may not have more anchors than their playbook started with this way).

Your Students: By default you have about 10 students, they are moderately studious sleepers and they respect you, though they're not fully loyal. They have their own lives apart from you, family and friends in the area. (learning +1. surplus: time. want: departure.)

Pick up to two of these:

- Your students are competitive (replace want: departure with want: competition)
- Your students are driven (replace surplus: time with surplus: dedication)
- Your students are enthusiastic (replace surplus: time with surplus: energy)
- Your students are lazy (replace want: departure with want: sloth)

And one of these:

- Your school is famous (add surplus: growth and want: infamy)
- Your school is large (default students 20)
- Your students are quick learners (+1 learning)
- You have a protege; your most advanced student is Awakened
- Your students are rowdy (add want: violence and surplus: intimidation)

The Guru

The secrets of the Universe are yours, but you don't guard them jealously. You share the wisdom with the precious few who will listen, taking on pupils who will one day surpass you.

Place of Power:

First, pick a facade:

- Dojo
- Dance Studio
- Abandoned warehouse
- Stunt filming location
- Remote mountain temple

Then pick up to 1 Strength: +hidden, +famous, +easily defended, +inconspicuous, +free

Pick at least 1 Weakness: +cramped, +dangerous, +temporary, +infamous, +weak

A Ritual performed here will never (choose 1):

- Need help from an outside source
- Take longer than expected
- Have greater than intended effects

Paradigm List:

Paradigm: My Qi Flows Like Water

Aligned(choose one): Superhuman strength, Projecting Power,

Perfect Positioning

Opposed:

Choose one: Elemental magic, External effects Choose one: Technomagic, Breaking cycles

Paradigm: All Can Be Known Through Mushin

Aligned(choose one): Serendipitous Movements, Reflexive

Magic, Martial Magic

Opposed:

Choose one: Mind without Body, Body without Mind

Choose this one: Magic while emotional





Name: Johan, Master Lu, Mina, Zoe, Indra, Roy, Puteri, Madame Leena, Marshki, Sifu, Luce, Goswami, Senshu, Sena Why was your humanity trivialized? Because I was poor, (because I was not neurotypical), because of my transgressions, Why is your humanity still in question? Reasons, Why are you hunted? Because I'm famous, for my forbidden knowledge, so my students are not, Looks: • (choose at least one) ambiguous presentation, androgynous presentation, butch presentation, concealed presentation, femme presentation, fluid presentation, transgressing presentation • shining eyes, sunken eyes, alert eyes, glowing eyes · weathered face, gaunt face, wrinkled face, caring face, creased face • wiry body, ripped body, lanky body • street clothes, flowing clothes, concealing clothes • menacing aura, peaceful aura, green aura, golden aura, fading aura, grounded aura, rippling aura Stats: Will +0, Wits +1, Charm +0, Grace +0, Body +2 Will -1, Wits -1, Charm +0, Grace +2, Body +2 Will +1, Wits +0, Charm -1, Grace +1, Body +2 Will +0, Wits -1, Charm +1, Grace +1, Body +2 Moves: The Guru gets the Pupils move, and 2 other moves of your choice. Anchors: (Choose 4) A portrait of my long-dead mentor My best friend Ayah • The gold necklace given to me by • The People in My Community o Devon, my oldest rival o Zorrah, my forbidden love

o A coal to remind me of

Starting Gear:

	major posses a rainy day.	sions to speak of, but 3 Savings tucked away			
		Health			
	Will	PREPARATIONS			
		CODE 50			
	Wits	CODE 40			
	Charm	CODE 30			
	Cilaiiii	CODE 20			
	Grace	CODE 10			
		CODE N			
	Body	Preparations:			
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Discol	u				
Advancement:		00000			
 Gain +1 Body (Maximum Body +3) Gain +1 Grace (Maximum Grace +3) Gain +1 Will (Maximum Will +2) Gain +1 Wits (Maximum Wits +2) 					
			Get a new Guru move		
			Remove a Restriction from your ParadigmGive a Freedom to another Mage's Paradigm		
(Ch	oose only aft	er 5 from the first section)			
Retire to safety					
Switch playbooks					
Start a second character					
(Ch	oose only aft	— er 5 from the first section and if not Tethered)			
Get a new Guru move					
o Choose a new option for your Students					
o Cho	 Choose a new option for your Students 				
Cho	 Choose a new option for your Place of Power 				

Get a playbook move from another book

Get a playbook move from another book

■ When you and another character exchange a moment of humanity, they may immediately gain an Anchor (They still

Get an Advanced Guru Move

- What's my escape route?

- What are the unknowable risks?

- Who is favorable towards my plan?

■ Pupils: (You have this move by default) You have a number of

students who follow your mystical and magical teachings. At the **beginning of the session**, roll +learning to determine how

their studies are progressing. On a 10+ they have a surplus. On a 7-9, both a surplus and a want. On a 6-, they will do everything in their power to satisfy all their wants.

☐ **Meditation:** When you **meditate on the best course of action**

for considerable time, roll +Wits. On a 10+ hold 3, on a 7-9 hold 1. You may spend this hold 1-for-1 at any time to ask the

GM a question from this list, the GM will answer truthfully.

You take +1 forward when acting on this information.

- Where can the Consensus be bent in my favor?

☐ **Dojo:** You have a Place of Power where you train your

☐ **Matter over Mind:** You may roll +Body instead of +Charm

following your advice, and you mark experience.

☐ **What you Need, not what you Want:** When another character

comes to you for advice and you tell them honestly what you think the best course of action is, they take +1 ongoing while

forward to any Grace or Body rolls you make.

when Demonstrating Magical Superiority

students. While you are within your Place of Power, take +1

The Guru's Moves