

[21:28]Kuina Kusushi emerges from the long tunnel, limping along with the aid of her cane. Peering silently at R'shesha, she holds up a leveplate and gives the lancer a questioning look.

[21:29]R'shesha Otharn smiles and nods "Yeah, me too. How are you? I'm R'shesha"

[21:30](Gallien Vyese) As Gallien walks into teh cave can I /Eyes of Nym? for Black Magic?

[21:30]Kuina Kusushi bows her head in greeting. "Well." She replies in distinct, unaccented Eorzean. "I am Kuina."

[21:30](Gallien Vyese) the*

[21:33](Anstarra Silverain) I'm making a quick snack while Zan comes along; I'll address that once I'm back, Gallien! For everyone, assume RP is happening at the ENTRANCE of the area, physically. Your collective arrival will mark the beginning of the scene~

[21:34](Anstarra Silverain) brb!

[21:35]Gallien Vyese walks up to the mouth of the cave, looking down to the tome in his hand "This is where we were told to meet" looking up from the tome noticing two others "Hello there"

[21:35]Kuina Kusushi turns silently as Gallien approaches, and offers a polite smile. Leaning heavily against her long staff, the little Au Ra raises a leveplate with a questioning look. "You too?"

[21:37](Anstarra Silverain) Back and nomming~

[21:38]Kuina Kusushi: ((I hope that post didn't get nommed too))

[21:38]R'shesha Otharn: "Hi there"

[21:39]R'shesha Otharn: ((I saw it))

[21:39]Gallien Vyese placing the tome back into his jacket "I was told to meet outside this cave, I presume you all are here the for the same reason" ---Syros lands on Gallien's shoulder looking up at the others, with her normal intrigued facial expression

[21:39]Kuina Kusushi: ((Whew! I have had terrible luck lately))

[21:40]R'shesha Otharn: "Thats why I am here. Kinda an odd place though"

[21:41]Kuina Kusushi 's reptilian eyes flick towards Syros, with an unblinking gaze. "Yes... the thaumaturge's request." She replies in slow, measured Eorzean.

[21:41]Gallien Vyese: "It is to say the least, the letter mentioned a thamaturge, so it does not suprise me a whole lot"

[21:42]R'shesha Otharn: "As long as he doesn't try to fireball our faces."

[21:43]Kuina Kusushi 's curiosity does not remain at bay for long. Tucking the cane under her left arm like a crutch, she points left handed towards the fairy. "That elemental? ... with you?" She asks in facination.

[21:44]Gallien Vyese looks back towards the Au Ra with a nod "You could say she is like an elemental, though not like the kind I presume most know"

[21:44](Anstarra Silverain) He's home, should be logging in~

[21:45]Gallien Vyese I Syros nods matter of factly at the curious lass, then stands up and spinds above gallien;s head

[21:45]Gallien Vyese: Gallien's*

[21:45](Gallien Vyese) spins*

[21:46]R'shesha Otharn: "How are they different. Other then the lovely wings"

[21:46]Kuina Kusushi nods gently "Have not seen..... one.... before today." She remarks with a smile.

[21:47]Gallien Vyese: "To start she is not of the twelvsewood orgin"

[21:47](Gallien Vyese) twelveswood*

[21:47](Gallien Vyese) sorry typing is shit tonight :/

[21:47](R'shesha Otharn) is ok

[21:47]Kuina Kusushi: "Where then?..... Eorzean, yes?"

[21:48]Gallien Vyese chuckles "Yes, she is Eorzean though i am not so sure they called it Eorzea back then"

[21:49](Zanzan Yanzan) i'm not late at all

[21:50](Gallien Vyese) fashionably late

[21:50]Kuina Kusushi balances with her cane, to offer the group a Doman bow. "Well met.... all.... I am Kuina."

[21:51](Anstarra Silverain) We have just over 4 hours til maint, should be enough! Hopefully~

[21:51]R'shesha Otharn: "And I'm R'shesha."

[21:51]R'shesha Otharn: "Hey Zanzan"

[21:51]Gallien Vyese watches Kuina bow, before frantically realizing he was being rude and bowing himself "The name is Gallien, looking to his shoulder, her name is Syros" I Syros waves as the introduction goes off

[21:52]Zanzan Yanzan jogs towards the group as he lets out a light pant. He holds up a hand. "Apologies for my tardiness."

[21:52](Anstarra Silverain) Let us begin! A bit of scene-setting..)

[21:52]Kuina Kusushi gives Zanzan a nod of greeting. "The fourth." She observes, with a slight smile.

[21:52](Anstarra Silverain) Everyone may enter the die room!)

[21:52](Anstarra Silverain) The directions given by the leveplate were peculiar; you were instructed to come to Little Ala Mhigo on the appointed day, at the appointed hour. Upon arrival, there was little to do but wait; eventually, however, you were approached by one of the local boys bearing a message 'for the 'venturers with the plate'. "Come to Nald's Reflection, ere the sun sets! Don't be late!" Signed, U'jakata, Thaumaturge Most Puissant.

[21:52]Zanzan Yanzan nods to Kuina with a welcoming smile. "Name's Zanzan Yanzan. Pleasure to meet you."

[21:52](Kuina Kusushi) fate-14 ?

[21:52](Anstarra Silverain) Yup!

[21:53](Anstarra Silverain) Fate-14, dunno if caps matter =3

[21:53](Anstarra Silverain) The journey out to the place of repose is uneventful; a scout for the Immortal Flames watches you pass, interest waning as you take the right fork into the safer tunnels, rather than the left into Amal'jaa lands. Soon you come to the mouth of the sanctuary; Nald's Reflection, a place of prayer and contemplation for those who venerate the god of birth and life. Here you find the others.

[21:53](Anstarra Silverain) Dusk beckons.

[21:54]R'shesha Otharn: "So guess we need to head inside huh?"

[21:54]Kuina Kusushi: "Well met Zanzan.... Kuina."

[21:54]Gallien Vyese: "Would say so" I Syros eyes scanning the area within the cave

[21:55]Kuina Kusushi peers towards the opening, "I can place wards of protection.... if desired." She offers, peering into the dark.

[21:55](Anstarra Silverain) At this time, Gallien, since you wanted to use it.. go ahead and roll for Eyes of Nym!))

[21:55]Zanzan Yanzan glances up at the large entrance to the tunnels. "Nald's Reflection... It has been sometime since I've been here..." He pauses. "Well then, lets not keep U'jakata waiting!" He begins to adjust his gear.

[21:56](Gallien Vyese) lolol good night already, 3 T-T

[21:56](Kuina Kusushi) Can I attempt to cast protection before we go in?

[21:56]>> Gallien Vyese: You do not sense any Black Magic, at least not from here.

[21:56](Zanzan Yanzan) OOPS i forgot to put in my fourth stunt... *sneaks it*

[21:57]Gallien Vyese >> okay

[21:57](Anstarra Silverain) Fourth? And yes, you can, Kuina

[21:57](Zanzan Yanzan) Yea, since i have 4 fate points now xD but not important.

[21:58](Anstarra Silverain) Oh, you got a Major! Good work. But you can just keep 4 Refresh for now. Since you didn't choose a Stunt, that's what you have, 4/4 FP right now.))

[21:58]Kuina Kusushi closes her eyes for a moment, and draws a whisper of aether towards her. It settles across the assembled group, with a slight brush of wind and then disappears. Only time will tell if it will truly provide /protection/.

[21:59](Anstarra Silverain) You don't get a Stunt for free, but you can buy one, and bring your FP down to 3 again, with a Minor, if you get one tonight (which you probly will ;3))

[21:59](Anstarra Silverain) Wow, good roll!

[22:00](Kuina Kusushi) O.O I'm getting the good ones over with early! Wow!

[22:00](Anstarra Silverain) This place is a sanctuary, protective magic is easy enough to bring into play. TN was 1, you beat the threshold by 7, meaning you have 3 invokes.))

[22:01](Zanzan Yanzan) ((all the protections!))

[22:01](Kuina Kusushi) Okay, anyone should be able to use it if needed))

[22:01](Kuina Kusushi) :D

[22:01]Anstarra Silverain | You head into the cave. Your footsteps echo in the silence of the sacred place... and then a loud voice bursts from ahead, shattering the peace.

[22:01]Zanzan Yanzan shows Kuina a wide smile as the protective ward forms around him with a shimmer. He nods to her. "Much thanks. Now, shall we?---"

[22:02]Anstarra Silverain || "Look, you uniformed oaf! I -come- from these lands! I no more need a reason to be here than you do to be an obstructionist primate!" "Sir, please calm down, I was simply asking-" "You have no right to question me! Not that my answers would make the least amount of sense for an illiterate, bucket-wearing, chest-thumping primitive, let alone one consigned to--"

[22:02]Anstarra Silverain || The rant goes on, emerging from a tallish, black-robed miqo'te, and washing over the uncomfortable-looking form of a low-ranking hyur soldier of the Immortal Flames.

[22:03]R'shesha Otharn: "Hi we're here to hang some drapes"

[22:03]Zanzan Yanzan clears his throat loudly as he enters into the chambers.

[22:04]Kuina Kusushi lags behind the group, blinking at the long-winded rant. As she slowly catches up ot Gallian, she mutters uneasily. "The employer...."

[22:04]Gallien Vyese sits in the back of the group watching everyone else laughing at the comment from R'Shesha

[22:05]Anstarra Silverain || The robed fellow's gaze snaps up, and he points at the group.

"You! Yes, you! Perfect, come, come, do your job, by the Twelve if I have to put up with another interruption..." He about-faces and stomps back over to a spot before the altar to the

left, where a number of ritual implements seem to be in place. The Flame Private slumps, then turns to look at you all, a bit uncertainly.

[22:06]R'shesha Otharn offers the private a reassuring smile and moves closer to the pushy Migo "So what are we sposed to be doing for this?"

[22:08]Kuina Kusushi focuses upon the poor Hyur. "Sir.... of the flame...." She addresses him slowly and distinctly ".....what trouble?"

[22:08]Zanzan Yanzan narrows his gaze as an inquisitive expression grows on his face, studying the altar and the ritual implements that were placed down.

[22:08]Gallien Vyese begins to move up, glancing at the ritual implements in place, glancing at R'shesha and back at the robed figure "Would love to know that as well"

[22:08]Kuina Kusushi beckons the soldier back towards the mouth of the cave.

[22:08]Anstarra Silverain | The soldier scratches his head, before looking to the rest of the group. "Ah.. are any of you.. that is.. can anyone speak for this man? He's got.. ritual things, and.. a cat, and.. " He gestures vaguely, "I think maybe bodies, or something, wrapped up there? Uh. I think I need to report this."

[22:08](Zanzan Yanzan) Zanzan is trying to discern what sort of ritual is being done. What do I roll, Thaumaturgy or Lore with Thaumaturgy as a helper?))

[22:09]Kuina Kusushi beckons the soldier closer, lifting a finger to her lips in a request for tact.

[22:10]Anstarra Silverain | The robed figure, meanwhile, gestures abruptly as anyone tries to approach him. "No! No no no, don't interrupt, for the love of Azeyma, and get that oaf out of here! The last thing I need is someone looking over my shoulder, or some misguided witch hunt at the spears and arrows of slope-browed plebians-" And so on, muttering, as he resumes his work.

[22:10](Anstarra Silverain) Alright, Zan, roll Lore, yes Thaum is a viable helper! Gallien can also roll Lore if he's studying the mess)

[22:10](Gallien Vyese) okay

[22:11]Anstarra Silverain | The soldier does make his way over toward Kuina, with a questioning expression..

[22:11]Anstarra Silverain || The preparations for the ritual were well under way, or perhaps even finished, before U'jakata was interrupted. Candles are arrayed at the corners of a hexagram, which lays inside a double circle, within which are an array of arcane scribblings that straddle the line between intricate and hectic.

[22:11]Kuina Kusushi waits until he stands next to her and lowers her voice to a hushed whisper.

[22:12](Kuina Kusushi) ((Should I whisper in /tell or /say?))

[22:12]>> Zanzan Yanzan: You have no idea what he's doing. It looks like some sort of thaumaturgic ritual, yes, but it's either completely demented or extremely complex, perhaps both. It could be amazingly dangerous or do nothing at all!

[22:12](Anstarra Silverain) Go ahead in /say~)

[22:14]>> Gallien Vyese: It is definitely some form of ritual, and despite the erratic design, you are inclined to think it will do what it intends. As to what that is.. tracking via sympathetic links, perhaps. While pulling on ambient energy.

[22:14]Kuina Kusushi: "Caution first.... remain quiet please..... my name..... Kuina." She pauses, drawing the man closer. "Please... tell me.... everything.... yousaw."

[22:15]Zanzan Yanzan: "Sir." He calls over to U'jakata. "I must ask what sort of ritual you'll be enacting tonight. As a fellow Thaumaturge, I must know if I were to properly ready myself for whats to come. Considering its complexity, it may very well attract voidsents into this area."

[22:15]Gallien Vyese: "As far as I can tell, it is not meant to cause us harm" looking at the two next to him "Shall we step back and let him finish for now, baring nothing goes wrong"

[22:16]R'shesha Otharn: "Here is far enough back right?"

[22:16]Gallien Vyese: "Looks to be more tracking, rather than summoning" looking towards Zanzan

[22:17]Anstarra Silverain | The Flame simply gestures, at the site of the ritual. "I'm posted on guard duty, normally, over by the door to the tunnels. Normally we don't bother petitioners, but this guy looks like he's here to set up shop. Look, I don't mess with Thaumaturges, those guys creep me out, but we've got standing orders to report it if anyone does anything funny, since some mess with Black Magic some while ago...

[22:18]Zanzan Yanzan: "I am just being cautious. Depending on the amount of aether required to initiate this ritual... Its complexity and messiness just worries me."

[22:18]Kuina Kusushi: "We are sent.... adventurers.... to supervise.... may I count.... on.... yourasistance?"

[22:19]Gallien Vyese: "I will have her watch the aether if it begins to go void, I will be the first to stop this"

[22:19]Gallien Vyese looking to Syros

[22:20](Gallien Vyese) Syros is going to watch the ritual very closely, to make sure this "tracking" does not go towards summoning voidsent

[22:20]Anstarra Silverain | The thaumaturge, correctly assumed to be U'jakata, straightens, blinking at Zanzan, and frowning. "Thaumaturge? What?" He narrows his eyes. "I thought I said thugs. Damn those leveplates. And that one. What is that, a Centerfold Carbuncle? No, no, a familiar. Hmm. I don't like this, Minna. Only one of them has the requisite thews. Still. They can help. Yes. Guard duty!" He suddenly speaks up, nodding vigorously. "Yes, yes, defend yourselves. Not from me. The ritual! I might be attacked!"

[22:20]R'shesha Otharn: "You two know magic better then me. Whatcha want me to do?"

[22:20]Anstarra Silverain: "Obviously you're here to stop that, so stop questioning me, and be ready! Didn't it say this on the leveplate? I knew I should have gotten a copy.."

[22:21]Anstarra Silverain | The Flame Private raises his hands. "Woah now. I.. I don't know. I still think I need to do something.."

[22:22]R'shesha Otharn turns to the private "I'd say for now just wait and see if theres anything that'll need reporting right?"

[22:22]Zanzan Yanzan: "You would not want an inaccurate and incomplete report, right Private?" He says over his shoulder with a slight smile.

[22:22]Gallien Vyese looking towards the flame private "I say we stay back and watch for now, if the poor soul dies from whatever he is doing so be it, We will stop whatever else goes on before it goes any fuurther, if it goes the wrong direction" he begin to walk back to the mouth of the cave with the others

[22:23](Anstarra Silverain) So! Someone want to roll something at the Flame Private? I'm seeing Rapport. Piling up on him, or taking turns?>

[22:23](Gallien Vyese) I can assist!

[22:23](Gallien Vyese) if someone wants to roll at him

[22:23](R'shesha Otharn) I can do a rapport roll

[22:23](Zanzan Yanzan) I'll throw in my arapport roll too

[22:23]Kuina Kusushi places her left hand on the man's arm. "Your danger.... might... be ...very great." She replies keeping her voice to a whisper. "I ask this..... retreat.... your post.... mouth of cave.... wait.... if trouble arises..... I will signal.... whistle.... then.... run signal ...your comander."

[22:24](Kuina Kusushi) I would like to roll rapport for that?

[22:24](R'shesha Otharn) who ya want to roll an?

[22:24](Gallien Vyese) who is highest?

[22:24](Kuina Kusushi) I'm 2

[22:24](R'shesha Otharn) I got +2

[22:24]Anstarra Silverain | A cat, with caramel fur and black patches, winds its way out from behind the pillars, and rubs against the Thaumaturge. He scratches her head absently, and gets his fingers chewed.

[22:24](Zanzan Yanzan) I got 3

[22:24](Anstarra Silverain) Let's call it one team roll. Zan can roll, others assist, sound good?

[22:25](Kuina Kusushi) Okay, Zanzan can roll with assists from us?

[22:25](R'shesha Otharn) sounds good to me

[22:25](Anstarra Silverain) Yup, go for it!

[22:25](Anstarra Silverain) 3 assists brings that to 7!

[22:26](Anstarra Silverain) You critically succeed over the TN of 4! He was very suspicious.. but your collective confidence and seeming good intent has him relaxing, and nodding in relief.

[22:26]Anstarra Silverain: "Look, I'll just leave it in you guys' hands then, okay? I'll get back to my post."

[22:27]Kuina Kusushi: "Remember.... one whistle..... get help."

[22:27]Zanzan Yanzan shows a thumbs up to the Private.

[22:27]Gallien Vyese nods, though not taking his eyes off Syros wathcing the thamaturge

[22:29]Anstarra Silverain | Meanwhile, in the ritual area, U'jakata snaps his gaze up, tilting his head as he watches the Flame Private walk off. Up close, he's a male perhaps in his mid thirties, not particularly weathered for it, with the comparatively light complexion of one who has spent much of his life indoors. He pauses in his work, tail swaying pensively. "Hmm. That was easy. Tact, yes, I know, Minna. Maybe there's something to be said for it. And for trust, too. Very well!" He raises his voice abruptly.

[22:31](Anstarra Silverain) That emote went through right?

[22:31](Gallien Vyese) the raised voice one yes

[22:31](R'shesha Otharn) him talking to the cat

[22:32]Zanzan Yanzan retrieves his staff from his back as he whirls it left and right, pacing over to a specific spot in the room before stopping. He begins to observe the ritual with a hard gaze, eyes shifting towards the Miqu'te and his cat every so often.

[22:32](Anstarra Silverain) Dont wander off, come closer to m

[22:32](Anstarra Silverain) Dont wander off, come closer to me so emotes dont die =D

[22:32]R'shesha Otharn slips the spear off her back and leans on it, looking around as her ears flick towards any noises.

[22:33](Anstarra Silverain) Kuina, a bit closer, I dont know if you're in range there~

[22:34](Kuina Kusushi) I got the last one just fine?))

[22:34]Anstarra Silverain: Hear this?)

[22:34](Kuina Kusushi) Yep))

[22:34](Anstarra Silverain) Ok!

[22:34]Anstarra Silverain: "Yes, that is to say, -I- am U'jakata, Thaumaturge Most Puissant! And you, my dear lack- er, friends, you have the express privilege of being among the first to aid me on my quest! Well, aside from the laundry girl. She, I owe a great deal." He nods gravely. "But enough banter. You require reassurances! I shall provide. You wish to know about my ritual, yes? AS YOU SHOULD. For it is brilliance itself. If I do say so myself. Which I do!"

[22:35]Kuina Kusushi waits putting on an expression of pure interest..... while not letting down her guard an ilm.

[22:35]R'shesha Otharn taps her fingers on her spear as the man goes through his spiel

[22:36]Gallien Vyese continues to watch Syros, with her intent gaze

[22:36]Zanzan Yanzan taps the ground with his staff idly as he continues to listen to the crazy Thaumaturge.

[22:37]Anstarra Silverain | He begins to pace back and forth, while he talks. "Little more than a year ago, there was a severe and confusing disruption of Ul'dah's everyday life. Before that whole mess with the Sultana vanishing, that is. No, this was more bizarre than mere politics, though certainly those were involved. HERESY!" He gesticulates sharply, and the air around him shimmers a little. "Or so the Ishgardians called it! Dravanian relics! Dangerous toys, capable of strange, twisted, MIRACULOUS things!"

[22:37]R'shesha Otharn: "Probably shouldn't play with things like that"

[22:38]Zanzan Yanzan: "I have heard some are capable of taking over one's mind if used carelessly." He comments.

[22:39]Gallien Vyese being his first hearing of these he removes a small tome from his jacket and begins to write down the information from the sources

[22:39]Anstarra Silverain: "Play! Hah! An apt description, be-thewed huntress!" He points at Shesha with a wide grin. "All those who found and fought and squabbled, and the chaos, like children with rods of fire!" He nods vigorously in assent to Zan's comment. "Yes, true, quite true. Dangerous, the most fascinating of these relics. The WYRMTEARS. Born of blood and aether and regret and sorrow and fury, these innocuous-seeming gems possessed the power to transform an ordinary, non-ishgardian human.. into a DRAGON."

[22:41]Gallien Vyese shakes his head "And what does this whole thing have to do with these relics?"

[22:41]Anstarra Silverain: "How many laws of magic were twisted! Everything we know about investment. It touches on Primal studies! On blood magic! On void possession! The things we could learn, were we but to study such a bauble. Alas, fearful fanatics destroyed them all... or _so it was thought_."

[22:42]Anstarra Silverain: "For in my divinations, I have discovered that one remains. And through painstaking research and exhaustive investigation I have found, at length and long last, a way to TRACK it."

[22:42]R'shesha Otharn: "What are you planning to do with it?"

[22:43]Kuina Kusushi continues to watch silently, drinking in the thaumaturge's words.

[22:43]Gallien Vyese looks a bit curious, "Oh?"

[22:44]Zanzan Yanzan widens his eyes at the descriptions of the Wyrmtears though he assumes a serious expression as Shesha asks the question that was just on his mind.

[22:45]Anstarra Silverain: "Unlock its secrets, of course! Much as the discovery of the Elementals revolutionized life in the Shroud, much as the first boat set the course for Limsa Lominsa, here we stand at the cusp of a new era! Especially with all we have learned in this past, exciting year, about the different flights of dragons! The secrets of draconic power could be made available to me, to you, to all of us! Without even needing the.. grotesque, cannibalistic practices of the past. Very messy story. Eyes and such."

[22:46]R'shesha Otharn: "I don't think you should do that honestly"

[22:47]Kuina Kusushi 's eyes narrow slightly but she maintains her silence.

[22:47]Gallien Vyese: "And what if this tear is already is the possession of a dragon itself?"

[22:47]Anstarra Silverain throws his hands up in exasperation. "If people stood back from the advent of the discoveries of the world's secrets every time they were afraid to get burned, the first Thaumaturges would still be hitting each other over their heads with their non-functional proto-canes! Conjurers would be huddling in caves! Even Dragoons would be.. well, dragon food!"

[22:49]Anstarra Silverain: "A dragon? In the -desert-?" He pauses and tilts his head. "Could such a thing be? Perhaps. Madness. Yet perhaps not. A dragon could be bargained with, perhaps. Or perhaps it would attack us out of hand. Many are yet bestial. Who was to say? I do not seek to STEAL this relic! What do you take me for. The path to knowledge can be paved with words as well as fireballs, as you so aptly demonstrated with that lackwit yonder!"

[22:50]Zanzan Yanzan: "Yet we do know that any forms of draconic magic used by non-dragons comes with some significant measure of cost and danger. You, as a Thaumaturge, should very well know the history of attempting to toy with magic beyond our understanding." He pauses, "However.." He peers to the group, "Best we know where it is before it gets into the -wrong- hands."

[22:50]Kuina Kusushi finally raises her voice, speaking slowly and firmly. "Do you know, who has it?"

[22:51]Gallien Vyese tilts his head "it is that close to be within the desert?"

[22:51]Anstarra Silverain: "Of -course- I know there is danger! Another Thaumaturge of the Ossuary was in fact corrupted by one of the Wyrmtears. A lesson; one should not drink dragon blood, no matter how good an idea it seems at the time."

[22:52]Anstarra Silverain: "BUT, she was cured! We would not have even known curing the transformation was POSSIBLE, without the incident!"

[22:52]R'shesha Otharn: "This could get really out of hand fast"

[22:52]Anstarra Silverain: "As to your question," he points to Kuina, "obviously I do not know who has it or I would not be tracking it thus! But it passed through the desert. Which brings us... to THIS place!"

[22:52]Kuina Kusushi rewords her question in the same measured tone. "Do you know..... who has it now? and where?"

[22:53](Kuina Kusushi) ((Scratch that emote))

[22:53]Kuina Kusushi: "So it is close.... and this ritual.... to locate a tear."

[22:54]Anstarra Silverain: "I came here, for this place is known to me, to my blood. To this place, aspected in life, to bring the conflict of death. Here, I have the bodies of heretics, those who were corrupted by the Wyrmtears, painstakingly retrieved at great expense. Their bodies reverted to their true forms on their death, but within their aether lies the necessary -taint- which I shall utilize to amplify my tracking spell!"

[22:55]Gallien Vyese: "Shall we proceed?"

[22:55]Gallien Vyese: proceed*

[22:55]You point at Gallien Vyese.

[22:55]Kuina Kusushi looks pointedly at each one of her companions.

[22:56]Anstarra Silverain: "Yes! Does that satisfy you? I warn you. That which I will do, WILL draw angry spirits. The conflict straddles the Void, but upon that line we must walk. Your powers will be needed, to protect me! My concentration will need to be total!"

[22:56](Gallien Vyese) Going to cast galvanize on him

[22:57](Gallien Vyese) or try to at least

[22:57](Kuina Kusushi) I will attempt to add a stoneskin to that

[22:58](Anstarra Silverain) Ok!

[22:58](Gallien Vyese) 4

[22:58](Anstarra Silverain) The TN is 3; his garb and ritual foci render him magically distinct. You succeed! He gets one invoke.)

[22:58]Zanzan Yanzan shakes his head slowly then begins to channel aether into his staff as he begins to charge up a spell.

[22:59]R'shesha Otharn: "This could get fun. Or bad. Or horrible"

[22:59](Zanzan Yanzan) ((Can I roll to pre-buff an attack spell for +2?))

[22:59]Kuina Kusushi waits for several moments before addressing the small group. "Better to be found and studied..... then lost and unknown." With that she sends a brief wave of aether towards the thaumaturge that materializes into a fine layer of sand and pebbles gently floating upon his Aether.

[23:00](Anstarra Silverain) Kuina also grants him Stoneskin! One invoke~

[23:00](Kuina Kusushi) Rolled a 5 for /stoneskin/ on U'ja-whats-his-name.

[23:00]Gallien Vyese removes his unique tome from his side and holds it out towards the thaumaturge, lights and shapes begin to flare over it as he moves his hand towards the figure a shield of glistening light flares over his form

[23:01](Anstarra Silverain) To your question Zan, what're you trying to do? Add invokes to a base aspect?

[23:02](Zanzan Yanzan) Uhh, I think so? Just adding an invoke to my next attack. I guess creating an advantage?))

[23:02](Zanzan Yanzan) ((Its been so long since I've been in Fate-14 I forgot how to describe it xD))

[23:02](Zanzan Yanzan) ((Or boost? *flops*))

[23:03](Anstarra Silverain) Right! Roll Will. TN is 3. It's fine, you're trying to create an Advantage to cover a Cost_)

[23:03](Anstarra Silverain) Oh, not a Cost_)

[23:03](Anstarra Silverain) Just trying to buff.. okay, roll Will anyway. Same deal.)

[23:04](Zanzan Yanzan) ((4))

[23:04](Anstarra Silverain) Good! You gain one free invoke on your aspect of /Thaumaturgic Childhood/. You can use that as you wish.)

[23:05](Anstarra Silverain) Everyone done? Shesha want to do anything? Hide to set up an ambush maybe?

[23:06]R'shesha Otharn slips off to the side and gets ready to pounce a thing

[23:06](R'shesha Otharn) good idea

[23:06](Anstarra Silverain) Roll Stealth! TN is 1, this place is hella shadows.

[23:06](R'shesha Otharn) I gots a 3

[23:07](Anstarra Silverain) Good, you gain /Ready to Pounce/ with 1 free invoke

[23:08](R'shesha Otharn) I am one with the cave shrub

[23:08](Zanzan Yanzan) Its not a regular shrub... #4/20))

[23:08]Anstarra Silverain | U'jakata himself looks somewhat bemused at all this casting on him, from allies. What a concept. He's clearly not overly familiar with having people helping him! He shakes himself, and claps his hands together, his aether flaring as he performs a unique little twist of Thaumaturgy, spraying a defensive matrix of energies around himself in a /Mana Shield/..

[23:09](Anstarra Silverain) He also gains an invoke!

[23:11](Kuina Kusushi) The dominant Aether here is lightening for use in Aspected Advantage. *Makes note*

[23:11]Anstarra Silverain | And then... U'jakata begins the RITUAL! His voice pitches upward, as he draws a bone knife in his left hand, rod in his right; he paces, he chants, he dances. Slicing the palm of his hand, he sprinkles blood over the outer lines of the ritual circle... and it HUMS VIOLENTLY TO LIFE.

[23:11](Kuina Kusushi) (Mah stunts are complicated>.<)

[23:11](Anstarra Silverain) <3

[23:12](Zanzan Yanzan) ((there are two anonymous people looking at my sheet... WHO IS THE OTHER))

[23:12](Anstarra Silverain) He's going to perform a Ritual Casting! As he gains thresholds of success, things will happen! If he does particularly well, maybe multiple things at once! Here we go!

[23:12](Kuina Kusushi) Me! XP))

[23:13](Zanzan Yanzan) ((SPIES))

[23:14](Kuina Kusushi) ((Sorry... it comes in handy when other players have group-wide stunts or if I need to heal.))

[23:14](Kuina Kusushi) ((I can leave if you want me too :3))

[23:15]Anstarra Silverain | Violent energies BURST FORTH from the lines of the circle! U'jakata raises his voice in defiance! Coruscating lines of red and purple spray the wall, spelling out hateful words in a language none living can bear to read! Suddenly crackling bolts SHOOT from the words into two of the wrapped bodies on the ground, and they BURST FREE of their trappings, Angry Dead rising with a vengeance!!

[23:15](Anstarra Silverain) BATTLE IS JOINED!

[23:15](Anstarra Silverain) Notice Scores!

[23:15](Gallien Vyese) 1

[23:16](Kuina Kusushi) 2

[23:16](Zanzan Yanzan) 1

[23:16](Anstarra Silverain) And Shesha has 5 for init purposes ;D

[23:17](Anstarra Silverain) Athletics scores!

[23:17](Kuina Kusushi) 0

[23:17](Zanzan Yanzan) 2

[23:17](R'shesha Otharn) so guess I gotta ambush a zombie

[23:17](Gallien Vyese) 1

[23:18](Anstarra Silverain) You will be first, Shesha, so, emote your action, and I'll tell you the roll!

[23:18](Kuina Kusushi) ((Quick question... is this all the same zone?))

[23:19](Anstarra Silverain) Ah yes, one sec

[23:20]R'shesha Otharn clutches her spear and dashes out of her hiding spot, trying to quickly impale the deadite.

[23:20](Anstarra Silverain) C is Ritual Zone, B is one off, A is near entrance!

[23:20](Anstarra Silverain) Position yourselves where you would've been

[23:20](Kuina Kusushi) Thanks!))

[23:21](Anstarra Silverain) The Zombies, U'ja, and Shesha are in C!

[23:21](Anstarra Silverain) Set yourselves up where you like

[23:22](Anstarra Silverain) Does anyone know off-hand what the tiebreaker is when Notice and Athletics are both tied?

[23:22](Kuina Kusushi) I don't remember))

[23:22](Anstarra Silverain) Seems it's Physique

[23:23](Anstarra Silverain) THUS THE TURN ORDER

[23:23](Anstarra Silverain) Shesha - Kuina - Zanzan - Zombies - Gallien - U'jakata

[23:23](Anstarra Silverain) Actually

[23:23](Anstarra Silverain) Shesha - Void - Kuina - Zanzan - Zombies - Gallien - U'jakata

[23:23](Anstarra Silverain) There~

[23:24](Anstarra Silverain) Shesha stabs! Make your attack roll! The Zombies defend.

[23:24](Zanzan Yanzan) ((VOID))

[23:25](R'shesha Otharn) ((do I get bonus for ready to pounce?))

[23:25](Anstarra Silverain) You may use the invoke now if you wish! It is an advantage~)

[23:26](R'shesha Otharn) (gonna))

[23:26](R'shesha Otharn) (got a 5))

[23:26](Anstarra Silverain) Actually, now's pretty much the only time you can use it anyway so DO IT)

[23:26](Anstarra Silverain) 3 Stress!

[23:27](R'shesha Otharn) woo

[23:27]Anstarra Silverain | The undead hyur, dessicated body warped and twisted by pulsing void energies, shudders as Shesha's spear rams clear through it. It moans, pustulent breath washing over her face as it claws toward her..

[23:28](Anstarra Silverain) The VOID'S turn!

[23:29]Anstarra Silverain | But before anything else can happen.. purple energies, goaded by the massive influx of power U'jakata poured into his ritual circle, whip out in a frenetic, maddening wave! It washes through the room, and as it touches you, you hear terrified, hateful screaming resonate through your minds and souls!

[23:29](Anstarra Silverain) The Void attacks everyone!

[23:29](Zanzan Yanzan) ((oh god, what do we roll?))

[23:30](Kuina Kusushi) Will???

[23:30](Anstarra Silverain) I'm gonna reroll that.. stupid Void..)

[23:30](Zanzan Yanzan) ((LOL))

[23:30](Anstarra Silverain) JEEBUS)

[23:30](Zanzan Yanzan) ((OH DEAR GOD))

[23:30](Anstarra Silverain) Well, to answer your question ROLL WILL)

[23:30](Kuina Kusushi) Ohnoe...

[23:30](Zanzan Yanzan) ((IS MY TRINKET FROM THE PAST CAMPAIGN STILL IN AFFECT?))

[23:31](Anstarra Silverain) I'll be nice, Zan. Yes, you have it.))

[23:31](Anstarra Silverain) haha Gallien)

[23:31](R'shesha Otharn) ((got a 2))

[23:32](Anstarra Silverain) Time to use some Defensive Invokes I'm thinking! There's three floating uses of Protect!))

[23:32](Kuina Kusushi) I rolled 2.... going to activate /unwavering optimism/ and boost it to a 4

[23:32](Anstarra Silverain) That works!)

[23:32](Kuina Kusushi) So that is a mental stress of 3?

[23:33](Anstarra Silverain) The damage being inflicted is Mental Stress! And yes~)

[23:33](Zanzan Yanzan) Oh its a mind attack! Invoking stunt to make my defense an 8!))

[23:33](R'shesha Otharn) ((can I use self trained dragoon to get +2?))

[23:33](Zanzan Yanzan) A Father's Legacy))

[23:34](Anstarra Silverain) Very well Zan~ You defend fully! Shesha, I don't think that Aspect works, but, I think your High-Concept does))

[23:34](R'shesha Otharn) ((ok, cause that much mental stress pretty heavily screws me, heh))

[23:35](Anstarra Silverain) Oh, then again, self-training as dragoon, it could involve resisting mental torment, sure~)

[23:35](Zanzan Yanzan) ((Mental torment from DRAGONS))

[23:35](Anstarra Silverain) Okay so! Who's spent FP this turn! Me. Shesha. Kuina.

[23:36](R'shesha Otharn) ((yeah))

[23:36](Kuina Kusushi) I'm at 2/3

[23:36](Anstarra Silverain) No one using /Protect/ yet?

[23:36](Kuina Kusushi) I'm saving it.

[23:36](Anstarra Silverain) To be clear, Kuina, when you cast Protect, it went on the party, so anyone can use it, right?)

[23:37](Kuina Kusushi) Yes... but I'm not going to use any invokes here.))

[23:37](Gallien Vyese) protect works on mental?

[23:37](Kuina Kusushi) I'm not actually sure about that.... it is a physcal wind barrier technically...

[23:38](Anstarra Silverain) Mm, well, that's fair~))

[23:38](Anstarra Silverain) Alright! You all weather the terrible storm! Oh! Gotta roll for U'ja..))

[23:39](R'shesha Otharn) still 3 mental stress for me?))

[23:40](Anstarra Silverain) Welp. He uses Galvanize and Manashield to suck up the energy, bringing him to 5, taking some stress.. and yes Shesha, took 3. Which, ooh, that's a Consequence isn't it)

[23:40](R'shesha Otharn) ((yeah))

[23:40](Kuina Kusushi) Protect!!!

[23:41](Anstarra Silverain) I'll let defensive invokes work, really. Mental or physical. The wind barries dilutes the screaming sound!))

[23:41](Anstarra Silverain) So sure, take an invoke if you like ;D)

[23:41](R'shesha Otharn) ((gonna use it then))

[23:41](Anstarra Silverain) 1 Stress!

[23:42](Anstarra Silverain) Feel free to all emote your reactions to getting psychically flayed! It's Kuina's turn!)

[23:43]Gallien Vyese as the voids shriek fills Gallien's ears he takes a step back and plants both feet reaching up to vover his ears, which ahd little to not effect in blocking the screams, as he looked to the side, poor little Syros was trying to do the same with what he imagined the same result

[23:43]Kuina Kusushi braces herself against the mental onslaught, lurching forwards onto her staff. As she stands, doubled over, the tiny woman begins to gather Aether into her. It crackles and pops with /flashes of static/ energy.

[23:44]R'shesha Otharn almost lets go of the spear to cover her ears, relizes thats likely the worst idea she's had in a long time and actually starts humming to drown it out.

[23:44](Kuina Kusushi) ((Rolling to create/ pay for a cost))

[23:44](Anstarra Silverain) Okay! Roll Will to gather forces and hold them!))

[23:45](Anstarra Silverain) TN is 2; with that violent shriek, the air of peacefulness has been broken here))

[23:45](Kuina Kusushi) got a 3))

[23:45](Anstarra Silverain) You succeed! /flashes of static/ is created and ready to use next turn~)

[23:45](Anstarra Silverain) Zanzan! Go!

[23:46]Zanzan Yanzan brings up his arms to shield himself from the Voidal screaming. The trinket on his hat shines brightly with aether as it drains out the voidal influences and rushes through his body to relax him. He eyes the zombies and thrusts his staff outwards, a bolt of lightning shooting towards one of them.

[23:46](Anstarra Silverain) Zap! It tries to dodge. Which do you nuke, the one Shesha hurt, or the fresh one?

[23:46](Zanzan Yanzan) I would like to use a mental stress point to turn it into an AoE, so it would strike both.))

[23:46](Anstarra Silverain) You may! But, uh, Shesha and U'ja are in that zone..

[23:47](Zanzan Yanzan) ((The rules specifically only states enemies?))

[23:47](R'shesha Otharn) ((it is only enemies, Sarnai did that alot in her 1st event))

[23:48](Anstarra Silverain) Very well! Boom!))

[23:48](Anstarra Silverain) WELP

[23:49](Zanzan Yanzan) As Kiht would say #BURNINATED

[23:50]Anstarra Silverain | The zombies are remarkably spry; then again, they aren't so much the slow, groaning sort, as the hateful, snarling, grasping kind. One of them even leaps to drag the other toward Zanzan in an attempted dodge.. but the other makes a similar move, and they crash together, tangling, and are COMPLETELY INCINERATED. Voidal energies unravel in purple puffs as the flaming shreds of cloth and fouler things arc gracefully through the room.

[23:50]Zanzan Yanzan lets out a quick yell as the lightning cuts off from his staff before he begins to channel another. "What did I say? I knew we would be messing with the Void soon enough!"

[23:51](Anstarra Silverain) The zombies are too redead to act! U'jakata goes!
[23:51](Kuina Kusushi) What about Gall?
[23:51](Anstarra Silverain) Oh! I miswrote. Yes, Gallien's turn!
[23:51]Gallien Vyese watching as his shield disapties around the thamturge, he begins to motion over his tome once more the glow around Syros begins to brightend and becomes almost like a stream to Gallien, as the shapes and glow around the tome begin to take shape once more, he motions his hand towards the thamaturge
[23:51](Gallien Vyese) recasting my shield on him))
[23:51](Anstarra Silverain) Do it! TN is 2
[23:52](Gallien Vyese) 6

[23:52](Anstarra Silverain) Wham! 2 free invokes! Good work~)
[23:52](Anstarra Silverain) Now it's his turn!)
[23:54]Anstarra Silverain | The ritual space remains conspicuously free of debris; energies flow into it, enmeshing with the black-robed miquo'te as he chants and dances. His eyes widen slightly as he works to compensate for the unanticipated flow of forces, though already this was a given, with the flash of voidal energy...
[23:55](Anstarra Silverain) The TN was up to 5, he still crits! Whee
[23:57]Anstarra Silverain | Laughing triumphantly, he gesticulates, and more red energy flashes out, raking over the purple trails of the voidal force; the darkness flickers.. and then SURGES, blasting out to enravel the four remaining corpses! Suddenly they sure to their feet, four furious dead, as the evil-looking words on the wall burn brightly again...
[23:57](Anstarra Silverain) Shesha!

[23:58]R'shesha Otharn shakes her head and quickly turns to stab at one of the new deadites!
[23:58](Anstarra Silverain) Do it! The zombie defends!
[23:59]Anstarra Silverain | The zombie snarls, reaching for her, twitching past all but a scratch carved into its vile flesh!
[23:59](Anstarra Silverain) 1 stress ! The VOID!
[0:00](Zanzan Yanzan) ((swear to god, imma blast the shit outta that void))
[0:00]From Apr. 20, 2016 11:00 p.m. to Apr. 21, 2016 3:00 a.m. (PDT), maintenance will be performed on FINAL FANTASY XIV.
[0:00]Please log out before the maintenance begins.
[0:00]See the News section for more details.
[0:00](Gallien Vyese) if it fucks with me too much, I am gonna clease the damn thing!))
[0:00](Gallien Vyese) end the ritual right there))
[0:01]Anstarra Silverain | The void lights flicker and flutter.. and then blaze with nauseating light, as a misty wash of purple energy bursts from the words on the wall and courses over the room! The miasma sickens all it touches..
[0:01](Anstarra Silverain) The Void attacks!
[0:01](Kuina Kusushi) Physique?))
[0:01](Anstarra Silverain) That's not nearly so bad~ And yes! You must all defend with Physique!))

[0:03](R'shesha Otharn) woo))

[0:03](Anstarra Silverain) Anyone want to boost their results somehow?)

[0:03](Kuina Kusushi) I got 0, I am going to use protect for this one))

[0:03](Anstarra Silverain) Brings you to 2 for a tie!)

[0:04](R'shesha Otharn) I

[0:04]R'shesha Otharn: ((I tied so will keep it for now))

[0:04](Anstarra Silverain) U'ja also uses Galvanize for the tie)

[0:05]Kuina Kusushi remains focused as the miasma bubbles towards her. Before it connects a rush of wind wraps around her, dividing the wave and allowing it to pass.

[0:05](Zanzan Yanzan) ((i got a 3 so i'm good))

[0:05](Gallien Vyese) can i use, /Bound to Syros/ With FP use, and take Syros dmg away + take 1 extra dmg myself?

[0:05]Zanzan Yanzan brings up his staff into the air as a temporary ward forms around him, protecting him for the duration of the Voidal attack before fading away.

[0:06](Anstarra Silverain) Hmm.. normally that kinda thing is a Stunt, but.. what the heck, sure.)

[0:06](Anstarra Silverain) This does not deal damage though!)

[0:07](Anstarra Silverain) Everyone who tied, the Void and its minions get a Boost on you; anyone who went under, an Advantage, /Sickened/, is placed on you!)

[0:08](Anstarra Silverain) Gallien you take your own invoke, plus Syros', so there are two invokes on you)

[0:09](Anstarra Silverain) And now it's Kuina's turn!

[0:09]Kuina Kusushi barely moves, simply raising her head and allowing the ambient aether to surge around her. It rushes over her in tiny /flashes of static/ before arcing towards the walking dead, in a flash of lightening. It strikes Zombie furthest from R'shesha and surges through it back into the earth.

[0:09](Anstarra Silverain) Feel free to all emote your reactions as desired~

[0:09](Anstarra Silverain) Kuina attacks! Zombie tries to teamdodge!

[0:10](Kuina Kusushi) ((Using aspect advantage from last turn and filling a stress box to add another +2))

[0:10]Gallien Vyese as the void light flares and the miasma starts to strike, he looks to Syros who is still focused on the ritual. Running over to her being/Bound to Syros/ he grabs her and brings her within his jacket taking in extra /sickness/ himself sparing her any

[0:11](Anstarra Silverain) So you add +4 between your Stunt and Class ability!)

[0:11](Kuina Kusushi) Yep. Got a six

[0:12]Anstarra Silverain | As before, the zombie closest to the one Kuina electrifies leaps in the way, grabbing the other; this time the maneuver is slightly more successful.. except that the added cover means both get electrified at once! Both 'far' zombies sizzle and crackle, but keep coming!

[0:13](Anstarra Silverain) Zanzan!

[0:13](Anstarra Silverain) Zombies '3 and 4' take 3 stress~)

[0:14]Zanzan Yanzan whirls his staff around him as aether begins around its heart-shaped head. He then lifts the staff into the air before slamming the pommel into the ground as ice trails towards the groups of zombies before erupting outwards with spikes.

[0:15](Zanzan Yanzan) I'll use another mental stress point for AoEeeeeee please))

[0:15](Anstarra Silverain) Bam!)

[0:16](Zanzan Yanzan) rolled a 6 btw))

[0:16](Zanzan Yanzan) THE SAME ROLL))

[0:18]Anstarra Silverain | The zombies closest to Shesha are EXPLODIFIED! The other two blaze and crackle as /Large Chunks Melt Off/ both of them, a consequence that living creatures would really regret, but zombies merely find moderately troublesome...

[0:18](Anstarra Silverain) Zombies 1 and 2 go boom! 3 and 4 have a Consequence! It's their turn!

[0:19]Anstarra Silverain | Both zombies lunge toward Shesha; only two delicious living brains are in reach, and she is the one actively stabbing things...

[0:20](Anstarra Silverain) The zombies are trying to nom Shesha! Defense?

[0:20](R'shesha Otharn) rolled a 4, use the large chunks thing to make it tie and a point for protect?

[0:21](Kuina Kusushi) Protect has one last invoke I think?))

[0:21](Anstarra Silverain) Using that Consequence requires a FP, but you can if you like! Only Zan gets it for free, once. Protect will indeed tie the game, which might not be bad since they are using the /Sickened/ Boost that the Void got on you!)

[0:22](Anstarra Silverain) Since they're essentially puppets of the Void, they share its Boosts))

[0:22](R'shesha Otharn) the void tied me not hurt so didn't get the sickened thing did it?

[0:22](Anstarra Silverain) So do you use Protect? And maybe an FP? Your call!)

[0:23](Anstarra Silverain) You did! Because a tie on an advantage making is still a Boost)

[0:23]R'shesha Otharn: ((yes, protect and a FP))

[0:23](Anstarra Silverain) While normally a Boost is only useable by the one who made it, the Void and Zombies cheat)

[0:24](Anstarra Silverain) You bring it back to a tie! The zombies gain a new boost, /Braaains/ on you, to replace /Sickened/)

[0:25](Anstarra Silverain) After the Zombies, it's Gallien!

[0:25](Gallien Vyese) LEECHES!!!!!!

[0:25](Gallien Vyese) on self

[0:26](Anstarra Silverain) Alright, roll it! TN is 3!)

[0:26](Anstarra Silverain) You succeed and remove one invoke, just shy of getting both))

[0:27](Gallien Vyese) 5, will a FP for Syros aspect /Companion, Friend, Family/ clear both?

[0:27](Anstarra Silverain) Yes!)_

[0:28](Anstarra Silverain) Next is U'jakata!

[0:29]Anstarra Silverain | His ritual is nearing its crescendo! He draws out a scrap of cloth, and a silver amulet, and bears them up toward the void-writing! Energy blazes!

[0:30]Gallien Vyese as the posion seeps in he calls out to Syros to take her gaze from the ritual and help me cleasne himself, tome open and shapes and light flaring brightly, Syros /Companina, Friend, Family/ glows brighter than usual. Pumping more aether into the spell Gallein is attamepting to cast. As the cast finishes and the light vanishes the haze and posion around Gallien fades altogether, takinga huge breath looking to Syros "Thank you friend"

[0:30](Anstarra Silverain) TN was 5 again, the boost of sickness is used against him but he counters with Galvanize, gains the critical success once more!)

[0:32](Gallien Vyese) brb sec

[0:34]Anstarra Silverain | Brilliant light FLASHES through the ritual area, and then bursts forth in brilliant crimson lines! They scythe through the remaining zombies, and carve across the voidal script on the wall. In the aftermath of the line, a shadow forms.. and something darker than the darkness of the sanctuary oozes forth. A vaguely humanoid shape from waist-up, trailing down into mist below the belt. Slits of purple light in lieu of eyes open in its umbral visage. For all that, it's no bigger than a man..

[0:35]Anstarra Silverain: "Ah! Vile shade! Your time has come!" U'jakata grins fiercely as he brandishes his amulet. The creature flinches, and then its body seems to slowly spiral and flow into the trinket, as though water down a drain...

[0:36](Anstarra Silverain) Battle.. has ended!

[0:36](Zanzan Yanzan) ((And here, I thought there was going to be a huge demon boss battle!))

[0:37](Anstarra Silverain) There might well have been.. but I'm watching the clock ;D)

[0:38](Anstarra Silverain) Actually, I'll take a vote. Who wants a boss fight, who prefers denouement!)

[0:38](Anstarra Silverain) We've got an hour and 20~)

[0:38](Gallien Vyese) Ill take the later for tonight

[0:39](Gallien Vyese) latter*

[0:39](Zanzan Yanzan) Just the latter is good enough for now.))

[0:39](R'shesha Otharn) hehe, guess no bossy fight then

[0:39](Anstarra Silverain) Fair enough~ There'll be other times ^^)))

[0:39]Zanzan Yanzan watches the event unfold with a narrowed gaze. Tightening his grip on his staff, he sprints up to U'jakata with his staff pointing up towards him with a single hand. "Explain yourself, now." He says with a stern tone, his staff still glowing brightly with aether.

[0:39](Kuina Kusushi) I have no objections.

[0:40]R'shesha Otharn lowers her spear slightly but watches the mage with narrowed eyes.

[0:40]Gallien Vyese after clearing himself of the voids sickness and looking up to see the ritual finish, he walks over behind Zanzan, "That was a bit more than tracking....what did you do to the ritual"

[0:42]Kuina Kusushi straightens herself slowly, resting against the cane. "Yes....." She says softly "Explain."

[0:42]Anstarra Silverain | The miko'te flinches back as Zan runs forward, blinking in astonishment. The pendant hums ominously, and he grips it with both hands, making shushing noises at it. "Shshshshhh, calm now, you'll do, nasty thing, yes. Bah, stop with the brandishing, fool, you almost made me drop it! After all this trouble.. ah, no, remember Minna, tact! Yes." He forces a very strained smile on his face. "The ritual succeeded. See? I have it. The Voidwright. Trapped and bound to follow the trail!" He lifts-

[0:44]Anstarra Silverain | - the pendant high, and laughs; it glows, and seems to list slightly in one direction. Vaguely southeast... "Now, yes. Distilled essence, the hate that bound them, their rage, yes? These men died for their sins, and their sins lived on in death, and now serve ME! I mean us. Of course. My faithful, valiant underlings. Companions. Friends! We are CLOSE. Closer. The desert is huge. Ugh."

[0:45]Anstarra Silverain: "Not to mention hot. And sandy."

[0:46]R'shesha Otharn: "You didn't say you were summoning a swiving voidsent!"

[0:46]Kuina Kusushi lets out a long low hiss from her position at the mouth of the tunnel. "Voidsent." She spits out bitterly.

[0:47]Gallien Vyese: "What do you intend to do with this trapped voidsent after you find your tear..."

[0:48]Anstarra Silverain: "Didn't I? I did. Did I not? I did not -summon- it, excuse you!" He snorts with indignity. "I merely... forced it to congeal. The malice -already- existed in this plane! Waiting to come forth. And now it has. And when we are done with it we can destroy it and the world will be a better place, yes? See, I'm not a villain, for Azeyma's sake. People, PEOPLE and their accusations, why must I always deal with PEOPLE.."

[0:48]Zanzan Yanzan grits his teeth and shakes his head. "You brought in a demon into this world. Using voidal magic of all things! If you are to resort to such methods of dark magic, then your hands are not the ones this Wyrmtear should fall into!" His staff grows brighter. "I will have you apprehended, U'jakata! Better yet, I should blast that trinket and you along with it!"

[0:51]Gallien Vyese: "AS I wish to see this tear, i will not fight the exsistance of this amulet....however you need to give it to Zanzan, and let him find the tear for you. You will not be handling the tear or this amulet from this cave"

[0:52]Gallien Vyese: "What he choses to do with it, is for the best"

[0:52]Anstarra Silverain regards Zanzan with irritation tinged with apprehension. "For the.. what is the matter with you? A thaumaturge should know better. The forces we wield are lines in the sand! Destruction? Mayhem? Blood? Tools! Even the Void itself! What matters is HOW you use them. Do you think me some madman who goes around summoning voidsent for fun? How convenient that would be! I would not need underlings to protect me during delicate summonings! I would have an army at my beck and call." He frowns.

[0:52](Gallien Vyese) chooses*

[0:54]Kuina Kusushi braces herself firmly. "I stand..... behind Gallian!" She calls firmly, "The Amulet to Zanzan..... until the tear.... found!"

[0:55]Zanzan Yanzan: "We are to use our knowledge of the Void to STOP it, not use it for our advantage! Many fell to the temptations of it all!" He yells out as his voice nearly cracks. "As the others have said, you will hand the amulet over to us. I will watch over it, as I've had to watch all of its Eorzea for people like you. We will find the tear instead."

[0:56]R'shesha Otharn starts to slowly circle behind the crazy (crazier?) mage, just in case.

[0:56]Anstarra Silverain: "There is no point to that. The amulet will not function for aught but I. I created it with my own blood, lest you forget. But it remains dangerous; volatile!" He shakes his head, in disgust. "You risk all the work we've already done with this foolishness! Guard and watch over me if you wish, walk hand in hand, I care not. I won't have this.. quest.. brought to ruin by your nattering superstitions!"

[0:57]Anstarra Silverain: "I require my concentration to keep the Voidwight in check. You could easily sunder it, and the beast would be free, and its evil would be on your heads. Is that your desire?"

[0:58]Gallien Vyese looks towards Zanzan, he is your kind "You do what you think is best, and we will back you"

[0:58]Kuina Kusushi simply adds a "Yes"

[1:02]Zanzan Yanzan: "You speak to the very adventurers that defeated the so-called Void Prince that plagued the Shroud not many moons ago. What that Voidwight is cannot be compared to what we have faced." He grows a hard and pensive expression. He begins to

retract his staff, still glaring up to U'jakata. "But we will not be able to find the tear without that trinket. We will help you, for now. But if you attempt to reach a single hand over to the Wyrmtear... Have you ever been frozen in ice before with naught but-

[1:02]From Apr. 20, 2016 11:00 p.m. to Apr. 21, 2016 3:00 a.m. (PDT), maintenance will be performed on FINAL FANTASY XIV.

[1:02]Please log out before the maintenance begins.

[1:02]See the News section for more details.

[1:02]Zanzan Yanzan: a pocket of air to survive for suns?"

[1:06]Anstarra Silverain | "Why, yes, actually. I was attempting to develop a cantrip to offset the effects of sunburn, but.. no matter!" He flashes a very bright, toothy grin. "You will not regret this! For now..." He slips the amulet into his robes. "I do owe recompense, regardless of fully-expected railings and natterings. The quest is incomplete, but I promised sundry trinkets or devices, and I am a man of my word. So, here." He turns abruptly, almost walks into Shesha, blinks, and edges around her, to his gear.

[1:08]Zanzan Yanzan paces over to Kuina as he whispers to her. "Report him to the Immortal Flames and have him watched. Alert them of the situation of a sensitive artifact. From word of Zanzan Yanzan. I've worked many times with them. At least one superior will know of me."

[1:09]Kuina Kusushi peers uneasily down at Zanzan. "I am.... placing.... great trust.... your judgement." She says gravely, "I seek.... gaurd outside."

[1:10]Anstarra Silverain | "Let us see... potions.. tinctures.. ah, here." He collects several containers. He goes first to Shesha. "Here. This jar! The ointment within. Apply to your weapon, and it will blaze with furious power! And then extinguish. It should not harm the edge. I think. Definitely."

[1:10]Gallien Vyese walks over to Zanza "Are we leaving him to the guard, or wait for more flames?

[1:11]R'shesha Otharn takes the jar and looks at it curiously

[1:11](Anstarra Silverain) Shesha gains the Equipment Aspect /Fireblade Oil/ with two invokes!

[1:11]Kuina Kusushi speaks quietly, "Gaurd may follow.... untilmessage... sent."

[1:12]Zanzan Yanzan glances back to U'jakata. "He barely appears strong enough to handle himself. There is reason this leve was in place." He continues to whisper. He peers over to Gallien. "I've told Kuina. We will inform the Immortal Flames to have him watched."

[1:12]Zanzan Yanzan nods to Kuina Kusushi.

[1:13]Anstarra Silverain: "Ahem!"

[1:13]Gallien Vyese reaches into his pocket and pulls out a small pearl and hands it to Zanzan, "I will be heading out then..." turning abruptly to the noise to hius left

[1:13]Kuina Kusushi gives a final nod and turns to the approaching thoutaturge.

[1:14]Zanzan Yanzan turns and regards the thaumaturge.

[1:15]Anstarra Silverain: "I was expecting more thugs with weapons, to be honest. For practitioners, I had less prepared. I have several Ethers, and two.. potions.. of a sort. It's really just a very unique blend of alcohols with some herbs. But for whatever reason it seems to lubricate spellcasting. Aside from that, I've a ring that I won in a game of bones with an arcanist. He said it protected his Carbuncle.. I don't know if it would work with that variety," he gestures at Syros, "But perhaps."

[1:16](Kuina Kusushi) XD I just realized that we have every magic class represented here.....

[1:16](Anstarra Silverain) Indeed! Save for Astrologer~

[1:17](Kuina Kusushi) Where is Xan when you need her?

[1:17]Zanzan Yanzan: "I will take the potions. I have know of someone who can study its properties."

[1:18]Kuina Kusushi nods slowly "Then.... I... am greatfull.... accept.... eathers." She replies, forcing the words out with some difficulty.

[1:19]Kuina Kusushi: ethers*

[1:19]Gallien Vyese nods and takes the solution and palces it into one of his pockets, before turning back to Zanzan "Here take this if you need any help further in the matter"

[1:19]Anstarra Silverain: "Very well. Ring for you, tiny cute girl carbuncle. Or for your master. I'm not sure who wears it. And ethers for the other. Done, and done. I am a man of my word, like I said, or my name is not-" "U'JAKATA TIA!"

[1:19]Gallien Vyese handing Zanzan the pearl

[1:19](Anstarra Silverain) First of all

[1:20](Anstarra Silverain) Zanzan gains the Equipment Aspect /Potion of MageRage/ with two invokes!

[1:20]Zanzan Yanzan peers up to Gallien and takes the pearl with a nod.

[1:20](Anstarra Silverain) Kuina gains two Ethers! Each of them clears the highest used Mental Stress box!

[1:21](Anstarra Silverain) Gallien gains /Ring of Familiar Ward/ with two invokes! It is used for defensive boosts when needed, for Syros.

[1:22]Anstarra Silverain | U'jakata flinches in his first display of actual horror. He whirls, as a woman, clearly a huntress in her middle years, still quite firm of body, with short black hair turning grey, strides across the room toward the group.

[1:23]R'shesha Otharn glances at the huntress

[1:23]Kuina Kusushi accepts the two vials, with a formal bow. "Your word.... is... true." She tells U'jakata only to be cut off by the sudden appearance of another Seeker.

[1:23]Zanzan Yanzan turns his eyes over to the approaching Seeker with a quirk of his brow.

[1:23]Gallien Vyese takes the ring and nods "Thank you" and begins to head for the entrance of the cave

[1:24]Anstarra Silverain: "Ah! Ah, mother, how nice to see you I was just goi-ACK" She whisks past Shesha and grabs his ear, dragging him down.

[1:24]Kuina Kusushi winces.

[1:24](Gallien Vyese) Anything left?

[1:24](Anstarra Silverain) Oh, just a touch of denouement~ Mostly for flavor, but also future interactions.

[1:26]Anstarra Silverain: "Don't you 'mother' ME. If I hadn't heard from Joss that there was some idiot casting spells in here.." "I can explaaah-" "You'll do your explaining back- oh, hello." The huntress pauses, seeming to notice the Adventurers for the first time.

[1:26](Gallien Vyese) Zanzan can you catch me up on anytyhing I may need? I kind of need to get to bed

[1:26](Gallien Vyese) or An

[1:26](Gallien Vyese) or anyone really

[1:26](Zanzan Yanzan) np!

[1:26](Anstarra Silverain) I'm keeping a log, I'll put it up someplace =3

[1:26](Anstarra Silverain) nini Gallien~

[1:26]Kuina Kusushi bows very politely.

[1:26](Gallien Vyese) night, thanks for the event!

[1:27](Anstarra Silverain) Hope you had fun~

[1:27](Gallien Vyese) it was!

[1:27]R'shesha Otharn: "Hello"

[1:28]Zanzan Yanzan peers up to the older Seeker with a soft, welcoming smile. "Oh, hello there. Did you know your son tampers with the darkness and magic of the void?" He says in a tone similar to a teacher speaking politely to a student's parental figure.

[1:30]Kuina Kusushi straightens with a small smile. "Forgive me..... I... take... my leave." She begins to inch back down the tunnel.

[1:31]Anstarra Silverain | The mage gives Zanzan a dark look, but his mother just clicks her tongue, and gives him a shake. By the ear. It looks painful. She seems to be in exceptional shape, for her apparent age, the traditional garb of the Drake tribe holding up quite nicely. "More of this nonsense? When are you going to settle down and take on some mates? Honestly." She shakes her head, looking back to Zanzan. "Well, thank you for not letting him get killed. I'll take him off your hands now."

[1:32]R'shesha Otharn: "Have a good day then, hehe"

[1:32]Zanzan Yanzan continues to smile up to the mother. "We will be returning to meet with your soon one of these suns. He found himself a new toy to play around with and has agreed to share it with us when the time comes."

[1:33]Zanzan Yanzan: your son*))

[1:33]Kuina Kusushi turns as quickly as she is able and walks back to the Hyuran guard if not stopped.

[1:33]Zanzan Yanzan: "Pleasure ensure he learns his manners and keeps to his promises."

[1:33]Anstarra Silverain: "Indeed. If you need to see him for whatever reason, just ask for U'minna's house." She gives a little bow to you, collectively, and turns, dragging U'jakata off with her.

[1:33](Anstarra Silverain) Oh, the hyur guard is the other way

[1:33](Anstarra Silverain) the way she's going right now

[1:33]You point at the flame private.

[1:33](Kuina Kusushi) She is trying to get there before them if possible...

[1:34](Anstarra Silverain) She can!

[1:34](Anstarra Silverain) Though actually

[1:34](Anstarra Silverain) Maybe she can't

[1:34](Anstarra Silverain) With her lame side

[1:35](Anstarra Silverain) And U'minna is dragging her son along at a brisk pace

[1:35](Anstarra Silverain) Either way, she just goes on past the guard, who remains.

[1:35](Kuina Kusushi) She did get a head start... should I roll for it?

[1:36](Kuina Kusushi) Okay then... that's fine.

[1:36](Anstarra Silverain) Well, if you REALLY want to get there first, I don't mind X3

[1:36]Kuina Kusushi arrives at the door dragging her right leg behind her in haste, urgently she beckons the Hyur towards her.

[1:36]Anstarra Silverain | The guard blinks and heads over. "Ah, yes?"

[1:38]Kuina Kusushi points mutely to the pair. "U'jakata and U'minna...." She says in a hushed tone "Relic carried.... possiblydangerous..... must.... report.... require.... surveillance."

[1:39]Zanzan Yanzan lets out a deep sigh, peering up to Shesha. "Well, another leve finished but I believe this will continue for quite some time."

[1:40]Anstarra Silverain | The Flame Private pales a bit, and nods. "I'll put it in my report. Actually.. he beckons, then, realizing her leg, offers Kuina an arm while he walks back to the other people in the group. "Excuse me. If you wouldn't mind coming with me, I would like to have full versions of this incident for a report.."

[1:41]Kuina Kusushi follows him back with some relief.

[1:42]R'shesha Otharn: "Whatcha thinking Zanzan?"

[1:42]Zanzan Yanzan: ((did you get my last emote to you? with him sighing))

[1:42]Anstarra Silverain: I see it)

[1:43]R'shesha Otharn: ((oh there it is, sorry))

[1:43]R'shesha Otharn: "Yeah it might. We should be ready for when that thing breaks out of the amulet"

[1:43]Kuina Kusushi nods towards Zanzan "Yourexplanation.... will be.... far..... more clear." She tells him speaking clearly again.

[1:44]Zanzan Yanzan: "I will be distributing my trinkets again in the case that it does..." He pauses, "Do you still have it with you? From the Shroud?"

[1:44]R'shesha Otharn: "I never had one to start with"

[1:44]Zanzan Yanzan looks at R'shesha Otharn in shock!

[1:44]Zanzan Yanzan: "Ah, right then. More trinkets it is." He peers over to the Private and Kuina, nodding to them.

[1:45]R'shesha Otharn: "Fun for everyone huh?"

[1:45]Zanzan Yanzan smiles at R'shesha Otharn.

[1:45]Zanzan Yanzan gives the Private a practiced Flames salute.

[1:45](Anstarra Silverain) Who goes with the Private the write the report? Just for reference~ Everyone can if you want

[1:45]Zanzan Yanzan gives a Flame salute.

[1:45](Zanzan Yanzan) ((Zanzan can go))

[1:45]R'shesha Otharn: "So we gonna let Nihka take a look at the stuff he gave us?"

[1:46](R'shesha Otharn) ((shesha will go))

[1:46]Zanzan Yanzan: "That is advisable!"

[1:46](Kuina Kusushi) Kuina will come along but her reports may be a little fragmented.

[1:46](Anstarra Silverain) Very well~

[1:46](Anstarra Silverain) This concludes the event!

[1:46](Anstarra Silverain) Minors for all, well done~

[1:46](R'shesha Otharn) yay

[1:46](Kuina Kusushi) :D

[1:46](Zanzan Yanzan) \o/

[1:47](Anstarra Silverain) I hope you guys had fun!

[1:47](Kuina Kusushi) Thanks for a great event Ann. I really enjoyed this one :D

[1:47](R'shesha Otharn) a night of paperwork and near interrigration follows? hehe. And thanks An

[1:47](Zanzan Yanzan) ((I was looking forward to powering Zanzan up for much for a +12 attack on a boss >:())

[1:47](Anstarra Silverain) Don't worry, actually this whole getting the Flames involved works PERFECTLY for my plans~

[1:47](Anstarra Silverain) Hee Zan

[1:48](R'shesha Otharn) oh no we're dancing to her tune

[1:48](Zanzan Yanzan) ((Oh nooo))

[1:48](Anstarra Silverain) XD

[1:48](Anstarra Silverain) It's that, basically, these three events I'm running

[1:48](Zanzan Yanzan) BEING PLAYED LIKE A GOD DAMN FIDDLE

[1:48](Anstarra Silverain) They all end up with te players going to Forgotten Springs

[1:49](Kuina Kusushi) I'm just glad I didn't bring Klyn.... she would have flipped if she learned that there was a wrymtear left XD

[1:49](Anstarra Silverain) And the next step, requires a certain Flame Captain to come out and authorize and work out a large-scale expedition

[1:49](Anstarra Silverain) So bringing in the Flames like this is perf

[1:49](Anstarra Silverain) And it's fun because most of the PCs here didn't have any contact with the Wrymtears =D

[1:50](Anstarra Silverain) like, any, I think

[1:50](Anstarra Silverain) So that particular reveal gets to wait some more

[1:50](Kuina Kusushi) XD