wrote this when i was feelin edgy xx rip

Hello you all.

I would like to preface this by stating that I will not be active on discord for quite some time, as I have an imminent need to finish my college applications, and discord is, frankly, a time suck. As such, I have already voted after taking about an hour or so to go through the game in conjunction with the testimonies of other jurors. It may or may not be who you thought I would vote for.

I am not asking you to necessarily answer the questions I provided; I will likely not be looking over them (until I get back, that is). I doubt the other jury members will hold a high consideration for them either.

As such, here is what I think about your games:

Morgan: I think you are in contention for the strongest abstract strategist on the cast; you were never a final nominee, and thus received a whopping 0 votes cast against you throughout the season. You are skilled at using what little input you provide as a means of manipulation. You also lacked tangible connections to those you eliminated, and should Zacharae be awarded the gold trophy at the end of all of this, that will likely be why.

Zacharae: Whereas Morgan's strength lies in his ability to decipher and act on the game state so as to avoid a target, yours lay, in my opinion, in your social game: you know how to approach people; you know how to make them like you; you're able to tell loyalties where loyalties lay; you're good at making people think what you want them to. If you lose, it is because you failed to adhere that skill well enough to the jury; they don't think you were strategically sound at times with your positioning.

I don't feel that I am doing justice to you both as players. Others on the jury may think that this is a lackluster two, but I, personally, think you both played really solid games!

My questions:
Morgan:
What did you intend to get out of this game?
Zacharae:

Morgan:

"What did you intend to get out of this game?"

It's a strange question to me but I suppose some of my actions and the way I went about playing this season could lead you to wonder what I was really up to. Essentially, I applied to EMBB9 after being asked by Ally, one of the hosts of an ORG I previously played in, SBBB4. I enjoyed my time playing that game although it was cut short due to my eviction in the third week. I felt as though I was cast at a strong disadvantage (with my girlfriend Merlot also being among the housequests) and in combination with my previous EMBB1 finish of 14th I felt as though my skills as a player were being misrepresented by the statistics. In part, I wanted to come out of this game showing that I'm more as a player than an easy third or fourth boot based on all this, but of course I primarily came here to win, and I think that shows in the way I played the game. I meticulously planned through possibilities of what could happen during the weeks and always played in a way that would ensure I didn't have a target on my back: I socialised, but not so much that I would be seen as a social threat. I won competitions where necessary, but not so much that I would be seen as a competition threat. I made friends to ensure that not only would votes be stacked in my favour, but the HoH and PoV competitions would be as well. By the time we were at final five, my place in the final two was all but guaranteed and that's a testament to how I planned and managed the house, if anything I was perhaps too subtle about it and strategy isn't as flashy a game plan as overpowering people with social or physical game but it got me to where I am today and as you said I have received exactly zero votes to evict me over the course of this game. In EMBB1 I played for fun and to talk to people, this is me playing for gold.

Zacharae:

hi jackson! I hope life + school are going well!! Also you used too long of words... I had to google the definitions of tangible and adhere and stuff hehe... also ty for the compliment(s)!!

1 - I want to preface this by saying *it's nothing personal* and *purely on a game note*, and I *love everyone personally*. My least favourite person on the jury would be FDP purely because of one instance in this game. At final six he nominated me, and his speech made me sad D: in this grand speech he said no one liked me gamewise, and I felt like that was unnecessary and made me overthink all my relationships and that people perhaps were playing me. Then, I get a message from fdp. I'm expecting a "sorry" or "good luck in veto" - but no, it said, paraphrased, "send me more pics of aaryn before you're evicted" and i BROKE. It made me have my biggest meltdown. Looking back tho it's so funny but I almost cried. Im so dramatic & that's my answer!!



2 - This question is tricky because it's dependent on how you define "pawn". I can safely say every relationship was authentic on my behalf, but that's not to say that I didn't try to utilize each connection to advance myself further. As cliche as it may sound, the most rewarding part of ORGs are the friendships, & that's fact. However, you are playing a game, and there's only one winner. I always valued my game above others in some way and made sure to prioritize my safety. With each connection I possessed, there was significant strategic intent behind it. Jackson, you were great at competitions, so having you on my side secured safety at points. My connection with, say, Sammy, was real but I also intended on using him as a polarizing shield to deflect the target off me. If I needed to subtly throw someone under the bus or advance myself using my social skills at the expense of others, I would have. Loyalty was a factor in my game, but the end goal is to be crowned by the jury and so I played accordingly, maximizing my social relationships to have other people thinking I was playing for them, or that I valued their safety, when I objectively only wanted to reassure myself in this game. Though my positioning wasn't the greatest at certain points within the game, I managed to excel in strengthening connections and utilizing them effectively enough to keep me alive when I was in critical circumstances. I hope this helps!