

# Aura

## At a glance

- Patron deity of the United Kingdom.
- The Guide of the Dead (Reaper).
- Deceased.

## Character Profile

**Name:** Aura (or-ah)

**Gender:** Cisgender female

**Sexuality:** Heterosexual

**Nationality:** English

### **Magic:**

- Identifiable by the colour blue (e.g. when she creates light, it is blue-tinted).
- Aura was highly skilled at most forms of magic when she was alive.
- Now that she is deceased, Aura's magic is restricted to the Staff of the Dead. She has little power in the Realm of the Living.
- Aura's Staff of the Dead (which takes the form of a scythe) enables her to pass between Life and Death, bringing souls along with her.

**Appearance:** Aura is small, a little over 5 foot, and petite. She has very pale skin and a heart-shaped face which is ageless. Since dying, she has turned completely grey with the exception of her eyes, which are an unsettling bright blue. Aura is usually seen in the outfit of the Guide of the Dead: hooded ice-blue robes, her divine pendant visible around her neck, scythe in hand. When she releases the scythe, she reverts back to the greyed-out clothes she died in: shorts and a tank top. She doesn't wear shoes.

### **Looks favourably upon:**

- The dead and dying.
- Good, righteous people.
- People who have made mistakes and show remorse/are trying to correct them.
- Fairies native to Shaman.

### **Looks unfavourably upon:**

- Those who fought alongside Gwythr in the Shaman civil war.
- Royals, dictators and other leaders not democratically elected.

**Personality:** Dying has given Aura more confidence than she had in life; while previously overwhelmed by her position as a goddess, she now seems to accept it. She has a genuine desire to help people and will offer assistance, if available, to almost anyone in need. She is strongly introverted and has a fear of crowds. Aura is curious and has a keen interest in science and progression. She is an unspecialised genius and adapts quickly. Aura also has a vicious temper and lacks self-control when she goes into a rage. She believes strongly in second chances and has the rare ability to listen without passing judgement.

**Relationships with other deities:**

- Close friends with Mallos, Thoth (now deceased) and Caspian (now deceased). She hasn't gotten back in touch with Thoth or Caspian since their deaths but maintains contact with Mallos.
- Enemy of Gwythr.

## Epithets

**Native language:** English

**Native term:** lady, madam/ma'am

**Epithets:** weret-hekau ("great of magic"), sedjem-seperu ("one who hears prayers"), semesu ("eldest one"), wer'er-netjeru-nebu ("one who is greater than all other gods"), sanekhu ("the life-giver")

## Council Role

Aura is not currently a member of the Council of Originals. She was the founder of the Council of Originals and formerly served as its first Chair before being expelled in 990 AD.

Aura currently serves as the Guide of the Dead (Reaper).

## Monotheistic Cult

Easily the largest fairy religion, with some 2 and a half million fairy followers on Earth. There are a number of smaller denominations, but generally speaking the main Church, which operates globally, is headed by head honchos over in London. The overall head of the Church is the First Prophet of Aura. There is also a Second Prophet, a Third Prophet and a Fourth Prophet, and beneath them an inner circle of High Priests and the rest of the hierarchy.

First Prophet: Lord Dahshoor

Second Prophet: Lady Dahshoor

Third Prophet: Sir Albert Buckley

#### Fourth Prophet: Sir Richard Carter

The Auran priesthood of the main Church are fairly corrupt and undertake secret practices of questionable legality and morality. The Church is inflexible, dedicated to converting the world to the 'true' path, and widely dismissive of other religions and of the other deities. Because of their huge following, the pyramid organisation and their access to almost unlimited resources, they are a force to be reckoned with and even the Council of Originals has to be careful how they approach them. Lady Dahshoor is one of the greatest hypnotists on Earth, and a sizeable number of the missionaries have persuasive or hypnotic abilities.

Aurans in general are good people, but the leaders are largely power-hungry, selfish and in it for self-gain. There is no holy book; instead, the Prophets of Aura divine her will and translate it to the rest of the following. Only the four Prophets can interpret the will of Aura, which gives them the ultimate authority. Since she died, the Church leaders can more or less say and do as they please.

Many of the Auran followers are casual regarding their religion, but some are more fanatical. The diversity can be likened to Christianity.

### Polytheistic Roles

- Appears in polytheistic cults as a goddess of creation, the heavens, stars, the sun, the moon, the dead, the hot seasons, the cold seasons, magic, the cosmos, leader of the gods, guardian of the people. Most known for: magic, creation, the moon.

### Reputation on Shaman

- the original god of Shaman and is widely viewed in a positive light for her many contributions towards keeping the planet safe. She was not an affable or likeable person and those who knew her personally were often disappointed or had mixed views about her. However, she is still remembered as a force of good who eventually gave her life to protect others.