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Education

The Ninefold Path of the Oak

Druidic Colleges

Ynys Afallon

01/435

- Initiated into bardic, ovate, and druidic degrees; authorized to interpret omens, mediate tribal disputes, and conduct public rituals.
- Studied cosmology through ogham trees, animal totems, and star-lore.
- Co-developed "The Singing Cipher," a mnemonic system for oral transmission of multi-layered arcane texts.

Experience

Archdruid and Counselor

Court of High King Arthur Pendragon

Camelot, Britannia

01/490 - 12/530

- Senior spiritual advisor to King Arthur; oversaw integration of Old Ways with emergent Christian doctrines in a volatile religious landscape.
- Conducted sacred rites at seasonal festivals (e.g., Alban Eilir, Samhuinn) to ensure agricultural fertility and communal balance.
- Utilized geomantic insight and celestial alignments to identify the site for Camelot and other key strongholds.
- Practiced veilwalking and deep seeing (interpreted by scholars as trance-induced strategic foresight), aiding in battle planning and diplomatic timing.

Keeper of the Grove and Initiate of the Thirteen Mysteries

Sacred Grove of Celyddon

Northern Britannia

01/470 - 12/490

- Trained in oral transmission of the Coelbren (symbolic alphabet of trees, spirits, and forces).
- Mastered the use of sacred plants, chants, and inscribed staves in the invocation and binding of natural energies.
- Performed rites of concealment and transformation (notably recorded in the Tale of the Shifting Shapes), allowing safe passage through contested territories.
- Served as mediator between human communities and unseen presences inhabiting ancient barrows, rivers, and standing stones.

Wandering Initiate & Interpreter of Omens

Self-employed

Hibernia; Gaul

01/450 - 12/470

- Received direct instruction from surviving Gaulish druids and Christian mystics; cross-trained in continental and insular theurgy.
- Recorded solar and lunar cycles across megalithic sites; reconstructed lost rites for attunement with "the Deep Time."
- Delivered oracular visions under dream incubation rituals (later interpreted as early forms of hypnagogic divination or astral travel).
- Conducted healing rituals using sympathetic enchantment, lunar water, and songcraft — results chronicled by later monastic scribes as miracles.

Skills

Theurgy & Symbolic Magic: ritual invocation, elemental balancing, dream-sending

Natural Alchemy: preparation of elixirs, transmutation of substances