



A Portfolio of Pious Powers

Fall Semester

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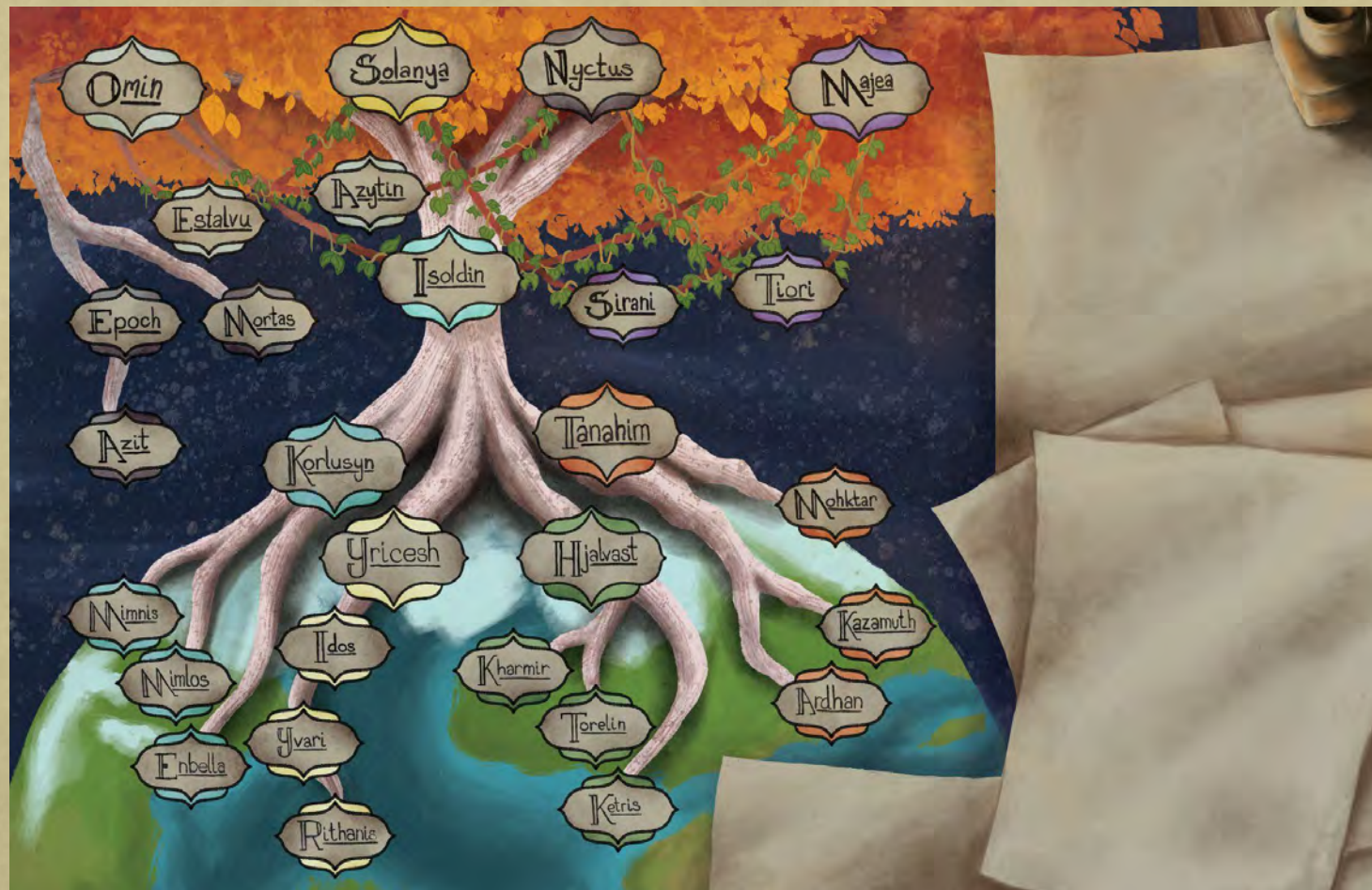
A Portfolio of Pious Powers is designed as a supplemental text for a 5th Edition Table Top Role Playing Game (TTRPG). The goal of this work is to add a new and interesting pantheon of gods to the fantasy-inspired settings that many of these games take place in.



Family Tree Process



Family Tree



Hjalvast Process



Hjalvast Final Illustration



HJALVAST, TITAN OF EARTH

Oldest of the four Titans. Very
“down to earth”

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The city Orin, the crown jewel
of the plane of Earth

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Korlusyn Process



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KORLUSYN, TITAN OF WATER



Everchanging Korlusyn, as fickle as the tides

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Cetania, capital headwater of the Plane of Water

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Tanahim Process



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TANAHIM, TITAN OF FIRE

Hotheaded Tanahim, the
keeper of the flame

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Efri, shining capital city of the Elemental Plane of Fire.

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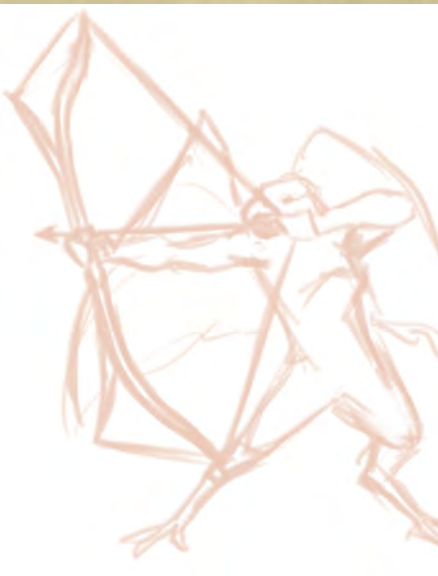
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Yricesh Process



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YRICESH, TITAN OF AIR

The Youngest Titan, Yricesh. Bold and Boastful

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Zephyr, city in the clouds. Capital of the Plane of Air

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Rithanis Restrained

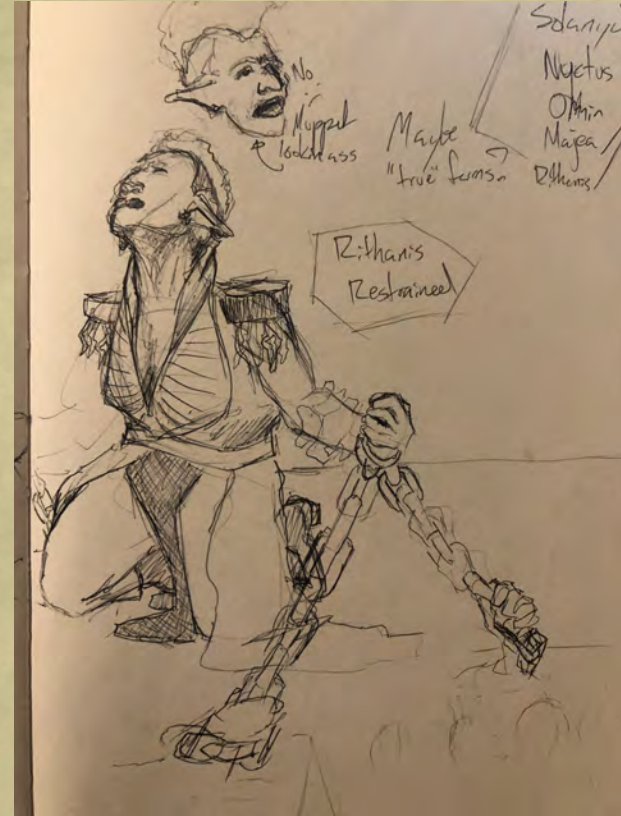
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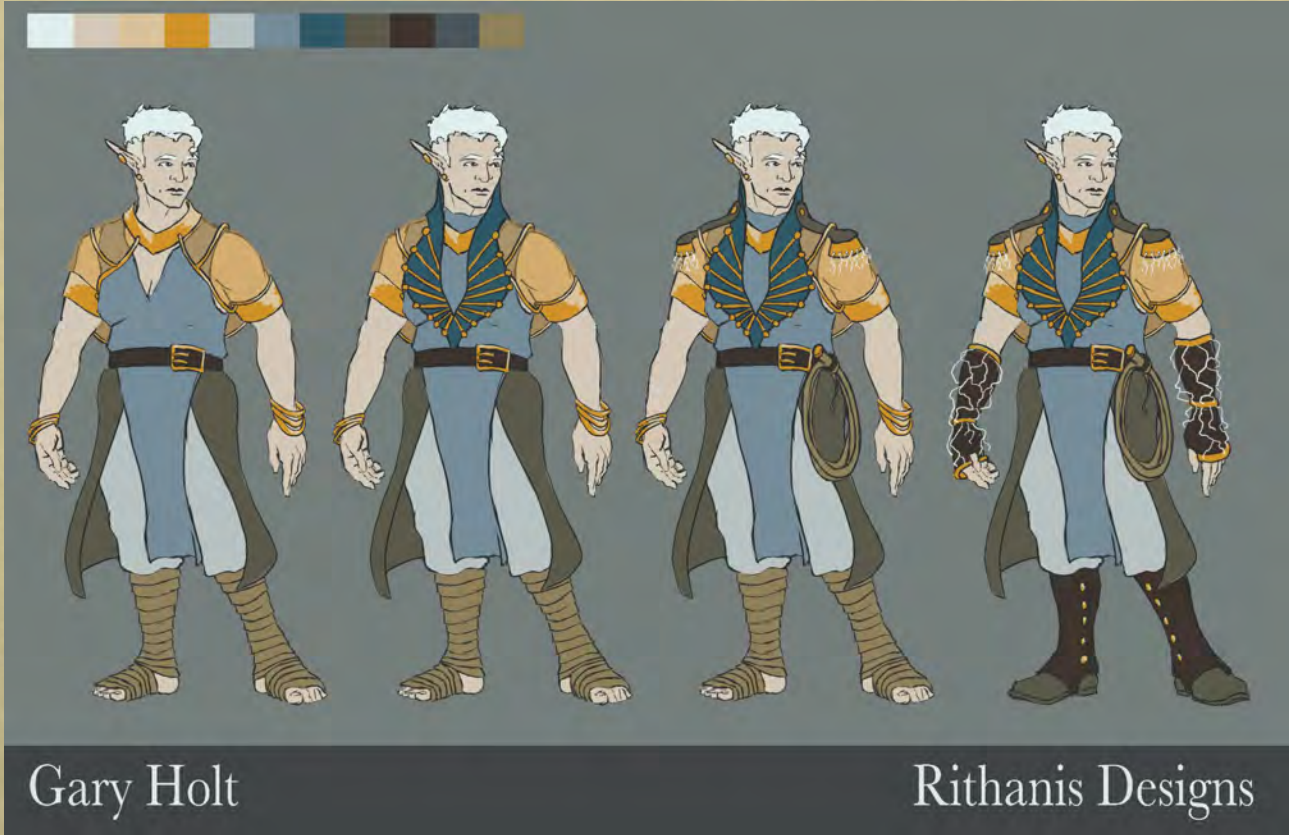
Rithanis Restrained is designed as an example of an illustrated portion of a supplemental text for a 5th Edition Table Top Role Playing Game (TTRPG). The goal of this semester's work is to provide greater insight into the gods and their relationships



Rithanis Character Design Process



Rithanis Character Design Final



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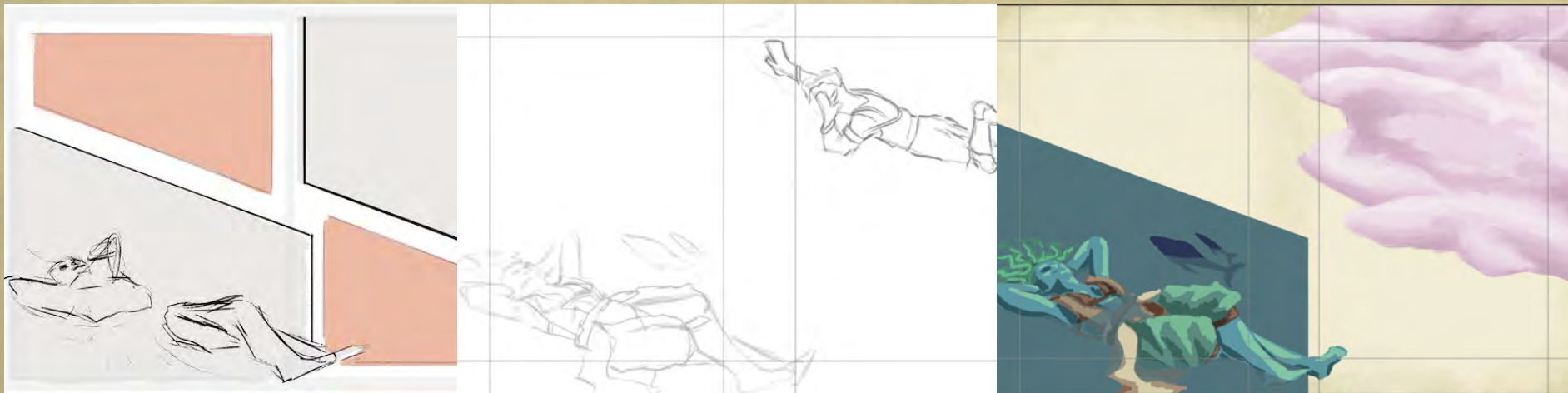
At the dusk of the Age of Creation, before the Jotum fell and the mortals rose, the youngest child of the youngest titan was born.

Rithanis was decreed the God of Clouds. She was tasked to keep the fields un-scorched by Solanya, and the seas unfrozen by Nyctus.

She quickly grew restless, deeming this job unimportant and too simple for her.

Rithanis decided she could do more to aid the world.

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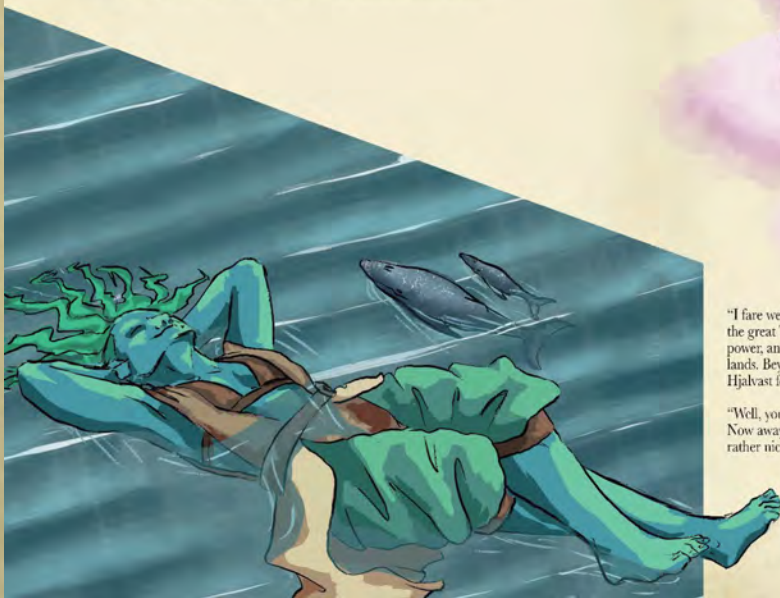
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She dreamed of sheets of water falling from her clouds, granting fields and forests life even without cloud cover, letting them grow more prolific despite.

She sought out her Aunt Korlusyn, the Titan of Water and ruler of the Elemental Plane of Water.

Rithanis found her, relaxing, luxuriating in the majesty of the ocean.

"How fare you, young Rithanis?" Came a jubilant question from Korlusyn

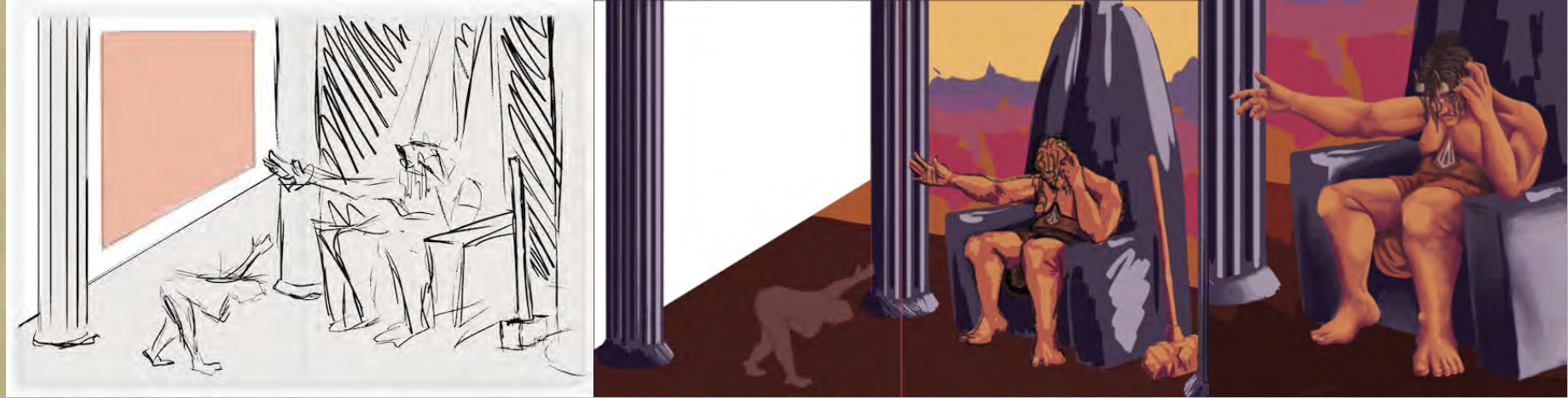


"I fare well, dear aunt! I come with a proposition for the great Titan of Water! Grant me a fraction of your power, and I shall spread your life giving water all through the lands. Beyond the rivers that you so lovingly carved, and into the deep deserts that Aunt Hjalvast forged! Allow me to bring greater glory to you, the most caring of the Titans!"

"Well, you sure know how to flatter a Titan. Dear niece, I think that is a wonderful idea! Now away, Rithanis God of Rains. And do leave a cloud or two for me, they provide rather nice shade."

Still Rithanis wanted to do more.

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One day the vision of lashes of fire striking out of her great clouds overtook her.

She immediately went to find her Uncle Tanahim, he would certainly be at the throne in Efri, overseeing the forging of The Great Chains.

Sure enough she found him there, amidst the clanging of innumerable hammers and the ringing of anvils.

"Little Niece, what brings you out to Efri?" Came the pained voice.

"Greetings Uncle Tanahim! I come with an idea for you! Why keep your fire just to the mantle and volcanoes? Why must it be restrained under the great sea and held within the mountains? Why not bring it through the clouds, let it spread over the world, and be quenched by my rain before it grows too unruly; to let the fields grow anew with the rich ash feeding them? Let all beings know that it is the powerful Tanahim's domain that brings life to the lands!"

"Very well," he agreed with a grimace as a new wave of hammers sang "now leave before I regret this choice, little Rithanis, God of Storms"

And still, Rithanis longed for more.



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With one domain left, she knew that her storms could move the very land. Creating new water ways, and shattering mountains that stood in the way of life. She only had to convince her Aunt Hjalvast.

"Hello Rithanis, God of Storms." Came the calm voice of the oldest Titan.

"Oh Hjalvast! My dearest and most wise aunt, I have an idea for you. If my storms may move earth, we may create new lands every day, an ever-changing landscape, constant new beauties for you to be praised for"

"I am not so easily convinced as my siblings. Do you not see that you do not need to scrounge for more power? That you are enough as you are?"

"Aunt, might I win what isn't granted to me?"

"A game of chance, then. If you will not heed the words of your dearest and most wise aunt, perhaps you will heed fate." In her hands glittered a set of gemstone chance dice. "Three of a kind and you may have the power you long for, but any other combination and I will keep it."

The dice were cast.



Attuned to the will of Hjalvast

And wrapped in the winds of Rithanis

When they finally settled

Three identical runes shone upwards

With a face hard as stone, Hjalvast declared "Very well, Rithanis, God of the Tempest. May the Divine Creators smile upon you.

Hjalvast stole away after the results to confer with the Divine Creators in the Celestial Sea.

Amidst stars, she prostrated herself. "Solanya, Nyctus, Majea, and Omin. We Titans have made a great error. The youngest of Yricesh's brood, Rithanis, has gained power beyond any of us. She possesses all of our domains."



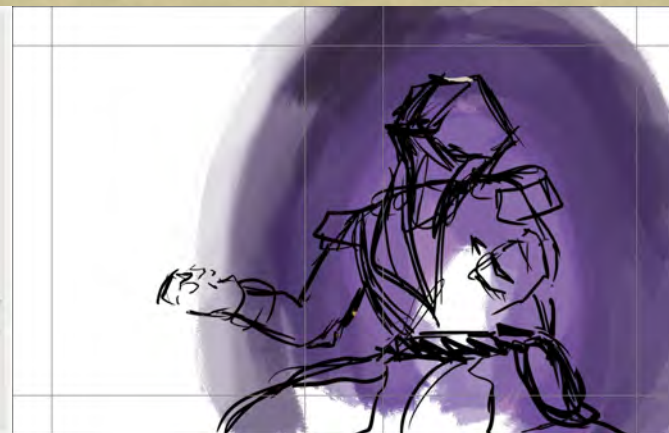
The booming voice of Solanya rang out, surrounding Hjalvast as the mixing light and sucking void enveloped her. "This is a great error indeed. Gather your siblings, you must bind her on the Material Plane. Right this wrong."

She hated to doom her young niece, but hated more to doom the Material Plane to the whims of one lone ruler.

"Yes, Mother. It will be done."



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Rithanis labored away, lightning shattering the peak of a mountain as rain lashed it, digging furrows deeper than any preexisting river. The wind carrying debris out and away, affording a new passage for life to take hold.

Amidst her commands, the sky grew dark, and she felt a wrenching on her arm. A chain of glittering stones was wrapped around her forearm. It was pulling her down.

"Aunt, you will not stop me from creating a better world. You agreed to the deal! The Divine Creators will not abide by this treachery!"

Her other arm jerked to the side and burned. A chain of flames dragged her down, pulling her out of the sky.

"No, Uncle? Did you not agree willingly and readily? You mustn't go back on your word!"

Beneath his chain, a shimmering blue shackle of water capsized her further.

"Aunt? Have I not honored you like I promised? Why do you bind me so?"

Finally, a fourth chain pulled her to the ground. This one a cyclonic chain of swirling winds.

Tears streamed down her face as rivers, and lightning from her eyes. The ground pushing her up in resistance and her hair whipping as though possessed.

"Father, even you? Didn't you give me your blessing to do great things with your power?"



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Four figures
emerged from the dark,
Three cast in radiant light, and
the fourth a ravenous black.

The four voices spoke as one.

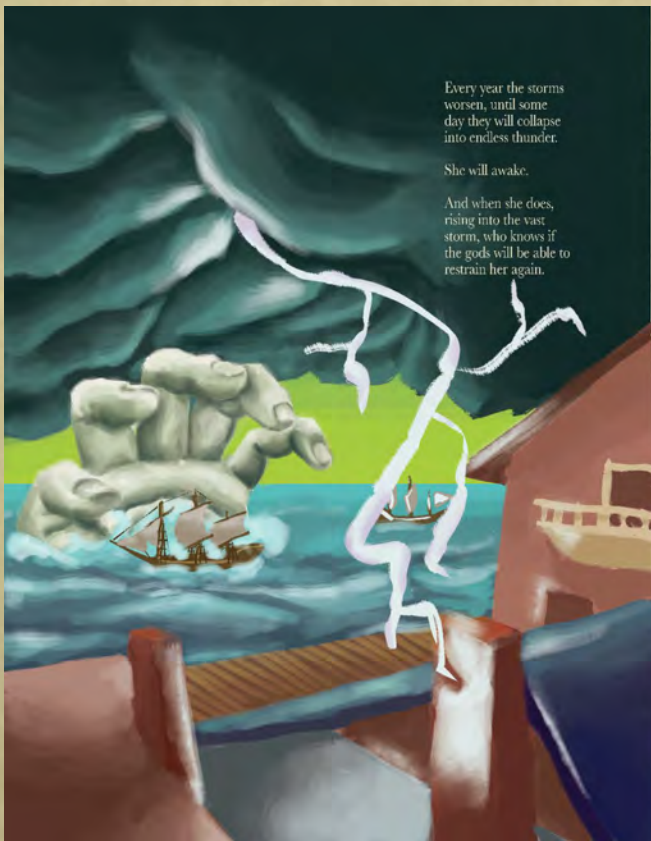
"Rithanis, God of Clouds, Rain, Storms, and Tempest. You
have overstepped your domain, and forsaken the order of the Planes.
You have forged for yourself a greater lot in life. And so have you forged your
undoing. You are to be imprisoned in the deepest ocean, and sealed away, doomed
to an unending slumber."

The story goes that she's still down there. In the deepest trench of the deepest ocean, still
she sleeps. Her long anguished breaths bring in and pull out the tides. When she's restless,
the storms ravage the coast, sinking fleets and razing cities.

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