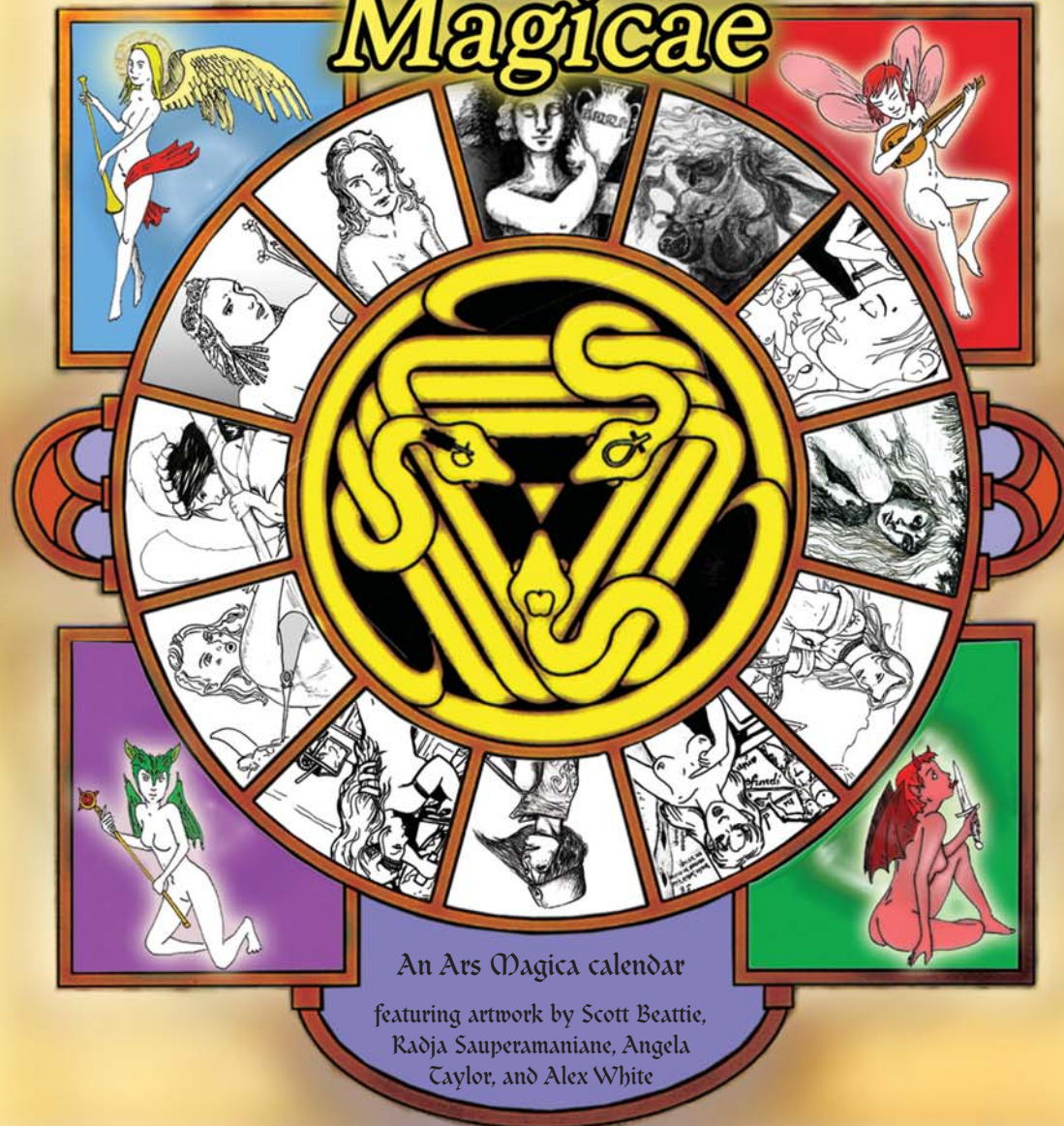


Magae Magnae

Magicae



with contributions by Erik Dahl, Eric Kouris, Neil Taylor, and Sheila Thomas





Name: Iarna, follower of Flambeau
Apparent Age: twenty-something
Birthday: March 29
Sign: Aries
Height: 5'2"
Weight: Variable
Eyes: Black
Hair: Black
Turn-ons: Creo vis, Ignem vis, smoke, heat, flames
Turn-offs: Llewellyn the Accursed
Whereabouts: Unknown

During the Schism War, this sultry sorceress swore to fight until the last of Diedne's line was slain. No one knows what happened to her during the battle, but she is said to have had quite a large chip on her shoulder. Headstrong, fiercely independent, spoiled, and very proud, she wanted to be the best and was determined to prove herself. She also had a softer side, reportedly enjoying warm summer evenings, snuggling up to her familiar, and toasting druids over an open fire.



ARIES (March 13 – April 11)

Martius - Lentzinmanoth (Lent month) † Aprilis - Ostarmanoth (Easter month)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
						Ides of March 13 Vernal Equinox; year begins
14 Day of Brooms – spring-clean your Laboratory New Moon	15	16 	17 St. Patrick	18 Celebration of Flambeau	19 St. Joseph	20
21 St. Benedict	22	23	24	25 Feast of the Annunciation Good Friday; Full Moon	26	27 Palm Sunday Easter Sunday
28 Full Moon	29	30	31 Maundy Thursday	1 All Fools Good Friday	2 Apprentice's Day Holy Saturday	3 Easter Sunday
4 	5	6	7	8 New Moon	9	10
11						



Bjornaer the Founder

Myth April

TAURUS (April 12 – May 12)

Aprilis - Ostarmanoth (Easter month) † Maius - Winnemanoth (grazing month)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	12	New Moon 13	St. Bénézet 14	15	16	17
18	Bjornaer accepts Myanar (802) 19	20	21	22 	St. George 23	Full Moon 24
25	26	27	28 Full Moon	29	30 Walpurgis- nacht	1 Beltane
2 	3	4	5 Ascension	6	7	8 New Moon
9 Feast of the Lemures (Lemuralia)	10	11 Lemuralia	12 New Moon			





Jerbiton's twin brother did not have The Gift, but ruled a wealthy duchy in an Alpine valley. Magi of the Founder's House have always had a soft spot for mortal men and women.



Larta magi, while specialized, also explore other forms of artistic expression. Larta herself was said to maintain a healthy interest in many different subjects.

GEMINI (May 13 – June 12)

Maius - Winnemanoth (grazing month) † Junius - Brachmanoth (plowing month)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				Lemuralia 13	14	Pentecost 15
16	17 Notatus announces the Aegis of the Hearth	18	19 Defeat of Damhan Allaidh (816)	20	21	22
Full Moon 23	24	25	26 Full Moon	27	28 	29
Day of Winds 30	31 All-Founders' Day	1 	2	3	4	5
New Moon 6	7	8 Miscellany Day (816, 817)	9	10	11 New Moon	12
						





Cancer (June 13-July 14): Today is a 6. You may be feeling a bit run-down and fatigued, so take it easy for a while. You can always make the sky green later. Trust yourself last; learn from the example of Juliasta of Criamon and share your insights with others. A puzzle might give you some trouble, but the way to solve it is to turn each Art inside out. An animal or person close to you has an important message for you, but be wary as it comforts with pain. Celebrate your successes responsibly: thirsty, thriving; hungry, dying.



IF TODAY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY (June 22): “If not in this lifetime, then in the next.” You are an incurable romantic, a true child of the moon, and while shy you prefer to be the center of your lover’s attention. You are very sensual and spiritual. Recognize the power of your fantasies: in many ways, you are no longer in touch with the mundane world, often sailing an uncharted course of desire, and searching always for the next exalted state of consciousness. By setting up invisible boundaries and leaving your emotional doors ajar, your loved ones will seek you out and fall under your influence. When you lose, admit defeat gracefully and move on, gaining from the experience.

CANCER (June 13 – July 14)

Junius - Brachmanoth (plowing month) ≠ Julius - Heurimanoth (hay month)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
						
13	14 Gauntlet Day — a popular day for such	15 Summer Solstice	16	17 Death of Tremere — last of the Founders	18	19
20	21	22 Full Moon	23 St. Etheldreda	24 St. John the Baptist	25 Full Moon	26 
27	28 	29 Sts. Peter & Paul	30	1	2 The Visitation — Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary	3 St. Thomas
4	5	6 New Moon	7	8	9	10 New Moon
11	12	13	14			

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after I take over the world. Then he'll be sorry.

Yours again, Tremere

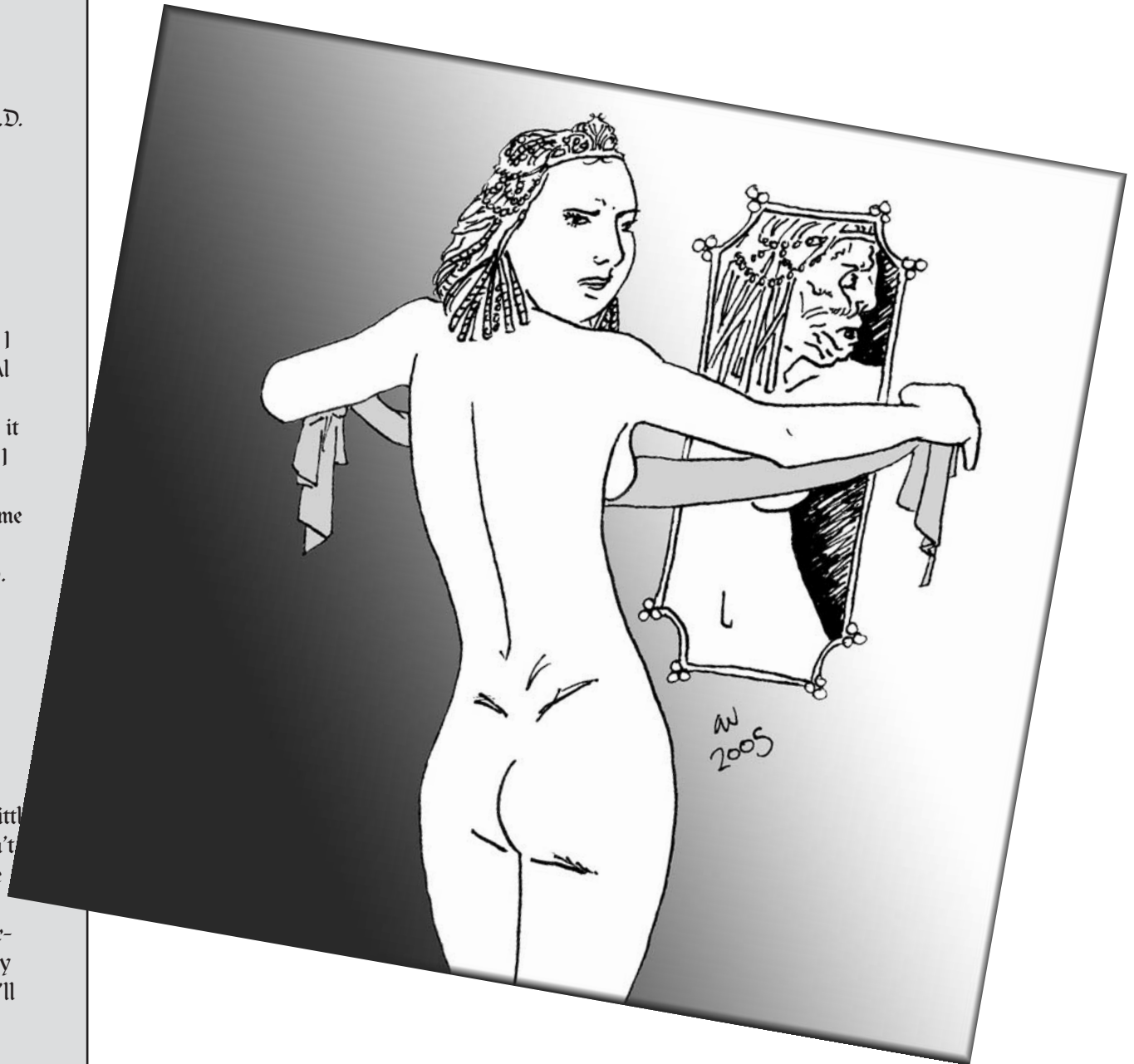
3 July, 753 A.D.

Dear Diary,

Mistress Guorna caught me spying on her again. I hid myself inside a linens basket and made her servants carry it into her room, so I got past the curse that kept me from going in. I don't think she cast her special magic life ritual that I never get to see, though she did take off her clothes and put bad-smelling stuff on, and it took along time for her to rub herself all over. I could see her in the glass. The smell was so strong, and she looked so bad, that she heard me gag. I couldn't help it. She turned around, her big gaze searching out the source of the sound. She told me to show myself, and I couldn't stop.





Of course she punished me. I have to stay in my room for the rest of the summer. Stupid. Now I can't fetch the magic pelts she wanted, so it hurts her more than me, ha-ha. Tyty says I deserved it for being such a conniving little I don't know what he means by that. He doesn't know anything, anyway, so who cares what he thinks. Now I'm teaching myself to draw with magic. I'll make a picture of her looking at herself in the mirror and then I'll show it to all my followers after I take over the world. Then she'll be sorry.

Yours again, Tremere



LEO (July 15 – August 14)

Julius - Heurwimanoth (hay month) † Augustus - Aranmanoth (harvest month)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				15	16	17
18	19 	20	21 <i>Full Moon</i>	22 St. Mary Magdalene / St. Madeleine	23	24
25 St. James; St. Christopher <i>Full Moon</i>	26	27	28	29 St. Marthe	30	31
1 Lughnasadh; Lammas Day (the Gule of August) <i>New Moon</i>	2	3	4	5 <i>New Moon</i>	6 Parents' Day	7 
8	9	10	11	12	13 Ides of August	14
						

My lords and ladies, here below
I will relate a fabliau.
It tells of Belin of Mercere,
Of whom I'm sure you've heard. I swear
It's true, and furthermore it rhymes

This Redcap lived in former times,
And to the Order she was true
She always got her message through.
Once, she had to carry letters
To a man locked up in fetters
In a cell. His door was guarded
Night and day. Belin discarded
Plans for sneaking past the sentry,
She would find another entry.
The room was set below the ground,
And when she searched above she found
A chink within the wooden floor
That looked upon the prisoner's door.
This peephole also gave a view
Of the henchman guarding, too.
Soon clever Belin hatched a plan
To lure away the loyal man.
Posing as a serving wench she
pounded on the floor. In French she
yelled, "Get dressed, you filthy man there!
I don't want to take a gander
at your body!" He, in doubt, said
"You mean me?"... "Of course!" she shouted.
"What are you doing? You inside!
Put on your clothes!" The man replied,
"Faith, Miss, I'm wearing them, truly;
I'm not naked while on duty."
... "Dressed? What a lie! I can see you!
There's a hole here; it's a free view!"
... "Hush!" said the guard, "Believe me,
I'm covered, Miss, as you can see."
... "If that is true I'll eat my hat.
You're naked, Sir, I can see that!
Why don't you come do the spying?
You can see if I've been lying
About the sight I'm looking at?"




The guard leapt up from where he sat,
Unlocked the door and hurried out.
He reached the maid and turned about.
"You see?" he cried, "I did not lie."
And Belin said, "But nor did I!
Stay here and watch me through the hole."
Then she descended towards her goal.
She locked the door once she was down
And quickly stripped her shoes and gown.
With all her garments laid aside,
She walked to where the peephole spied.
"God Almighty!" she heard him shout,
"It seems that I was wrong to doubt,
For now I'm sure I see you bare."
..."Hush! No!" she cried, "I'm dressed, I swear!"
"No Miss, you're naked, on my life,
As man might see when by his wife."
And Belin gasped and clutched her breast,
And moaned, "Oh Sir, in faith you jest!
Avert your eyes! Don't look at me!
My body's not for you to see!"
"All right," he said, "I'll look away.
But were you wrong, in fact, to say
That I was lying?"... "Yes, it's true!
I'm sorry that I doubted you!"
The guard was puzzled, but obeyed,
and took his eyes off of the maid.
He said, "This seems a dream or fable,
But I would never have been able
To believe it had I not been
Here to see it." Meanwhile, Belin
Dressed herself and quickly slid
The letters that she'd brought and hid
Within her dress into the cell.
The guard returned, and all seemed well.
So Belin coyly went her way.

That's how the Redcap won the day.
She was no common girl or tart,
But had more humble magic art;
All fools look bare to those who know,
Thus ends my Belin fabliau.

VIRGO (August 15 – September 14)

Augustus - Aranmanoth (harvest month) † Septembris - Witumanoth (wood month)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
						
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14				

Full Moon

Full Moon

New Moon

New Moon

Loss of
Mercere's Gift
– Redcap's
Day

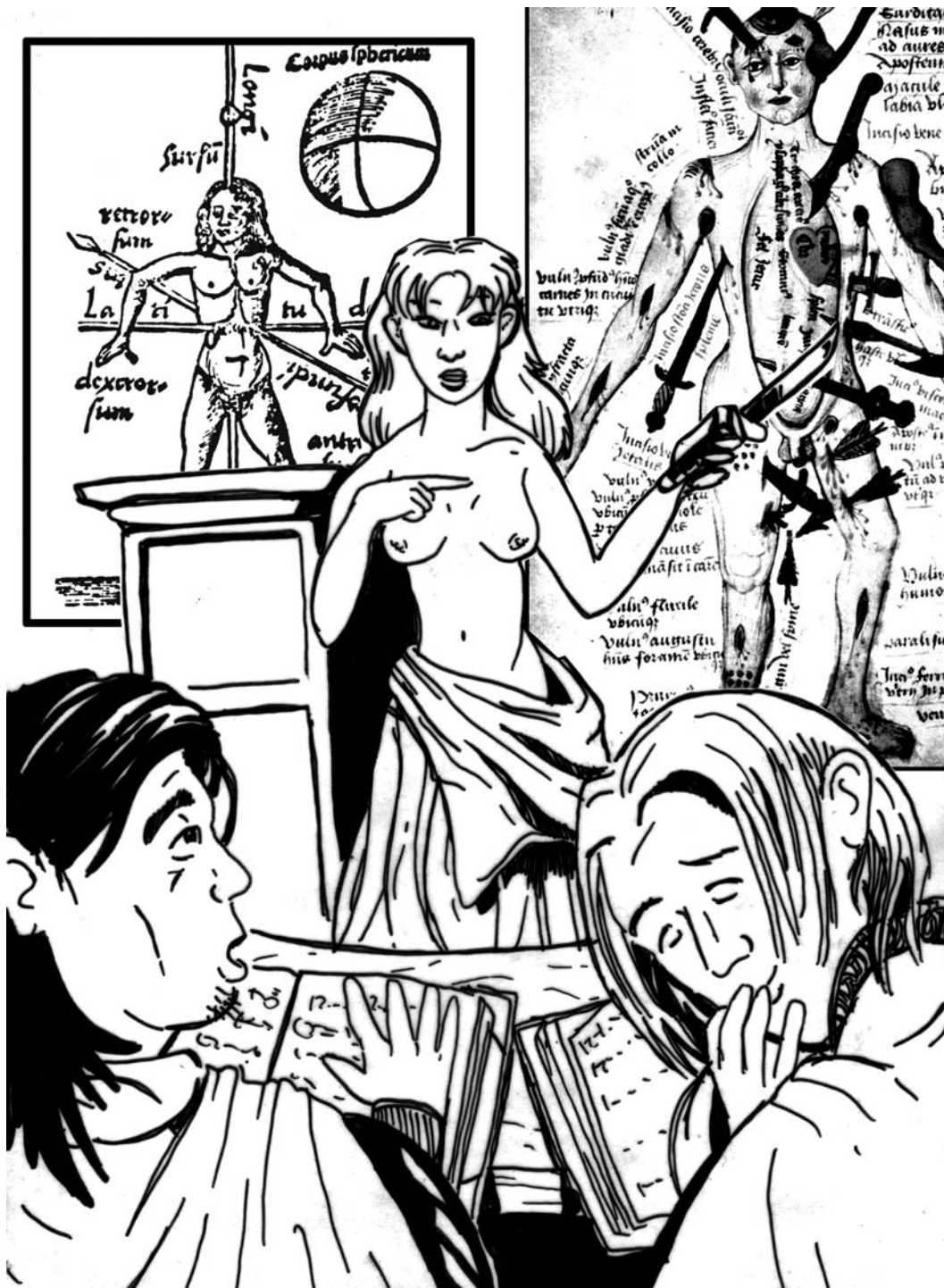
Day of the
Earth

Bonisagus'
Final Twilight
(836)

St. Bertin

Sts. Cornelius
& Cyprian





(Young BELLISTA of Guernicus indicates the illustrated human figure)

BELLISTA

Thus it can be seen that the flesh covers the heart, and the breast covers the flesh. To investigate a death where the breast has not been pierced, you must look beneath it to discover the wound.

(STUDENTS' mumbling, nervous giggling)

BELLISTA

What, is something the matter? You have all of you seen a breast before, when you were babes, surely?

STUDENT #1

No, mistress, it's just that... well, you see, some of us need our memories refreshed. That was long ago.

BELLISTA

But you are to be scholars, learned in medicine and leech-craft. If you have not seen this as adults, you should. Here, look you.

(BELLISTA uncovers breasts; diverse alarums)

BELLISTA

Why are you laughing? This is a serious business, stop you.

STUDENT #2

Marry, lady, we are simply amazed at the quality of the specimens!



(childish snickers, an embarrassed pause)

BELLISTA

Well, it may be that none of you will see the like again, so if you are not babes, I advise you to study carefully while you may.

LIBRA (September 15 – October 14)

Septembris - Witumanoth (wood month) † Octobris - Windumemanoth (vintage month)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			15 Vis Rent Day — debts fall due	16 Autumnal Equinox	17	18 Full Moon
19 	20	21 St. Matthew	22 Full Moon	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 St. Michael and All Angels	30 	1	2
3 New Moon	4	5	6 New Moon	7	8	9 St. Denis
10	11	12	13	14 		



Ypocras, made parfite & welle

(CrCo40, Diedne Ritual)





Ingredients: four pynches of **Gynger** colombyne; four stikkes of thyn, bretille & fayre **Synamome**; four graynes of ground **Cardamon**, hoot & moyst; four fystfuls of **Sugre** hony aftur claryfyng; one pynch longe **Pepur**, hoot & drye for spice; one galoun of **red wyne**, whote & drye to tast, fele & see; four blue **Turnesole** blossoms, pat is good colourynge; one unblemished **lemon**, cut yn smalle slyueres.

Measuer thee spices in a heavie cauldron, & pour yn the wyne; brynge to a boile & symmere for 7 min. as thou recyte charmes of gret lernynge of the Body. Add blossoms & continue symmer for 3 min., call thou upon thee Goddes of Nature for lyfe and holsom health. Remoue thee alle spices and flowers from the basoun & put the ypocras in staunche & a clen vesselle, wyth portionne of fresh lemon, and bryng hit forth warm to Sure speede recouery and plesse many an injur'd wight. Alle wounds of those who drynke wille cloes hale ryte welle by sunryse. Serues 12.

(Non-Hermetic spell; best attempt is Base 35: Heal all wounds, +1 Touch, -2 Sun?, +2 Group)

SCORPIO (October 15 – November 13)

Octobris - Windumemanoth (vintage month) † Novembris - Herbistmanoth (grazing month)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					15	16
17 <i>Full Moon</i>	18 St. Luke	19 Adoption of Certamen to resolve disputes (810)	20	21	22 <i>Full Moon</i>	23
24	25 Day of the Waters	26	27	28	29	30 
31 All Hallows Eve	1 Samhain; All Saints Day (All hallows)	2 Day of the Dead; All Souls Day <i>New Moon</i>	3 St. Hubert	4	5 <i>New Moon</i>	6
7	8	9	10 	11 End of the Schism War; St. Martin	12	13
						

BRITONS, THE ORDER WANTS

YOU !

Pralix, follower of Tytalus, Hermetic maga and envoy of the Order of Hermes, is asking for your help against a deadly threat from the north. She is confident that this appeal will be at once responded to by all those who have the Gift and the safety of this country at heart.

HOW THE SPIDER HATES !

78 of your brothers and sisters in the magical arts were killed and 228 severely wounded by the artifice of Dav'Malleus and his vile allies.

CUNNING FOLK OF BRITAIN !

WILL YOU STAND THIS ?

Long you have hidden in the ditches and hedges, despised and degraded by the wizards of the mainland. Now the time has come for you to succeed where they have failed.

TAKE UP THE STAFFS OF JUSTICE !

If you are a worker of magic, you can answer her call. Under Pralix's leadership, you will learn the **PARMA MAGICA** and join the Ordo Miscellanea in its time of need.

THERE IS STILL A PLACE IN THE LINE FOR YOU



Will you fill it?

ENLIST NOW !



SAGITTARIUS (November 14 – December 14)

Novembris - Herbistmanoth (grazing month) † Decembris - Heilagmanoth (holy month)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
						
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14				

Full Moon

Full Moon

St. Cecilia

Tytalus enters
Maddenhofen
Woods (807)

St. Virgil

St. Andrew

St. Eloi
New Moon



New Moon

St. Wolfeuis

Fenistour of Verditius and her *Reliable* Washing Machine

by Cappillianares of Verditius
(from *Machinatores Popularis*, Winter 1188)

Enchanted devices are a significant investment in time, materials, and of course, vis — but once you’ve finished building them, you’re done, right? Wrong! Many magi make the mistake of thinking that once they have built their masterpiece, they can simply turn it on and leave it running. The truth is that magic items break down over time. If you don’t look them over every few years or so, you could find that all your hard work, resources, and artistic ability have simply gone to waste.

“Wham, Bam, Thank You Ma’am”

One of the greatest of magi of House Verditius is said to have sworn never to revisit her projects. As she famously put it, “Always finish it the first time.” But though Fenistour is famous for having revolutionized her House by inventing spell foci, few know that she also left behind another mark: dozens of magical devices that worked at one time, but fell apart from wear and age.

The most well known of these is the Bronze Man from the baths at Verdi. For decades the automaton was a faithful servant: seeing to the needs of visitors, heating the water, creating pleasant currents and perfumes, and keeping the baths clean and comfortable. But water and steam took their toll, and soon the device lost his mobility and could no longer recognize his activation rituals. Today he sits sadly at the water’s edge, a monument to passing greatness, and responds unpredictably to the clap of hands or words spoken in his presence.




Don’t let this happen to you! Here’s some steps that you can take to make sure your devices stand up to the test of time and the fury of the elements:

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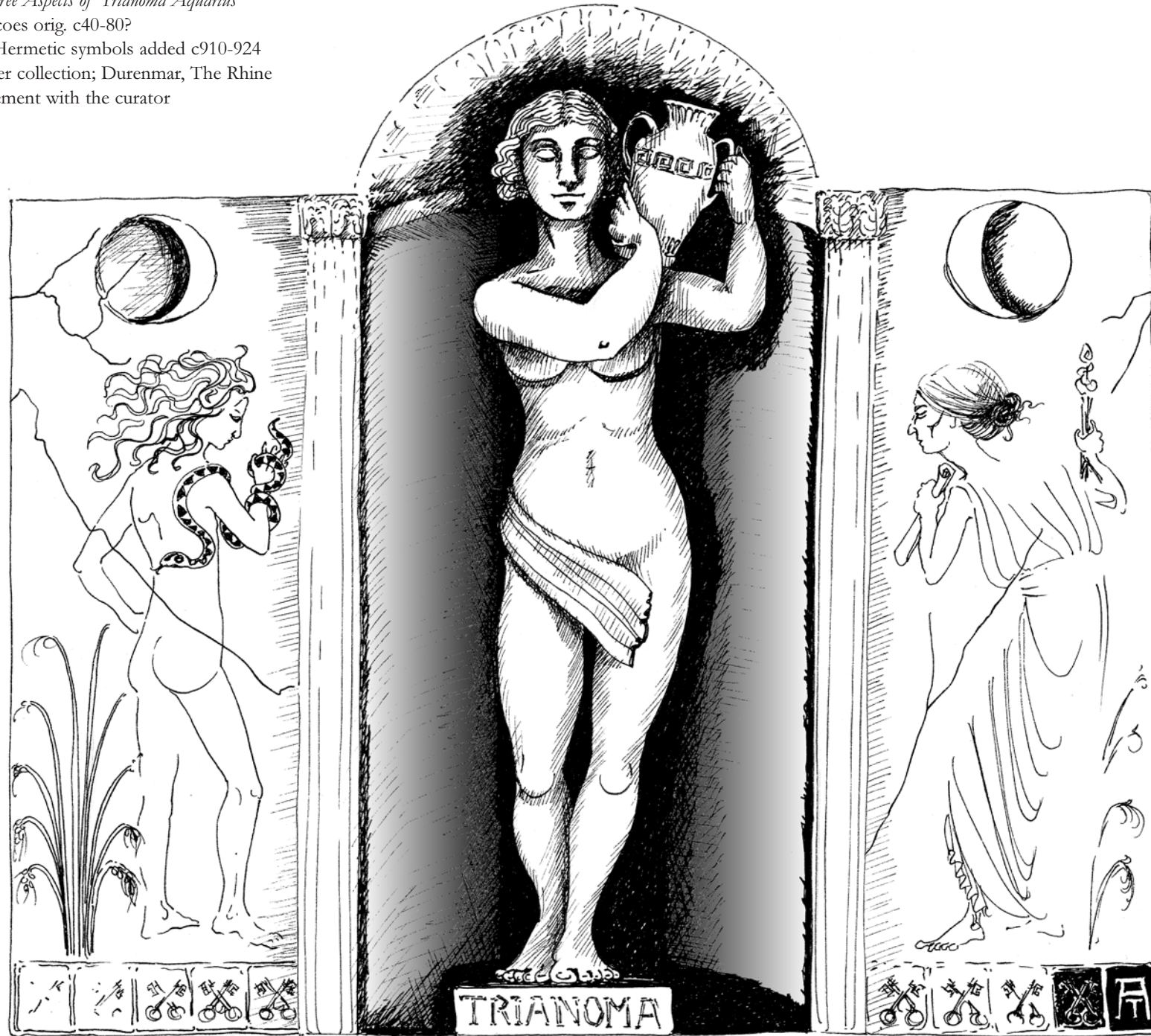


CAPRICORN (December 14 – January 11)

Decembris - Heilagmanoth (holy month) † Ianuarius - Wintarmanoth (winter month)





Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		14 Midwinter Solstice	15 Day of The Bountiful Feast Full Moon	16	17 Saturnalia	18 Saturnalia
19 Saturnalia	20 Saturnalia Full Moon	21 Saturnalia	22 Saturnalia	23 Saturnalia	24 	25 Christmas Day
26	27 St. Vincent of Valencia; St. John the Apostle	28	29	30	31 New Moon	1
2 	3 New Moon	4	5	6 Epiphany	7	8 Plough Sunday
9	10	11 				

Vestora, *Triptych of the Three Aspects of Trianoma Aquarius*
Statue with adjacent frescoes orig. c40-80?
Restored, reinterpreted, Hermetic symbols added c910-924
From the Trianoma Tower collection; Durenmar, The Rhine
Shown by special arrangement with the curator



AQUARIUS (January 12 – February 10)

Januarius - Wintarmanoth (winter month) † Februarius - Hornung (bastard month)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			12	13	14	15 Full Moon
16	17	18 Full Moon	19	20 Foundation of the Order at Durenmar (767)	21 St. Agnes	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 	29 New Moon
30 	31	1 Imbolc; St. Brigit	2 New Moon Candlemas	3 St. Blaise	4	5 Familiar's Day
6	7	8	9	10 Death of Belin the Ideal Redcap	11	



FAY-CURIOUS?





Like to know what's *underneath* all the hype?
How about travel to a realm beyond Europe?
Or are you just looking for a *good time*?

House Merinita can teach you the secrets you desire.
Follow your *dreams*, give in to your *fantasies*,
explore *Arcadia* in the flesh.

Initiate **Faerie Magic** and prepare
to experience *illusion* made *reality*.

PISCES (February 11 – March 13)

Februarius - Hornung (bastard month) ≠ Martius - Lentzinmanoth (Lent month)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
						12
13 Quendalon emerges from faerie (801)	14 St. Valentin; Bonisagus meets Trianoma (731) Full Moon	15	16	17 Full Moon	18	19 St. Nerius of Criamon
20 	21	22	23	24 St. Matthias	25	26
27	28 New Moon	1 St. David	2	3 Last sighting of Merinita (1158) New Moon	4	5 
6	7 Sts. Perpetua and Felicitas	8 Ash Wednesday (Easter 1223 is April 23)	9	10	11	12
13	14 Vernal Equinox, start of 1223 New Moon					

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- 1) In BLACK text — general dates applying to all years (but especially, to both 1222 and 2005).
- 2) In RED text — dates specific to 1222, including Easter, the Equinoxes and Solstices, and the new/full moons — and any dates that relate to or are adjusted by those. Also the astrological signs (as the dates shift from 1222 to 2005 — if nothing else because of the change from Julian to Gregorian calendar!) It includes the Annunciation: March 25 — except when it clashes with Easter which it does on 2005, but not in 1222... 1222 is “normal”, 2005 is “exceptional”.
- 3) In BLUE text — dates for 2005, including Easter and moons, but not various other dates.