

(rough wip illustration)



- **Title:** The Watcher
- **Name:** Aine Cynefrith
- **Ability:**

Timeframe: Aine can slow down or halt someone's perception of time simply by looking at them. Eye contact increases the strength and duration of the slow, however she can still minorly affect others without eye contact.

- **Faction:**

DB - Goes under the alias "freeze *frame" while chatting.

Mirage Tea and Coffee - She sometimes hangs out at the cafe while doing homework, mostly for the pastries and sometimes to people-watch.

Scarlet Iris - A photo gallery and secret service dedicated to analyzing and providing information on red-eyes to other red-eyes. It offers both digital and physical meetings, as signaled by their red flower symbol. The front of the shop deals with regular customers, but behind the vermillion curtains lays the "special" gallery.

Aperture - She seems to run an exclusive deal with Aperture, as she can often be seen carrying their equipment. She'll also market their products to anyone who asks, but whether or not she's being serious is questionable.

- **Appearance:**

Aine cuts a rather quirky figure, standing at a pale 5'3" and constantly dwarfed by the camera she carries around. Her clothing mostly consists of loose fabrics and casual shorts, although glasses are a constant staple of her everyday appearance. She almost never puts her long black hair up, preferring to let it fall naturally to her waist. Occasionally, she can be seen wearing sunglasses, although this mostly seems to be on days she wishes to hide the color of her eyes — whether they're red, or golden-brown.

- **Personality:**

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- **History:**

Born to a relatively wealthy family in the big city, Aine spent most of her youth moving from place to place as her father chased business deals. The shifting schools took a toll on her, but thankfully she was able to settle down longer as she grew older. Her mother spent most of her time traveling with her father, however she eventually managed to hire a skilled caretaker to watch over Aine and alleviate the need to move constantly.

With her home finally settled, Aine grew comfortable enough to befriend her classmates. It was difficult at first, but as time went on, her quirks grew on a small group of friends. They soon became inseparable, doing everything from vacationing to walking home together.

During one of these trips home, an accident befell one of the members of the group. As they were walking along the sidewalk, a stray motorcyclist came speeding straight towards the younger brother of another member of the group. Having noticed the sudden obstacle, he reflexively sidestepped into Aine, dodging a brush with death — or so he thought. Startled and unaware, Aine pushed him right back into the path of the motorcyclist and watched as he was struck head on.

Surprisingly, the crash didn't kill anyone, but the incident affected all who were involved, especially Aine and the older brother of the victim. What had once been a kind and understanding group of friends turned hostile and rife with unspoken tension, culminating in a confrontation between the now red-eyed brother and Aine. Aine was only barely able to escape and flee to the safety of her own house.

Afraid and left without friends, Aine had no choice but to move yet again, this time accompanied by her caretaker. She started attending Silver Creek, presenting a cheerful, if somewhat lonely, facade. Drawn in by her sudden ability to notice the crimson eyes of those around her, she started diving in more deeply to her longtime hobby of photography in order to understand the phenomenon.

Her caretaker helped her set up a photo gallery in the spare room in her small apartment, although she did not share Aine's awareness of the red-eyes. As the small shop grew in popularity, she began to receive stranger customers claiming they recognized their own red glow in her eyes. Although she denied this, she did allow them to see her "special" collection and its accompanying info, thus earning herself a source of side income and an interesting reputation.

- **Other:**
- Changed her name after moving
- Pretty good cook, learned from her caretaker