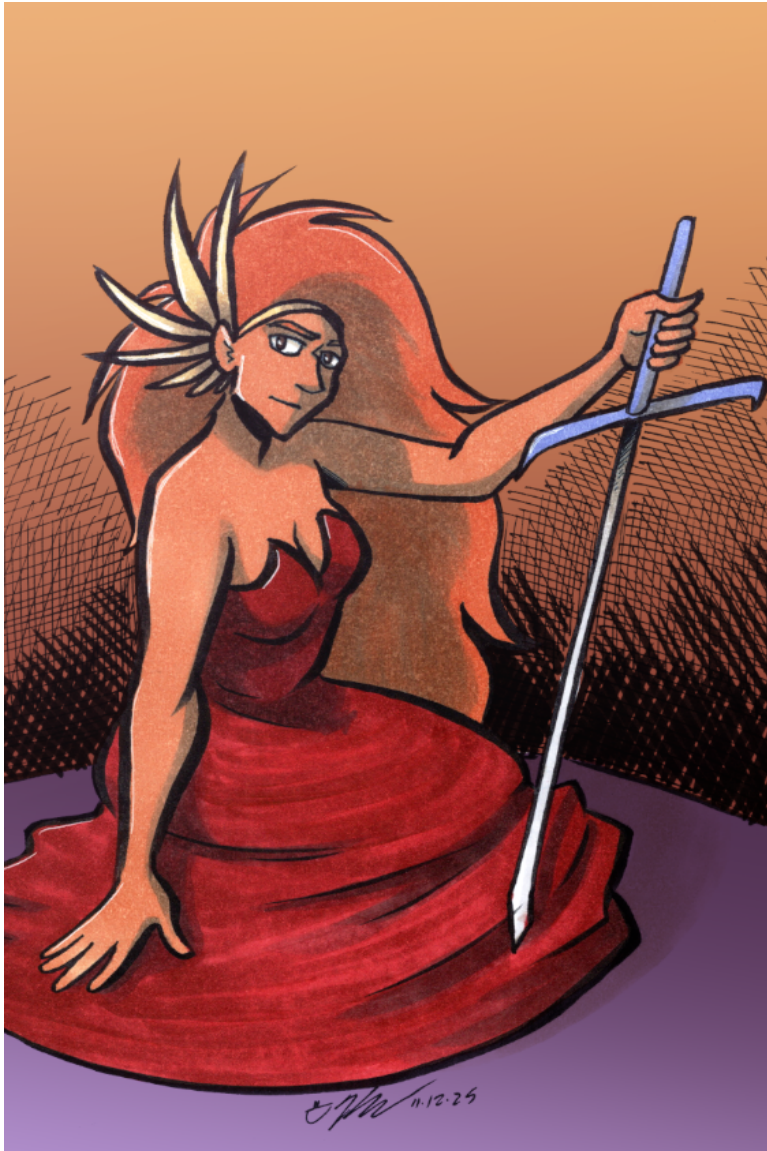


ZINE CLUB

DECEMBER 2025



I have included, towards the end of this zine, sketches from producing the Holiday Special 2025 mini-comic!

The Holiday Special this year is very ambitious to me. (More so than the original holiday special pocket zine I did a while ago). In this there are more scenarios and even more characters. You'll see what I mean when you get to see the sketches.

Also, the finished version of the zine will be mailed out soon - hopefully so that you get it by Christmas! (Along with the Valkyrie print that's the front cover of this Club zine.)

Besides the Holiday Special, I'm still drawing comics pages. Rewrites for The Legend of Jamie Roberts, chapter 13 are slow but steady progress. I'm hoping that I get a lot of these rewrites done while waiting for the train to and from Genghis Con. (I have a LOT of downtime between arrivals and departures.)

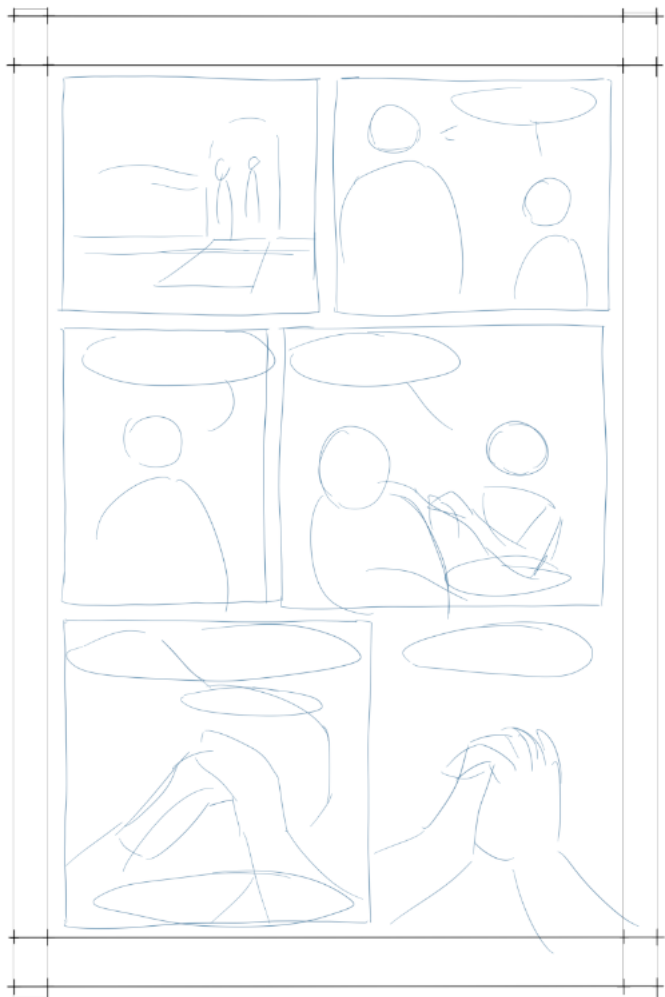
Surprisingly, I have more downtime than I expected before the day job fully gets into gear. (And here's hoping I didn't just jinx that!) So I'm hoping to take advantage of this downtime (before January) to make more comics pages, as a backlog. That way, when the day job gets into gear, there's some coverage if I have to work overtime.

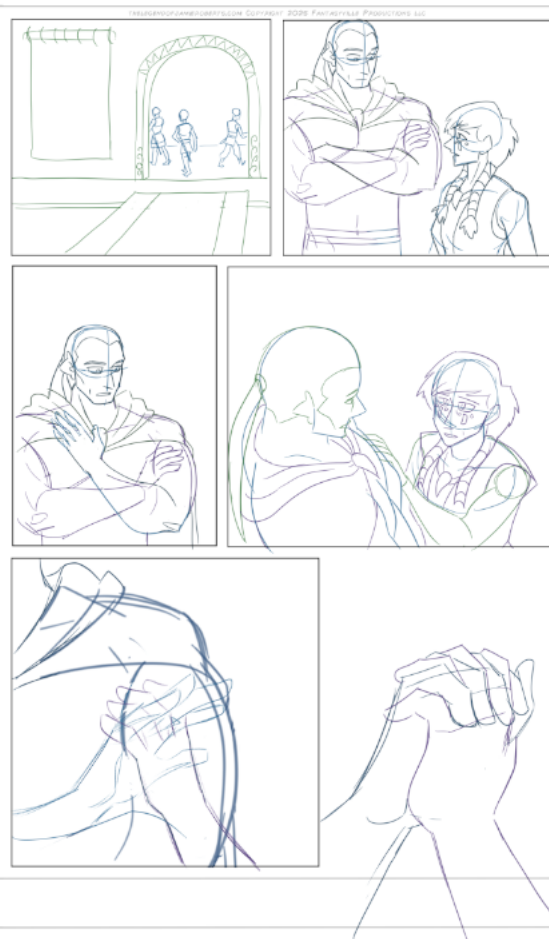
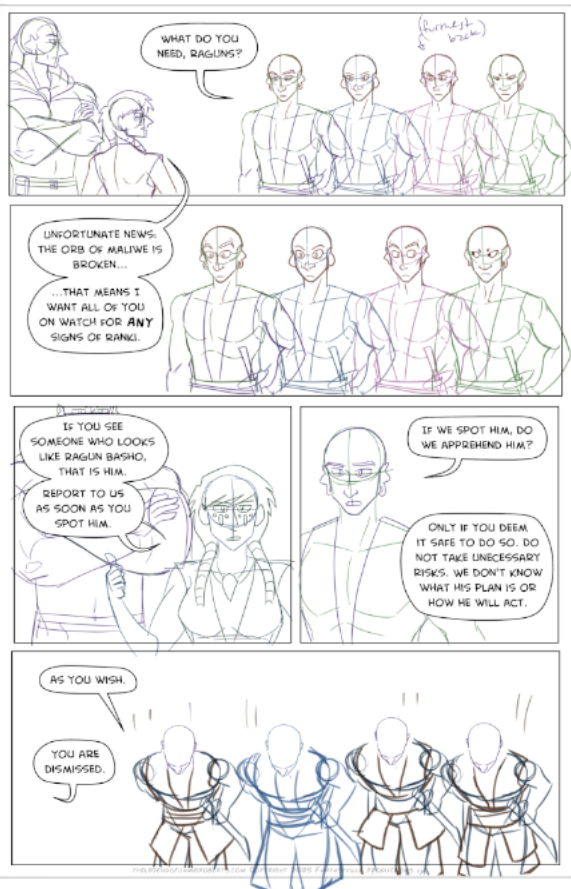
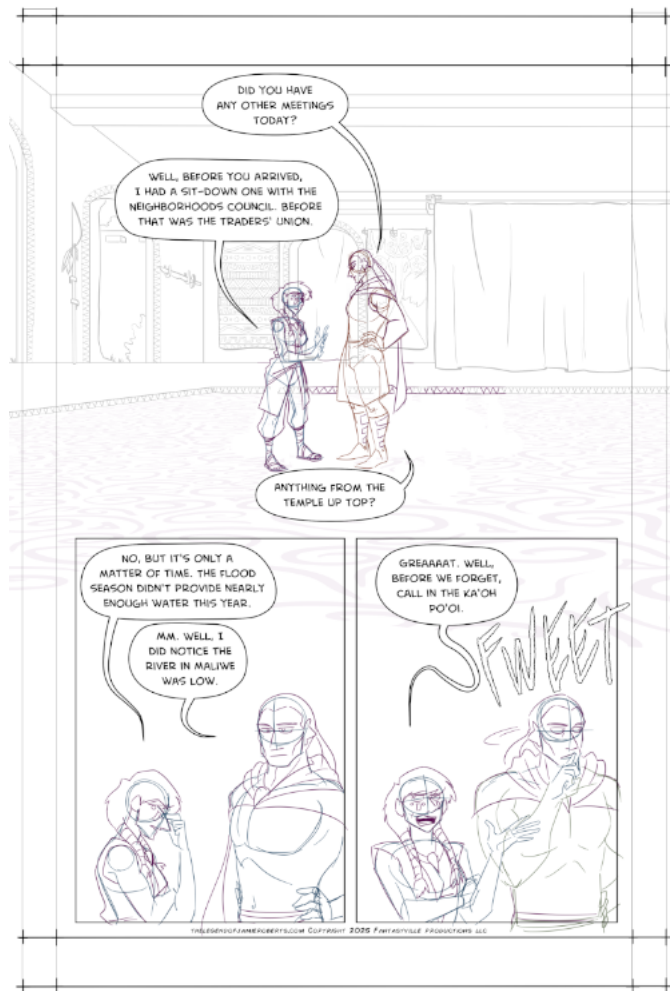
Oh! And before I forget - here's an extra illustration. I actually did this for an anthology project but they said it wasn't sufficiently "comic-y" enough. So I'm sharing it here instead because I'm so proud of it.





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DID YOU HAVE ANY OTHER MEETINGS TODAY?

WELL, BEFORE YOU ARRIVED, I HAD A SIT-DOWN ONE WITH THE NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL. BEFORE THAT WAS THE TRADERS' UNION.

ANYTHING FROM THE TEMPLE UP TOP?



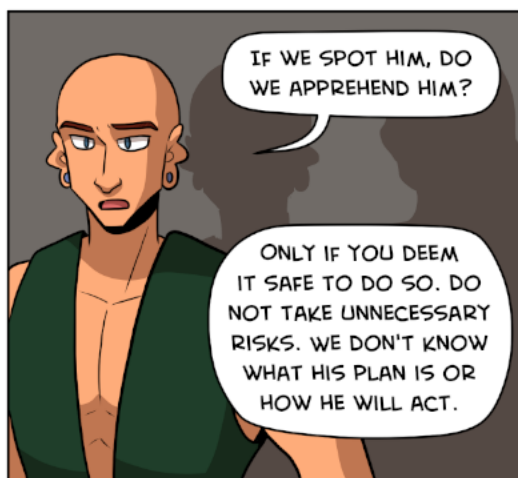
NO, BUT IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME. THE FLOOD SEASON DIDN'T PROVIDE NEARLY ENOUGH WATER THIS YEAR.

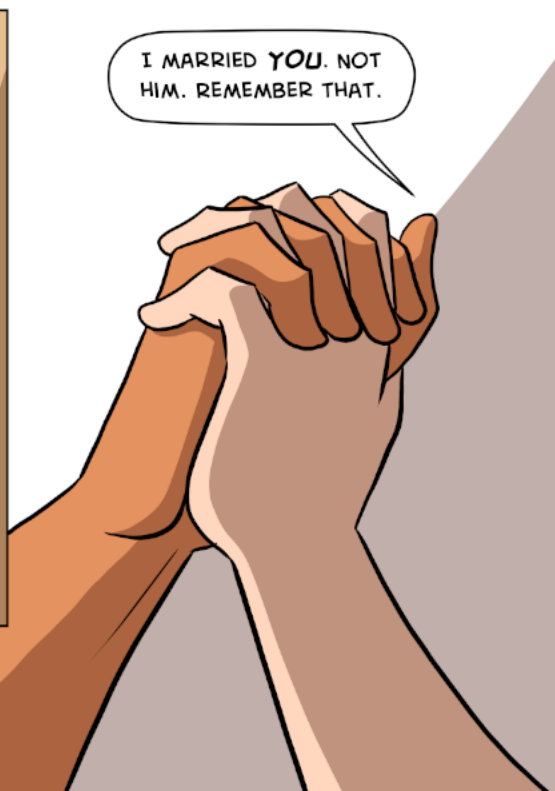
MM. WELL, I DID NOTICE THE RIVER IN MALIWE WAS LOW.



GREAAAAAT. WELL, BEFORE WE FORGET, CALL IN THE KA'OH PO'OI.

SWEET

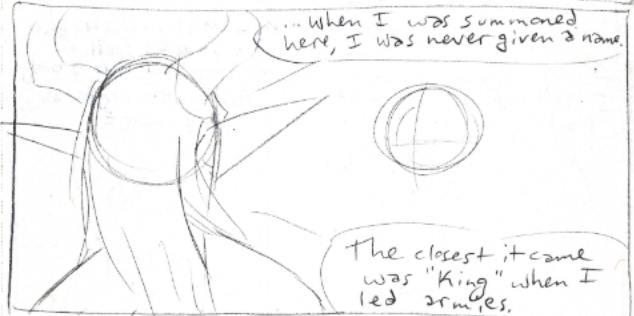






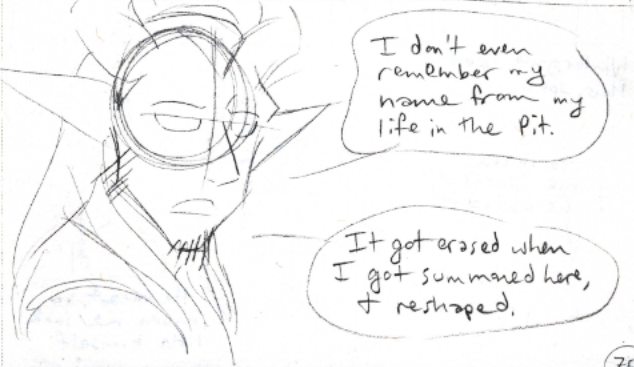
You know
I never got
your name.

I'm
Vanita.



... When I was summoned
here, I was never given a name.

The closest it came
was "King" when I
led armies.

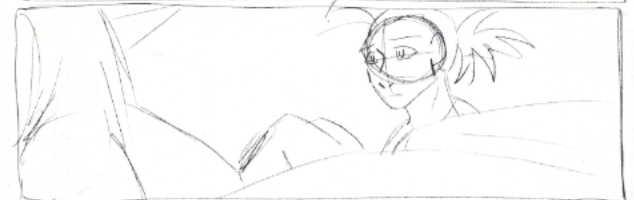


I don't even
remember my
name from my
life in the Pit.

It got erased when
I got summoned here,
& reshaped.



... I have hated this
body since the
moment Wintergate
forced me in it.



When I had been
reshaped, ... well...

To cast the spell
requires the name
of the person
you are transforming.

And as soon as
the deed is done -

That original name
is lost.

Because the
original is
now gone.

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'Reshaped'?



Yes.

When I
was brought
here.



I lost my
tail -



My feet -



Ms - Mister Wintergate
Used a powerful spell to
mold my soul into a body.

And, most regrettably,
my wings.

Wintergate used
this spell,

to make
me "perfect"
he called it!



He meant, to
make me look
like himself.



Mister Wintergate
never gave me a
replacement name.

Only calling me
'he', or 'him', or
his 'pet'.



Did 'King' as a name
come after ...



Wintergate's
accident?

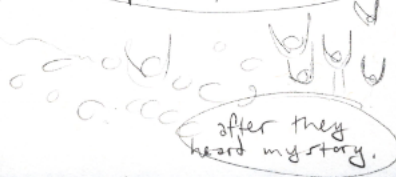


Yes.

But it was
a name I
did not ask
for.

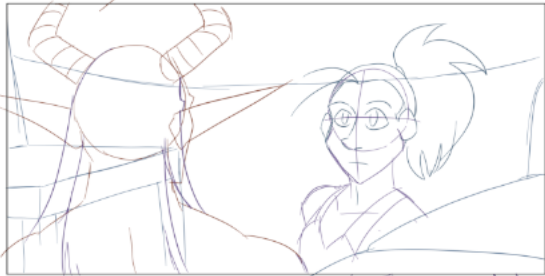
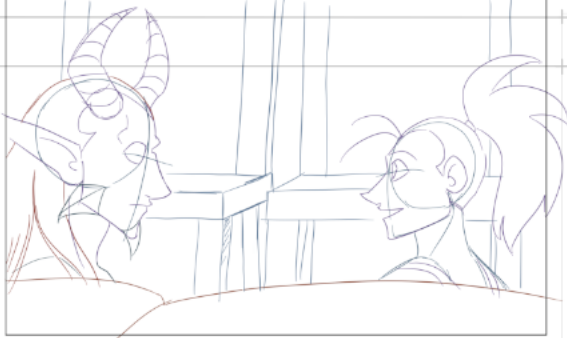


The voices of the desperate
& downtrodden bestowed it
upon me,

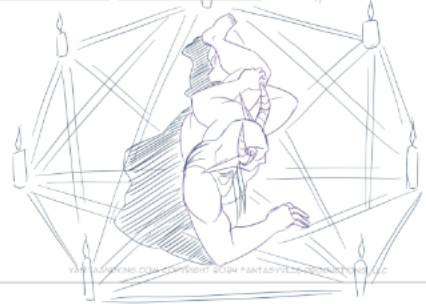
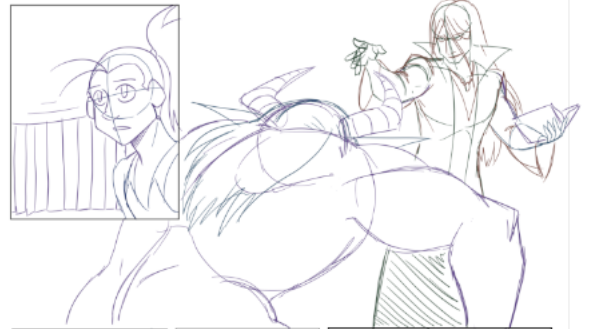


after they
heard my story.

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...I HAVE HATED THIS BODY EVER SINCE WINTERGATE FORCED ME INTO IT.



WHEN I HAD BEEN RESHAPED, WELL...

...TO CAST THE SPELL REQUIRES THE NAME OF THE PERSON YOU ARE TRANSFORMING.

AND AS SOON AS THE DEED IS DONE -

- THAT ORIGINAL NAME IS LOST.

ACRUDON ALLIS
MASURA
ZEHURLIS

BECAUSE THE ORIGINAL IS NOW GONE.

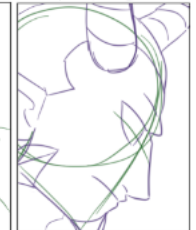
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MISTER WINGERBATE NEVER GAVE ME A NEW NAME...

...ONLY CALLING ME 'HE', 'IT', OR 'HIS PET.'

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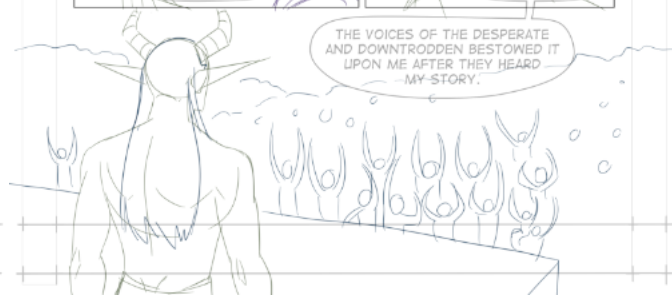


DID 'KING' AS A NAME COME AFTER...

WINTERGATE'S ACCIDENT?



YES.
BUT IT WAS A NAME I DID NOT ASK FOR.

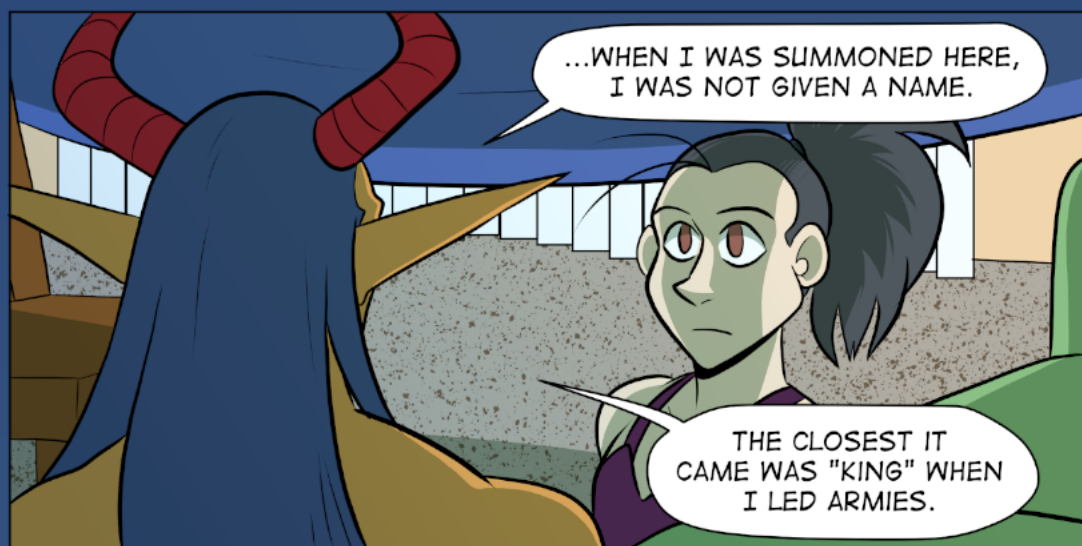


THE VOICES OF THE DESPERATE AND DOWNTRODDEN BESTOWED IT UPON ME AFTER THEY HEARD MY STORY.



YOU KNOW...
I NEVER GOT
YOUR NAME.

I'M VANITA.



...WHEN I WAS SUMMONED HERE,
I WAS NOT GIVEN A NAME.

THE CLOSEST IT
CAME WAS "KING" WHEN
I LED ARMIES.

I DON'T EVEN
REMEMBER MY NAME
FROM MY LIFE IN
THE PIT.

IT GOT ERASED
WHEN I GOT SUMMONED
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"RESHAPED"?

YES. WHEN I WAS BROUGHT HERE...



...MA-

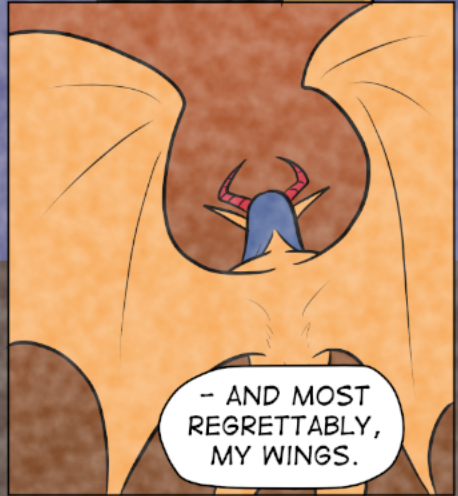
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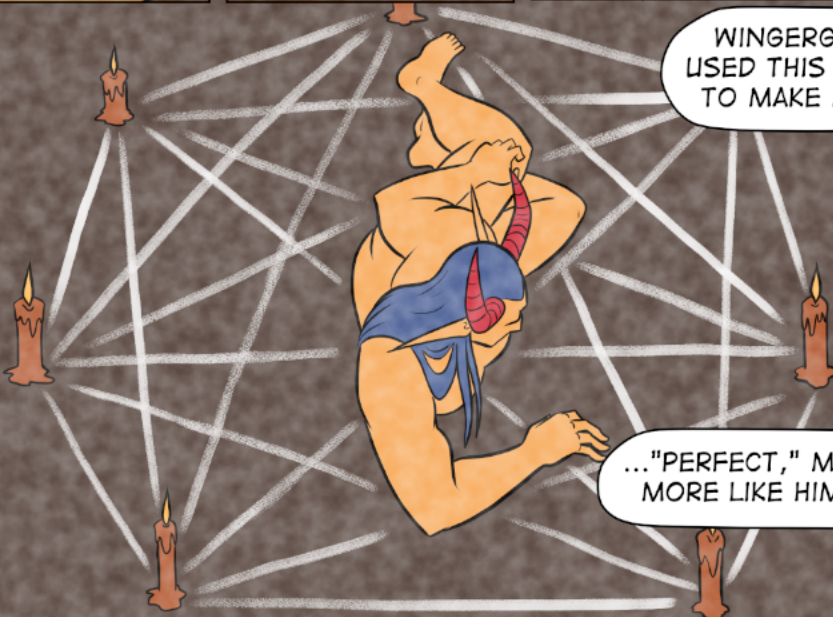
I LOST MY TAIL -



- MY FEET -



- AND MOST REGRETTABLY, MY WINGS.



WINGERGATE USED THIS SPELL TO MAKE ME...

..."PERFECT," MEANING MORE LIKE HIMSELF.



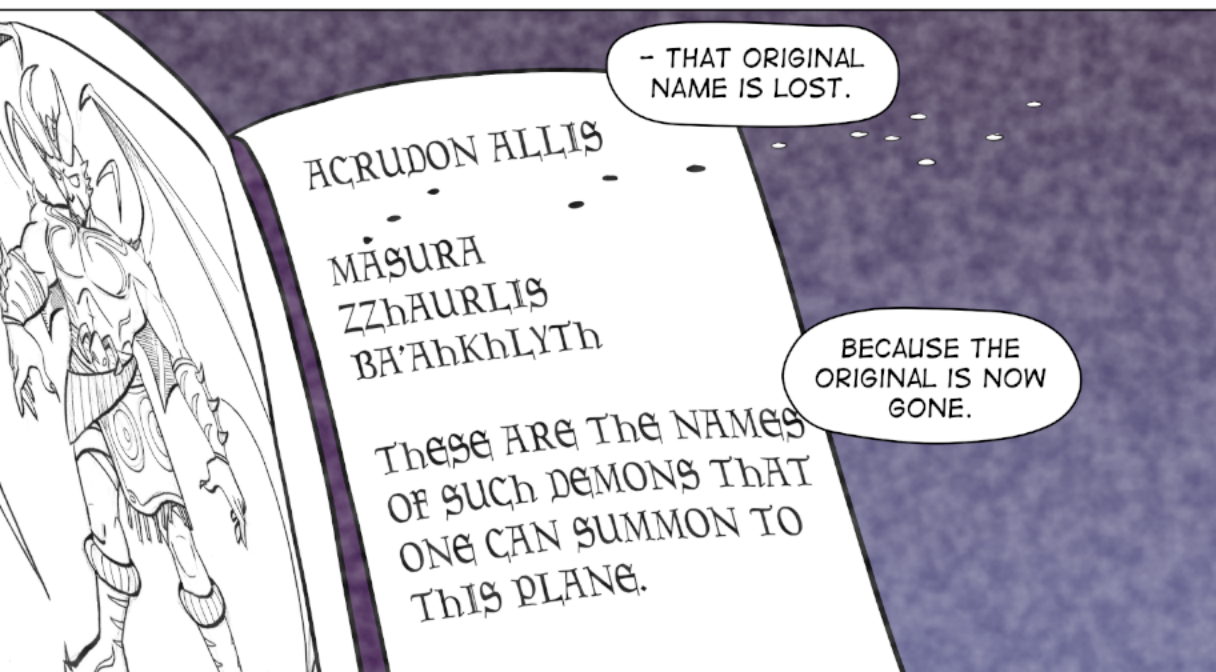
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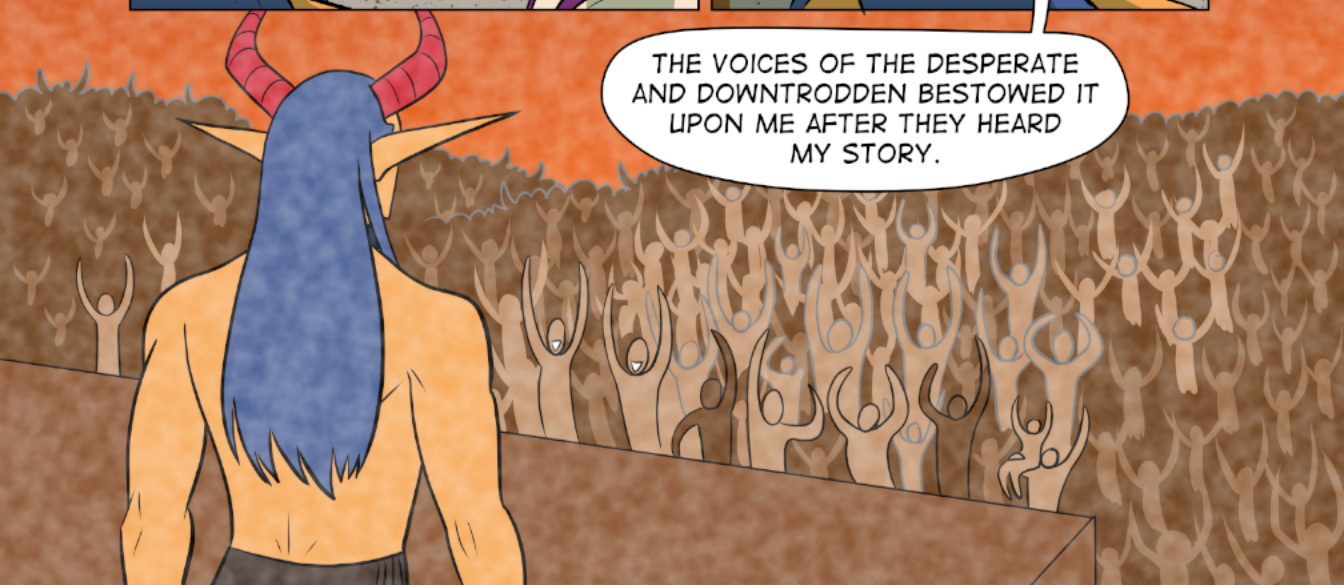
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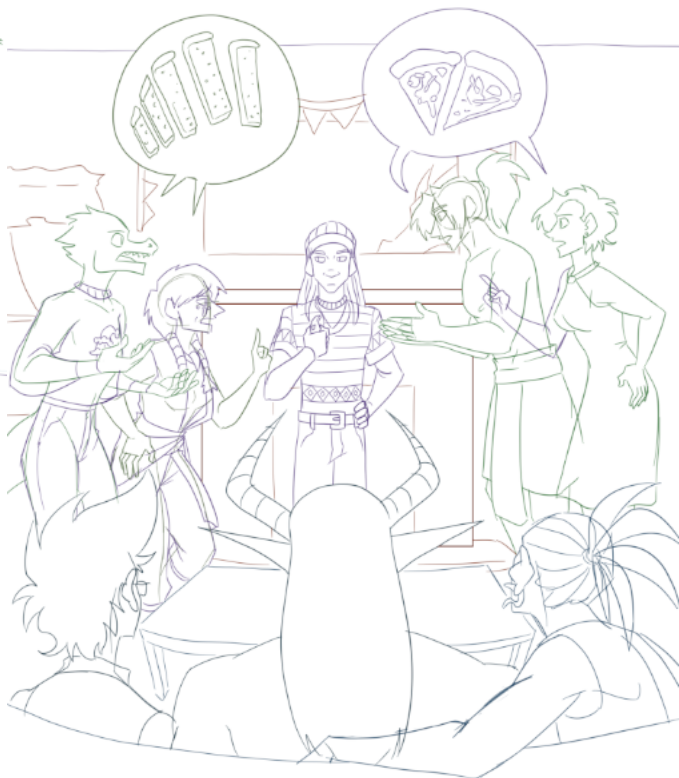
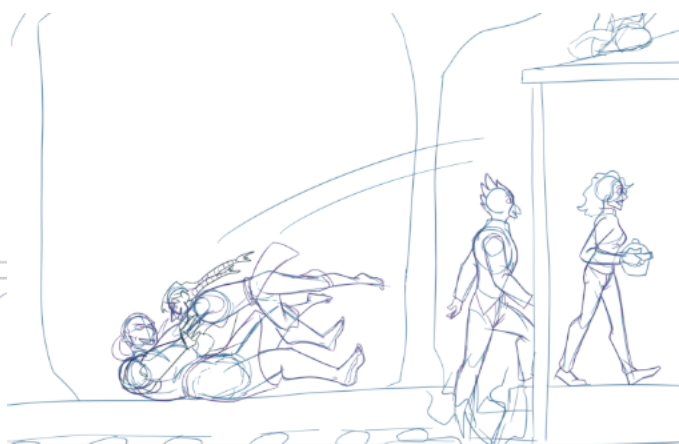


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ASK FOR.



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THAT'S ALL FOR NOW.

THANK YOU FOR READING!

YOU. ARE. AWESOME.

