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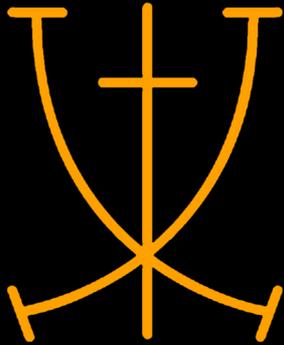


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THE LAST MASQUERADE

NSIBIDI SYMBOLS; SACRED LANGUAGE OF EASTERN MASQUERADES



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CHILD



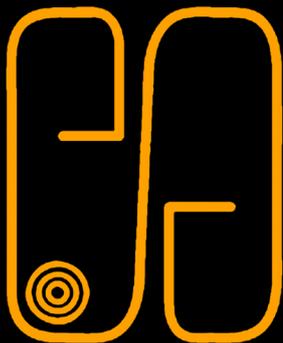
KING



TREE



ROOT



MUSIC



SNAKE



NATION



FORTUNE

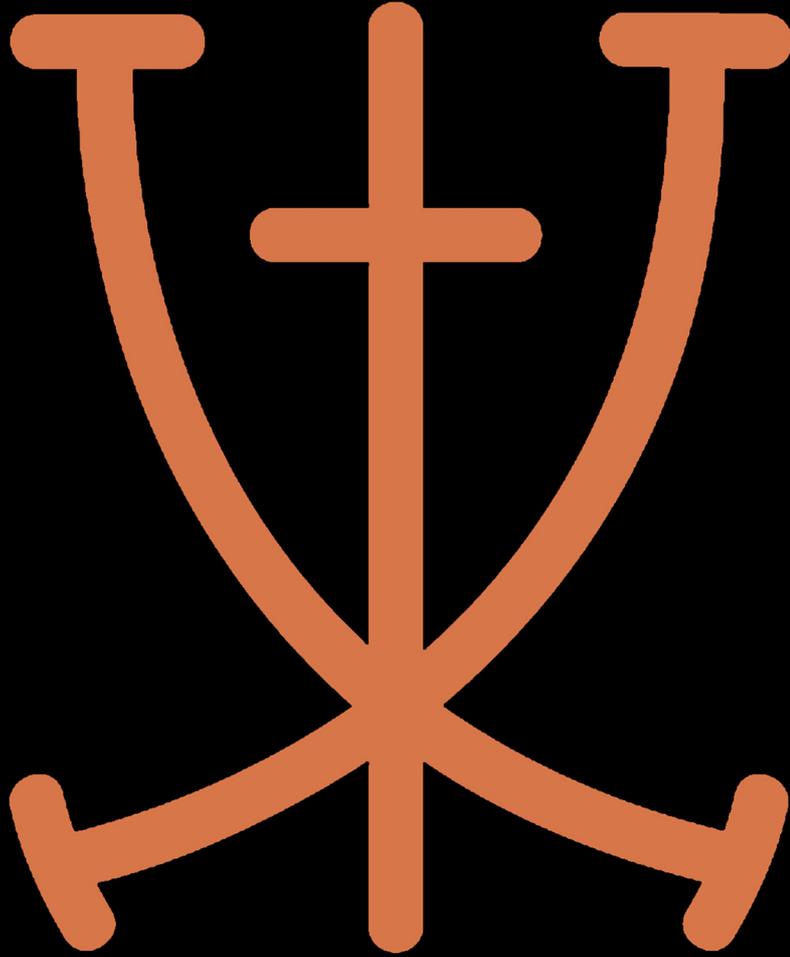
CENTURIES AGO, THE ANCIENT CALVARY OF MASQUERADES WERE THE MOST POWERFUL SPIRIT ARMY ACROSS ALL THE LAND SECOND TO NONE IN COMBAT AND JUJU (MAGIC). THE SACRED CALVARY SERVED MANY KINGDOMS FROM THE EAST TO WEST AS MERCENARIES

THEIR POWER BECOMES A THREAT TO THE EFIK EMPIRE LEADERS. UNABLE TO KILL THE MASQUERADES THEY POISON THEM INTO AN ENCHANTED SLEEP, LOCKED IN A NIGHTMARE FOR ETERNITY AND BURIED DEEP BELOW THE HIDDEN UFOT SHRINES.

200 YEARS LATER, FROM COINCIDENCE & DESTINY THE SPELL BREAKS ON ONE MASQUERADE; **IHEME ODIETE**, THE ONE KNOWN AS **THE OJUJU** AND WITH HIM COMES VENGENACE & JUSTICE ON THE EMPIRE THAT BURIED HIS COMRADES AND THE FACE OF A GIRL **ARALIA** WHICH HUNTS HIS MIND, VOICES TELLING HIM HOW HE MUST FIND & PROTECT HER. THIS IS THE STORY OF THE LAST MASQUERADE

"Tales By Moonlight"

THE LAST MASQUERADE



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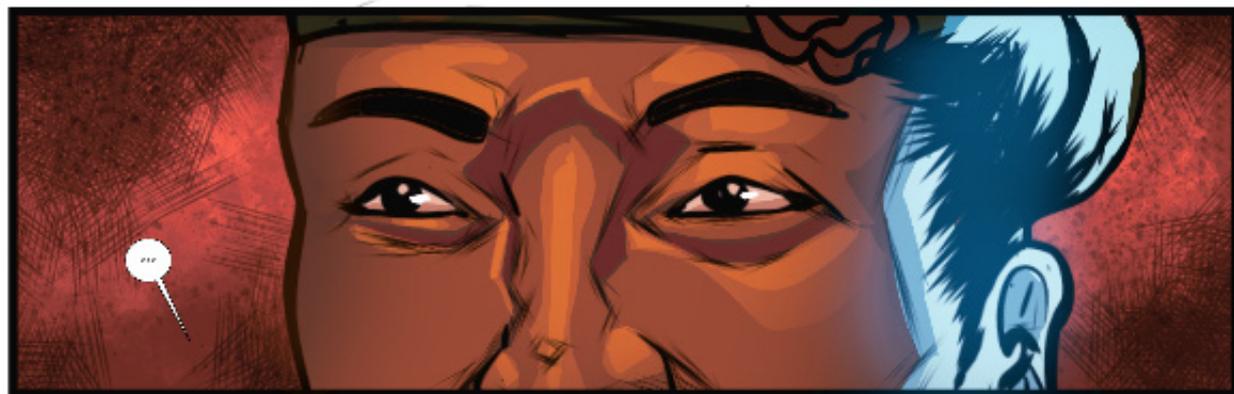
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ONCE UPON A TIME....



THERE WAS THE
CALABAR EMPIRE.



...RULED BY THE UFOT CLAN.



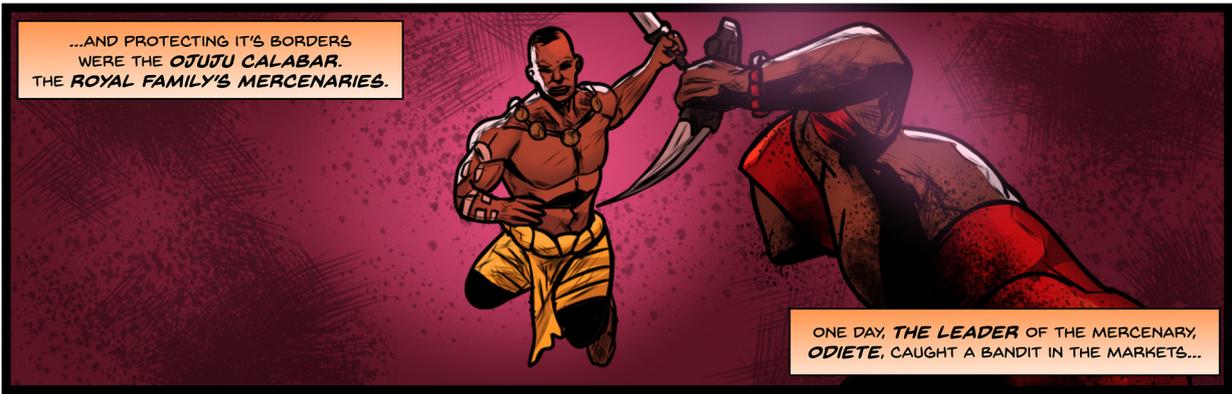
THE KINGDOM WAS BUSSFUL.



THE KINGDOM WAS BLISSFUL.



...AND PROTECTING IT'S BORDERS WERE THE OJUTU CALABAR. THE ROYAL FAMILY'S MERCENARIES.



ONE DAY, **THE LEADER** OF THE MERCENARY, **ODIETE**, CAUGHT A BANDIT IN THE MARKETS...



ODIETE CUT OFF THE BANDIT'S ARM FOR STEALING.



THIS BOTHERED **THE KING**, AND **THE CHIEFS**, THAT ODIETE DISMEMBERED THE BANDIT RATHER THAN APPREHENDING HIM. THEY FELT HE AND THE MERCENARIES WERE BECOMING **TOO POWERFUL**.

SO THE KING MET WITH **NEBULA**,
THE WITCH DOCTOR TO PROCURE A SOLUTION.



NEBULA INDEED PROCURED A SOLUTION,
ATTACKING THE MERCENARIES LAR AMONG
WITH HIS NEWLY FORMED **MARABADUA FORCE**.
CATCHING THE MERCENARIES UNWARE.



OPIETE WAS NO WHERE TO BE
FOUND AS THE **MARABADUA FORCE**
OUTNUMBERED THE MERCENARIES.

OPIETE EVENTUALLY
SHOWED UP TO THE FIGHT.

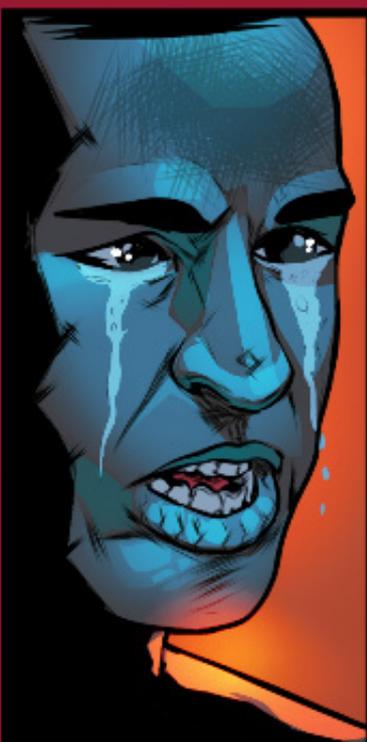




BUT IT WAS TOO LATE.
NEBULA'S MAGIC WAS TOO
STRONG FOR THE MERCENARIES.



HE HAD FAILED HIS COMRADES



HE FOUGHT...

...TO THE LAST MAN.



Land of Gods

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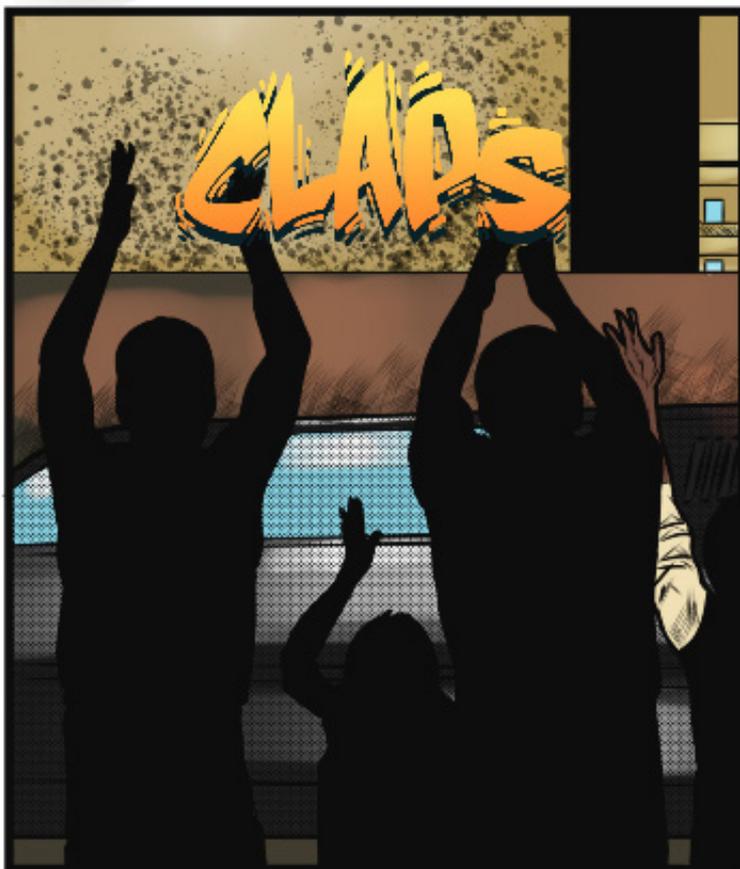
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