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**The Archetypal Future  
Tech Space Empire**  
Political Columnist

Posts: 2  
Founded: Jun 11, 2021  
Capitalist Paradise

by **The Archetypal Future Tech Space Empire** » Sun  
Jun 27, 2021 8:06 am

Grotesque Spore Creatures wrote:

The Archetypal Future Tech Space Empire wrote:  
Yeah I don't understand how that works even though I've been around  
for the longest time.

I like how your joke nation is still better than Scorpio Spikal Federation (one  
of my older nations) and the older iterations of GSC which were both  
attempts to just be a giant power fantasy

Of course, new GSC isn't that but yeah

Why thank you GSC, not a lot of people do parody nations like TAFTSE as  
TAFTSE's only purpose is to be a highly exaggerated parody of all FT nations in  
all their powerwankiness.

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**Voxija**  
Ambassador

Posts: 1446  
Founded: Jan 17, 2019  
Civil Rights Lovefest

by **Voxija** » Sun Jun 27, 2021 9:38 am

Big cliché: Infected Mushroom hypotheticals in NSG.

Small cliché: Realizing I am a lawful evil bitch from my answers to the  
hypotheticals.

**The Republic of Voxija** (pronounced: Voshiya)

*my politics are confused and muddled*

**Most of my grammar errors are on purpose. Spelling errors,**  
**tho...**

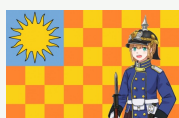
**I'd rather be fishing.** | [Author of Issues 1324 and 1346.](#)

Generic MT liberal democracy Meh. | I think that by now I've created more lore  
for my nation than most real-world nations have.

Disclaimer: the views of my characters do not necessarily represent the views of the author.

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by **Aureumterra III** » Sun Jun 27, 2021 9:42 am

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Annie is a very, very common name in the scenarios.

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### The Batavia

Senator

Posts: 3623

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Inoffensive Centrist  
Democracy

by **The Batavia** » Sun Jun 27, 2021 10:04 am

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Ditched my old signature. Will be making a pretty looking one when I find the time.

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## EX-NATION

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Secretary

Posts: 31  
Founded: Oct 02, 2020  
Ex-Nation

by **The Alkdorian Empire** » Sun Jun 27, 2021 10:18 am

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**Sibirer Republik**  
Civilian

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by **Sibirer Republik** » Sun Jun 27, 2021 10:24 am

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Senator

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by **Laka Strolistandiler** » Sun Jun 27, 2021 10:26 am

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**The Black Remnant**  
Secretary

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Founded: Mar 26, 2021  
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by **The Black Remnant** » Sun Jun 27, 2021 10:33 am

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by **Sibirer Republik** » Sun Jun 27, 2021 10:35 am

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Fun fact, the youngest president ever "elected" was 20 years old.

His name was Jean-Claude Duvalier, otherwise known as "Baby Doc" - the son of the Voodoo-Practicing Haitian President Papa Doc and only really became president because his father was president.

He was overthrown by his own people after thousands of Haitians died and Haiti became the most impoverished country in the Western Hemisphere whilst he lived a lavish lifestyle (including a 2-million dollar marriage at the expense of the state).

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**Valentine Z**  
Postmaster-General

Posts: 11602  
Founded: Nov 08, 2015  
Democratic Socialists

by [Valentine Z](#) » Sun Jun 27, 2021 10:41 am

On the topic of personifications and self-inserts, it is of obvious note that personifications are pretty much fine and even some RL countries have them (Unde Sam, anyone)? Whether or not these are decent or not is up to interpretation, to be honest. For me, I don't have problems with them and actually have a few personifications myself (Val Z has THREE), but you need to get it right, of course.

Self-insert-wise, there are two ends of the spectrum - The blatantly obvious, and the subtle hints. I am not calling out anyone here, it is just a general observation. The obvious ones are when you as an author is put inside it, while the subtle hints are the ones where you can see small parts of an author's personality rubbing off onto the characters. In short, the character is a separate entity, but you can see small hints of author's politics or views in them. That is not a bad thing inherently, it's just a matter of execution. I mean, we are here to RP as nations, it's not exactly the best of Creative Writing 101; personally, all it matters for me is if the character (even the self-inserts) are redeemable or have traits that are not all-positive or all-negative.

*My self-insert would be a small and yet powerful man in Valentine Z, who is extremely clumsy and prone to tempers. I am not perfect, not in the slightest! I am a bit of an egomaniac, I will admit that, but even I am not going to admit that my stuff are flawless.*

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by [The Black Remnant](#) » Sun Jun 27, 2021 10:50 am

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**Hathian Prime**  
Spokesperson

Posts: 107  
Founded: Nov 26, 2017  
Psychotic Dictatorship

by **Hathian Prime** » Sun Jun 27, 2021 10:58 am

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Same man. There's probably only a handful of nations I could realistically defeat, but working on your own lore is a better feeling than power-wanking. I'd rather have a decent lore than have a nation solely dedicated to power-wanking

Hathian Prime does not use NS Stats.  
HP and all other nations take place in an AU. HP is not Germany.



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Secretary

Posts: 31  
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To you, they aren't. Nor are they to anyone else for that matter. To me, they are fantastic, a stepping stone to expand upon on my lore. Focusing on the Gods that the Alkdorian worship, and the head of those Gods being Brapture. Whom is every individual on the Patheon. Sure, the factbook may not have that information yet. It is obviously a work in progress. I do plan on adding more to it. In my own time and my own way. It may not be clever or perfect in your eyes but....Since when was I guy who gives a shit about other's opinions. Unless I'm intentionally paying attention to them. Despite saying that I have been paying more attention to those opinions and have become more accepting of them. It's more if people will provide their thoughts when I ask ways to improve my lore.

Lastly, I wouldn't call exactly call it a serf insert. I'm still debating if it will be one, but so far that debate is leaning more towards making Brapture a fictional character and not just name associated with my shenanigans on Discord. When looking at the opportunities between the two options.

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Actually my WIP is partially a self insert of my views circa 2019 and essentially a slave (because she, although being a human being attached to a life support machine is listed as equipment, has technicians servicing her and even comes with a manual). I guess that's a slave-insert?

In Russian RPG's self inserts are EVERYWHERE. I'd even say that they're sometimes viewed as a norm, not a deviation.

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Bureaucrat

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by [Grotesque Spore Creatures](#) » Sun Jun 27, 2021 11:21 am

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Don't worry my lore is unfinished too and it will never be finished  
I did this **BIG TIME** back then

IC name: **LAETHIAN SWARM**

Originally a friendly peaceful hivemind like thing turned Zerg. (Queen Van Daele is the *Queen of Blades* of this universe)

WORK IN PROGRESS, INFINITELY - [Art](#) (gonna finally actually post something there maybe idk)

**[CURRENT YEAR - (4550 AD)]**



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Like seriously, I am I've been wanting to write such a character but I just don't know how and it's frustrating. As my lore demands it.

Alright, let's take it from the top.

Judging from what you've said prior, this god is the head of a pantheon and a mighty powerful one at that, having created everything in their universe. First off, cut the omniverse and multiverse gibberish. That stuff in general can feel wayyyy out of scale for something focused on a single nation or even a single setting unless it is a core part of it i.e. a time loop or reflection of reality or includes things like Doom's Hell and Urdak, Stranger Things' Upside Down, Minecraft's Nether and End, etc etc

Second of all, consider the dynamic of the pantheon itself. do the gods constantly struggle for supremacy, vying for worship and power among the mortals, or is it a peaceful affair presided over by the eldest of them? If the former, perhaps "Brapture" is powerful only because he is at the highest peak

of the pantheon, but could be toppled any day by one of the lesser Gods. If the latter, is he a father figure, a sibling, or something more?

If he is a supposedly omnipotent being, let's tone that down-if part of a pantheon, perhaps he was omnipotent in ages past, but as the religion of his creations diversified and grew more complex and multifaceted, his form, bound by concepts of divinity and the perception of him by his followers, fractured and became separate beings.

This is just me spitballing m, but it's somewhat of a similar model to what I'm running in the gods of TBR canon.

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