Root Jam 2022

RootJam 2022 is here! Create a fan faction for Root within two weeks and help raise cash for Doctors without Borders.

This year's theme is…

It Takes Two!

It's the second jam in the year 2022, so a theme of duology felt pretty perfect!

Will your faction have two pawns? A civil war? Controlled by two players? Or a

double-sided player board? Feel free to interpret the theme any way you want!

~~Submissions for this year are here at this link:~~

~~**https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdLiaFl1zbBfsyJ1EgZjvubxwHP6fTh-2**~~

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Here's the link to the list of all factions:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KqAVaxK_6h1nvvi4eX87vyLxW_lImhJhOd_ry4iEHvI/edit#gid=712644559

Here's the link to vote:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1GJL75a6GrY_rLX2XUOaUqSyfdcSyDxvu_7hYaPDugOg/ You can edit this any amount of times before the deadline!

I've decided to add a link to JSON files as well by popular demand! Please message me if you want me to include a JSON file or a link to another tabletop platform with your submission.

Donation pool is here at this link: https://www.paypal.com/pools/c/8JqgkolepL

You'll have two more weeks to try out as many factions as you can and vote on your favorites. **After May 29th, 20:30 GMT**, the creator with the most votes will receive a $50 gift card for the Leder Games webstore!

How you should vote on factions:

1. Is this faction unique? What does this faction do that makes it special? How does it compare to ideas from official factions?

2. Is this faction thematic? How well do they match the theme? Do they interpret the theme in a cool or interesting way?

3. Is this faction cool? Ignoring minor balance issues, does this faction feel fun to play as? Fun to play against? How do they shake up the table?

Remember, these factions were made in a very short period of time. Vote for the idea of the faction, not for the balancing or art!

We're also raising money for Doctors without Borders. In addition to direct donations, you can also help by participating in the jam!

1. For every valid submission, I will put in $10 to the donation pool (up to $250).
2. For every faction that gets 10 or more votes, I will put in $10 to the donation pool (up to another $250, for a total of $500).

Update: Patrick Leder of Leder Games has agreed to match my donation! That means you could raise up to $1000 just by participating. Thank you so much Patrick and the entire team at Leder Games; we could not do this without you.

100% of all money raised will go to Doctors without Borders. For more info on the charity, check out www.doctorswithoutborders.org.

Here's the rules for creation and submission:

1. Your submission will need a player board, with the setup and component list on the back, and any tokens or buildings players may need to play. It should be in a PDF or a file format that's easy to print. A "Law of Root" page isn't required this year, but strongly encouraged if your faction is complex!

2. You can participate solo, or with a friend. Your prize will be split into two gift cards for each person. In addition, feel free to use as many testers as you want to help.

3. You can create your own art for your fan faction, or may re-use art from Leder Games or royalty free images. You must credit any source for art that isn't your own.

4. Submissions must be original and your own! You cannot start on your faction design before the contest starts, nor can you submit a faction created before the contest.

This game jam isn't sponsored by Leder Games; if you have any concerns or questions, please contact me at S.P. Shaman#2666 on Discord. Below are some links to good resources to help you create the best fan faction you can:

Vuoripeikko on the Woodland Warriors discord has created this template for fan faction creators:

https://www.dropbox.com/s/n2oi43e5unpmd1d/Root%20Assets.zip?dl=0

St0l3n_ID has also created assets for fan factions:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1nWp2XZQjZXZSN4HbzDscP3gtPTEvwhIs

I've created a very basic guide on how to make easy print and play kits here:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1D-hqSnAo1JeL0nPjGAXLSvaFpYh12M98SoJC-t8GhJE/edit?usp=sharing

Fonts used on boards are Baskerville 10 Pro and Luminari.