

[21:14]Arblis Ellhis paces back and forth in front of the rendezvous point, her expression one of pure excitement. Her eyes frequently flick toward the building's architecture, either noting important details or looking around for lack of anything better to do.

[21:15](X'cinna Ares) Kuina lives at the Ravens right? Or somewhere?

[21:15](Kuina Kusushi) She's a raven! We should arrive together.

[21:15](X'cinna Ares) Yep. Cinna is here for the moneyyyyy. BECAUSE SHE HAS NEEDS! and people are getting wise to her booze swipping.

[21:16](X'cinna Ares) You can emote first, Kuina.

[21:16](Kuina Kusushi) Kuina is just that silent mage, who is easily dragged along to things like this.

[21:19]Kuina Kusushi limps quickly along the lane, using her cane for balance. Her eyes flick across the house numbers, counting, until she finds herself at the gate and halts. With the tip of her staff, she indicates the house and nods back at Cinna. Then she turns an appraising eye on Arblis.

[21:19](Anstarra Silverain) back~

[21:20]X'cinna Ares walks alongside Kuina, her tail swishing absentmindedly. Her weird spear glimmers, as she advances, silvery hair with blue highlights shimmering from light sources.

[21:21]Arblis Ellhis gives Kuina a jaunty wave. "Excellent! I was hoping this wouldn't be a solo mission. Arblis Ellhis, trouble-hunter and otherworldly mediator, at your service!"

[21:21]X'cinna Ares: "Miss Primrose did weird things with the water again...." She muttered.

[21:21]X'cinna Ares: "Ah. It's you..."

[21:22]Arblis Ellhis: "It's me!"

[21:23]Kuina Kusushi mirrors Arblis' smile and offers a proper Doman bow, slanting slightly to the left. "Kuina." She introduces herself, "Magus..... and..... X'cinna, you are.... familiar."

[21:24]Kuina Kusushi glances between the two inquiringly.

[21:24]X'cinna Ares: "Mmm. One of Anista's .... people. "Friends?""

[21:25]Arblis Ellhis nods a couple times. "That explains it just about right! Though uh. I'm pretty sure she doesn't like that name."

[21:25]X'cinna Ares fails to understand Arblis Ellhis.

[21:25]Anstarra Silverain | The hour is twilight, and the location is the street just beyond the manicured lawns and guard patrols which surround the equally-neat (if far more forbidding) walls of what is known as Goldentail Manor. What is visible of the architecture straddles the line between archaic and fortress-like. The guards, Brass Blades, perform their patrols with an undercurrent of tension, as though they know the boss is watching.

[21:25]X'cinna Ares: "It's her name. She didn't say anything about it to me."

[21:27]Anstarra Silverain | "Aah! Good!" The voice which suddenly intrudes upon your discussions is familiar only to Kuina, perhaps; the diminutive form of one Dederu Deru, daring entrepreneur and mining enthusiast, as well as Monetarist and darling of Amajina & Sons Mineral Concern, approaches.

[21:29]Arblis Ellhis hops down from her perch and glances at the Lalafell. "Ah, the boss arrives. What's our plan?"

[21:29]Kuina Kusushi turns towards the Lalafell, with a smile and a bow. "Dederu Deru..... I brought....a fellow adventurer." She gestures to X'cinna.

[21:29]X'cinna Ares stares at the Lalafell strangely.

[21:31](X'cinna Ares) Mew Leaaaaanne.

[21:31](Leanne Delphium) Hmm?

[21:31](X'cinna Ares) Introoos!

[21:31](X'cinna Ares) :D

[21:32](Leanne Delphium) Aah. Sorry.

[21:32]Anstarra Silverain | Deru is dressed in fine raiment and doesn't look particularly at home in it; she straightens her blousy vest and looks around. "Yes, yes, good. I-" Her gaze catches on X'cinna and she starts, before giving herself a shake.. "Hrm.. perhaps we'll start with all your names, yes? I am Dederu Deru, as I'm sure you know."

[21:33]Leanne Delphium bows her head, gently lifting her beret with a thumb while offering a smile. "Leanne. Leanne Delphium, seasoned adventurer, at your service."

[21:33]Arblis Ellhis pipes up to introduce herself. "Arblis Ellhis! Whether with sword or word, you won't find better."

[21:33]Kuina Kusushi bows again and repeats her name. "Kuina.... and this is X'cinna. She ..... can be ....trusted."

[21:34]X'cinna Ares continues to stare at the Lalafell. "Ah. I am an Adventurer. X'cinna. Yes."

[21:35]X'cinna Ares 's blue tipped tail swishes about in a absentminded manner.

[21:36]Anstarra Silverain | The lalafell nods to Leanne, and Arby, pausing to give a.. dubious look Kuina and Cinna's way. Especially with that.. endorsement. Which possibly confirmed certain concerns, and raised new ones... but if so, rather than addressing it now, she simply nods twice. "Yes. Good. Alright. Fighters, magic, very well, you'll do. Now." She clears her throat, straightening. Which doesn't do much for her height, but she still manages to look serious.

[21:36](X'cinna Ares) So cute. Clnna wants to nibble her.

[21:37](X'cinna Ares) just a bite

[21:37](X'cinna Ares) :3

[21:37](Kuina Kusushi) Kuina says "You can trust her" ..... is mentally prepared to freeze Clnna to the floor if she makes one wrong step.

[21:37](X'cinna Ares) meanie

[21:37](X'cinna Ares) :p

[21:38](X'cinna Ares) well, at least you aren't settin her on fire

[21:38](Kuina Kusushi) Who? This innocent face?

[21:38](X'cinna Ares) I remember what you did to one of her sisters!

[21:38]Kuina Kusushi nods for Dederu to go on. "Now..."

[21:38]Anstarra Silverain: "Tonight I am meeting with Moiraine Astervane, an important.. sponsor, for certain projects. Your role, collectively, is quite simple. Don't make me look bad. I don't know what she might ask of me, or us, but if she puts any task forth, do not balk!" She pauses, then adds. "Unless it's something truly awful. You're not figureheads, you can talk, but again DON'T make me look bad! Okay?"

[21:39]X'cinna Ares gazes upon you in deep reflection.

[21:40]X'cinna Ares: "As long as we get paid. Gil is wonderful yes. As Naya says."

[21:40]X'cinna Ares laughs at you.

[21:40]Kuina Kusushi considers for half a moment. Then turns sharply towards X'cinna "Better not.... speak." She instructs seriously.

[21:40]Arblis Ellhis: "Oh no. This is gonna be one of those things where before we can talk, we have to get through the deadly gauntlet of acid pits and spikes, isn't it? Those are pretty rude." She gives the mansion another suspicious look.

[21:41]X'cinna Ares looks at Arblis Ellhis in shock!

[21:41]X'cinna Ares: "You... Out.... you engage in such rituals?"

[21:41]Arblis Ellhis: "Only the crazy people do."

[21:42]Anstarra Silverain | She nods. "Of course you'll be paid, that's the whole point, and I rather DOUBT.." she cuts off, and looks at the mansion, before continuing, "I'm pretty.. well, definitely MODERATELY CERTAIN that there will be no deadly gauntlet.. before meeting her. Or, well, if there is, then be good sports about it."

[21:42]Kuina Kusushi: "Not in.... civilized social... er ....civilized society.

[21:44]Arblis Ellhis cracks her knuckles. "I'll be ready for anything, then!"

[21:44]Anstarra Silverain | Dederu coughs, after an awkward pause. "Well. Let's go in. We're expected."

[21:44]Kuina Kusushi motions courtiously for Dederu to lead the way.

[21:46]Anstarra Silverain | The Monetarist girl paces on ahead in that determined walk lalafell share, heading right for the front gate where await a pair of impressive-looking guardsmen. A brief interaction, and a confirmation via linkpearl, and the gate swings open. You might expect a low CREEEAAK.. but it is deceptively silent. "Please head inside. Keep to the main path."

[21:46]X'cinna Ares 's fur and hair bristles. Something is suspicious.

[21:47](X'cinna Ares) can I roll to investigate the lawn?

[21:48]Anstarra Silverain | The inside grounds are quiet and beautiful. Ornamental statuary breaks up the simple grace of the cherry blossom trees. Here and there a fountain trickles softly. Everything is hushed and soft, and once the gate swings closed there is not another living person in sight. Ahead of you, the path continues straight, then curves left toward the front doors, after a ways.

[21:49](Anstarra Silverain) Sure~ Do you deviate from the path, or just kinda eyeball as you go?

[21:49](X'cinna Ares) eye ball

[21:49](X'cinna Ares) Cinna's too paranoid to leave the path

[21:49](X'cinna Ares) because murder cat paranoia

[21:49](Anstarra Silverain) This place certainly has her hackles rised. Alright, roll it, TN 3.

[21:50]Arblis Ellhis smiles at what fountains she can see on her way to the door. She is on her absolute best behavior, and has so far managed to not give the blades an evil glare or deliberately stomp on the lawn.

[21:50](X'cinna Ares) aww 1

[21:50](X'cinna Ares) Ohwell.

[21:50](X'cinna Ares) Hmm.

[21:50](Anstarra Silverain) There appears to be nothing to be seen.. it's definitely too quiet, but for now..

[21:51](X'cinna Ares) Can I use a invoke of Sharp Training to succeed at a compromise?

[21:51](X'cinna Ares) Sharp training, sharp senses.

[21:51](Anstarra Silverain) Hmm, thinking if applicable...

[21:52](Anstarra Silverain) Sure, I'll allow it.

[21:53]>> X'cinna Ares: Training helps to focus one's mind and ignore distractions, and here, you focus past the obvious... mostly on your sense of smell. The flowers, the spring water, all try - and generally manage - to obfuscate the scent of blood. But it's there.

[21:53](Anstarra Silverain) \*whisper whisper\*

[21:54]X'cinna Ares whispers low to others, "The plants.... the smell of blood is on them. Is this how Out..... people fertilize plants?"

[21:54]Arblis Ellhis: "... No. No it isn't."

[21:55]Kuina Kusushi checks her steps slightly, with a brief frown. "No.... quite worrying."

[21:55](X'cinna Ares) hurry for murder cat senses

[21:55](X'cinna Ares) hurray\*

[21:55]Arblis Ellhis taps at her cheek as she continues on forward. "Carnivorous lawn. Noted."

[21:56]Leanne Delphium: "Hrm."

[21:56]Anstarra Silverain | Dederu smacks her lips together nervously, looking around and visibly steeling herself. She flinches a bit at Cinna's words, and shakes her head. "Now.. now! It's a perfectly lovely garden. And we're just going to stay on the path like we were told. Yes? Ye-es." She glances at the lawn, at Arby's last comment. "Ahem. Onward. We have an appointment."

[21:56]Kuina Kusushi: "Do not.... rush conclusions."

[21:57]Arblis Ellhis grumbles, "I'd say it's a bigger rush to conclude there \*aren't\* people-eating plants in the yard.."

[21:58]X'cinna Ares: "I thought it is frown upon for Outs.... Spoken to feed on other Spoken? Less feed them to their plants." Cinna says with a low-paranoid tone.

[21:58]Kuina Kusushi halts on the upper step to glance over her shoulder at the fireworks, almost wistfully. "It could also be.... the statues..... gaurds.... some other thing." She points out slowly, as she turns back to Arblis.

[21:59]Anstarra Silverain | Your employer walks on ahead, making her way up to the front door. Reaching up she firmly raps the knocker on the door three times, then waits. The sound resonates like a heavy gong, humming through the air for long moments after.. and as soon as the sound of the last knock has faded, the door opens. A figure stands within.

[22:00]Arblis Ellhis opens her mouth to reply, but whatever she was about to say is forgotten as she peers at the door-opener.

[22:00]Kuina Kusushi 's eyes flicker back to X'cinna. "You are.... correct." She says slowly.

[22:00]X'cinna Ares twitches. A lifetime of experience tells her it would be bad to go in. But... if the others. It's.... not like this is a Cursed House or anything.

[22:01]Kuina Kusushi focuses on the figure, with an unblinking gaze.

[22:01](Arblis Ellhis) ( Meanwhile, Arblis' life experience is telling her 'there's sweet loot in here if you can disable all the traps' )

[22:01](X'cinna Ares) (Murder cats have priorities!)

[22:01](X'cinna Ares) (Not getting murdered!)

[22:02]Anstarra Silverain: "Welcome to Mistress Goldentail's Estate." The voice coming from the figure's lips is soft and clear, with a timbre somehow familiar. Miqo'te she is, but hard to make out anything else; she is garbed in form-fitting black leather which covers her entire body, even her ears and eyes (obscured by mesh and shadow), save for her mouth and chin. Tasteful gold filligree runs up her leggings and sleeves, and down her tail, where it becomes more and more ornate until the last fulm or two is solid,-

[22:02](X'cinna Ares) Can I investigate her?

[22:02]Anstarra Silverain: -heavy-looking gold. She bows at the waist, elegantly.

[22:02](X'cinna Ares) Familiar.... Mmmm.

[22:02](Anstarra Silverain) You don't Investigate people ;D unless you're like.. actually investigating them.

[22:02](Anstarra Silverain) i.e. asking questions and doing legwork

[22:03](X'cinna Ares) Well, notice?

[22:03](Anstarra Silverain) Sure, to what end?

[22:03]Arblis Ellhis: "I guess I understand the 'Goldentail' name now."

[22:03](Anstarra Silverain) Aspect seeking?

[22:03](Anstarra Silverain) Trying to figure out what's familiar?

[22:03](X'cinna Ares) \*That familiar timbre.\*

[22:03](X'cinna Ares) yep

[22:03](Anstarra Silverain) Arite~ TN 3.

[22:04](X'cinna Ares) Pssh 2.

[22:04](X'cinna Ares) Hmm.

[22:04](X'cinna Ares) CanI use my last invoke of Sharp Traaining?

[22:04](Anstarra Silverain) Sure~ For a specific reason

[22:05](X'cinna Ares) Fighting and training with other Falling Stars makes her specifically attuned to any familiar connection with her extended family.

[22:06]>> X'cinna Ares: We tend not to notice that which is familiar to us, and instead focus on the different. Cinna's training helped to look past that, and focus on specifics... namely a jaw-line and skin colour very much like her own.

[22:06](Leanne Delphium) May you excuse me just a moment? Want to see something.

[22:06](Anstarra Silverain) Alrighty~

[22:07](Leanne Delphium) Thank you. Will be back quickly enough.

[22:07](Anstarra Silverain) I'm logging the RP so~

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[22:09]X'cinna Ares eyes the woman, and her fur raises slightly, "She... is familiar. Really... familiar. One of us? Clipped?" She tries to keep her voice level, trying to utilize her skills to keep the woman from hearing. Because paranoia.

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[22:09](Anstarra Silverain) Anything she says out loud will likely be heard~

[22:09](Anstarra Silverain) It's very quiet out here.

[22:10](X'cinna Ares) well, won't stop her for trying

[22:10](X'cinna Ares) from\*

[22:10](X'cinna Ares) haha

[22:10](X'cinna Ares) It's more of a habit.

[22:10](X'cinna Ares) Because murder cat.

[22:10](Anstarra Silverain) Mm~ Who's she talking to?

[22:10](X'cinna Ares) Arblis.

[22:11]Arblis Ellhis raises an eyebrow. She utters a neutral "You think so..?" but leaves it at that. Her fists clench for a moment.

[22:11](X'cinna Ares) She's An's friend. MAYBE SHE KNOWS WHAT TO DO!

[22:12](Kuina Kusushi) Kuina glances back at X'Cinna with the first hints of alarm. "Hush!" She whispers awkwardly flapping her left hand to request quiet, while she glances between the two Seekers.

[22:12]Anstarra Silverain | If the servant hears, she makes no issue of it.. /em | Deru blinks at the servant's unusual appearance, but doesn't make an issue of it... perhaps because your employer speaks at more or less the same time, loudly and firmly. "Yes. I am Dederu Deru, here to meet with Goldentail. With mistress Astervane, that is." The servant bows again. "Yes, mistress Deru, you are expected. If you would follow me."

[22:13](Leanne Delphium) Sorry. There's a party going on at the beds. Kinda wanted to check.

[22:13](X'cinna Ares) Wooo! Party

[22:13](Anstarra Silverain) Bed parties are fun~

[22:13](X'cinna Ares) What's the occasion?

[22:14](Leanne Delphium) Moonfire Faire thingie. Now kind of wanted to go, but, won't miss a scheduled compromise either.

[22:14]Arblis Ellhis lets out a huff of breath that she totally wasn't holding in out of nervousness no way, and steps inside.

[22:15](X'cinna Ares) You should have asked her to change the music into something spooky. :D haha.

[22:16](Leanne Delphium) Can I run notice? Out of habit.

[22:16](Kuina Kusushi) Can I roll notice to check the entryway for possible traps?

[22:16](Kuina Kusushi) I could also just help Leanne. XD

[22:16](X'cinna Ares) I can help Leanne too.

[22:16](Arblis Ellhis) Well I guess if we're having a Notice party..

[22:16](Leanne Delphium) That'd be a +8 then, heh

[22:16](Kuina Kusushi) Eight eyes are better than two right?

[22:17](Leanne Delphium) Practically scanning the entire room.

[22:17](Anstarra Silverain) Sure, just lemme first toss out a description then you can tell me what you're all trying to notice~

[22:17](Kuina Kusushi) Just 7+ I think.

[22:17](X'cinna Ares) things that can murder us - Cinna's focus.

[22:17](Leanne Delphium) If Arblis is helping, +8

[22:17](Kuina Kusushi) Oh, right she has high notice too.

[22:18](Arblis Ellhis) Arblis will spot the heck out of weird stuff and architectural oddities, boy howdy

[22:19]Anstarra Silverain | It is said that homes reflect the personalities of their owners. If this is so, then Moiraine Astervane must be sober, tasteful, and terribly, terribly rich. The black marble floor is immaculate and veined with pure silver. The candelabra are elegant confections of glittering crystal illuminated with elemental shards, mostly earth to give a steady yellowish light that darkens the reds of the entrance carpet and furniture. Ornamental ferns can be seen, as well as tasteful paintings and -

[22:21]Anstarra Silverain - tapestries.. tasteful, but anyone with an eye for such thing would recognize several high-priceless rarities. The air even SMELLS rich. The servant waits a moment while you all look around, patiently...

[22:21](Anstarra Silverain) Alright, so.

[22:21](Anstarra Silverain) Leanne is looking for...? And who's helping her?

[22:21](Arblis Ellhis) Helping! Arblis would look for whatever, but would also get no results alone

[22:22](Leanne Delphium) Looking out weird stuff. Apparent oddities in the environment she's surrounding. If the plants smells of blood, don't feel the weirdness stops there.

[22:22](X'cinna Ares) Cinna is helping too, ideally she would look for anything lethal - but helping hat lady is fine too.

[22:22](Arblis Ellhis) Arb's checklist tends to be Traps - Hiding Spots - Unusual Things

[22:22](Kuina Kusushi) Kuina is specifically looking (and listening) for potential traps probably just helping out Leanne.

[22:23](Anstarra Silverain) Alright, then if everyone's helping Leanne just kinda look around, roll it Leanne~

[22:23]X'cinna Ares looks around.

[22:23](Leanne Delphium) 7

[22:25](X'cinna Ares) three cats and a lizard scanning the room

[22:25](X'cinna Ares) :D

[22:27]Anstarra Silverain: The mansion holds itself with the poised, glistening beauty of a jeweled scarab, flawless and immaculate and lethal. It's no single thing, nothing you can point to and say HEY THAT. Maybe those statuarys really would spit poison darts, with mouths dark and deep as that. Maybe the immaculate fittings of those doorways really do obscure spring-loaded blades. Perhaps even the alchemical silver poured into the marble could, itself, spell out a web of arcanima which would, if triggered, spell doom-

[22:28]Anstarra Silverain: - for trespassers. It's hard to say for certain... but this place is a fortress, dressed up as a home.

[22:29]Leanne Delphium frowns. "...By the twelve, I came to talk with a person, not to dance my way through a heavily fortified house..."

[22:29]X'cinna Ares bristles agitatedly, so much danger. She shouldn't be here.

[22:29]Kuina Kusushi quietly and slowly says "Someone is frightened." and it's fairly clear that she doesn't mean any of their group.

[22:30]X'cinna Ares: "Everything here can kill." Cinna states bluntly.

[22:30]Arblis Ellhis: "I expected something odd, but.. this place looks like it's here simply to be in the way. Nobody has tea parties in here. What a waste..."

[22:31]Anstarra Silverain | Dederu's jaw firms, and she looks back at you all with a warning glare. "Moiraine Astervane is one of the richest people in Ul'dah. She has every right to be as... security-minded as she wishes. Anyroad, we are invited. So, if you are done?"

[22:31]X'cinna Ares shrugs at you.

[22:31]X'cinna Ares salutes you.

[22:32]Leanne Delphium: "You say that now...let's see what you think when the entire house decide to kill us..."

[22:32]Leanne Delphium sighs.

[22:32]Kuina Kusushi: "Dederu..... stay.... close." Kuina cautions, before nodding for her to proceed.

[22:32]Arblis Ellhis: "Mmh. Invited, yes. Safe no. You did say she is an 'important significant-pause sponsor.'"

[22:33]X'cinna Ares: "Perhaps it's one of those 'permanent invitations' from Miss Primrose's 'crime' stories."

[22:34]Anstarra Silverain: "Yes, yes, sponsor and investor and..." She glances at the Servant, who awaits several discreet paces away, and lowers her voice, "...and interested party. Her fingerprints are all over various -incidents- relating to THOSE tribals, in and around Ul'dah."

[22:34]Anstarra Silverain | She quite significantly glances at X'cinna.

[22:35]Arblis Ellhis: "I've heard rumors of that as well. Hence why I'm here." She pauses as her brain catches up and whirls around toward X'cinna. "Ooh, you're right, it's exactly like that! Oh gods I should have re-read some of those before coming here!"

[22:35]X'cinna Ares: "You guess correctly, little one. Does it matter? I'm naught but a lost kitten now."

[22:36]X'cinna Ares: "If you wanted to negotiate, you should have bribed X'indro with shiny trinkets."

[22:37](X'cinna Ares) annndthe secrets out. although I doubt the mysterious cat was in any doubt

[22:37]Anstarra Silverain | Dederu purses her lips, and shakes her head. "You are here as my employee, nothing more. If Goldentail wishes to offer you some sort of business proposition, that is your affair. As to THAT.." Her eyes narrow, "we'll see what we'll see." She looks back to the rest. "Now then, let's meet our hostess."



[22:38]Anstarra Silverain | The Servant bows as Dederu looks her way, and leads on, upstairs..

[22:39](X'cinna Ares) That bath water is probably acid.

[22:39](Arblis Ellhis) I was just thinking that

[22:41]Anstarra Silverain | You are lead into a refined and spacious office room. To your left, a couch, more well-situated for waiting petitioners than for any who must stand before the desk which is the room's central fixture. A desk, of expensive wood, bracketing a chair, and in the chair, a woman.

[22:43](X'cinna Ares) can I make a notice check on her?

[22:43](X'cinna Ares) maybe she's a voidsent

[22:43](X'cinna Ares) \*eyes Leanne\*

[22:45](Leanne Delphium) Lol.

[22:46]Anstarra Silverain | Moiraine Astervane is a woman in her late twenties, perhaps, possessed of a symmetrical sort of beauty. Moderately pale skin, blonde hair pulled back into a ponytail with a single stray bang falling over her brow. A serious mouth with full lips that rarely smile, and eyes of a blue so pale as to seem almost white. Her gaze is cool and unsettling as it lifts, calmly scanning you all. A black and gold bliaud with a high neck completes the image, along with black gloves, and a small pair of-

[22:46](Kuina Kusushi) I'm gonna wait for the description.

[22:46]Anstarra Silverain -spectacles.

[22:46](X'cinna Ares) yep voidsent

[22:48]Arblis Ellhis puts on an impassive expression, trying to look the part of a perfectly normal, underestimatable bodyguard.

[22:49]X'cinna Ares fur rises and her hair twitches. So suspicious. Suspicious woman living in a suspicious house with suspicious stuff. Miss Primrose's crazy warnings about the wealthy seems to make all the suspicion double, alongside her natural Falling Stars paranoia multiplier.

[22:50](Leanne Delphium) Running empathy. Gonna check for any aspects.

[22:50]Anstarra Silverain | Dederu Deru steps forth and inclines her head, as one might to a peer. The woman's pale eyes fix upon her, then, after a moment, she returns the nod with absolutely equal depth. "Mistress Astervane." "Mistress Dederu." Her voice is naturally cool, and precise. "You have brought retainers."

[22:51]Kuina Kusushi leans on her cane near the couch, appearing small and insignificant, but under the rim of her hat her eyes are glued to Astervane.

[22:51](Anstarra Silverain) Alright! Notice won't do much right now, but sure, Empathy. It'll be opposed by Will.

[22:51](Leanne Delphium) Oh, derp, I rolled notice for some reason.

[22:51](X'cinna Ares) Can I investigate the room? Looking for escape routes or impeding traps?

[22:52](Anstarra Silverain) same number as Empathy so

[22:52](Leanne Delphium) Ah, but did write the +3, yeah

[22:52](X'cinna Ares) ouch.

[22:52](Leanne Delphium) Yeah, I'm not winning against this number.  
[22:53](Anstarra Silverain) Just meeting this woman's eyes is... difficult. Let alone trying to get a read on her. Here is someone with an utterly /implacable facade/ (2 invokes for her).  
[22:54](Anstarra Silverain) You can investigate, Cinna, though without actually moving around and poking about results will be limited.  
[22:54](X'cinna Ares) Well, better than nothing.  
[22:54](X'cinna Ares) 3  
[22:55](Kuina Kusushi) I'm just going to go with notice for hidden weapons or traps.  
[22:55](Anstarra Silverain) X'cinna you see a number of.. maybes? You gain the advantage /possible outlets?/ with one invoke, which will be useful if you actually have to dig around in this room for an exit or something.  
[22:56](Anstarra Silverain) Sure Kuina, hmm, just glancing around is really hard.. TN 4!  
[22:56](X'cinna Ares) excellent.  
[22:57](X'cinna Ares) Arbi can help, if she wants.  
[22:57](X'cinna Ares) unless she has a roll in mind  
[22:57](Kuina Kusushi) 4!  
[22:57](Arblis Ellhis) She's far more interested in listening to lady goldentail and Dederu talk, so she can get a better idea of the situation  
[22:57](Kuina Kusushi) rblis' help  
[22:57](Kuina Kusushi) Arblis  
[22:58](Kuina Kusushi) okay, 4 then  
[22:59](Anstarra Silverain) Good one! Kuina looks around, and perhaps it's her mage's intuition or just luck, but she spies the silver lining the underside of the desk's upper rim, and is fairly sure that there is some sort of weaponized Arcanima at work there. Probably defensive... or not.

[22:59](Anstarra Silverain) So, if Arby's simply listening in, onward~  
[23:00](X'cinna Ares) she gonna shield herself then sick voidsent on us \*nods\*  
[23:00](Arblis Ellhis) Yep, I don't have any rolls to squeeze in  
[23:01](X'cinna Ares) at least if she really tries to kill Dederu, she wouldn't be as surprised, with us acting all paranoid.  
[23:01](X'cinna Ares) haha  
[23:02]Anstarra Silverain | Dederu nods to the affirmation. "Yes, I did." She snorts. "And you can well guess why! The only part of my foray up north that went even a LITTLE according to plan was when Adventurers swooped in to extract us! Miss Kuina here was one of those. She vouches for the others." Goldentail fixes those cold eyes upon Kuina. "Does she."

[23:04](X'cinna Ares) Eyeeeeeing Kuina.  
[23:04]Kuina Kusushi meets the glance for a long unblinking pause. Then states clearly "I do."  
[23:07]Anstarra Silverain | She looks for a moment longer, seeming to see right through Kuina, those piercing eyes delving into her soul... before looking back to Dederu, apparently done with the other woman. "Very well. Then let's do business."

[23:08]Arblis Ellhis nods to herself and gets comfortable on her little patch of floor. "It'll be like we're not even here!"

[23:09]X'cinna Ares hasn't let down her guard. So much paranoia. So much danger. She could try to take care of it, but it's obviously it would end up badly. So she waits. Ears flickering.

[23:09](X'cinna Ares) obvious\*

[23:10]Anstarra Silverain | Dederu doesn't quite sigh in relief, and the Servant comes around with a lafal-sized chair, complete with steps, setting it up in front of the high desk. Your patron settles in. "It is auspicious that you have brought these.. adventurers," Goldentail notes suddenly, which makes Deru look up at her. "Is it?" "Do you require them for the negotiations?" "Not really, no." "Then I have a task they might perform. Completion will factor into our arrangement." Your patron looks back at you all.

[23:11]Kuina Kusushi has gone offline.

[23:11](X'cinna Ares) uo

[23:11](Anstarra Silverain) nuuu Kuina

[23:11](Anstarra Silverain) Someone link her the chat log:

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[23:12]Arblis Ellhis shrugs at Dederu. "Well, you did mention this'd be likely. What is it, then? We can likely handle it."

[23:12]X'cinna Ares mutters, "What would have happened if she didn't bring us...."

[23:14](X'cinna Ares) yay

[23:14](Leanne Delphium) Sorry, I know I should've said so earlier, but may I...retire from the event? I'm really not feeling it. And it is awkward for me to be like a mute all the time.

[23:15]Anstarra Silverain | Goldentail's lips quirk, very slightly. She is looking at Dederu... who looks just a little smug. There is a sense of a game being played here, perhaps between them, perhaps with you. "Clearly I made the right choice in bringing you four, assuming you complete this task."

[23:15](Anstarra Silverain) Of course. It's not like I'm gonna force you to sit and RP!

[23:16](Kuina Kusushi) We'll miss you!

[23:16](Leanne Delphium) Maybe someone can take my place, if interested? Dunno if there is. Just, sorry x\_x

[23:16](Arblis Ellhis) Do not worry <3

[23:16](Leanne Delphium) I wish you guys good rolls. Sorry again.

[23:17](Kuina Kusushi) Did I miss anything?

[23:17]>> Kuina Kusushi:

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[23:17](Arblis Ellhis) A few lil posts. They're in the log, I think-  
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[23:20](Anstarra Silverain) Hee, it LOOKS like maybe Lan just got home, which would be a neat fix, assuming he can play

[23:20](Anstarra Silverain) since he was supposed to be in, in the first place

[23:20](X'cinna Ares) maybe. he's not responding. mmm.

[23:20](Kuina Kusushi) Yeah.

[23:21](Kuina Kusushi) I'll be right back

[23:23](Anstarra Silverain) Alright. Getting some quick coffee~ We can continue with 3 players, I don't mind ^^

[23:24](Arblis Ellhis) Aight!

[23:28](Anstarra Silverain) Back!

[23:30]Anstarra Silverain | Mistress Astervane nods calmly, and clicks a latch on her desk. A drawer comes out, and from within she produces a trio of.. devices. They look like a large unspaced crystal with brackets of silver caging them, inscribed with a fortune in tiny runes.

[23:31]Anstarra Silverain: "I require you to capture a voidsent for me."

[23:31]Arblis Ellhis can't help but step forward curiously. "Oh? Why's that?"

[23:32]Anstarra Silverain | The woman's eyes lock with Arby's, an unnerving chill carried in them. "Because it is loose in my basement. And I wish to study it."

[23:32]Kuina Kusushi 's face goes slack for a moment. Then settles into a suspicious scowl.

[23:33]X'cinna Ares remains quite, not wanting to bring attention to herself.

[23:33](X'cinna Ares) quiet

[23:33]Kuina Kusushi: "It just happens.... be in your basement?" Kuina asks incredulously.

[23:34]Anstarra Silverain | There is a distant sound, just then, something like giggling laughter. Or possibly it was the house settling. Goldentail's icy gaze returns to meet Kuina's. "Yes."

[23:34](X'cinna Ares) I can guess who itis.

[23:34](Anstarra Silverain) Shoosh~

[23:35]Arblis Ellhis: "Well. Sounds simple enough. How do those things work?"

[23:36]Kuina Kusushi grips her right wrist with her left hand and lifts it up to cross her arms. She looks less than pleased by the idea.

[23:36]X'cinna Ares is still suspicious, but she eyes the devices.

[23:39]Anstarra Silverain | Dederu Deru, meanwhile, has withdrawn from the discussion. The Servant brought a packet of papers, and she was reading with deep concentration...

Goldentail's gaze returns to Arby. "These aethertraps will weaken the creature, and if it is weak enough, will capture its essence within the crystal matrix. They may only be used once apiece. I advise not wasting them. To activate, come within three fulms and touch the rune at the base, willing aether into the formula."

[23:40](X'cinna Ares) good thing Cinna has Eva's weird spear to do that for her

[23:41](Anstarra Silverain) I wouldn't advise stabbing the aethertrap~

[23:41](X'cinna Ares) you don't stab it. inject a materia into the spear - and redirect the aether the spear provides into the trap to activate.

[23:41](X'cinna Ares) :D

[23:42](Anstarra Silverain) Except she said to touch it and will aether into it, not explosively release an attack volley of violent aetherial discharge into it

[23:42](X'cinna Ares) because murder cats can't will aether anyway

[23:42]Arblis Ellhis: "Right! Well, let's go do it, team! Er. Yeah. Nothing else to say here." She trots forward to collect the aethertraps and scoot out of the room with some haste.

[23:42](Anstarra Silverain) Sure they can

[23:42](X'cinna Ares) They can? Mew.

[23:42](Anstarra Silverain) They have control over their internal aether, they just can't project it

[23:43]Kuina Kusushi cant help leaning a little closer to look at the aethirical prison. "If we catch .... the thing...." She inquires "You said.... influence, negotiation." She indicatethe distracted Dederu.

[23:43](Anstarra Silverain) Contact is close enough

[23:43](X'cinna Ares) Ooo.

[23:43](X'cinna Ares) \*rewrite things\*

[23:45]X'cinna Ares: "We are paid to ensure Ms. Dederu's safety. What if something happens to Miss Dederu?"

[23:45](X'cinna Ares) Can I whisper /possible outlets/ to Dederu? Give her the invoke, just in case?

[23:47]Anstarra Silverain | Goldentail's room door is CLOSED. Well, the Servant closed it behind them when they entered. Does Arby dare open it? Astervane nods to Kuina. "Your mistress negotiates for financial aid in an endeavor. I will contribute more thoroughly, per the outlined sub-sections on page twelve of the proposed contract, pendng completion of this task to my satisfaction. Your mistress will be quite safe here, until then." Dederu nods distractedly, very much focused on the papers.. though she does listen-

[23:47]Anstarra Silverain - as Cinna murmurs HOW TO ESCAPE from this room.. maybe.

[23:47](Anstarra Silverain) yhes ;D

[23:47](X'cinna Ares) Yay!

[23:48](X'cinna Ares) better than dying in this room without any hope if things go wrong

[23:48](X'cinna Ares) haha

[23:48](X'cinna Ares) haha

[23:48]Arblis Ellhis is THE BRAVEST DOOR OPENER and manages the heroic feat of gathering up the prisms and opening the door and getting the heck out of the room with this perfectly sane person.

[23:49]X'cinna Ares eyes Dederu one more time before following Arblis. Ears flickering in suspicion as well.

[23:49]Anstarra Silverain | The door is totally locked. Servant comes along and clicks a hidden latch on the handle, and lets them out with a bow.

[23:49]Kuina Kusushi lingers for a moment before reluctantly joining the other two.

[23:50]Arblis Ellhis: "Holy shite, she wants to add a voidsent to her defense systems. That's... wow."

[23:50]X'cinna Ares gazes upon Arblis Ellhis in deep reflection.

[23:50]X'cinna Ares: "Is this one of those things that's been going on recently? With the flapping eyeballs or something?"

[23:51]Kuina Kusushi: "Yes.... but....I think... I know this one."  
[23:51]X'cinna Ares gazes upon Kuina Kusushi in deep reflection.  
[23:51]Arblis Ellhis: "There's a lot of kinds of voidsent. A whole world of them! But I- wait, you do?"  
[23:51]X'cinna Ares: "You do?"  
[23:52]Kuina Kusushi: "Maybe.... a guess... but..... the.... um .... sound...." Kuina wrinkles her forehead in concentration. "That... giggle was... familiar."  
[23:52]Anstarra Silverain: "Mistresses."  
[23:53]Anstarra Silverain | Another Servant has approached unheard from the side.  
[23:53]X'cinna Ares: "Turns around...."  
[23:53](X'cinna Ares) oops  
[23:53]Anstarra Silverain | She looks.. almost identical to the other one.  
[23:53](X'cinna Ares) do they have their tails showing?  
[23:53](Arblis Ellhis) It's sheathed in a gold tailsock  
[23:53]Kuina Kusushi glances between the two. "Yes?"  
[23:54]Anstarra Silverain: "I am to escort you to the Basement area, past the wards."  
[23:54](X'cinna Ares) psssh, a gold tailsock  
[23:54](Anstarra Silverain) Yus~ Whole tail in leather sheath, and the end is gold  
[23:54](X'cinna Ares) Can I make a notice check? To compare their mannerisms with the Clipped?  
[23:54]Arblis Ellhis moves to follow and tilts her head to the side. "That's a pretty detailed outfit. How long does it take to get in and out of it when your work is over and you leave the place?"  
[23:55](Anstarra Silverain) That would be Empathy~  
[23:55](X'cinna Ares) Pssssh. Cinna's got no Empathy.  
[23:55]Kuina Kusushi extends a hand to Arblis for one of the prisims then limps quietly after her.  
[23:55](Anstarra Silverain) Welp.  
[23:55](Anstarra Silverain) Arby.. Rapport?  
[23:55]Arblis Ellhis passes over a prism thingy to each of her companions. Oh right, that.  
[23:55](X'cinna Ares) damn murder cats

[23:56](X'cinna Ares) ouch  
[23:56](Arblis Ellhis) Negative one! I'd like to spend a fate point to reroll that, I think  
[23:56](Anstarra Silverain) Nice ;D  
[23:56](Anstarra Silverain) Okies~  
[23:57](Anstarra Silverain) Out of what aspect!  
[23:57](Arblis Ellhis) Using Champion of the Downtrodden, she spent most of her time in here figuring out the most bestest way to ask that because this Does Not Seem Kosher  
[23:57](Anstarra Silverain) Okies~  
[23:57](Arblis Ellhis) 2!  
[23:58](X'cinna Ares) murder cats are usually easy to read, sometimes.  
[23:59]Anstarra Silverain | The Servant looks to Arby, though you can't see her eyes, and smiles very slightly. "It does take some time. But it is worth it." She spreads her fingers to her left. "If you would follow me..?"

[23:59]Arblis Ellhis doesn't outright say 'iiiiinteresting', but she's obviously thinking it.  
[0:00]X'cinna Ares narrows her eyes. So suspicious.  
[0:00](Anstarra Silverain) Actually I'm just poking around to see Barb's house, it's been a while =3 I know where we're going ;D  
[0:00](Arblis Ellhis) XD  
[0:01](Arblis Ellhis) CATS RUNNIN ALL OVER THE HOUSE  
[0:01](Anstarra Silverain) ;D

[0:01](Anstarra Silverain) ;D  
[0:01](Anstarra Silverain) OKAY  
[0:01](X'cinna Ares) CATS EXPLORING  
[0:01](X'cinna Ares) and a Lizard  
[0:03]Kuina Kusushi laggs behind the group, clutching the aethertrap to her chest and glancing uneasily around the basement.  
[0:04]X'cinna Ares has one hand on her spear and another on the aethertrap.  
[0:05]Anstarra Silverain | Down the stairs you go, into the basement. Down here, a chill pervades the air, and though it is not dank it is still somewhat uncomfortable. The Servant stops at some points, and there lays her hand over a crystal embedded in the wall, infusing it before continuing. This place is fortified against aetherial incursion.. "The intruder entered while the Mistress was conducting an experiment. The wards have been hardened, since, but the basement has remained inaccessible for nearly a moon."  
[0:06](X'cinna Ares) can I roll to investigate the room?  
[0:06](Anstarra Silverain) Actually, let's go back by the stairs; the various rooms will represent different places. You're just at the threshold right now.  
[0:07]Arblis Ellhis warily murmurs, "That's a very long time to just leave something rampaging in here...."  
[0:07]X'cinna Ares: "If the prey is strong, one must be patient."  
[0:09]Anstarra Silverain: "Yes. The Mistress strongly wishes to study this intruder, rather than simply have it destroyed. So she had the aethertraps made for it." She stops at the end of a hallway, leading into a dimly-lit wide corridor down which you can see multiple offshoots.  
[0:10]Kuina Kusushi narrows her eyes slightly "These rooms.... further warded?" She inquires, playing with the head of her cane.  
[0:10]Arblis Ellhis takes a moment to study the design of the aethertrap. Might as well, while she has the chance.  
[0:10](Arblis Ellhis) If there's anything to learn from studying em, I can do a lore roll  
[0:11](Kuina Kusushi) Kuina could assist.  
[0:11](X'cinna Ares) can I roll to look at the environment of the room?  
[0:11]Anstarra Silverain: "Beyond this point, the intruder has freedom of movement, though it cannot pass through the walls to leave."  
[0:11](X'cinna Ares) places to hide, places to retreat, trying to discover environmental aspects?  
[0:11](Anstarra Silverain) Well, it's just a hallway for now~  
[0:12](X'cinna Ares) sniffing the atmosphere.  
[0:12]Arblis Ellhis smiles, "Well, that's nice of it to be a corporeal thing!"  
[0:12](Anstarra Silverain) Okay so! Urgh, fighting my own fatigue. \*Slaps face\*

[0:12](X'cinna Ares) \*hugs An\*

[0:13](Anstarra Silverain) I'm gonna cut down on unnecessary rolls for now

[0:13](Arblis Ellhis) Sounds like a good plan to me. X3

[0:13](X'cinna Ares) kaay

[0:13](Kuina Kusushi) \*thumbs up\*

[0:13](Anstarra Silverain) Studying the aethertrap wouldn't yield anything useful right now; it's way complicated. Need a lab. This room's just a hall. For now, nothing special..

[0:14]Anstarra Silverain: "Apparently the intruder can be sometimes corporeal, sometimes not. But the wards prevent even the incorporeal from passing through the Manor's foundation."

[0:14](X'cinna Ares) hehe no worries. watching Spahro's crazy mammet event made me paranoid.

[0:14](Anstarra Silverain) I'm not as... Spahro, as Spahro

[0:15]Arblis Ellhis nods vigorously. "Understood!"

[0:15](Anstarra Silverain) Not gonna punish you for not pestering me for a roll every 5 minues

[0:15](X'cinna Ares) :D

[0:15](Kuina Kusushi) Sorry.... it's the Spahro habit.

[0:15]X'cinna Ares: "Whatever you say.... Si...." Cinna stops and just nods.

[0:16]Anstarra Silverain | Servant smiles slightly, and nods. "I will wait here. Once you pass, I will harden the wards. It should not keep you from leaving if need be, it is simply a precaution in case of the use of violent energies. The Mistress' laboratory contains various volatile sources of energy, though most explosions ceased after the first sennight. Good luck."

[0:17]Kuina Kusushi speaks quietly "Can.... you tell.... anything more about the ..... /thing/'s nature."

[0:19]Anstarra Silverain | The Servant shakes her head slightly. "The Mistress has kept us away from it for our security. And she has been unable to study it closely. It seems capable of void energy discharge and teleportation, as well as voidal investiture." She says this last sentence as though a direct quote.

[0:19](X'cinna Ares) In preparation for void combat, can I build an invoke on my Aspect - Weapon (Goetsypr) using a Mind materia for mental defense?

[0:19](X'cinna Ares) also showing off pretty materia spear

[0:19](Anstarra Silverain) Sure, I'll let everyone make one prep advantage or whatever now if they want~

[0:20](Anstarra Silverain) Roll Will, TN 2

[0:20](Kuina Kusushi) Kuina will cast protect on the group.

[0:21](Anstarra Silverain) CNJ, TN 1; lots of wards to feed off of, right here.

[0:21](X'cinna Ares) Isn't that a Lancer roll? Since she's using her spear?

[0:21](X'cinna Ares) and it's what the Stunt she has is for

[0:21]Kuina Kusushi nods slowly shifting her cane in a subtle movement. The aether around each of her companions and herself flutters, then goes deceptively still again.



[0:21](Anstarra Silverain) That will work if it's Lancer-relevant~ Mental defense is not.

[0:21](Arblis Ellhis) Well if it's a basic buff to get, I guess I can go for stretching out and loosening up to get ready for evading

[0:22](X'cinna Ares) mmm, fine, mew

[0:22](Kuina Kusushi) 5

[0:22](Anstarra Silverain) Athletics TN 2 Arby

[0:22](X'cinna Ares) -00000000

[0:22](Anstarra Silverain) 2 invokes of Protect!

[0:22](Arblis Ellhis) Got a 3 ath

[0:22](X'cinna Ares) Can I spend a FP, to reroll?

[0:23](Anstarra Silverain) Mental preparation is harder than you thought.. you could succeed anyway, Cinna, for a MStress, or FP to reroll.

[0:23](Anstarra Silverain) 1 invoke Arby!

[0:23](X'cinna Ares) I'll do it for a M stress.

[0:23](X'cinna Ares) Since I don't use Lancer, I don't use the spear.

[0:24]Arblis Ellhis rolls her shoulders and takes a few deep breaths, adding in a few proper stretches to get ready to throw herself away from danger that will probably be hitting her momentarily.

[0:24](Anstarra Silverain) Alright; you focus hard! Your will hardens in anticipation..

[0:24](Anstarra Silverain) Arby you simply build an invoke on /Always Moving/

[0:24](Arblis Ellhis) Ah right! I always forget about that.

[0:25]X'cinna Ares tries to focus... a voidsent, if she recalls ... should maybe harden... thoughts, or take out a flask and drink it away.

[0:25](Anstarra Silverain) Hee~

[0:26](Anstarra Silverain) An invoke of /Hard Head/ for Cinna ;3

[0:26]X'cinna Ares remembers that she ran out. She has a brief look of horror and mental stress.

[0:26](Arblis Ellhis) XD

[0:27](Anstarra Silverain) This is what we make money for!

[0:27]Arblis Ellhis: "I'm ready if you guys are. And it's probably ready for us as well."

[0:27]X'cinna Ares nods to Arblis Ellhis.

[0:28]Kuina Kusushi glances to them ".....yes."

[0:28]Anstarra Silverain | The Servant waits patiently while you all steel yourselves. There is that about her which is quite still, when she wishes to be... her tail doesn't even flow. That gold looks heavy. She smiles slightly and nods. "Azeyma ward." As you pass through, she powers up one of the runes.

[0:29]Arblis Ellhis steps through to the dangerous half of the basement. She calls out "Hey! I don't suppose you'd like to give up now?"

[0:29]X'cinna Ares looks at Arblis Ellhis in shock!

[0:29]X'cinna Ares hurries after Arblis.

[0:29]Anstarra Silverain | Meanwhile, passing into the new area, the air is noticeably... creepier. There is a soft, violet tinge to everything, somehow, as if a filter of coloured glass was laid upon the world. A giggle is heard, distant and echoing, in response to Arby's call.

[0:30]X'cinna Ares draws her spear and scans the room.

[0:30](X'cinna Ares) Can I stealth?

[0:30](X'cinna Ares) and technically, the spear doesn't glow until it eats a materia  
[0:31](Anstarra Silverain) You cannot gain the stealthed tag, there isn't enough cover. You CAN however build an advantage, in order to be subtle in general.  
[0:31]Kuina Kusushi falls in behind the other two, silent and poised.  
[0:31](X'cinna Ares) sureeee  
[0:31](Anstarra Silverain) TN 2; it's gloomy but open and quiet.  
[0:31](X'cinna Ares) 222222  
[0:31](Anstarra Silverain) You gain a boost~  
[0:32](X'cinna Ares) Wooo.  
[0:32](Anstarra Silverain) Descriptions inc~  
[0:32]Anstarra Silverain | Immediately to your left is a reading chamber, wherein  
[0:33]Anstarra Silverain | Immediately to your left is a reading chamber, wherein many books lie strewn about in disarray, while others are piled in what seems like a decorative manner upon tables and divans. The hallway continues, ahead, and to the right, with doors on the left..

[0:35](Anstarra Silverain) So. Where to?  
[0:35](X'cinna Ares) which direction did the giggling come from?  
[0:36](Anstarra Silverain) Mmm.. maybe off from the right..  
[0:36](Kuina Kusushi) Kuina is going to stay in the back for this.... glass cannon and she knows it.  
[0:36]Arblis Ellhis leaves the door of the Book Chamber open, and goes to pull open the door on the right, just to see.  
[0:36](Anstarra Silverain) So yes, marching order. Do you guys want to occupy essentially two different Zones as you move around?  
[0:36](Arblis Ellhis) Definitely  
[0:37](X'cinna Ares) I'll follow Arblis.  
[0:37](Anstarra Silverain) So Kuina's in Back, and Arby and Cinna in Front.  
[0:37](Kuina Kusushi) I'll stay a zone back  
[0:37](X'cinna Ares) although if it who I think it is, it wouldn't matter. hehe.  
[0:38](Anstarra Silverain) Different zones are useful for anti-aoe clusterfuffles~  
[0:38](Kuina Kusushi) Yep. She'll show up when and where she wants to.  
[0:39]Anstarra Silverain | To the right, a short hallway, leading right and left again, to different chambers...  
[0:39]Arblis Ellhis starts by pulling open the door on the left, and will quickly open the right as well if nothing major shows up  
[0:40]X'cinna Ares watches googly-eyed at Arblis. No caution at all. just throwing things open.  
[0:40]Anstarra Silverain | The sound of running water comes clear from ahead, as Arby opens the door.. steam wafts through the air, bringing the scent of spices.  
[0:41]Arblis Ellhis: "Aw, how nice. Our little voidsent likes fancy baths!"  
[0:41]Anstarra Silverain | Somewhere, giggling is heard. The steam seems to curl around you all.

[0:42]X'cinna Ares: "I dislike hot baths...."

[0:42](X'cinna Ares) can Cinna twirl her spear , to try to get rid of the steam?

[0:42]Kuina Kusushi chuckles in a gentle rumble, right before the giggle chokes her off. "Step back..... smoke." She cautions.

[0:42](X'cinna Ares) because warm baths make her slow!

[0:42](Anstarra Silverain) She does; it's simply steam, it dissipates. More slowly comes out.

[0:43]Anstarra Silverain | Ahead, you hear splashing.

[0:43]X'cinna Ares: "Kuina. Freeze it."

[0:43]Arblis Ellhis casually chats as she steps away from the door. "Really? That's too bad, they're really nice. Now to get this one open... if they're gonna give us time, I'm more than happy to make sure there are no extra surprises for us."

[0:44]X'cinna Ares watches with her mouth slightly ajar as Arblis proceeds to slam the slide shut and casually walk over to open up the other room.

[0:46]Anstarra Silverain | This room appears to be some sort of lounge. A fireplace blazes merrily with purple flame, and smears of ash stain the ground and couches in the shape of a hundred tiny handprints.

[0:48]Arblis Ellhis: "Oh that's bad. We probably want to put that out. Too bad the bath is taken already.."

[0:48]X'cinna Ares: "Kuina, you can use cold magicks?"

[0:49]Kuina Kusushi doesn't move from her position at the opening of the hallway. Her attention shifts rapidly from steam to flame but she makes no motion to cast preemptively. "Calm Cinna." She says quietly, "Voidflame.... often immune."

[0:49]Kuina Kusushi: "Step back... I ...may try."

[0:50]Anstarra Silverain | Another giggle is heard, and the fireplace blazes merrily, swirling for a moment. -Have yOU come to pLAY?- The question seems to float, echo in from a distance..

[0:50](Kuina Kusushi) Going to try and freeze the voidfire.

[0:50](Anstarra Silverain) THM it up!

[0:52](Kuina Kusushi) 4

[0:52](Anstarra Silverain) Your ice spell crashes up against the roiling voidflame.. and extinguishes it!

[0:53]X'cinna Ares claps for Kuina Kusushi.

[0:53]Arblis Ellhis: "Nicely done! One less thing to bite at our backs~"

[0:53]Kuina Kusushi remains silent as she gathers the aether and releases it without fanfare. She stands poised for a moment. Then slowly relaxes.

[0:54]Arblis Ellhis calls out, "Actually we're here for work, but we'll come talk to you in just a minuuute~" She leaves the door open and turns to go check the end of the hall.

[0:55]Anstarra Silverain | There is a soft hissing roar as the flames gutter out. Then.. "Aww.. why'd you do that?" Suddenly, sharply there is a heat of energy and BAM! Right there in the air, there is a ball, a perfect sphere of roiling red and purple energy. And on top of it, a girl.

[0:55]Arblis Ellhis: "Oh!"

[0:55]Anstarra Silverain | She looks to be perhaps eight or nine turns old; her hair is bright and silvery, and seems to emanate light. Her physique could be that of a miqo'te child.. though no miqo'te had quite that hue of skin, a gradient blue through purple all the way to

red, highlighting tiny little spikes and scales in decorative patterns. Her tail is longer than children's, almost like something an au ra would have, supple and leathery and spiked... as are the wings floating from her back like a cloak-

[0:55]Anstarra Silverain | - in an invisible wind. Her eyes are pits of blackness, with bright purple irises.

[0:56]Arblis Ellhis: "She reminds me of my first crush.."

[0:56](Anstarra Silverain) For reference, she is floating more or less above Kuina.

[0:56]X'cinna Ares fails to understand Arblis Ellhis.

[0:57](X'cinna Ares) Surprise.

[0:57]Arblis Ellhis glances over to Cinna. "That was a joke. I thought it was really witty!"

[0:57](Anstarra Silverain) Well she DID huff and puff and blow out her fire!

[0:57]Kuina Kusushi gives Arblis a scowl.

[0:58](X'cinna Ares) JAM THAT VOID PRISON UP!

[0:58]Anstarra Silverain | The girl, for so she appears, cocks her head. "What's a crush? Oh!" Her ears perk up, and she grins, kicking her feet. "That's when a girl likes a boy, right?"

[0:59](X'cinna Ares) This girl is dangerous. Everything is dangerous. Murder cat senses tingling. NEED TO JAM THE PRISON STRAIGHT INTO HER! Can I roll to pounce on her?

[0:59](Anstarra Silverain) Calm your tits, Orrin

[0:59]Arblis Ellhis tugs on her ear. "Well, doesn't necessarily have to be a boy, but yes! That's the thing."

[0:59](Arblis Ellhis) XD

[0:59](X'cinna Ares) STAB STAB STAB!

[0:59](Anstarra Silverain) Unless you're self-Compelling ;D

[1:00](X'cinna Ares) hmmm

[1:00](X'cinna Ares) would anyone mind if Cinna suddenly pounced?

[1:00](X'cinna Ares) Haha.

[1:00](Kuina Kusushi) Go for it.

[1:00](Arblis Ellhis) Arblis will be disappointed to lose her wonderful conversational partner, but hey, they ARE here to beat her up and seal her

[1:01](Arblis Ellhis) And everyone knows you can't trust malevolent childlike entities from beyond the veil

[1:01](Anstarra Silverain) Well clearly~

[1:01]X'cinna Ares >> Can I self-compel Brutal Lack of Common Sense? It's a ENEMY! DESTROY!

[1:02](Anstarra Silverain) Actually, this doesn't really merit a compel. I don't see how it would be explicitly disadvantageous to you to go at her.

[1:02](X'cinna Ares) Yay!

[1:02](Anstarra Silverain) It removes possibilities for RP, but that's not a mechanical downside.

[1:02](X'cinna Ares) Well. We could RP, but she can own us with her talking.

[1:02](X'cinna Ares) :D

[1:03](Anstarra Silverain) So let's see.. you just attack then?

[1:03](Anstarra Silverain) Or do you use the trap?  
[1:03](X'cinna Ares) Use the trap.  
[1:03](Anstarra Silverain) Okay! Roll it, it's an attack at +6  
[1:03](X'cinna Ares) Sudden cat lunch!  
[1:04](X'cinna Ares) 8  
[1:04](Anstarra Silverain) Her defense is 4!  
[1:05](Anstarra Silverain) It will inflict 4 Stress to her~  
[1:05]X'cinna Ares suddenly lunges at the evil little creature, slamming the voidtrap at it while hissing. ENEMY! DESTROY!  
[1:05](X'cinna Ares) Hoho, she has a +5 attack.  
[1:05](X'cinna Ares) No wait.  
[1:06](X'cinna Ares) Hmm.  
[1:06](X'cinna Ares) if she defends with it, then it's a physical>  
[1:06]Anstarra Silverain | "Eek!" The little girl hides behind her big glowing ball of void energy.. and shrieks in pain, as the aethertrap blazes white. The light from it is pure and implacable, a firm, solid radiance that makes you all avert your eyes for a moment.  
[1:07]X'cinna Ares: "Enemy! Destroy! For the Nu..... There is no play!"  
[1:07](Anstarra Silverain) WELL now it's join battle =D

[1:07](Anstarra Silverain) notice-athletics-physique!  
[1:08](Arblis Ellhis) 1.41  
[1:08](X'cinna Ares) 2-3-3  
[1:08](Kuina Kusushi) 2-0-1  
[1:08]Arblis Ellhis lets out a short sigh, but doesn't seem too horribly broken up over her conversation being interrupted by ambush. She draws her flamberge and gets ready to fite  
[1:09](Anstarra Silverain) Init: X'cinna - Kuina - Starlight - Arby  
[1:10](X'cinna Ares) I roll to build advantage with Goetspyr - injecting Strength materia to beef up physical defense/attack, making a invoke on it.  
[1:10](Anstarra Silverain) Okay! Lancer, TN 2  
[1:10](X'cinna Ares) 7!  
[1:11](Anstarra Silverain) 2 invokes on /Radiance Mode!  
[1:11](Anstarra Silverain) incidentally your stealth boost is lost ;D  
[1:12](Anstarra Silverain) From using the shinesplodethingy  
[1:12](Anstarra Silverain) Kuina!  
[1:12](Anstarra Silverain) Emote it up Cinna~  
[1:12](Kuina Kusushi) Kuina will attempt to create an advantage by pinning starlight to the ground with a wind spell.  
[1:12]X'cinna Ares snarls savagely, before reaching into her pocket and taking out a blueish materia, she holds it up to her spear and aetheric tendrils emit from the spear, sucking the materia whole into it. In a instant, the spear activates, crackling with energy, which proceeds to lash out and attach to Cinna, connecting and stabilizing her aetherical network in preparation for a explosion of power.  
[1:12](Anstarra Silverain) Alright! We'll call it.. CNJ vs Physique. Roll it!  
[1:13](X'cinna Ares) Arblis might recognize this if she seen An use her materia stunt, although this is more temporary.

[1:14](Anstarra Silverain) Well, it's only thematically the same ;3

[1:14](Anstarra Silverain) in that materia are used

[1:14](Anstarra Silverain) Eva never studied the radiance so

[1:14](Kuina Kusushi) 3

[1:14](Anstarra Silverain) You get it! one invoke of /windpinned/!

[1:15](X'cinna Ares) She could only approximate it, but turned out rather closeish. and technically she can make more, before she spent all her money on cat collars.

[1:16](X'cinna Ares) and also, An uses elemental materia, Cinna uses stat materia. :D

[1:18]X'cinna Ares looks pretty savage and not-fun-to-play with right now.

[1:18]Anstarra Silverain | The void girl shrieks as the wind blasts at her... but it almost sounds like a shriek of laughter? "Woo! You ARE here to play! Haha! But I left my toys in the other room!" She hugs her ball and BAMF! Her form flies apart and you see the flow of light vanish through the wall and door ahead of you.

[1:19](Anstarra Silverain) Alas, /windpinned/ is lost.

[1:19](X'cinna Ares) damn teleporter

[1:19](Anstarra Silverain) Arby!

[1:19](Arblis Ellhis) Then Arblis is gonna run straight into that dang room

[1:20](X'cinna Ares) offff course. :D

[1:20](Anstarra Silverain) =D

[1:20](Arblis Ellhis) She has no need to run away yet!

[1:21](Anstarra Silverain) She kicks open the door! Or rather kinda kicks through it, and gets her leg stuck, and kinda has to pull it out, cuz it's one of those soft-grain sliding doors, and she kinda slides it open.. in time to see something awful!

[1:24]Anstarra Silverain | This room looks like it could be a torture chamber, except.. perhaps not. The colours are too rose, and there's.. fur? On those manacles? Those whips look kinda soft too. All this would be fairly distracting, were it not for the far more immediate distraction of a hundred or so rats seeming to jump onto one another and form a giant, writhing ball. Upon proper reflection, they're all dead rats. Which doesn't seem to stop them from moving, forming a writhing sphere roughly five fulms across.

[1:25]Anstarra Silverain | Starlight is floating above and to the side, watching the Jujuratball with joy. "Isn't he cute? What shall I name him?"

[1:26](X'cinna Ares) Pssh. Cinna's seen worse.

[1:26](Anstarra Silverain) Not really~

[1:26]Arblis Ellhis makes eye contact with Starlight, steps right back out the door, and shuts it. "No thanks. I don't wanna play with him."

[1:26](Anstarra Silverain) Hahaha

[1:26](X'cinna Ares) Just rats. You haven't seen what Eva does to the voidsent bombs she makes.

[1:26](X'cinna Ares) :p

[1:26](X'cinna Ares) :D

[1:27](Anstarra Silverain) Eva's not twisted enough to do crap like this ;b

[1:27](Arblis Ellhis) I feel satisfied with the best possible use of "move two zones in a turn"

[1:27](Anstarra Silverain) Haha

[1:27](X'cinna Ares) Well, can a ball of undead mice open doors?

[1:28]Anstarra Silverain The Jujuratball crashes through the door like the Kool Ade Guy! "SQUEAK"

[1:28]X'cinna Ares hisses at the Jujuratball.

[1:29](Anstarra Silverain) Well, you're all in the same zone right now. The jujuratball spent its turn smashing through the door~

[1:29](Anstarra Silverain) Cinna!

[1:29]X'cinna Ares 's hair is rising upwards, her fur on edge, but it's a solid ball of things to smash!

[1:29](Arblis Ellhis) Arblis' turn: Comedy AND effective! She negated his attack! Sorta!

[1:30](Anstarra Silverain) She did!

[1:30]Kuina Kusushi 's eyes widen sharply, at the brief glance that she gets and she attempts to say something. Unfortunately the slowly formed word is lost in a spluttering "Gah!" As the monstrosity makes it's second appearance.

[1:30](X'cinna Ares) Cinna will stab her materia infused spear into the jujuball. All hissing and stuff. DIE RATS!

[1:30](Anstarra Silverain) Do it!

[1:30](X'cinna Ares) standard murder cat response

[1:31](X'cinna Ares) 4

[1:31](X'cinna Ares) I hate how Rolz just adds modifiers

[1:31](X'cinna Ares) haha

[1:32](Anstarra Silverain) I've never seen it do that!

[1:32](X'cinna Ares) I want to add a invoke of Radiance mode!

[1:32](X'cinna Ares) +2

[1:32](X'cinna Ares) up to 6

[1:32](Anstarra Silverain) You hit by 3!

[1:33](Anstarra Silverain) The damage is mitigated by 2, by [Juju Durability]!

[1:33]X'cinna Ares snarfs and hisses before slamming into the ball of rats.

[1:33](Kuina Kusushi) Kuina will move one zone up the hall. Then use conjury to loosen the tiles under that rat ball and hopefully stop it's progress.

[1:33](Anstarra Silverain) The Jujuratball takes 1 stress as Cinna carves a swath of them out!

[1:33](Anstarra Silverain) Emote it! Okay which direction Kuina?

[1:34](Kuina Kusushi) Left. Always left!

[1:34](X'cinna Ares) Isn't the ball floating?

[1:34](Anstarra Silverain) Okay! So, creating an advantage against it! No, it's a rolling ball

[1:34](X'cinna Ares) oh, hehe.

[1:35](Anstarra Silverain) Roll it up!

[1:35](Kuina Kusushi) 6

[1:36](Anstarra Silverain) You succeed! One invoke of /skidding/, which it can't really leave the zone until it sheds one way or the other!

[1:37](Anstarra Silverain) Starlight's turn!

[1:38]Kuina Kusushi takes advantage of the wall tu scurry out of the balls direct path. As she retreats, the little mage throws a brief spell over her shoulder, fracturing the tiles below the ratball. It skidds in place, temporarily trapped in the newly fromed pothole.

[1:38]Kuina Kusushi formed\*

[1:38]Anstarra Silverain | =BAMF= Suddenly the ball-riding voidkitten is above Kuina again, tail lashing cheerfully. "Hey. Hey. Hey. Wanna hear... seeecrets??" She asks, eyes shining brightly, looking at Kuina first..

[1:38](X'cinna Ares) here it comes

[1:38](Anstarra Silverain) Kuina chooses yes or no!

[1:40](Anstarra Silverain) If she says no, the question will pass to someone else..

[1:40]Kuina Kusushi braces her back against the wall. Eyes lockign onto the voidsent. There is a brief moment of thought. Then she gives a single nod.... yes."

[1:41]Anstarra Silverain | Starlight's ears perk up joyously =BAMF= and then she is next to Kuina, close like a BFF whispering secrets into your ear, which is precisely what she does. She says things. Terrible things.

[1:41](X'cinna Ares) Kuina has horns.

[1:41](X'cinna Ares) :D

[1:41](Anstarra Silverain) Defend with Will!

[1:42](Anstarra Silverain) ..and possibly prepare for an aneurysm!

[1:42](Anstarra Silverain) 7 mental stress unless you mitigate!

[1:42]Arblis Ellhis glares back toward Kuina and Starlight. She almost looks jealous.

[1:42](X'cinna Ares) should have answered yes. then smacked her with the void prison

[1:43](X'cinna Ares) :D

[1:43](Anstarra Silverain) Can always do that next turn~

[1:43](Kuina Kusushi) Eeek! I will use /Streetwise Scum/ and /Battlemage of a Dead Cause/ with two FP. Kuina has seen a lot of nasty.

[1:43](Arblis Ellhis) We only have three pokeballs, don't wanna use all of em and leave her low but not yet captured!

[1:43](Anstarra Silverain) Okay! You also have Protect. It would apply, filtering things out.

[1:43](Kuina Kusushi) Okay, one FP and protect then.

[1:44](Kuina Kusushi) I will put three stress in my box

[1:44](Anstarra Silverain) Alright! So you gain 3 Mental Stress.. and 1 invoke of /Insights on the Fallen/, which are useable in dealing with Falling Stars tribals...

[1:44](X'cinna Ares) Pssh. You want to capture her? KILL! DESTROY!

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[1:57](Anstarra Silverain) so much juju~  
[1:57](Arblis Ellhis) You'd have to hit 9 to even damage it when it gets a 6!  
[1:57](X'cinna Ares) won't bother if I can't damage it.  
[1:57](Kuina Kusushi) Kuina will spend this turn steeling her mind and let Starlight continue her secrets.  
[1:57](Anstarra Silverain) Oho? So, going mentally full-defensive?  
[1:57](Kuina Kusushi) Yes.  
[1:58](Kuina Kusushi) (that's a +2 right?)  
[1:58]X'cinna Ares swipes at the ratball with her spear, the ratball deflects her spear by poring rates into it.  
[1:58](Anstarra Silverain) Neat~ Yes it is!

[1:58](Kuina Kusushi) Okay. Mental full defense it is.

[1:58]Anstarra Silverain | The rats climb and jump all over! So many horrible undead rats.

[1:59](Anstarra Silverain) Emote it! Starlight's turn!

[1:59]Anstarra Silverain | Starlight only sulks for a moment longer before perking up, looking at Arby. "Do YOU wanna hear SECRETS??"

[1:59]Kuina Kusushi takes advantage of the momentary distraction to catch her breath and pull herself a little straighter. She gives the other two a look that says, 'Please be quick'. Then she gives Starlight a playful wink and inclines her horn inticingly.

[2:00](Anstarra Silverain) Kids and their attention span. If Arby refuses she'll probly come back to Kuina... but WILL SHE REFUSE??

[2:00](Kuina Kusushi) Oh the suspense!

[2:00]Arblis Ellhis 's ears flick upward. "Heck yeah!! I love secrets!"

[2:01](Anstarra Silverain) Hahahaha

[2:01](Kuina Kusushi) >.,

[2:01](Arblis Ellhis) I'm pretty sure there's no universe where she would say no, I'm sorry

[2:01](X'cinna Ares) She's ignoring Cinna. :(

[2:01](Anstarra Silverain) Arby talked to her~

[2:01](X'cinna Ares) Well, Cinna's kind of hissing and obviously preoccupied with the ratball.

[2:01](Anstarra Silverain) That too~

[2:02]Anstarra Silverain | Starlight beams with those cute, sharp voidsentkittyteeth and =BAMF= is totally next to Arby, leaning in and eagerly whispering -horrible things- with her tail swishing and dancing..

[2:02](Anstarra Silverain) Will def!

[2:02](Arblis Ellhis) A one! One of these days I'll roll a positive number

[2:03](Anstarra Silverain) it hurts and stings! 5 MStress?

[2:04](Arblis Ellhis) Far as I know, I don't have anything that can block it except for Super Luck and I'm drawing a blank on something incredibly lucky that would reduce the damage

[2:04](Arblis Ellhis) So in that case I'll go for a Minor consequence and fill the 3-box

[2:04](Anstarra Silverain) Actually, interestingly, if you wanted Consumed by Subconscious would be a valid FP channel

[2:05](Arblis Ellhis) Oh shit I didn't even think of that

[2:05](Arblis Ellhis) FP beats out consequence, then!

[2:05](Anstarra Silverain) as her Subconscious would kinda.. subsume it.. which might not be healthy long-term.. but oh well! What Adventurer is REALLY free of mental problems =D

[2:05](Arblis Ellhis) Arblis promises she has none.

[2:05](Anstarra Silverain) With total 'honesty'

[2:06](Anstarra Silverain) Okay so 3 Mstress!

[2:06](X'cinna Ares) psssh

[2:06](X'cinna Ares) embrace your insanity

[2:06](Arblis Ellhis) I was expecting like, a hit of 9 honestly!

[2:06](Anstarra Silverain) Arbyturn! And haha, it coulda been! Dice~

[2:07](Anstarra Silverain) Don't worry, Arby still has the chance to get a mental Consequence and suffer some sort of RPable derangement until she gets better..

[2:07](Arblis Ellhis) XD

[2:07](Arblis Ellhis) Might as well go for the chandelier then. BOOT KNIFE THROW

[2:07](Anstarra Silverain) PEW

[2:08](Arblis Ellhis) The question is if I can use Avenger for that or not

[2:08](Anstarra Silverain) With uh. Avenger I.. guess? VENGEFUL KNIFE TOSS

[2:08](Anstarra Silverain) Sure, go for it

[2:08](Arblis Ellhis) A POSITIVE NUMBER OF FOUR

[2:08](Anstarra Silverain) ohsnarp

[2:09]Arblis Ellhis listens excitedly to the dark whispers of dread, her tail twitching wildly. This is fine. These are not horrible things. She nods to Starlight and absentmindedly chucks a spare knife at the chandelier hanging precariously over the ratball.

[2:10](Anstarra Silverain) The chandelier falls! It's gonna crash right on the rats! Kinda by default, it consumes the /skidding/ advantage, there'll be debris to crawl over after this anyway, but that will add to the attack. They can't properly dodge this since it's an AoE [weakness discovered!] and BAM

[2:11](X'cinna Ares) Cinna doesn't have any AoEs. Boo.

[2:11](X'cinna Ares) Oh dear. It's even more dangerous now.

[2:11](X'cinna Ares) :D

[2:11](Anstarra Silverain) So, 6v2, 4, minus 2 for Juju Durability, deals 2 stress~

[2:12](Anstarra Silverain) Oh right, the chandelier is probably full of void fire.

[2:12](Anstarra Silverain) Arby and Cinna, defend with Athletics!

[2:12](X'cinna Ares) i knew it

[2:12](Anstarra Silverain) (so must the rats)

[2:12](X'cinna Ares) Nuuu! 1

[2:12](Arblis Ellhis) Four

[2:14](Anstarra Silverain) 1 stress to Cinna! none to Arby! 2 to the rats! Hey look, they can't soak void.. or maybe fire? Their 3-stress is filled!

[2:15](Kuina Kusushi) Fire, hm?

[2:15](Anstarra Silverain) Flamingratballturn!

[2:15]X'cinna Ares hisses in alert as the void fire washes over her, singling her tail. She hisses angry at Arblis. "What are you doing!"

[2:16]Arblis Ellhis: "Hitting as hard as I can! Using something else! Duh!"

[2:16](X'cinna Ares) Cinna's tail is on fire now.

[2:16]Anstarra Silverain | The flaming ball of juju rats roils and seethes and surges, and tries to [Horribly Engulf] both Cinna and Arby!

[2:16](Anstarra Silverain) Defend with Athletics!

[2:16]X'cinna Ares: "It's on fire now!"

[2:16](Arblis Ellhis) Four again

[2:16]Arblis Ellhis: "Yes, so it'll be gone soon!"

[2:17](X'cinna Ares) 2...

[2:17](X'cinna Ares) Can I use a boost?

[2:17](X'cinna Ares) the boost from earlier?

[2:17](Anstarra Silverain) 5 for horribleflamingratjuball! Sure, which one?

[2:17]Kuina Kusushi sucks in a sharp breath as the flames catch the rats. She waves her good arm in a flailing warning signal. "Move!" She calls already beginning to channel... something.

[2:17](X'cinna Ares) the stealthy one, she's already trying to keep a low profile and just enough that it focuses more on Arblis than her.

[2:17](X'cinna Ares) :D

[2:17](Anstarra Silverain) I told you that one was lost~

[2:18](X'cinna Ares) Oh

[2:18](Anstarra Silverain) When you popped the light grenade

[2:18](X'cinna Ares) Is there another boost?

[2:18](Anstarra Silverain) I see Hard Head and one more Radiance Mode

[2:18](X'cinna Ares) radiance mode

[2:18](Anstarra Silverain) not REALLY applicable for this

[2:18](X'cinna Ares) oh

[2:18](X'cinna Ares) poop

[2:18](Anstarra Silverain) You're dodging not stabbing

[2:18](Anstarra Silverain) or parrying

[2:18](X'cinna Ares) I'll take the hit. and glare more at Arblis

[2:19](Arblis Ellhis) :D

[2:19](Kuina Kusushi) Use my protect!

[2:19](Anstarra Silverain) XD

[2:19](X'cinna Ares) This is ALL YOUR FAULT!

[2:19](Anstarra Silverain) There's that!

[2:19](Anstarra Silverain) a protect left

[2:19](X'cinna Ares) Sure.

[2:19](X'cinna Ares) I'll see that.

[2:19](Arblis Ellhis) There was a protect left!!

[2:19](Kuina Kusushi) I forgot about it.... sorry.

[2:19](Arblis Ellhis) It's okay~

[2:19](Anstarra Silverain) Also Arby still has an invoke of Always Moving in case she forgot

[2:19](Anstarra Silverain) okay SO

[2:20](Anstarra Silverain) Cinnaturn!

[2:20](Arblis Ellhis) 1 stress I can take. WAIT, [Horribly Engulf] was in brackets, I'm using it

[2:20](Anstarra Silverain) oh yes, I almost forgot

[2:20](Anstarra Silverain) Yes, it's their stunt, it's an AoE AND

[2:20](Anstarra Silverain) Now you have syphilis

[2:20](Anstarra Silverain) I mean

[2:20](Kuina Kusushi) >.<

[2:20](Anstarra Silverain) Cinna you are /ratted-on/

[2:21](Anstarra Silverain) for many rats remain upon you!

[2:21](Anstarra Silverain) So much rat-love

[2:21](Arblis Ellhis) ... >\_>

[2:21]X'cinna Ares screams as the fire washes over her once more, before taking another hit. Rats pour all over, "This is your fault, Arblis! AaaagH!"

[2:21](Anstarra Silverain) but no syphilis  
[2:21](Anstarra Silverain) Cinna turn XD  
[2:22]Arblis Ellhis: "I'm sorry I'm sorry I'm sorry I thought it would just squish them and not us!! I mean it didn't squish me but I'm sorry!"  
[2:22](X'cinna Ares) Stabs wildly at all the rats. So many rats. Use Radiance mode - STRENGTH! KILL!  
[2:22](Kuina Kusushi) If you guys move out of there, Kuina can probably incinerate the remaining rats...  
[2:22](Anstarra Silverain) To be fair, that was the rats' attack, not Arby's fault ;D  
[2:23](Anstarra Silverain) Do it Cinna!  
[2:23](X'cinna Ares) Aoe doesn't hit allies.  
[2:23](Anstarra Silverain) and yes, that~  
[2:23](X'cinna Ares) so you can fire if you want.  
[2:23](X'cinna Ares) 7  
[2:23](Anstarra Silverain) You could elect to include Cinna in your targets and potentially remove /ratted-on/ if you hurt her =D  
[2:23](Arblis Ellhis) Oh god XD  
[2:24](Kuina Kusushi) I could also burn her to a crisp.  
[2:24](Anstarra Silverain) I'm just saying!  
[2:24](X'cinna Ares) yeah, murder cats are weak against fire  
[2:24](X'cinna Ares) Kuina should know. She killed one.  
[2:24](Anstarra Silverain) The rats seem to be flagging but still defend well! You hit by 2! Which will alas become 0..  
[2:24](Kuina Kusushi) I think Cinna can handle her own rats.  
[2:24](X'cinna Ares) I use a FP.  
[2:24](X'cinna Ares) SMASH IT!

[2:25](Anstarra Silverain) Stab! You do 2! Which becomes 4 cuz boxes filled!  
[2:25](X'cinna Ares) With Savage Skimisher. BECAUSE SHE'S SAVAGE!  
[2:25](Anstarra Silverain) -Savage-  
[2:25](X'cinna Ares) Covered with rats and blood and hissing all over.  
[2:25](Anstarra Silverain) Emote it! Kuina!  
[2:25](Kuina Kusushi) What zone is Starlight in?  
[2:25](Anstarra Silverain) Right now, same as Cinna and Arby!  
[2:26](Anstarra Silverain) And the rats!  
[2:26](Anstarra Silverain) Kuina gonna go for the alphastrike I think  
[2:27]X'cinna Ares hisses violently and just starts stabbing at the rats, at everything, rats cover her and nibble, but it seems to just make her angrier. Her Falling Stars physique keeping them from doing too much damage, but making her look like some sort of flaming rat cat voidsent. And it's all Arblis's fault.  
[2:27](Kuina Kusushi) Okay, I'm sending a fireball at the rats and using THM + mstress to make it an AOE .... I'll be nice to Arblis and Cinna though  
[2:27](Arblis Ellhis) Arblis already has PTSD from friendly fire. She'll appreciate this  
[2:27](Anstarra Silverain) So Kuina  
[2:27](Anstarra Silverain) When it says Balanced for your Aspected Advantage Stunt

[2:28](Anstarra Silverain) What's that mean. Can't use it? Or can always use it?

[2:28](Kuina Kusushi) I can't use it.

[2:28](Anstarra Silverain) Ah well

[2:28](Anstarra Silverain) Actually..

[2:28](Kuina Kusushi) Well originally it was can't use it but the stunt has been nerfed since then.

[2:28](Anstarra Silverain) You COULD channel the overwhelming aetherial aspect present in this are.

[2:28](Kuina Kusushi) What is that?

[2:28](Anstarra Silverain) Void.

[2:29](Arblis Ellhis) ohohohohooo~

[2:29](Kuina Kusushi) So... Umbral.

[2:29](X'cinna Ares) Earlier.... they say the floor was covered with silver aetheric traces.

[2:29](X'cinna Ares) traps

[2:29](Anstarra Silverain) Wards actually

[2:30](Anstarra Silverain) Keeping things from passing through incorporeally

[2:30](Arblis Ellhis) I think umbral charge is different from voidy stuff

[2:30](X'cinna Ares) It's aether, no need to think, just use.

[2:30](Anstarra Silverain) Haha

[2:30](X'cinna Ares) like how those lala THMs use anything

[2:31](Kuina Kusushi) Heck, she'll give anything a try once. She's attacking with a Void Fireball.

[2:31](Anstarra Silverain) I'll spell it out. If you use void magic, it'll sure work!

[2:31](Anstarra Silverain) Alright~

[2:31](X'cinna Ares) TAKE UP THE LEGACY OF THE MHACHI!

[2:31](Kuina Kusushi) Should I roll it?

  

[2:31](X'cinna Ares) The Mhachi started with THM, only a few steps till voidmage.

[2:32](Anstarra Silverain) So, you use your stunt for +2 at cost, and the THM thing for +2 damage at cost, and aoe for cost, so your Mstress explodes BUT you do a Fat Fireball

[2:32](Anstarra Silverain) Roll it!

[2:32](Kuina Kusushi) Only doing AOE and stunt for now.

[2:32](Anstarra Silverain) Oh, not the THM thing? Ok

[2:32](Kuina Kusushi) I'll add the THM thing if needed.

[2:32](Anstarra Silverain) Actually

[2:33](Anstarra Silverain) COST-related things have to be paid before rolling

[2:33](Anstarra Silverain) unlike aspects, FPs, advantages, etc

[2:33](Anstarra Silverain) That's how I've always run it, so

[2:33](Anstarra Silverain) You might not have known so I'll let you add it on now if you want

[2:34](Kuina Kusushi) Okay, that's fine by me. I rolled a 5, which I will bump up with a FP and /battlemage for a lost cause/

[2:34](Anstarra Silverain) Okay! So 7, thus 9 damage if you hit

[2:34](Kuina Kusushi) I would actually prefer to keep one free mstress box.

[2:34](Anstarra Silverain) ah alright

[2:34](Anstarra Silverain) so 7!

[2:34](Kuina Kusushi) Yes.  
[2:35](Anstarra Silverain) pffff that freaking +4 XD  
[2:35](Kuina Kusushi) Oh what the heck.  
[2:35](Kuina Kusushi) Make it the 9  
[2:35](X'cinna Ares) I'll give Kuina one of my FPs?  
[2:35](Anstarra Silverain) hahaha  
[2:35](Anstarra Silverain) the rat defended better than Starlight  
[2:35](Anstarra Silverain) that's beautiful  
[2:35](Arblis Ellhis) That's just ridiculous XD  
[2:35](Anstarra Silverain) Okay so 9  
[2:36](Kuina Kusushi) Yeah  
[2:36](Anstarra Silverain) 9 on the Flamingjuuratball  
[2:36](X'cinna Ares) Can I give Kuina one of my FPs? Cinna's still angrily stabbing the rats. While on fire?  
[2:36](X'cinna Ares) Well, stabbing ayt everything in a rage.  
[2:37](Kuina Kusushi) I don't think that can be done unless you gave up your turn.  
[2:37](Anstarra Silverain) Which, whether it was void or flame that worked, is irrelevant, cuz she hit it with both! BOOM the rats are Taken Out! And sure, I'll allow it if Kuina has another Aspect to work with, though it'll take Cinna's next turn too yeah.  
[2:37](X'cinna Ares) that's or assists.  
[2:37](X'cinna Ares) oh  
[2:37](X'cinna Ares) that's fine then.

[2:37](Anstarra Silverain) Just cuz right now you're talking mostly stabbing Starlight  
[2:37](Anstarra Silverain) who was not your target  
[2:37](X'cinna Ares) The rats are dead.  
[2:37](Anstarra Silverain) yep  
[2:37](X'cinna Ares) Ah.  
[2:37](X'cinna Ares) But I'm still covered in rats!  
[2:37](Kuina Kusushi) I'm keeping my last FP  
[2:38](Anstarra Silverain) So, Cinna hands over an FP to Kuina  
[2:38](Anstarra Silverain) so she can add 2 more to this  
[2:38](Anstarra Silverain) Well, if you wanna drop your next turn Cinna  
[2:38](Anstarra Silverain) y/n?  
[2:38](X'cinna Ares) yep. sure  
[2:38](Anstarra Silverain) ok!  
[2:38](Anstarra Silverain) so 11 vs Starlight  
[2:38](Anstarra Silverain) who got 2 ;D  
[2:38](X'cinna Ares) probably not going to hit as hard anyways  
[2:38](Kuina Kusushi) Okay I will use /flame of a dying culture/  
[2:38](X'cinna Ares) WE GONNA GO ALL OUT!  
[2:38](Anstarra Silverain) Burnnnn  
[2:38](Anstarra Silverain) Okay so  
[2:38](Anstarra Silverain) mah effpees



[2:40](Anstarra Silverain) 9 stress. I spend one through Pain and Violence Yay! and another through Yes, I'm a Voidsent because she's hardy like that. She still takes 5 which is a Mild Consequence, /Scorched!/, and 3 stress

[2:40]X'cinna Ares hisses, wildly stabbing at the rats as Kuina's fireball incinerates the ball. Still relatively enraged and covered in rats, she suddenly pounces on Starlight, adding on to the flames with wild, rat covered stabs.

[2:41](Anstarra Silverain) Emote it!

[2:41](X'cinna Ares) And the FP I gave Kuina is through Ratted On, because why not!

[2:41](Anstarra Silverain) Pfft

[2:41](Anstarra Silverain) just for humor ;3

[2:42](X'cinna Ares) as Cinna is stabbing at her, flaming undead rats are flying off and smacking into her. Maybe making the rat ball wasn't such a fun idea.

[2:42](X'cinna Ares) :D

[2:42](Anstarra Silverain) Starlight's turn!

[2:43](X'cinna Ares) or maybe she likes flaming undead rats covering her

[2:43](X'cinna Ares) :D

[2:43]Kuina Kusushi (2) direction and slammign into Starlight.

[2:43](Arblis Ellhis) Only (2) came through :(

[2:43](Anstarra Silverain) Think we lost first, yeah

Kuina rolls Kuina continues to flap and flail her one good arm, until miraculously the flaming mess of rats and Miquo'te and rat covered Miquote parts giving her one momentarily clear shot. She takes it without thought, thrusting a blast of aether between Cinna and Arblis. It balloons from her focus into a massive ball of purple flame and for a moment it lights up Kuina's face, frozen in an expression of sheet terror at what she has unleashed. Then it tears through the corridor throwing rat corpses in every-

[2:43]Kuina Kusushi (2) direction and slammign into Starlight.

[2:47](Kuina Kusushi) Did that go through?

[2:48](Arblis Ellhis) Nope :(

[2:48](Anstarra Silverain) Give it to someone who can give it to me on skype and I'll put it on the log =3

[2:48](Kuina Kusushi) Did that go through?

[2:49](Anstarra Silverain) nooop

[2:49](Kuina Kusushi) I need a link to the log.

[2:50](Anstarra Silverain) OH Arby I forgot, earlier, you also get an invoke of /Insights on the Fallen/ =3

[2:50]Anstarra Silverain | Starlight reels under the roiling, horrendous purple-red blast, sending her and her sphere slamming back against the wall again, though this time under a pressure wave of fire. "Ow ow OW OW!! Aaah!! Haha!! Oh wow, yay! /Show Me New Things!!/" she laughs, or cries, looking at herself as her form blazes with flames...

[2:50](Arblis Ellhis) Ooooooh! :D

[2:50](Anstarra Silverain)

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[2:50](Kuina Kusushi) Did that go through?  
[2:50](Anstarra Silverain) noooope  
[2:50](Arblis Ellhis) In the dice room? Yep!  
[2:50](Anstarra Silverain) Oh!  
[2:51](Anstarra Silverain) There we go~  
[2:52](Kuina Kusushi) Yay!  
[2:53](Anstarra Silverain) And Kuina  
[2:53](Anstarra Silverain) You now have the Temporary Aspect /I Touched the Void/  
[2:53](Kuina Kusushi) Whoops! XD  
[2:53](Anstarra Silverain) Whoops =D  
[2:54](Anstarra Silverain) It's fiiiine  
[2:54](Anstarra Silverain) Most people won't even notice  
[2:54](Anstarra Silverain) I mean those who do are likely to be trigger-happy thaumaturges or whatnot but eh  
[2:54](Anstarra Silverain) screw those guys  
[2:54](X'cinna Ares) you could also use it as a power source  
[2:54](Anstarra Silverain) Of course. The Void is great for that.  
[2:55](Anstarra Silverain) Starlight's action is delayed! Arby!  
[2:55](X'cinna Ares) technically, it's where THMs supposedly draw their power, if you believe all their edgy rhetoric.  
[2:55](Arblis Ellhis) Uh oh. Gotta show her something new or die, huh?  
[2:55](Kuina Kusushi) I thought it was BLMs that used void... hense why they are black.  
[2:56](X'cinna Ares) those THM brothers won't stop talking about the void, the darkness and stuff  
[2:56](Arblis Ellhis) They talk about the "abyss" and stuff  
[2:56](X'cinna Ares) And BLMs use the aether around them.

[2:56](Anstarra Silverain) Actually, /Show Me New Things/ is an Aspect of hers you've all discovered now for free  
[2:56](X'cinna Ares) they can summon voidsent for tests  
[2:57](Anstarra Silverain) Cmon, let's move this along~  
[2:57](X'cinna Ares) kay  
[2:57](Arblis Ellhis) Might as well just sword-slap her then, see if I get lucky.  
[2:57](X'cinna Ares) Arblis! Do something to make up for the flaming-rat coveredness of Cinna.  
[2:57](Anstarra Silverain) You DO have a fancy lightbulb, unless you were keeping it in reserve  
[2:58](Arblis Ellhis) That's in reserve to finish her and capture her!  
[2:58](Arblis Ellhis) 5 with sword  
[2:58](Anstarra Silverain) Ptang!  
[2:58](Arblis Ellhis) wolpertingers  
[2:58](Anstarra Silverain) She got kinda lucky tho  
[2:58](Arblis Ellhis) So did I!  
[2:58](Anstarra Silverain) She got luckier!  
[2:59](Anstarra Silverain) She blawks! And gets the boost /great balls of fire/ defending~

[3:00](X'cinna Ares) hehe  
[3:00](Anstarra Silverain) Cinna skips her turn! Cinna!  
[3:00](Anstarra Silverain) Er. Kuina!  
[3:00](Anstarra Silverain) Emote Arby!  
[3:00]Arblis Ellhis leans back and gives Starlight an odd look. "If that's new things, then umm.. Sorry?" She makes a huge overhead sword swipe at the voidy girl. She obviously shouldn't have bothered apologizing, because her attack whiffs horribly, Starlight avoiding it with ease.

[3:01](Kuina Kusushi) Kuina will build another thaumaturgy advantage. She's going to take her tiem after that misstep.  
[3:01](X'cinna Ares) Cinna is still covered in flaming undead rats. This is fine.  
[3:01]Anstarra Silverain | Starlight's ball is kinda right in the way. CLANG! She peers over it. "Does that hurt too?"  
[3:01](X'cinna Ares) :D  
[3:01]Arblis Ellhis: "In.. theory?"  
[3:02](Anstarra Silverain) Do it, TN 3, your aether is roiling a bit disturbingly!  
[3:02]Arblis Ellhis: "Or were you asking if my sword can feel pain? I'm not sure. I hope not.."  
[3:02](Kuina Kusushi) 1  
[3:02]Anstarra Silverain: "Why not? That would be funnnnny~"  
[3:02](Anstarra Silverain) FIZZLESPARK  
[3:02](Kuina Kusushi) That's fitting. XD  
[3:02](Anstarra Silverain) Emote it!  
[3:03](Anstarra Silverain) Starlight!  
[3:04]Anstarra Silverain | Starlight consider's Arby's sword... and grins suddenly, terrifyingly. So much pointeeeth. "Let's find out!" She grabs her ball and lifts it overhead and - boink! - baps Arby's sword with it!  
[3:04](Anstarra Silverain) She consumes that aspect of /having FUN/  
[3:04]Kuina Kusushi stands stalk still fumbling to begin another spell. Aether gathers sluggishly towards her flickers purple and leaps from her hands with a sharp crack. She hesitates, reluctant to try again/  
[3:04](Anstarra Silverain) and...  
[3:05]Anstarra Silverain | Arby's sword shudders.  
[3:05](X'cinna Ares) it's alivvvve  
[3:05]Anstarra Silverain | A crack kinda forms along its length. A crack which widens, showing teeth..  
[3:06]Arblis Ellhis stares at the blade, wondering how that's even possible.  
[3:06](Anstarra Silverain) Arby gains the temporary aspect /Horrible Living Sword/  
[3:06](Arblis Ellhis) BADASS  
[3:06](Anstarra Silverain) =D  
[3:07](Anstarra Silverain) Arbyturn! X3  
[3:07](X'cinna Ares) until it tries to eat you  
[3:07](Anstarra Silverain) Oh, compels on that'll be fun  
[3:07](Arblis Ellhis) Still radical  
[3:07](Anstarra Silverain) =^^=

[3:08](Anstarra Silverain) So yes, Arblis' turn ;3  
[3:08](Arblis Ellhis) Oh! I misread Arbyturn for some reason  
[3:09](Arblis Ellhis) She's going to try out this new sword by waving it at Starlight  
[3:09](Anstarra Silverain) =D Chawp~  
[3:09](X'cinna Ares) maybe it's hungry for void  
[3:10](X'cinna Ares) born of the void, devours the void

[3:10](X'cinna Ares) :D  
[3:10](Arblis Ellhis) I think it wants to be friends  
[3:10](Anstarra Silverain) Gosh  
[3:10](Anstarra Silverain) I swear the worse a bonus I give someone the better they roll  
[3:10](Anstarra Silverain) and vice versa sometimes~  
[3:11]Arblis Ellhis flails her newly befanged sword at Starlight with no sense of actual momentum or combat prowess. "So you.. want it to chew on you? Here you go? I guess?"  
[3:11]X'cinna Ares eyes Arblis. The flaming undead rats seem to have calmed down and stand on her also starting at Arblis with their undead soulless but flaming eyes.  
[3:11]Anstarra Silverain | Starlight doesn't so much dodge as.. kinda accidentally bump into Arby with her ball while trying to lean in to look at the sword closer. There's bouncing. Hilarity ensues. Kinda.  
[3:12](Anstarra Silverain) wtf cinna  
[3:12](Anstarra Silverain) Also Cinna's turn :D  
[3:12](Arblis Ellhis) XD  
[3:12](X'cinna Ares) :D

[3:12](X'cinna Ares) build another invoke with Goetspyr. MORE POWER NEED MORE POWER

[3:13](X'cinna Ares) unless the rats stole the materia  
[3:13](Anstarra Silverain) do it! TN 3! feeding it more and more will be harder in the same scene especially with lots of aether flying around  
[3:13](X'cinna Ares) 7  
[3:13](Anstarra Silverain) 2 invokes!  
[3:13](Anstarra Silverain) Kuina!  
[3:14](Kuina Kusushi) Kuina will try to create another invoke. She's a little desperate right now.  
[3:14](Anstarra Silverain) chooom  
[3:14](Anstarra Silverain) aether's settling, TN 2  
[3:15](Kuina Kusushi) 5!  
[3:15]X'cinna Ares hisses at her new target and reaches for another materia. She grabs something, and it turns out to be a flaming rat with a materia in its jaws. She stares at it, before feeding it... materia and all to the spear. The spear sucks in the materia, and seems to suck in the magick animating the rat too. But there are still plenty of rats. And the spear is on fire now, and making rat noises.

[3:15](Anstarra Silverain) whoosh! 2 invokes of /ley lines!  
[3:15](Anstarra Silverain) Everybody get funky! XD  
[3:16](Anstarra Silverain) Starlight!  
[3:16](X'cinna Ares) Materia is just solid aether!  
[3:16]Anstarra Silverain | The Voidsent girl laughs suddenly and bounces up, looking around. "Oh!" She spies Cinna, and grins at her. "Youuu~ Do you want to know SECRETS??"  
[3:18]X'cinna Ares hisses at the target. There are flaming rats still bounding along her, and may make it hard for her to hear Starlight's question. She tries to stab at Starlight... which may be a answer... depending on how Starlight interprets it. The spear and rats are all stillloudly squeaking.  
[3:18]Kuina Kusushi doubles over for a moment, clearly struggling to get past the shock. Staring down at the threads of sliver below her feet, she extends her left hand and tentatively reaches through them. Simple, unsuspected Aether washes through them and she gathers it in sheer relief.  
[3:18](Anstarra Silverain) Yes or No! =D  
[3:19](Anstarra Silverain) I mean, that seems like no ;D  
[3:19](X'cinna Ares) You decide! What does Stabbing at Voidsent meant?  
[3:19](X'cinna Ares) Especially for combat happy Starlight.  
[3:19](Kuina Kusushi) It sounds like "I can't here you, Lalala!" to me XD  
[3:19](Arblis Ellhis) Heheheee  
[3:20](X'cinna Ares) She honestly can't hear that well. With all the rats on her stil  
[3:20](Anstarra Silverain) She's not combat-happy, she's violence-happy =D But yeah that mostly~ It's totally a consent thing so  
[3:20](X'cinna Ares) DO IT! HIT ME!  
[3:20](X'cinna Ares) maybe she can get rid of the rats  
[3:21](Anstarra Silverain) Aite~ Though I dunno if it'll help with your ratfriends ;D  
[3:21](X'cinna Ares) they go away right? I not going to walk around Ul'dah with flaming undead rats on me.  
[3:22](Anstarra Silverain) Anyway it's gotta be CINNA'S consent, not her player's ;D Starlight only gives secrets to those who want!

[3:22](Anstarra Silverain) So if Cinna stabs at her, that's kinda a no  
[3:22](X'cinna Ares) Well, it's a basic murder cat reaction to hostile things.  
[3:22]Anstarra Silverain | Starlight blips, suddenly above Kuina instead of in range, tail swishing. "And.. and what about you? Do you want secrets??" There's a slightly-tense edge to the question now.  
[3:25]Kuina Kusushi starts backwards at the sudden apparition and this time she looks honestly frightened. Her mouth opens sliently, then perahps in shock, she nods.  
[3:26]Anstarra Silverain | Starlight totally does the miqo'te /joy before =BAMF= appearing next to Kuina on the other side this time; having a damaged horn doesn't stop the sudden flow of terrible [Truths Best Unspoken]...  
[3:27](Anstarra Silverain) Ooh good roll~  
[3:27](Kuina Kusushi) Whew!  
[3:27](Anstarra Silverain) 2 Mstress! And another invoke of /Insights on the Fallen!  
[3:27](Anstarra Silverain) Arbyturn!

[3:27](Kuina Kusushi) I have no stress boxes. I'll take a minor.

[3:27](Anstarra Silverain) Oh yes! Wheee

[3:28](Anstarra Silverain) Then you get the minor Consequence /Nightmares/

[3:28](Arblis Ellhis) Arblis gonna desperately try to slap Starlight upside the head with a biting sword

[3:28](X'cinna Ares) Aww. I wish I could get Insights on the Fallen. But Cinna's just going stab at her.

[3:28](X'cinna Ares) because stubborn murdercat logic

[3:28](Arblis Ellhis) A five!

[3:29](Anstarra Silverain) RP is RP!

[3:29](Anstarra Silverain) owfuck!

[3:29](Arblis Ellhis) Oh goodness

[3:30](X'cinna Ares) speaking of which, doesn't Kuina have a invoke on a Mild Consequence?

[3:30](Anstarra Silverain) So, 8. Gonna spend my last 2 FP through /Really Just A Child/ because she's a small target, it mitigates the mass of her that can get hewn by a horrible chomping greatsword, and Show Me New Things cuz she literally asked for this

[3:30](Anstarra Silverain) And yes~

[3:31]Kuina Kusushi seems to crumple this time, with her face frozen in horror.

[3:32](Anstarra Silverain) She takes 4, which is a Moderate Consequence! /Bitechopped/!

[3:32](Anstarra Silverain) Emote it! Your horrible sword EATS INTO HER

[3:32](X'cinna Ares) how's her stress boxes?

[3:32](Anstarra Silverain) 3 and 4 filled

[3:32]Arblis Ellhis chases Starlight over to where she'd been whispering to Kuina, and swings her sword in a huge sweep. What would once have been a simple slap with the flat of the blade is now a gnashing, chewing nightmare that chomps into the voidchild. Arblis averts her gaze from the disturbingly messy frenzy.

[3:32](Anstarra Silverain) minor and mod filled~

[3:33]Anstarra Silverain | "AAAHH!!! AAIIIEE!!!" Those screams will figure prominently in Kuina's upcoming /Nightmares/

[3:33]Arblis Ellhis: "I'm sorry but you did ask for me to do that I'm sorry I'm sorry you should probably just get in the crystal now!"

[3:34]X'cinna Ares is still snarling and hissing at Starlight, the flaming rats doing nothing to improv her sociability.

[3:34](Anstarra Silverain) Poor Cinna and her forever flamingratfriends

[3:34](Anstarra Silverain) Cinnaturn =D

[3:34](X'cinna Ares) can I remove my Ratted on by throwing rats at Starlight like a angry rat lady?

[3:34](Anstarra Silverain) hahaha

[3:35](X'cinna Ares) serious inquiry

[3:35](X'cinna Ares) :3

[3:35](Anstarra Silverain) I know, I'm figuring out the roll for it

[3:36](X'cinna Ares) Cinna has a ranged attack. Mm.

[3:36](X'cinna Ares) instead of a javelin, throw flaming rats at her

[3:36](X'cinna Ares) haha  
[3:36](Anstarra Silverain) Well, if you do that, I'll say, roll Lancer TN 3, and if you crit you'll put the invoke on her~  
[3:37](X'cinna Ares) kaaay  
[3:37](Anstarra Silverain) If you use her thing, which isa Cost  
[3:37](X'cinna Ares) I got two invokes of Radiance mode  
[3:38](X'cinna Ares) it powers Cinna with strength  
[3:38](X'cinna Ares) ratty strength  
[3:38](Anstarra Silverain) Yus, sure use it  
[3:38](Anstarra Silverain) one of them's even in it ;b  
[3:38](Anstarra Silverain) roll~  
[3:38](X'cinna Ares) using radiance and  
[3:38](X'cinna Ares) 3  
[3:38](X'cinna Ares) 4  
[3:38](X'cinna Ares) wait  
[3:39](X'cinna Ares) nm.  
[3:39](Anstarra Silverain) You fling them off!  
[3:39](Anstarra Silverain) They fall like flaming undead vermin shrapnel all over the show  
[3:39](Anstarra Silverain) kinda bouncing off Starlight's ball, some land on Kuina  
[3:39](Anstarra Silverain) it's awful  
[3:39]X'cinna Ares hisses and fling them aggressively at Starlight.  
[3:39](Anstarra Silverain) Kuina's turn!  
[3:39](X'cinna Ares) and it's still Arblis's fault!  
[3:39](X'cinna Ares) :D  
[3:40](Arblis Ellhis) Arblis is a monster

[3:41](Kuina Kusushi) Kuina is going to panic and fling her aethertrap at Starlight  
[3:41](Anstarra Silverain) While clicking it I hope XD  
[3:41](Kuina Kusushi) Yes!  
[3:41](Anstarra Silverain) ok! Attack at +6!  
[3:41](Kuina Kusushi) She has the extra lay lines tapped too if that could help.  
[3:42](Anstarra Silverain) Sure~ It's aether! And you can invoke that Consequence if you wanna  
[3:42](Anstarra Silverain) Yours, and Arby's too if she lets you  
[3:42](Kuina Kusushi) Which one?  
[3:43](Kuina Kusushi) I only have one FP left. So I can only invoke one.  
[3:43](Anstarra Silverain) no no  
[3:43](Anstarra Silverain) They're free  
[3:43](Anstarra Silverain) The first invoke  
[3:43](Anstarra Silverain) of each  
[3:43](Arblis Ellhis) Sure, you can have my free invoke from Swordmunching  
[3:43](Kuina Kusushi) Really? Ooo!  
[3:43](Anstarra Silverain) yus  
[3:43](Kuina Kusushi) Okay rolling it.  
[3:43](Anstarra Silverain) Do it!

[3:44](Kuina Kusushi) 13  
[3:44](X'cinna Ares) SMASSSSH!  
[3:44](Anstarra Silverain) CRACKLE!  
[3:44](X'cinna Ares) POOOOP!  
[3:44](Anstarra Silverain) vs 7! 6 stress is a Severe Consequence!  
[3:45](Anstarra Silverain) Actually let's math this  
[3:45](Anstarra Silverain) You can play it smart  
[3:45](Anstarra Silverain) Those invokes don't need to be used  
[3:45](Kuina Kusushi) If I use my last FP can I take her out?  
[3:45](Anstarra Silverain) Oh! Uh  
[3:45](Anstarra Silverain) No cuz she still has a 2-stress  
[3:46](X'cinna Ares) I can give Kuina my last FP?  
[3:46](Anstarra Silverain) I'll let it happen again, sure ;3 We'll call it courtesy of angry rat shrapnel  
[3:46](X'cinna Ares) angry flaming void rat sharpnel  
[3:46](Anstarra Silverain) I won't always allow such swapping, but 1-it's amusing and 2-it's late =D  
[3:47](Kuina Kusushi) Okay 2 FP for /I touched the void/ and /battlemage/  
[3:47](Anstarra Silverain) Haha  
[3:47](Anstarra Silverain) CHANNELING MORE VOID  
[3:47](Anstarra Silverain) through her ley lines  
[3:47](Anstarra Silverain) and those rats

[3:47](X'cinna Ares) and the aesthetic of Cinna flinging flaming undead rats everywhere  
[3:48](Kuina Kusushi) She's not thinking clearly. Flaming layline void rats it is!  
[3:48](Anstarra Silverain) You TAKE HER OUT! Feel free to describe the attack, and I'll describe the hit, since crystal =3  
[3:49](Anstarra Silverain) I mean you're even throwing the crystal through flaming rats into that massive chewed-out-burning sword wound  
[3:49](Anstarra Silverain) on what looks like an 8-year-old girl  
[3:51]Kuina Kusushi cowers as she is assaulted by flaming vermine and nightmareish screams. Lending her own screams of horror to the cacophony, she activates the aethertrap, instinctively linking it to the layline connection. Unbidden it flashes purple, briefly turning the ratfire into void fire and she slams the crystal onto starlight's head.  
[3:51](Kuina Kusushi) (Did that go through?)  
[3:51](Arblis Ellhis) yep!  
[3:51](Anstarra Silverain) yus!  
[3:53]Anstarra Silverain | Starlight is still basically whispering horrible things to Kuina.. and suddenly that crystal, and EVERYTHING ELSE. Even the flaming rats bite her out of some deranged masochistic influence. She throws her head back, smiling, to scream or laugh or both, and then the flaring light of the crystal utterly overwhelms the room... and when it fades, she's gone. The crystal lies on the ground... silver bindings glowing brightly, powerfully with the runes upon them, the previously-unaspected -  
[3:53]Anstarra Silverain - crystal now a roiling purple and red.  
[3:54](Anstarra Silverain) GOOD JOB brb washroom feel free to RP



[3:54]Arblis Ellhis lets out a long breath, still holding her sword out at arm's length. "I'd actually love to talk to her more... But! It's better if she stays inside that crystal for a little while." She says pointedly.

[3:54]Kuina Kusushi crashes to her knees on the tiles pressing the heels of her hands into her eyes in an attempt to block out some of the living nightmare around her. Silently, she releases her hold on the crystal, allowing it to roll innocently across the floor in Cinna's direction.

[3:55]X'cinna Ares finally sheaths her spear before looking at Arblis with an accusing look, her skin charred, covered in rat bites and bruises. Her spear is apparently still squeaking, some power remaining from the rat infusion.

[3:55](Kuina Kusushi) Er... turn that emote back to front... she drops it and /then/ sits down. It's late.

[3:56]X'cinna Ares stops the crystal with her foot and picks it up, still glaring at Arblis.

[3:56]X'cinna Ares: "I'm telling Anista."

[3:56]Arblis Ellhis shrugs at Cinna, places her sword on the floor, and sits down next to Kuina, carefully putting a hand on her shoulder.

[3:59]Kuina Kusushi doesn't move or respond for a long minute. Then her right hand falls to her lap, followed by the left and she looks up at Arblis in a daze.

[3:59](X'cinna Ares) speaking of which, is the sword still trying to eat things?

[3:59]Arblis Ellhis smiles sweetly. "You're all right. We've succeeded, thanks to you!"

[4:00](Kuina Kusushi) Food question.

[4:00](Arblis Ellhis) I have no idea, but it's having a time out on the nice stone floor

[4:00]X'cinna Ares nods to Kuina Kusushi.

[4:00](Kuina Kusushi) good!\*

[4:00](Kuina Kusushi) Good question

[4:01](Anstarra Silverain) The sword isn't hungry right now.

[4:01](Anstarra Silverain) But it's still alive..

[4:01]Kuina Kusushi opens and closes her mouth a few times, without getting any words out. She finally just points to the crystal under Cinna's foot.

[4:02]Kuina Kusushi -\*\*crystal in Cinna's hand.

[4:02]Anstarra Silverain: "Well done!" Servant claps her hands, smiling as she walks into the hallway. "Can you all walk? Come, Mistress will no doubt wish to congratulate you. And secure your payment."

[4:03]X'cinna Ares: "What of Ms Dederu?"

[4:04]Anstarra Silverain | She touches her linkpearl, inquiring politely in it. "She is just finishing with the paperwork. She is pleased to hear of your victory."

[4:04]Kuina Kusushi jerks around to face the servant, with a strained grimace, but begins obediently to pick herself up, with the help of the nearby wall.

[4:05]X'cinna Ares: "And you were watching us?"

[4:05]Arblis Ellhis stands up as well, retrieving her sword and worriedly fastening it behind her. Even if it's alive it can't really ambulate, right..?

[4:06]Anstarra Silverain | The girl nods. "I was, from the far side of the wards." She points, all of twenty fulms that way. It's quite dark, and with her dressed in black she would have been nearly invisible.

[4:06](X'cinna Ares) she saw Cinna use the weird spear and flinging flaming rats. :D

[4:06]Anstarra Silverain | Arby's sword looks comfy.

[4:06](Anstarra Silverain) She's seen some shit.

[4:06](Anstarra Silverain) Tonight especially.

[4:06](Arblis Ellhis) XD

[4:07]Arblis Ellhis looks over at the swirling glowing dread crystal trap in Cinna's hands. Her eyes sparkle and her tail twitches. "Oooh, can I hold it?"

[4:07](X'cinna Ares) Cinna's a murder cat, but now she's done things any normal murder cat would have trouble.

[4:07](X'cinna Ares) haha.

[4:07]X'cinna Ares gazes upon Arblis Ellhis in deep reflection.

[4:08](Anstarra Silverain) It was a fun fight ;D

[4:08]Kuina Kusushi frowns at the servant, angrily stammering "I....I ...Ah....Ah....." before giving it up and simply casting her a withering scowl.

[4:08]X'cinna Ares looks over at Kuina. May be looking for permission to hand the crystal over to someone known for opening stuff.

[4:08]Anstarra Silverain | Servant simply smiles in polite confusion at Kuina.

[4:08]Arblis Ellhis lets the unused containment crystal glimmer invitingly as it hangs off her belt.

[4:09]Kuina Kusushi turns her back on the observer, looking down at her prize for the first time, in obvious revulsion. She gives Cinna weak shrug and averts her eyes from the thing.

[4:10]X'cinna Ares: "No. You'll let her out."

[4:10]Arblis Ellhis: "I will not! We got beat up really hard to get her in there, I don't wanna just let her out again!"

[4:11]X'cinna Ares: "Because you set the rats on fire. And encouraged her."

[4:11]Arblis Ellhis: "I thought that would kill the rats!"

[4:11]X'cinna Ares has a very murder cat frown at Arby.

[4:12]Arblis Ellhis: "Besides, she's probably not dumb enough to even leave the crystal after we beat her, especially when we still have another one."

[4:12]X'cinna Ares shrugs at Arblis Ellhis.

[4:12]X'cinna Ares hands over something to Arblis Ellhis.

[4:12]Arblis Ellhis squeaks with glee and stares at the shiny thing in her hands.

[4:12]X'cinna Ares sighs and hands over the shiny void crystal.

[4:13]Anstarra Silverain | The filled aethertrap glows with ominous colours. Servant clears her throat.

[4:13]Arblis Ellhis: "Oh! Right! Let's go deliver the fancy-thing. I wonder if she'll just use it for a lamp..."

[4:13]Arblis Ellhis >> Arblis feels kind of bad about this. To go with the sneaky advice hints she gave about staying in the crystal, she'd like to sneakily damage one of the runes on the containment device. Just a little. Arcanima's delicate, you never know if messing it up a little could mean the trap could break as soon as its occupant tries to escape some time down the line.

[4:14]X'cinna Ares: "Hmm. As humble as a Clipped. But still..." Cinna frowns but stops talking.

[4:15]Anstarra Silverain | The girl merely smiles with enduring patience until you all head up...

[4:15]>> Arblis Ellhis: Duly noted~

[4:15]X'cinna Ares beckons to Arblis Ellhis.

[4:15]Kuina Kusushi carefully releases the wall, looking almost shocked when her legs hold her. With the help of her cane she follows the group silently up the stairs.

[4:15]X'cinna Ares: "Let us go get paid."

[4:15](Arblis Ellhis) The shiny zone markers confused me, they're very bright

[4:16]Arblis Ellhis flourishes the captured voidsent. "Ta-daaaa~"

[4:18]X'cinna Ares is grumpy. She's covered with minor voidburns, rat bites, blisters and singed fur. But hopefully her Falling Stars regeneration would make it fade away soon, especially such minor cuts.

[4:19]Anstarra Silverain | Goldentail gives a small smile of satisfaction. "Excellent." She nods to her desk. "Right there, please." She nods to the first Servant; the second one did not follow up here. This one goes to a wall panel, opens it, then opens the wall safe inside, and pulls out an envelope. From it, she withdraws three folded pieces of paper, handing them over to the three once the crystal is handed over.

[4:19]Kuina Kusushi just drifts back to her position by the couch in utter silence.

[4:19]X'cinna Ares: "Where's Ms Dederu? Wasn't she up here?"

[4:19]Arblis Ellhis plops the crystal onto the desk, where it emits its lovely baleful glow upon boring paperwork.

[4:20](X'cinna Ares) if she's in the room, you can ignor that

[4:22]Anstarra Silverain | Dederu is in fact there, rubbing her forehead as she sets down a quill. "This.. is quite an investment," she notes, pensively. "I expect worthwhile returns," replies Goldentail coolly.

[4:23](X'cinna Ares) yessss. I protected the lala. is happy

[4:23](X'cinna Ares) well, we did

[4:23](Arblis Ellhis) rats

[4:23]X'cinna Ares: Flaming rats?

[4:23](X'cinna Ares) mt!

[4:23]Anstarra Silverain | Goldentail takes the crystal trap and contemplates it. Her eyes gleam, as she adjusts her glasses, inspecting it closely. Then, she sets it down on her desk, but not before removing the desk lamp there and putting it in a drawer.

[4:24]X'cinna Ares: "That thing has been whispering weird things to the others here."

[4:25]Arblis Ellhis: "Speaking of weird things, how were there enough rats in the basement for a five-fulm wide ball of dead rats?"

[4:25]Kuina Kusushi gives the voidtrap-lamp a mildly disapproving glance, letting the others speak.

[4:27]Anstarra Silverain: "It would likely behoove you to pay no mind to the whisperings of voidsent. But that is your concern. As is your payment." The papers end up being a one-use

contract. Entitling the signees to recompense in the form of one /absurd sack of gil/ (2 invokes, +2 resources to a roll) apiece in exchange for one filled aethertrap. Signature required.

[4:28]Anstarra Silverain: "If any of you cannot read my servants will read you the contract."

[4:28]Anstarra Silverain: "As to the rats, that is not your concern."

[4:29]X'cinna Ares: "I've learned to read!"

[4:29]Arblis Ellhis grumbles "It was definitely our concern when the whole ball of em came to life and tried to kill us." She doesn't seem keen on pushing the point, however, and starts skimming through the contract.

[4:30](X'cinna Ares) All that time spent readin beer bottles! and reading lessons with Aria!

[4:30](Anstarra Silverain) The contract is blithely straightforward. For a Monetarist contract. So there's some reading involved, but in the end it seems all cut and dried.

[4:30](Arblis Ellhis) AW YISS

[4:31]Arblis Ellhis nods satisfied and gives it a signature. "Excellent! Pleasure doing business with you."

[4:31]Kuina Kusushi steps forwards and takes the contract with a slight frown. She appears to take her time reading it over. Then sets it down and draws two Doman characters with her left hand.

[4:31]X'cinna Ares reads, treating the words as prey. Before looking up at the woman..., "They say you seem fascinated with individuals similar to me."

[4:32](X'cinna Ares) And she finnalllly asks.

[4:32]X'cinna Ares 's tail rises and flickers in front of her, the white with blue tip visible for all to see.

[4:33]Kuina Kusushi glances towards Cinna and gives Goldentail a curious look. The same question has clearly been on her mind.

[4:33]Anstarra Silverain | Dederu claps her hands together. "Indeed. Indeed! Excellent work all around. I-" she winces as Cinna cuts in. Goldentail merely smiles her small, cool smile. "If you wish to discuss further employment opportunities, X'cinna Ares, then leave your contact details with one of my Servants or guards. Otherwise, my time is valuable, and our business is concluded."

[4:34](X'cinna Ares) slightly burnt but still identifiable!

[4:34](X'cinna Ares) gonnahave to do a lot of grooming when she gets back

[4:36](Anstarra Silverain) my :33 post went through right?

[4:36]Arblis Ellhis: Nope

[4:36](X'cinna Ares) nope

[4:36](Arblis Ellhis) We're so bad at the right channels

[4:36](Anstarra Silverain) nyar~ it's on the log

[4:36](Anstarra Silverain)

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[4:36](Kuina Kusushi) No :(

[4:36](X'cinna Ares) I IS BUSY!

[4:36](X'cinna Ares) post it on the rolz!  
[4:37](Arblis Ellhis) Oh snap  
[4:37](Anstarra Silverain) thar  
[4:37]X'cinna Ares looks at you in shock!  
[4:37](X'cinna Ares) Cinna never said her last name.  
[4:38](Anstarra Silverain) Indeed~  
[4:38](X'cinna Ares) :D  
[4:38]X'cinna Ares: "I.... see."  
[4:38]Arblis Ellhis: "Oh dear..."  
[4:38](Anstarra Silverain) Does everyone sign and take their reward?  
[4:38]X'cinna Ares: "Mayhap you met him.... "  
[4:39](Arblis Ellhis) Yes here  
[4:39]Kuina Kusushi winces slightly  
[4:39](Kuina Kusushi) Yes  
[4:39](X'cinna Ares) Cinna;s busy being shocked, but she did  
[4:40]X'cinna Ares: "Some of us.... just want to go back.... but we don't know how to appease him." She mutters.  
[4:41]Anstarra Silverain merely nods quietly, as Servant accepts the signed writs.. and goes to another vault, putting them away, before opening a THIRD vault. This one contains boxes, one fulm cube, with a handle. She brings them. Inside, they are packed solid with high-denomination gil coins."  
[4:42]Anstarra Silverain: "It is my understanding that certain efforts have been made to broker peace. There is to be a summit, soon, if my sources are correct."  
[4:42]Arblis Ellhis: "Woah, really? It's actually happening?!"  
[4:42]X'cinna Ares: "Peace... is not. We want to return.... prove worth... not be Clipped."  
[4:43](X'cinna Ares) And Dederu probably got her ears all perked up  
[4:43](X'cinna Ares) :D  
[4:43]Anstarra Silverain: "Perhaps you should direct yourselves to this 'Camp Glorious'. Miss Dederu will be there, presenting her own case, along with my.. support. Other things may be discussed. It is an opportunity."  
[4:43]X'cinna Ares: "Ah... yes."  
[4:44]Anstarra Silverain | She sits back, and lightly drums her fingernails on the side of the aethertrap. Click-click-click. Click-click-click. "Opportunity is what motivates change. Change is the source of all growth, and thus power." She nods. "Goodnight, Adventurers."  
  
[4:44]Kuina Kusushi leans in slightly, listening with the occational glance at her companions. Finally she nods and breaks her long silence with "Yes."  
[4:45]Arblis Ellhis: "I suppose I will, then. Goodnight."  
[4:45]X'cinna Ares seems really stiff, if not submissive. She seems to think this is related to HIM, and her demeanor has completely switched over from a grumpycat to a very alert and submissive cat.  
[4:45]X'cinna Ares: "Ah yes. Once more."  
[4:45]X'cinna Ares bows courteously to you.  
[4:45](X'cinna Ares) Zarann said something like that, if I recall.  
[4:46](X'cinna Ares) PLOT!

[4:46]Anstarra Silverain | Goldentail sits, watching quietly as you all leave.  
[4:46]Kuina Kusushi gives a polite doman bow to acknowlage Goldentail and Dederu. Then she follows the others.  
[4:46]X'cinna Ares looks back worryingly before bowing and making her leave.  
[4:46]Arblis Ellhis: "Heh, I had a feeling this job would pay way more than it first appeared."  
[4:47]X'cinna Ares seems lost in thought, "Ah yes...."  
[4:47]Kuina Kusushi has a troubled look on her face and doesn't reply.  
[4:48](Anstarra Silverain) Once you're outside, safely back on the street, Dederu hugs you all, hands you each a signed /A&S writ of payment/ which you may redeem at any Ul'dahn back or from Amajina & Sons Mineral Concerns (at slightly higher value) and declares she's heading home for a long bath. And to plan a new expedition.  
[4:48](Anstarra Silverain) Ul'dah bank\*  
[4:48]Arblis Ellhis: "Still.. cheer up! We didn't die! Everything looks slightly less horrible than it seemed at first! Now let's get outta here before the place explodes or something!"  
[4:49](X'cinna Ares) just stares at her surprised at a lalahug.  
[4:49](X'cinna Ares) SHE HUGGED A MURDER CT! SO CUTE!  
[4:49]X'cinna Ares nods to Arblis Ellhis.  
[4:49](Arblis Ellhis) Arblis gives her a warm goodbye and goes to find a good place to fall dead asleep.  
[4:49](Anstarra Silverain) EVENT COMPLETE  
[4:49](Anstarra Silverain) WELL DONE  
[4:49](Anstarra Silverain) Minors for all  
[4:49]Kuina Kusushi apperently has no idea what to do with the hug and eventually returns it stiffly.  
[4:49](Anstarra Silverain) and so much fat cash  
[4:49](Arblis Ellhis) MANY CASHES  
[4:50](X'cinna Ares) just staggers to the Clipped house and says things to Orri and others.  
[4:50](X'cinna Ares) maybe plots, up to AN!

[4:50](X'cinna Ares) GOT TO WARN SISTERS!  
[4:50](Anstarra Silverain) SUCH PLOTS  
[4:50](Kuina Kusushi) Delicious plots :D  
[4:51](Anstarra Silverain) THINGS HAPPENINGS  
[4:51](Anstarra Silverain) So you guys got  
[4:51](Arblis Ellhis) Such plots! Many happen!  
[4:51](Anstarra Silverain) an IC spoiler  
[4:51](Anstarra Silverain) on what the next round of events will be  
[4:51](Anstarra Silverain) BASICALLY  
[4:51](Arblis Ellhis) Yep! :D  
[4:51](Anstarra Silverain) The Xelphatol Summit  
[4:51](Anstarra Silverain) in 3 parts  
[4:51](Anstarra Silverain) 3 days of meetings  
[4:51](Anstarra Silverain) with attendant plots and efforts  
[4:51](Kuina Kusushi) Oooo!  
[4:51](X'cinna Ares) SAME THINE

[4:51](X'cinna Ares) Tonberries tonberries.

[4:52](Arblis Ellhis) Also an IC spoiler of something spooky about the Fallen which is a pretty dang good bit of knowledge

[4:52](Anstarra Silverain) Talkings, backstabbing, bombs, tonberries(?)

[4:52](Anstarra Silverain) And yes, creepy void stuff and things you shouldn't know

[4:52](X'cinna Ares) What did Starlight wisper? :P

[4:52](Arblis Ellhis) I dunno

[4:52](Anstarra Silverain) TRUTHS BEST UNHEARD

[4:52](Anstarra Silverain) or unspoken

[4:52](X'cinna Ares) stoopid Cinna and her stabbyness

[4:52](Anstarra Silverain) both

[4:53](Anstarra Silverain) Ironically, Cinna might not have benefited from the advantage anyway

[4:53](Anstarra Silverain) too close to the topic

[4:53](Anstarra Silverain) or maybe she would, who knows~

[4:53](Anstarra Silverain) Goldentail certainly will.

[4:54](X'cinna Ares) Pssh. Maybe.

[4:54](Arblis Ellhis) Okay I gotta go sleep, I have to be awake some time

[4:54](X'cinna Ares) she can use it to insult other Falling Stars into giving up

[4:54](Kuina Kusushi) Okay, I have work in the morning.

[4:54](Anstarra Silverain) Goodnight all <3

[4:54](Anstarra Silverain) Hope you had fun

[4:54](X'cinna Ares) Ni ni!

[4:54](Anstarra Silverain) I did

[4:54](Arblis Ellhis) Goodniight <3

[4:54](Kuina Kusushi) Nighters!

[4:54](X'cinna Ares) flaming rats and things