

Ch. 0 - **Lucum Concilium**

- Cover shows a young Fera (Adrianus as a child - 5) staring at a palace (Lucum Concilium) holding stereotypical stick and bandana bag

Act 1 - **At First Sight**

Scene 1 - temple courtyard

- ****Starts with Thaddaeus taking Liliana to the Lucum Concilium to show her potential socio****
 - viewed as if Liliana and her father aren't seen by any mortals, like they haven't left the Aether
 - Grayed-out
- Thaddeus: "This, my dear Liliana, is Lucum Concilium. It is here that you will find your socio."
 - *As an aetherial, Liliana will go through a binding ceremony with a mortal once they go through the binding ceremony*
 - Her socio candidates include a strong swordsman (Vergil), agile rogue (Abila), and a charismatic archer (Gratis).
 - Liliana is less than interested.
 - "Why do you not seem to care Liliana? This decision will affect the rest of your life."
- Liliana: "They're all kids."
- Thaddeus: "As are you my dear."
- Liliana: "I'm the daughter of the Aetherial war general and one of the Great Healers. I shouldn't be restricted to these incompetent peasants."
- Thaddeus: "Enough!"
 - Liliana = (0-0)!
 - "You have lived a lavish lifestyle up until now, but once you are bound, that will all end."
 - "It will mark the start of your life. The one that you and your socio sculpt together."
- Liliana spots Adrianus in the corner of the courtyard sweeping
 - "I can choose anyone I want, correct?"
- Thaddeus: "Yes..."
 - Adrianus is called from somewhere
 - ****seen in background****
 - "What are you getting at?"
- Liliana: "Oh, nothing father..."
- Thaddaeus fully enters Merreddian
 - "Stay here until I return. I must speak with Magister Philotheus."
- Liliana: "...Nothing at all."

Scene 2 - temple training dojo

- Wandering through the temple. Liliana eventually finds Adrianus sparing with a trainer.
- Liliana watches silently from the Aether as Adrianus struggles with even the simplest moves.
- **Thaddaeus walks up behind Liliana, unbeknownst to her.**
 - Thaddeus: "His name is Adrianus"
 - (° - °)!!! <--- Liliana
 - **She whips around, surprised and embarrassed**
 - "Though passionate, he is unskilled. You needn't worry with him. Now come, Magister Philotheus wishes to speak with you."
- Liliana: "Yes sir."
 - **looking over her shoulder at Adrianus as they leave.

Scene 3 - Grand Master's office

- As Liliana and Thaddaeus enter the office, Magister Philotheus graciously greets the two aetherials.
- The three talk about the binding process, what Liliana should be expecting and reminding her that a bond is permanent.
 - Due to this, Magister Philotheus suggests that Liliana watches and trains alongside her chosen socio, from the Aether of course.
- Philotheus: "...Now then, your choice doesn't have to be made -"
- Liliana: "I've already made a decision."
- Thaddeus: "You have?"
- Philotheus: "Are you sure you don't want to wait?"
- Liliana: "You've shown me the best of the best that the Lucum Concilium has to offer. Why shouldn't I have already chosen?"
- The two men anxiously wonder which of the three she chose, asking about each.
- After turning down Virgil, Abila, and Gratis, the confused men ask "Then who?"
- Liliana: "Adrianus."
- Thaddaeus and Philotheus **(> _ >)???(< _ <)**
 - **hysterical laughter**
- Thaddeus: "REALLY?! THAT *INBECILLUS*?!"
- Philotheus: "Are you sure ma'am? He struggles with basic form, he-"
- Liliana: "DON'T underestimate him, - sir."
 - **Slightly annoyed**
 - "YOU accepted him into your temple and continue to train him. You must see something in him"
- Thaddeus: "LILIANA!"
- Philotheus: -"Thaddaeus, she is right. he is possibly the most determined pupil that I have ever seen, but that does not mean that he is anywhere near ready to begin the trials. In a few years? Maybe."
- Timidly, Liliana adds "...What if I help?"

- Thaddeus: "No."
- Liliana: "Why not?"
- Thaddeus: "Because I said so!"
- Philotheus: "Thaddaeus, if I may,"
 - looking at Liliana
 - "You can not because it is against the rules. No student, in the trials or not, is allowed to interact with an Aetherial until they complete the trials."
- Liliana: "Why?"
- Thaddaeus and Philotheus **???**
- Liliana: "Why can't they? What is so bad about talking to us?"
- Thaddeus: "Because that is the way it has always been."
- Liliana: "But you come here all the time!"
- Thaddeus: "That is because I am bound."
- Liliana: "To who?!"
- ???: "To me."
 - A small, elderly woman enters
 - Philotheus bows in respect
- **noticing Philotheus** Liliana: "Excuse my ignorance, but who are you?"
- Kerensa: "I am Lady Kerensa, and I have been bound to your father for 52 years."
 - Liliana glares at Thaddeus
 - "I'm surprised he hasn't told you about me."
- Liliana: "Me too."
- Kerensa: "But enough about me, I came today because I heard not only did *my little socius come to visit me*,"
 - **Pinches Thaddeus' cheek**
 - "But his lovely daughter was beginning the aetherial trials and seeing whom the Lucum Concilium had to offer. Am I correct in assuming that you would be her?"
- Liliana blushes; "Yes ma'am."
- Kerensa: "Ah, well then. Excuse us men, but I believe that I would like to spend some time with Miss Redday."
- Thaddeus: "Of course"
- Philotheus: "Yes ma'am"
- Kerensa: "...Alone."
- **hastily leaving** Thaddeus and Philotheus: "Yes ma'am, sorry!"
- Kerensa: "As someone who has actually been bound, I thought that I might actually be of use for answering your questions..."
 - conversation begins to get muffled as the scene changes

Scene 4 - Temple sparring room

- **A week passes**
- Adrianus is "training" with Vergil
- Vergil: "Come on little fera boy, I thought you wanted to be a great warrior."
 - "You haven't even TOUCHED ME!"

- Virgil punches Adrian in the gut, causing him to fall to the floor
- Virgil scoffs; “I can’t believe that Magister Philotheus still keeps you around.”
 - Virgil leaves as Adrianus struggles to get up
- ****Enter Liliana****
- Liliana: “Here, let me help. Are you okay?”
- Adrian: “Yeah, thanks. Hey, I haven’t seen you here before, are you new?”
- Liliana smiles; “You could say that. My name is Liliana.”
- cuts to just outside the doors to the room to see Kerensa and Thaddeus on either side of the doorway.
- Adrian: “I’m Adrianus.”

Act 2 - Graduation

Scene 1 - Romans Cliffs

- ****Adrian and Liliana sitting together on a cliff****
 - 10 years later
- Adrian: “I can’t believe I’ve been here for over 10 years now.”
- Liliana: “And you’re finally completing the trials. Aren’t you excited?!”
- Adrian: “Yea, but this is the only home I know. I left my village when I was 5. The temple is all I know. Plus I’d be leaving you a lot.”
- Liliana: “Don’t be silly, I’ll always be here! Besides, we can hang out when you aren’t on missions.”
- ****Liliana hugs Adrian, making him shy away****
- Liliana: “Aw, you’re so blushing!”
- Adrian: “Fera don’t blush!”
- Liliana: “Adrian, I’ve known you for over 7 years now, don’t you think I can tell when you’re blushing?”
- Liliana stairs into Adrians eyes, grabbing his shirt and leaning over him
- Liliana: “You know, I’ve always kinda had a crush on you”
- Adrian: “R-Really?”
- Liliana: “Pfft! Of course not.”
 - Lili drops Adrian and starts to run back to the temple
 - Adrian, on his back, staring into the sky with a baffled look on his face
- Liliana: “Come on, you’re gonna be late for the ceremony!”
- Adrian: “Hold on!”
 - ******getting up****
 - “Wait up!”
- {worried, Liliana: “How am I going to tell him?”}

Scene 2 - Temple entrance

- ****Liliana and Adrian enter the temple****
- Adrian: "Lili, I have to tell you something."

- Liliana: "Yeah? What is it?"
- Adrian: "I -"
- Philotheus grabs Adrian
 - -"There you are! Where have you been?!"
 - "Sorry Liliana, but I have to take Adrianus."
- Adrian: "But wait, I-"
- Liliana: "It's fine. I'll be at the ceremony, you can tell me then!"

Scene 3 - temple courtyard

- In the center of the courtyard is a magical insignia, its purpose is to bind Adsertor (trials graduate) and Aetherial
- ???'s classroom
 - **A censored chibi girl describing the steps on the side of the page**
 - "Hiya! My name is **CENSORED**. Y'all haven't met me yet, but you will. I'm here to help explain some things for ya."
- During this ceremony, there are four Adsertors; Vergil, Abila, Gratis, and Adrianus.
- Focus on Adrianus as Virgil's binding ceremony is under way.
- {Adrian: "Where is she? the ceremonies are starting."}
- ???'s classroom:
 - "You might've seen that design on the ground by now. That thing's called a binding triangulum. The magister stands at that point over there, while the Adsertor, the one to be bound, stands on the point to the magister's left."
- Virgil has been bound, now it's Abila's turn
- {Adrian: "What is she doing?"}
- It is now Gratis' turn
- {Adrian: "Why is she taking so long, she's gonna miss it!"}
- ???'s classroom:
 - "As the ceremony begins, an Aetherial will begin to phase into Merreddian from the Aether."
- As Adrian steps into the insignia, he looks around one last time.
- {Adrian: "Why isn't she here? She promised!"}
- Philotheus: "Adrianus, Are you ready?"
- disappointed, Adrian: "Yes sir."
- Philotheus: "Alright then, lets begin."
- Philotheus: "Ex Bob ad Bob.
 - insignia glows
 - "...Ligabis ad invicem..."
 - Aetherial begins to appear
 - "...Sit bobal vinculis nodus..."
 - points begin to rise
 - "...Numquam separare usque ad mortem!"
 - ceremony is complete
- ???'s classroom:

- "Once the ceremony comes to a close, the points of the two to be bound will appear to float, eventually binding themselves to a part of the bonded body (l.e. chest, fist, back, leg, etc.)"
- <me: "HEY! YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO BE HERE YET! STOP GIVING AWAY SPOILERS!"
- ????: "Woops! Looks like thats all for now. Cyall layer!"
- <me: "GET BACK HERE!"
- As the light begins to dissipate, Adrian anxiously looks, not to the Aetherial that he is now bound to, but the crowd, hoping that Liliana is there
 - when he can't see her, he looks to his new socio
- Adrian: "LILIANA!"
- standing on the insignia is Liliana, looking at Adrian with both a look of guilt and joy on her face
- Adrian: "Y-You're --"
- Liliana: "An aetherial? Yeah. Sorry I didn't tell you."
 - "If I did, I--"
 - ****beginning to cry****
 - "-I couldn't have come back."
 - "I wouldn't have been able to help you, I--"
 - ****falls to her knees****
- Adrian catches her; "It's alright, we can talk later. Now stop crying."
 - wiping a tear from her eye and smiling
 - "You're embarrassing yourself."
- Liliana, smiles and hugs Adrian
- Philotheus coughs, and Adrian and Liliana = (°-°)
- Philotheus: "As much as I hate to break this up, I have to remind you that there is one last step that you must take before the bond is complete. Are you ready for your mission?"
- Lili and Adrian: "YES SIR!"

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