

Dear future initiate of the Magaambya,

It is an honor to announce that you have been admitted to the Magaambya Academy of Magic. We look forward to welcoming you here soon and will do our part to make your studies interesting and to assist you to the best of our abilities.

Your thorough application has convinced us that you have the necessary intellectual energy, imagination, and talent to thrive at the Magaambya. We are thrilled to welcome you to our community and look forward to the unique and extraordinary contributions in your future. We know that you will enrich the educational as well as the extracurricular life of our campus.

The next exciting step is now up to you. We invite you to learn more about us with the help of the enclosed information pamphlet. Your first year at the Magaambya will be spent with courses of general study, which form a strong foundation for the specializations that will follow.

We invite you to an introductory orientation meeting, which will kick off the start of your first year here on our campus. There we will introduce you to the intellectual diversity and dynamic campus life that defines the Magaambya so strongly. We await you at the southern bridge, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of Pharast 4721.

While we have every reason to believe that you will successfully complete the school year, we remind you that your admission depends on your strong academic performance in the courses you choose, the selection of which should be based on the enclosed information.

Once again, I would like to congratulate you and welcome you to the Magaambya family.

# Oyamba

High Sun Mage Oyamba

# The Magaambya

The Magaambya is Golarion's oldest academy of arcane learning, founded by Old-Mage Jatembe and his Ten Magic Warriors. It stands in the center of the song-wind city Nantambu, a peaceful refuge of learning and culture in the Mwangi Expanse. Our common task is to learn from the world what it can teach us and to teach it what it has forgotten. We want to carry hope and magic into the world, as Old-Mage Jatembe did at the time, for the benefit of all.

Our hierarchy was determined by Old-Mage Jatembe himself at the time. All new arrivals start their time with us as **initiates**. **Initiates** spend a period of **communal giving (Perquisite)** (usually about a year) before becoming **attendants**. **Attendants** will make a mask as an essential part of their studies, following the example of the ten magical warriors. If **attendants** have shown enough initiative and want to serve the school, they can become **conversants** who also make larger journeys outside the Magaambya to learn and teach. With sufficient dedication, **conversants** can become **lore-speakers** and contribute to teaching the next generation. In this way, each new generation builds on the strength of thousands of teachers and students who came before them.

After the induction ceremony and in the course of the Perquisite, you will be faced with the choice of a branch. The teaching staff and the courses are divided into five different branches, which emphasize diverse, but equally important values. All students will be allowed to choose a branch that will shape their individual academic career. In addition, a second branch is chosen, which complements the education and widens the knowledge base. These choices go hand in hand with the choice of subjects and are marked accordingly in the overview.

Here at the Magaambya, we encourage everyone to show some initiative in learning. This applies to both our students and teachers, which is why everyone at our university can enjoy a unique freedom. Often this can mean that the first hurdle of every learner is to find the source of the desired knowledge. Fortunately, however, we also have some dedicated teachers in our teaching halls who have agreed to stay at the university permanently. Along with these dedicated teachers, certain courses are available to all students, in addition to attendant-led learning activities.

## First Year Courses

First year courses are the courses that are taken during the period of the Perquisite. These courses are there to provide all initiates with a relevant basic body of knowledge. A course is also available for each of the branches, which are made available to everyone. This freedom allows undecided initiates to explore all the branches.

- Concepts of magical essences
- The eight modern magic schools and their auras
- Components – procurement, voice training and hand-eye coordination
- Creation and keeping of a magic book
- ritual and fast-regenerating magic
- Basic Survival Skills [Rain-Scribes]
- Leaders throughout history [Tempest-Sun Mages]
- Political Discourses [Emerald Boughs]
- The Art of Learning [Cascade Bearers]
- The History of Golarion [Uzunjati]

# Advanced Courses

The various advanced courses are held by both teachers and conversants. Our students are allowed to take cross-branch subjects if they wish. Of course, it remains everyone's own responsibility to maintain the performance of the branches actually chosen.

## [Rain-Scribes]

- Life cycle of the Jungle
- Flora in various biomes
- Arcanobotany
- Medicinal herbs and where to find them
- Environmental awareness and pollution through magic
- Compromises in group situations
- Traditional and magical wound care
- Entomology
- Magic and natural phenomena in comparison
- Role of magical insects in the ecosystem
- Magical scouting
- Practicing ethical archaeology
- Dead languages of Golarion
- History of runes
- Occultism over the millennia

## [Tempest-Sun Mages]

- Self-defence
- Martial Arts across the Inner Sea
- Communication in dangerous situations
- Famous battles of history
- Off-road training and athletics
- Combat flying and air espionage
- Critical information gathering
- Interweaving of magical and physic power
- Wrestling
- Healthy living for mind and body

## [Emerald Boughs]

- Self-protection through divination magic
- Protection against divination magic
- Self-protection through abjuration magic
- Identification of and protection from enchantment magic
- Hospitality Practices across the Inner Sea
- Forms of government in the Inner Sea and beyond
- Dangers of the jungle for individuals and communities
- Anthropology
- Basic Psychology
- Processing of rumours
- Insights through social movements

## [Cascade Bearers]

- Efficient development of prototypes
- Creation and processing of magical items
- The planes
- Invocation and banishment of outsiders
- Identification and combat against demons
- Moral-magical influences of the outer planes on our world

- Dream interpretation
- Proper presentation and scientific writing
- Research and use of various source types
- Advanced Mathematics
- Geometry of magical circles and runes
- Ley lines and the mathematic orientation of the world
- Intertwining magic and emotions
- Magic of True Names
- Shadow magic – versatile and misunderstood
- Magical flight through the stars

[Uzunjati]

- Creative Writing
- Metrics and rhymes of various languages
- Linguistics and language approximation
- The hero's journey in stories and reality
- World travel and cultural differences
- Catching and holding attention
- Nantambu Art History
- Art of the Ancient Shory
- Artistic influences of "monstrous" cultures
- Astrology in the Mwangi Expanse before Aroden's disappearance and after

## Extracurricular activities

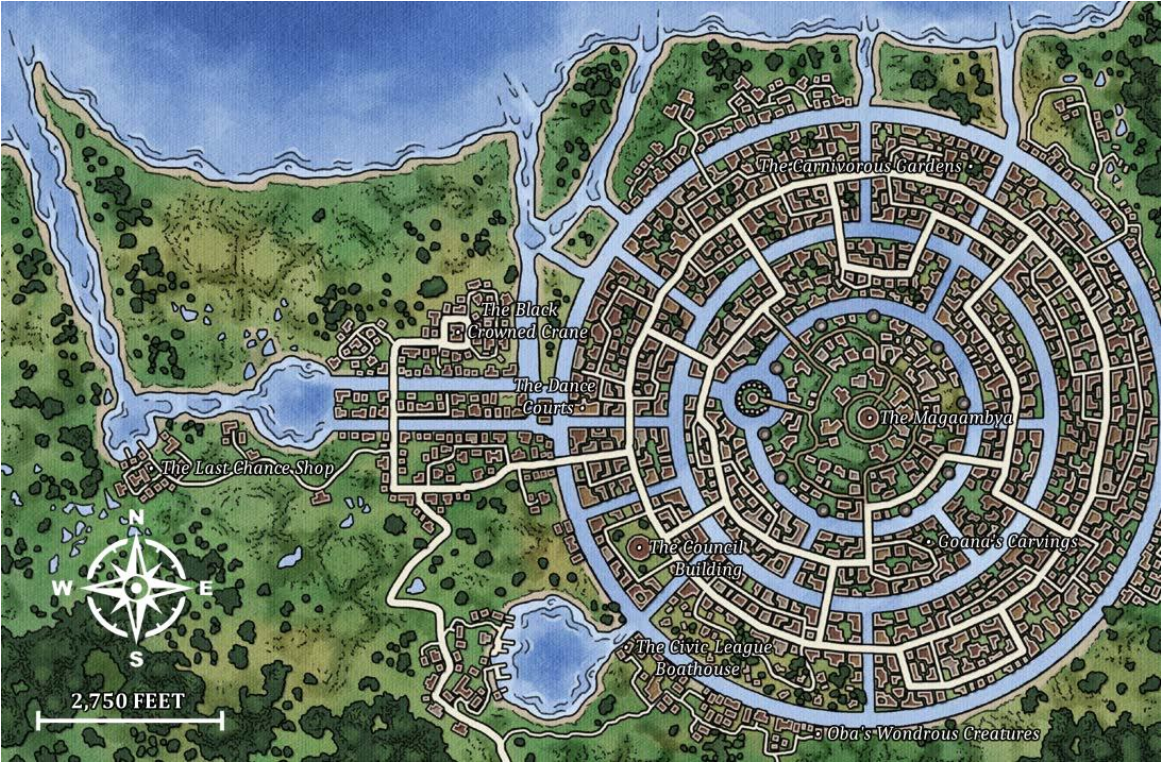
We are always happy to encourage our students to pursue some extracurricular activities. They offer us all the opportunity to rest our minds between the efforts of studying, because no one can learn new things non-stop. In addition, there is hardly a better opportunity to get to know fellow students in their natural environment.

A selection of the activities that take place both on campus and in Nantambu in general:

- **Theater Group:** A collection of friends of theatricality, who meet weekly on speakers stage. From classical pieces to self-written pieces, everything is played here.
- **Speedboat racing:** Nantambu's unique sport is speedboat racing, where personal speedboats are used to navigate the city's canals.
- **Roof parkour:** The roofs, streets, and canals of Nantambu offer an interesting network for races on foot as well. These races are suitable for both beginners and advanced runners, although beginners are advised to skip the rainy season.
- **Daikada:** The traditional Ekujae dance martial art has found its way into the Magaambya and has now created a beautiful community. In addition to the weekly meetings, there is a lot of training for the semi-annual tournament.
- **Team sports:** Nantambu itself has teams for most team sports and regularly hosts games against other communities of the Mwangi Expanse.
- **Martial arts:** In addition to monthly tournaments, training is often and irregularly on campus for emergencies. Both one's own powers and those of summoned creatures are often measured responsibly and disciplined in a safe environment.
- Furthermore, we offer athletics, various swimming sports, hiking groups, crafts courses, game clubs, climbing, choirs, storytelling competitions and more!
- In addition, there are various campus jobs for the business-minded, with which you can earn additional pocket money aside from the stipend.



# Campus Overview



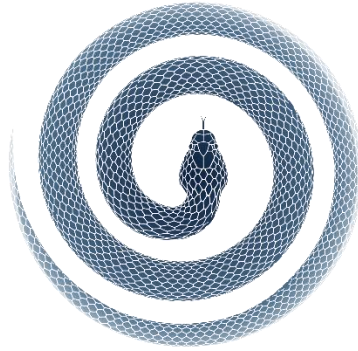
## The five Branches of the Magaambya

*[Text omitted since I don't know how the copyright is in this regard. Insert the text-block from "Life in the Academy" – The five branches of scholarship from Kindled Magic pg 61.]*

*-Chronicles of the Elephant-*

Adaptability, camaraderie, imagination, knowledge, and valor. While to some extent everyone at the Magaambya is expected to embody these five qualities, each person joins a primary branch with certain emphases. Both the faculty and the courses at Magaambya are divided into the following five branches. In addition, a second branch is chosen, which influences the expressiveness of the primary branch and complements the educational path. All courses are open to students from all branches, but each course focuses on the values embodied by one of the branches.





## Rain-Scribes

The rain-scribes value adaptability, both in thought and in deeds. Each member is willing to admit mistakes and learn from the past. Here the paths of nature are explored because she is a better teacher than anyone else. Snakes and spiders shed their old bodies, larger and more experienced than before. Plants turn towards the sun and stretch their roots deep to draw from wells that cannot be seen on the surface.

Experienced rain-scribes actively serve the population by exploring new areas and making sure they can be safe and accessible to future travelers. They map and supervise wild areas, build and maintain infrastructure, and guide travelers. You must be aware of the balance between man and nature at all times and be able to deal with both.

Their representatives on campus are Lorespeaker Koride Ulawa and Lorespeaker Izem Mezitani.



## **Tempest-Sun Mages**

The Tempest-Sun Mages embody valor. Not only the physical courage to stand up for friends and the Magaambya, but also the intellectual courage to consider opposing points of view and enrich one's own understanding instead of getting stuck in a ditch. They learn words that bring entire armies to a standstill. Some of these words are even magical. This branch has produced many a promising strategist who defended our city for years.

The Tempest-Sun Mages protect Magaambya's realms, as well as its members and our allies. They are guardians rather than warriors, as Old-mage Jatembe would have wanted. So they end conflicts with words, if possible, and spells if necessary.

Their representatives on campus are Lorespeaker Tahenkotand Lorespeaker Mafika Ayuwari.



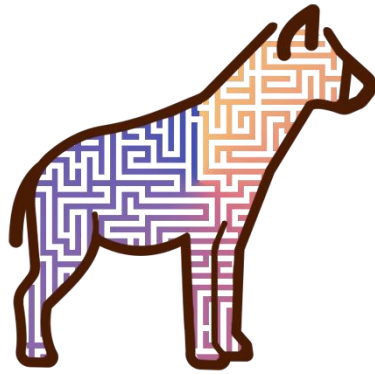


## **Emerald Boughs**

The Emerald Boughs emphasize camaraderie, the community, and the connection to fellow students of the Magaambya. Members of this branch are those who often interact with those outside the Magaambya and spread the message of our academy. This means that they often deal with the most diverse ancestries, cultures, and forms of society.

Unfortunately, members of this branch occasionally get the bad reputation of spies. This, of course, is completely misguided. It may seem so to some, but the ability to gather information is a powerful tool for the protection from crises. Emerald Boughs often live in foreign communities for extended periods of time to learn cultural practices and identify potential needs of residents. They generally try to influence local events as little as possible, striving only to improve communities.

Their representative on campus is Lorespeaker Zuma.



## **Cascade Bearers**

Cascade Bearers value imagination and ingenuity, from the dreams of the most visionary magical theorists to the innovations of creative problem solvers of all colors and shapes. Here all known rules of the world are considered and pushed to their limits. Sometimes even beyond that. Guest lectures by academics from far-flung schools are often organized with the help of the Cascade Bearers and they are also the ones who most often visit these distant countries and return with the latest theoretical papers.

Members of this often more academically focused branch dedicate themselves devotedly to the advancement of magical theory. Their philosophical approach to magic often extends into the other magical traditions, but at its core it also has a practical inclination. Thus, the one or other unusual invention has sprung from a learning circle of Cascade Bearers.

Their representatives on campus are Lorespeaker Takulu Ot and Lorespeaker Lesedi.



## **Uzunjati**

Uzunjati understand that knowledge lives in the stories that are told over generations but are also developed every day through their own experiences. These stories may be partly about the actual past, sometimes they are cases of pure fiction, and sometimes narratives that move in between. In the same way, something can be gained from situations of every dimension, from the life of the Old-Mage Jatembe himself, to the everyday events of the neighborhood. Valuable nuggets are hidden everywhere.

Members of the Uzunjati branch, the oldest branch of the Magaambya, are the keepers of peace and the guardians of thousands of storytelling traditions. "Uzunjati" is the old Mwangi word for a story or a collection of knowledge. In this branch, exciting stories and fables are woven, from which all listeners, young and old, can draw lessons.

Their representatives on campus are Lorespeaker Ahassunu and Lorespeaker Nhyira.