos are creatures of the Dreamtime. They are very strongly based on Australian aborigines: even down to their name.

Creatures of the Dreamtime. That is why they come from Atlantis, Mu or Poictisme.

hartshorn

StoneOx17 — 26 Apr 2002, 15:02 · follows Andy Robertson

Tony Ellis writes:

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To throw mud into already murky waters, why is everybody assuming that the abos can interbreed with humans? I don't believe that Roy Trenchard is Victor's father. I don't have my copy of 5HC handy, but somewhere in Marsch's interview of Roy, Roy says (paraphrasing from memory) that Marsch shouldn't believe the ugly rumors, and that he was married to Victor's mother when Victor was born. My contention is that he is misunderstanding the rumors.

This gives another way in which Veil's hypothesis might be true.

After the war with the original French colonists, all the records were lost, so the "French" women the next wave of colonists married might have mostly been abos. If their children are all abos, and the girls marry humans, eventually the whole Annese population will become abos. This hypothesis dovetails nicely with the speculation I've seen in this list that, because of the genetic experiments at la maison du chien, the population of Sainte Croix is becoming more and more like No. 5 and Maitre.

I'm becoming more and more convinced that, unlike Peace (where I think there's some real truth at the heart of the labyrinth), 5HC is one of those optical illusions where you either see two vases or a face, but there's no way to tell which.

Thanks,

Peter S.