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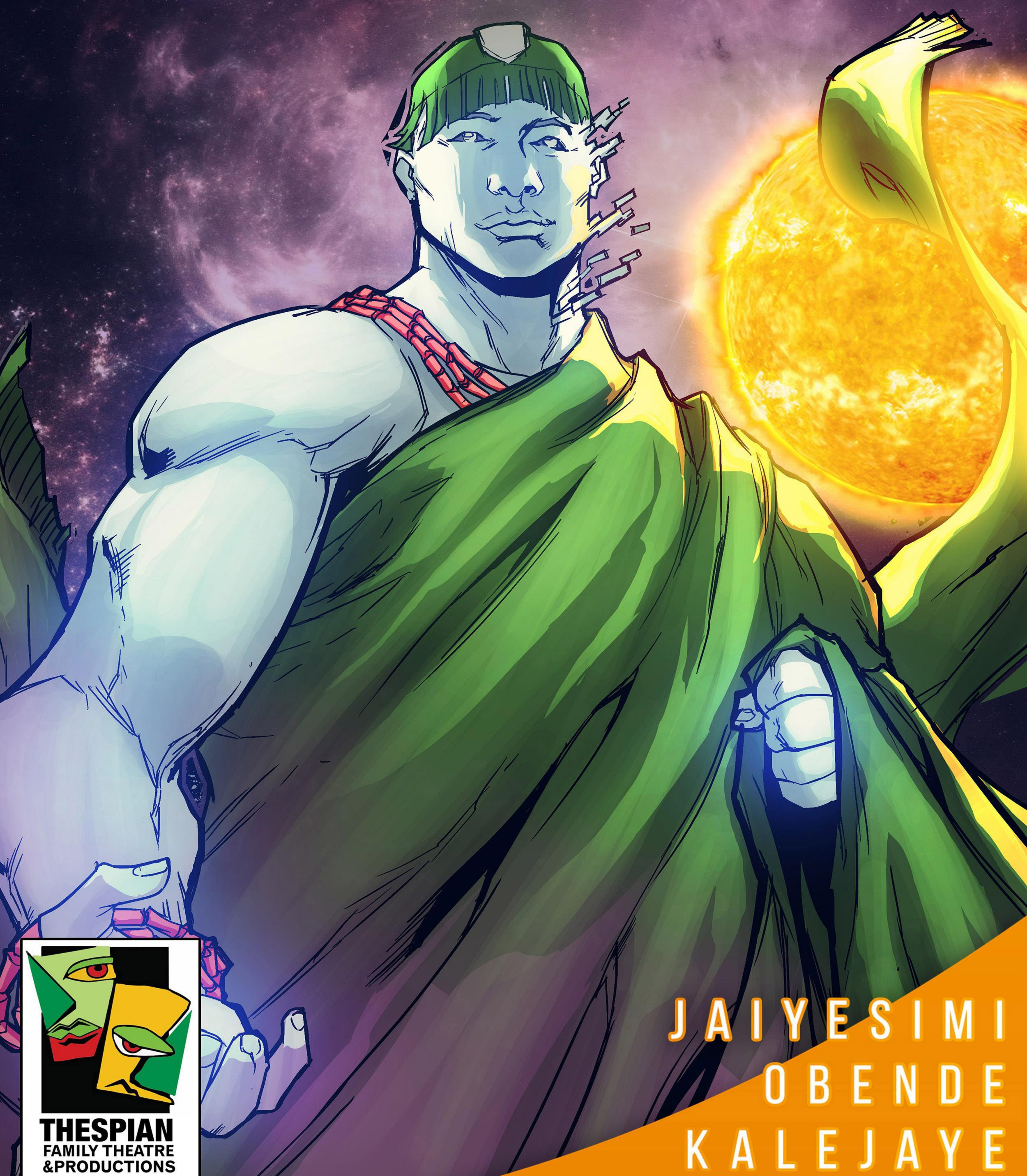
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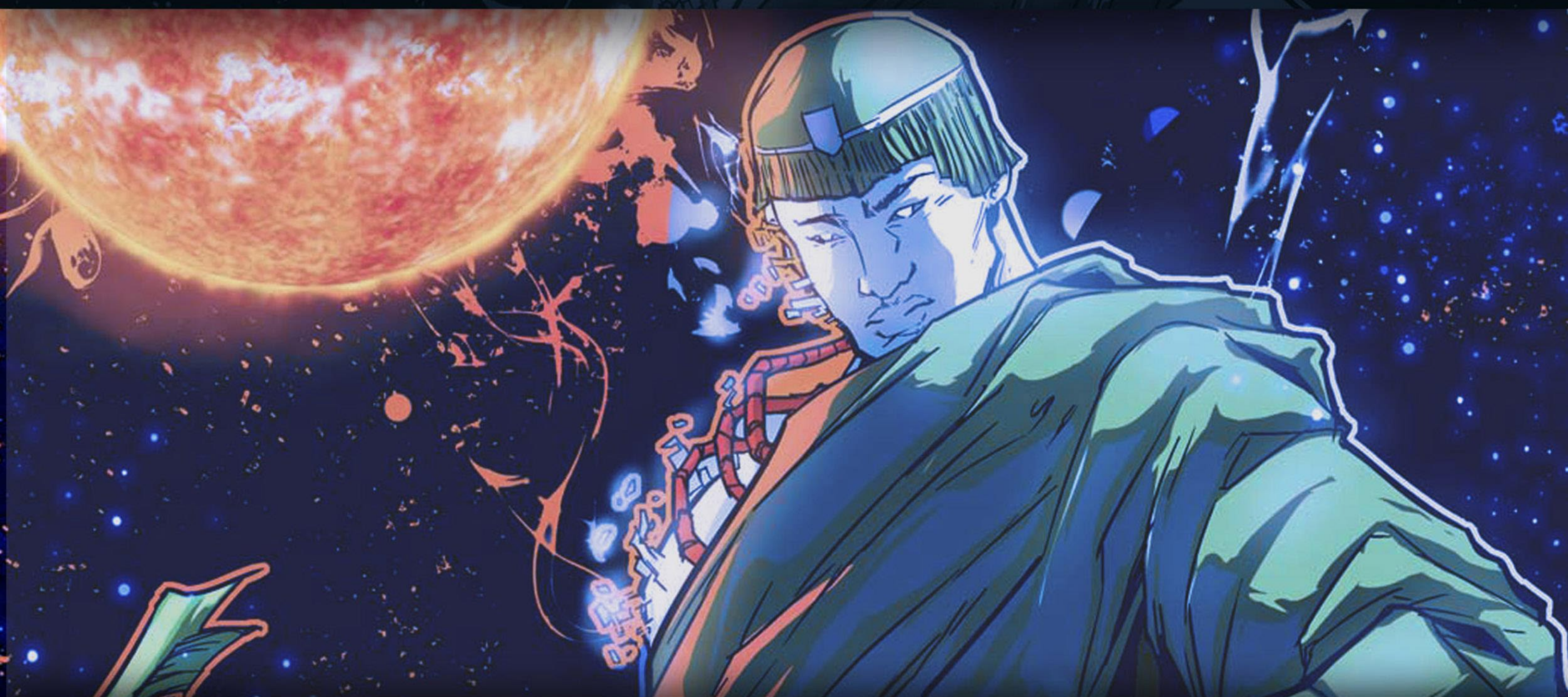
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AN ANCIENT STORY WAS HANDED DOWN
FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION...
A STORY ABOUT AJULE, IT'S HEROES AND HEROINES AND HOW THEY
INTERVENED IN OR INTERFERED WITH AGBAYE.
ITAN IS THE STORY...
THE STORY OF 'WHAT WAS' THAT BIRTHED 'WHAT IS'.

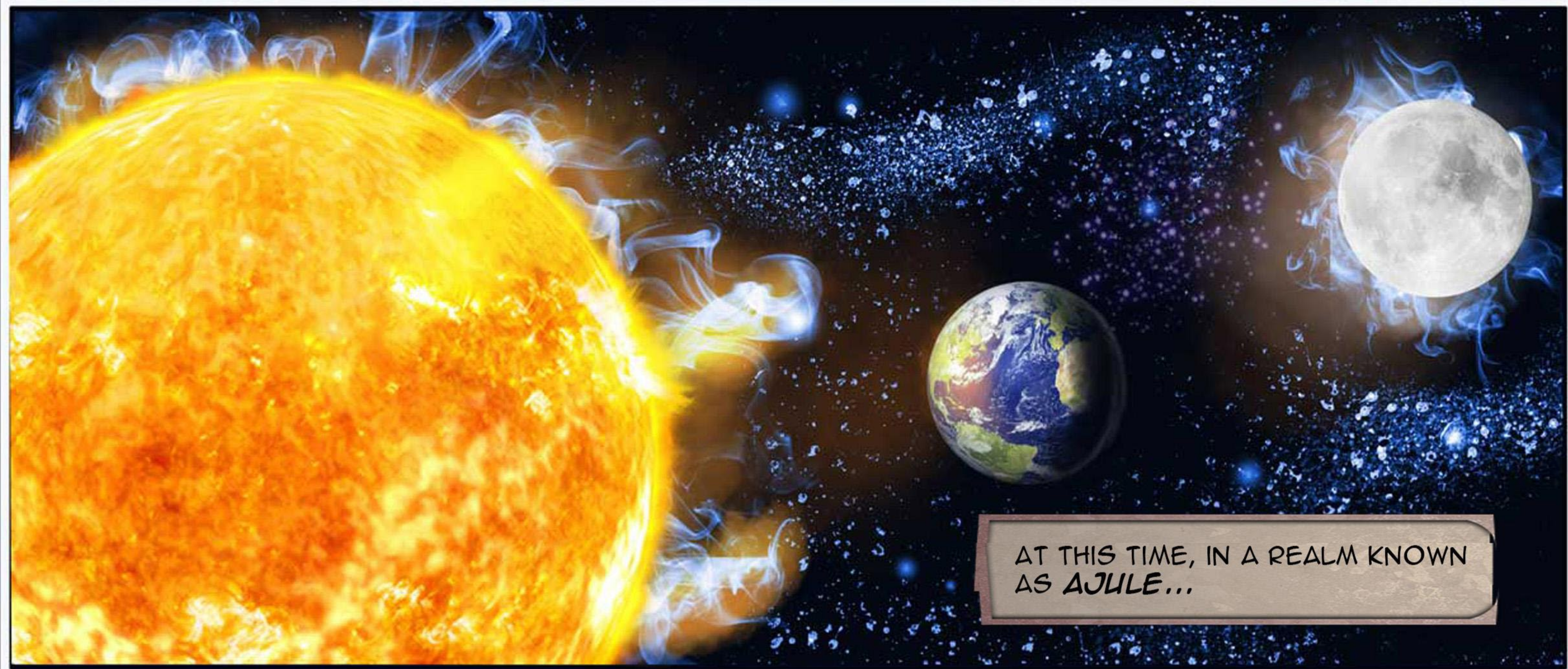


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THE COSMOS IS NEITHER THE BEGINNING OR THE END BUT A MERE PART OF THE ENTIRE PICTURE OF THE CREATOR.

EVEN WITHIN THE COSMOS, THERE ARE THE ADMINISTRATORS THAT THE ALL-FATHER, THE CREATOR OF EVERYTHING HAS ORDAINED AS A REPRESENTATION OF HIS POWER.



AT THIS TIME, IN A REALM KNOWN AS *AJULE*...



...THE BEING, *ISEMBAYE*, WAS ALL.

WHILE, THE ORIGIN OF *ISEMBAYE* IS NOT KNOWN AND REMAINS UNKNOWN TO ANYONE, HIS POWER AND AUTHORITY WERE SECOND TO NONE IN *AJULE*.



IN THE VOID OF EXISTENCE AT THAT INSTANCE, ISEMBAYE BIRTHED ASIKO AND IMOYE.

ASIKO
(TIME)

IMOYE
(WISDOM)

WITH THEIR BIRTH, EVERYTHING STARTED TO MOVE

FROM MOLTING LAVA OF AN
ERUPTING VOLCANO, HE FORMED
MODARU...

MODARU
(THE CONFUSIONIST)



...FROM PEARLS AND DIAMONDS,
HE FORMED *ERE*...

ERE
(REWARD)

...FROM SPARKING EMBERS OF
METEORITES, *IMISI*...

IMISI
(INSPIRATION)



...FROM METALS AND CLAY,
IMELE...

JAMBA
(CALAMITY)

IMELE
(LAZINESS)

...AND FROM THUNDERBOLTS,
JAMBA WAS FORMED.



WITH THEIR CREATION, ISEMBAYE GAVE EACH THEIR SEGMENTS KNOWN AS "EKA" TO DWELL.

TO *ASIKO*, HIS *EKA* (SEGMENT) WAS AN ENDLESS TALE OF MORTAL LIVES, HAPPENINGS AND THE PASSING OF TIME.



MODARU, BEING EVIL CHOSE TO INFUSE THE CONFUSION AND NEGATIVITY IN MORTAL HUMANS, STOKING THOSE FLAMES OF HUMAN CONFUSION. HIS *EKA* (SEGMENT) WAS AN ENDLESS SEA OF CHAOS AND DISORDER.

IMOYE, THE CUSTODIAN OF SEVEN SPRITES OF WISDOM, IMMERSSES HERSELF IN THE INFINITE NATURE OF WISDOM, ATTENDED TO BY HER SEVEN SPRITES: *LAKAYE* (PRUDENCE), *OGBON* (DISCRETION), *IFURA* (DISCERNMENT), *AKIYESI* (PERCEPTION), *IYE* (INSIGHT), *IMO* (KNOWLEDGE) AND *OYE* (UNDERSTANDING).

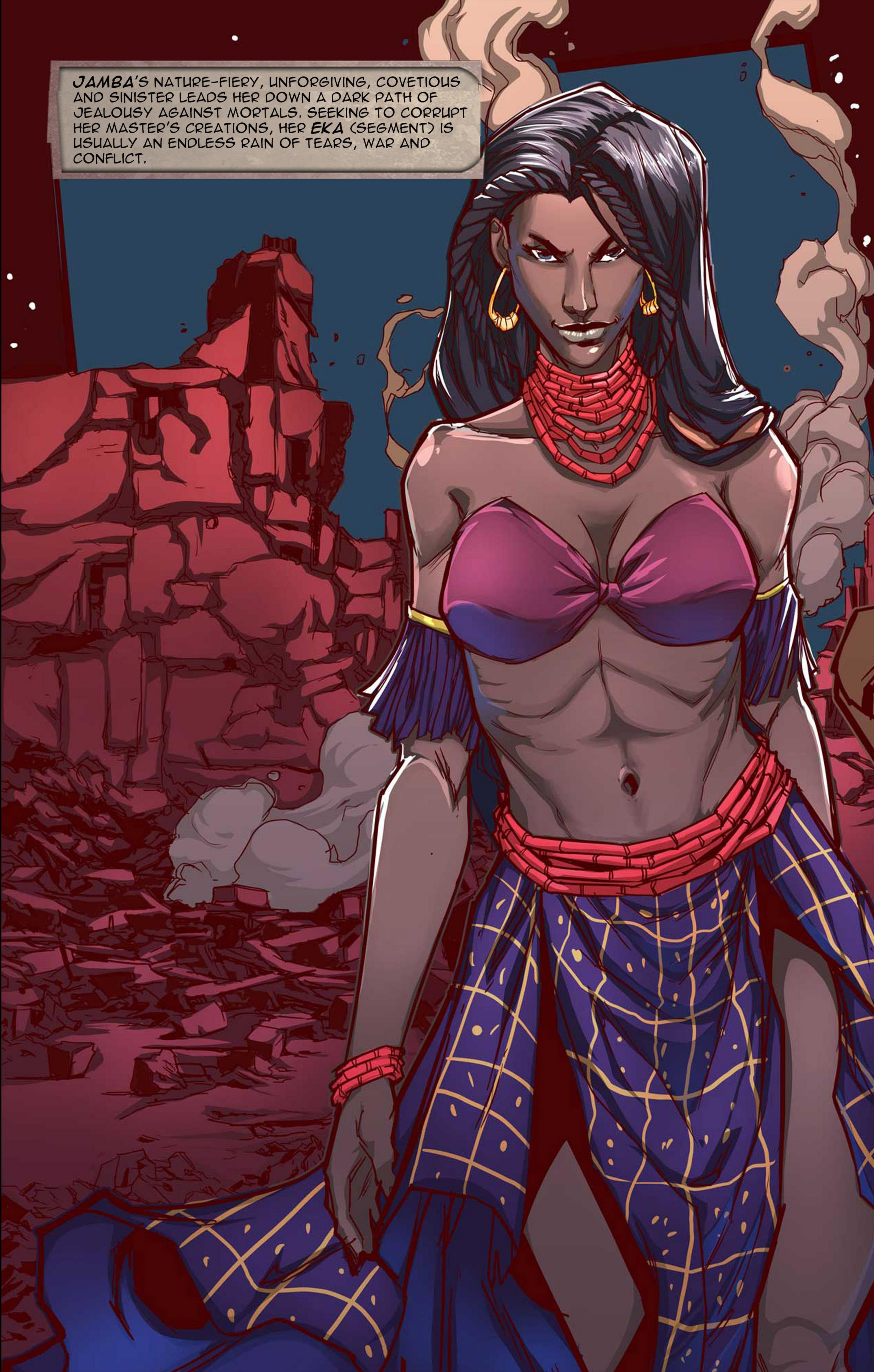


IMOYE'S EKA (SEGMENT) WAS THE APEX CITADEL OF KNOWLEDGE AND INFORMATION.



IMISI, A CREATIVE BEING, MADE HER *EKA* (SEGMENT) A CRADLE OF INNOVATION FOR ALL HUMANS. HER PRESENCE WOULD UNLEASH THE IMAGINATION OF THE HUMAN MIND.

JAMBA'S NATURE-FIERY, UNFORGIVING, COVETIOUS AND SINISTER LEADS HER DOWN A DARK PATH OF JEALOUSY AGAINST MORTALS. SEEKING TO CORRUPT HER MASTER'S CREATIONS, HER *EKA* (SEGMENT) IS USUALLY AN ENDLESS RAIN OF TEARS, WAR AND CONFLICT.




IMELE, UNLIKE HIS SIBLINGS WOULD JUST DO NOTHING, CARE FOR NOTHING NOR BE INTERESTED IN NOTHING.

Sigh



ERE IS THE CUSTODIAN OF JUSTICE AND REWARDS. ERE'S EKA (SEGMENT) IS A MIXTURE OF JUSTIFIABLE RICHES AND POVERTY.





IN ISEMBAYE'S WISDOM, HE
CREATED OTHER BEINGS:

THE *ELETOs*: KEEPERS
OF THE REALM.

THE *AJAGLINS*: AJULE'S
PEACEKEEPERS.

THE *OLORINS*: THE
SINGERS.

THE *ONIDARAYAs*: THE
PERFORMERS.

THE *ONILLs*: THE
DRUMMERS.

THE *ONIJOs*: THE
DANCERS

THESE BEINGS SERVING TO BE
HELPERS TO THE SIX AND A
FURTHER EXTENSION OF
ISEMBAYE'S WILL.

FOR A TIME, THE COSMOS
WAS PEACEFUL UNTIL ...



...**JAMBA** AND **MODARU** DELIGHTED IN THEIR POWER AND SOUGHT TO CORRUPT THE CREATION OF THEIR MASTER...

MODARU TURNED MORTALS AGAINST ONE ANOTHER, WHILE **JAMBA** CREATED CHAOS AND LEFT A TRAIL OF SORROW WHEREVER SHE TURNED.



WHILE *JAMBA* AND *MODARU* DID NOT DARE TO FACE THE OTHERS, THEY RAN RAMPANT THROUGH THE WORLD OF MORTALS, DESTROYING COUNTLESS DESTINIES UNTIL...

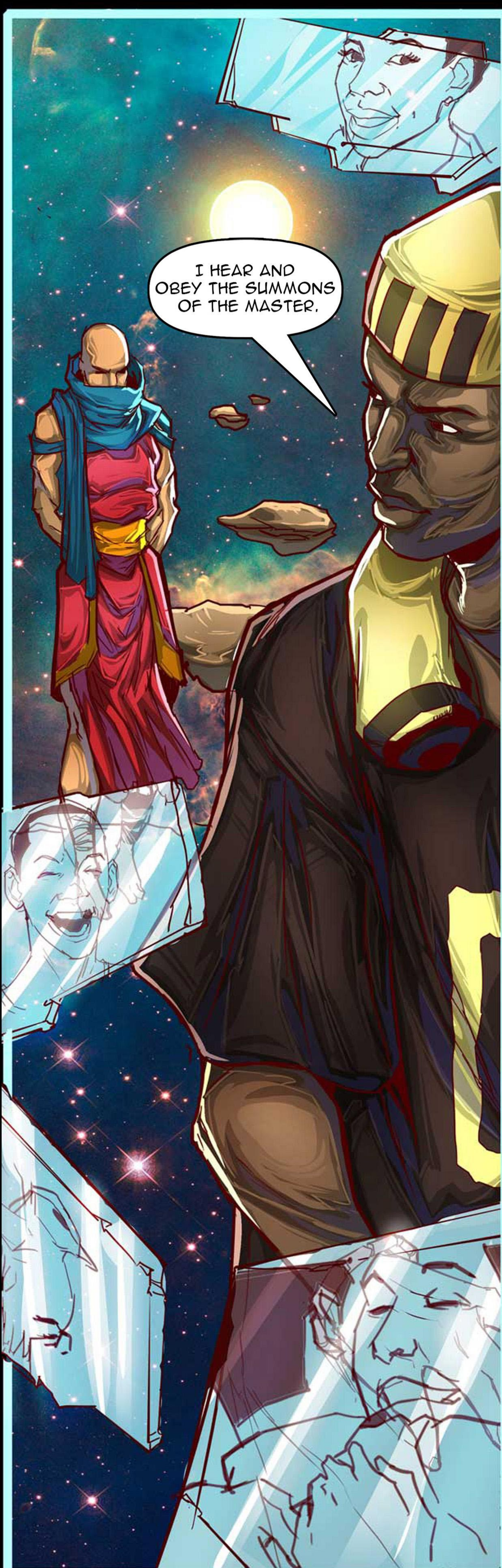
SO, THE OLD MAN WISHES TO SEE ME?!

WHY WOULD HE SUMMON ME AT THIS TIME?! WHEN I AM HAVING A GOOD TIME!

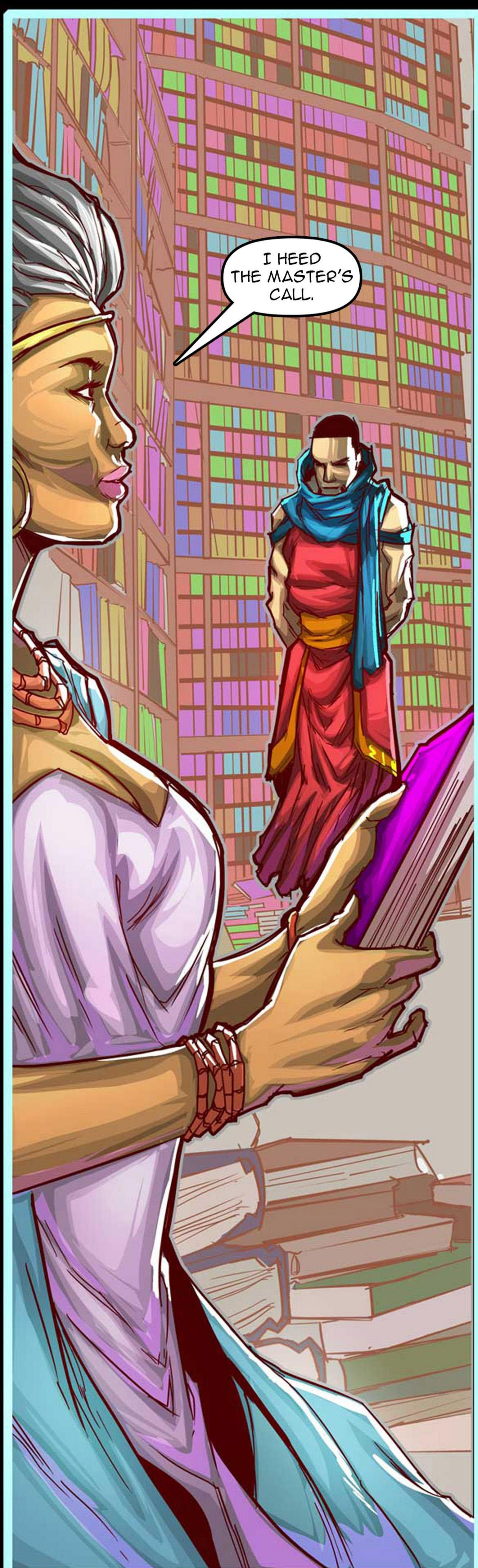


THESE SUMMONS ARE NOT NORMAL. *ISEMBAYE*, A BEING OF INFINITE WISDOM, COULD COMMUNICATE WITH BEINGS SUCH AS THE SIX BUT CHOOSES TO ASSEMBLE US.





I HEAR AND OBEY THE SUMMONS OF THE MASTER.



I HEED THE MASTER'S CALL.



AS THE MASTER WISHES, I WILL COME.



I WILL BE THERE.

BUT ONE LAGS BEHIND...



HE HAS NOT RESPONDED OR MOVED, THE **CREATOR** ASKED THAT WE BRING HIM THIS WAY.



MY CHILDREN,
WE NEED TO
TALK...

**IT HAS
JUST
BEGUN!**



**ITAN MEANS STORY
IN THE YORUBA
LANGUAGE, AND MANY
YEARS AGO WITHIN THE
COMMUNITY ELDERS
GATHERED CHILDREN
TOGETHER UNDER THE
MOONLIGHT TO TELL
THEM STORIES.**



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Alo o!

HI THERE!

I'M EXCITED TO HAVE ITAN THE STORY REELED OUT AS A COMIC SERIES. THESPIAN FAMILY THEATRE & PRODUCTIONS HAS SUCCESSFULLY PRODUCED ONE OF THE EPISODES FOR THEATRE, BUT THIS? THIS ,PROMISES TO BE AN AWESOME JOURNEY THROUGH THE STORIES OF THE 'REALM' AND YOU WILL MEET SOME OF THE AFRICAN HEROES AND VILLAINS.

I HOPE YOU ENJOY READING IT AS MUCH AS I HAVE ENJOYED CREATING IT. ITAN MEANS STORY IN THE YORUBA LANGUAGE. MANY YEARS AGO, WITHIN THE COMMUNITY ELDERS GATHERED CHILDREN TOGETHER UNDER THE MOONLIGHT TO TELL THEM STORIES. THESE STORIES, SOMETIMES HANDED DOWN TO THEM THROUGH MANY GENERATIONS, TOLD THEM THEIR HISTORY, GAVE GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR LIVING, EVOKED CITIZENSHIP AND HANDED DOWN VALUES. IT WAS ALSO A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR BONDING. IT GAVE A SENSE OF BELONGING AND BOOSTED SELF-ESTEEM TO LEARN ABOUT THE BEAUTIFUL CULTURE AND HEROIC PEOPLE THAT ARE PART OF OUR EXISTENCE. THESE STORYTELLING SESSIONS, WERE OFTEN FOLLOWED WITH GAMES SUCH AS SUWE (HOP SCOTCH), AYO (BOARD GAME), 'TEN-TEN... I BET YOU CAN NAME A HOST OF OTHERS! THE BEST BIT WAS THE GENEROUS SERVINGS OF AKARA (BEAN CAKES), DUNDUN (FRIED YAM), BOLI (ROASTED PLANTAIN) COMPLIMENTED WITH EPA (ROASTED GROUNDNUTS), AGBADO (CORN-ON-THE-COB), ASALA OR AGBON (WALNUTS OR COCONUTS). DID I HEAR YOU SAY IREKE, AGBALUMO AND YOYO ALSO? WHAT DO THESE MEAN? DO A BIT OF RESEARCH, I'M SURE YOU WILL COME WITH MORE OF THE 'UNDER-THE-MOONLIGHT' DELICACIES!

WELL, WE MIGHT NOT OFTEN HAVE STORYTELLING UNDER THE MOONLIGHT IN THE COMMUNITY BUT TOGETHER WITH COMIC REPUBLIC AND THESPIAN FAMILY THEATRE & PRODUCTIONS, WE SURE HAVE GREAT STORIES AND GREAT COMMUNITIES!

SO BRING OUT YOUR RELISHES... NO! NOT CANDIFLOSS AND POPCORN ... YES, ONE OF THOSE ON THE LIST OF AFRICAN YUMMIES...

CROSS YOUR LEGS, OPEN THE COMIC BOOK...

It's STORY TIME...

Alo o?

Alo!!!

- AYO JAIYESIMI.



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