

SHYLMAGOGHNAR
Convergence
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Atmospheric black metal one-man-show SHYLMAGOGHNAR establishes itself as one of the most enthralling acts in extreme music!

What started out as a duo back in 2004 has turned into a one-man-band, yet, the upcoming new album, titled ***Convergence*** (due out November 10, 2023 via Napalm Records), sees atmospheric black metal act **SHYLMAGOGHNAR** returning heavier and stronger than before.

SHYLMAGOGHNAR is still a home produced project to this day, run by multi-instrumentalist and founding band member Nimblkorg. ***Convergence*** picks up right where both previous albums left off, and is intended as the end installment of a trilogy-in-spirit. While its predecessors, the much acclaimed ***Emergence*** (2014) and ***Transience*** (2018), invited the listener on a journey through human existence, time and space, ***Convergence*** marks the inward journey of death that one has to go through before being able to pass on. Although it may be from a literal perspective, as the album's protagonist is dying and lyrics describe the emotional, philosophical and psychedelic journey he is undertaking, the new **SHYLMAGOGHNAR** offering is also an allegory for learning to let go of positive and negative themes of the past that hold us back from moving on, and eventually, hopefully reaching inner peace. Musically, **SHYLMAGOGHNAR** delivers the perfect soundtrack to that journey, where raw heaviness meets pure elegy, and where destruction gives way to harmony. Such as from the monumental beauty of the epic piano intro in "*Follow The River*", there's a burst into a progressive black and death metal storm! Other tracks, such as "*The Sea*" and "*Infinion*", showcase the haunting, melodic and ballad-like yet almost folk-meets-power metal-esque facets of **SHYLMAGOGHNAR**.

Both inside and outside of the music, **SHYLMAGOGHNAR** has always been a path with a will of its own for the Southern Netherlands-based Nimblkorg, who produces and records all of the music on his own. Once again, almost half of the album is instrumental, as Nimblkorg agrees with a significant part of his fan base that words can distract from the enjoyment of the music. The band mastermind also wishes to motivate other artists to not be afraid of home production. But what is immediately evident while listening to ***Convergence***, is that it marks the deepest and most personal **SHYLMAGOGHNAR** record to date, as it's dedicated to his late mother.

Convergence is a stirring, emotional and deep journey - never afraid of genre borders and always balanced between the light and dark, the beauty and horror, life and death. Some bands need countless records and members to create a masterpiece, while **SHYLMAGOGHNAR** already unleashes it with album number three, and one that will ultimately establish this one-man-show as one of the most enthralling acts in extreme music!

