### "Fit Check: High Femme Aesthetic and Queer Embodiment in *A Court of Fey and Flowers*"

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- "Actual play" = recorded performances of tabletop roleplaying games
- "Affective roleplaying" = specific experience when in-game reality collides with out-of-game past histories, reinscribing them with new layers

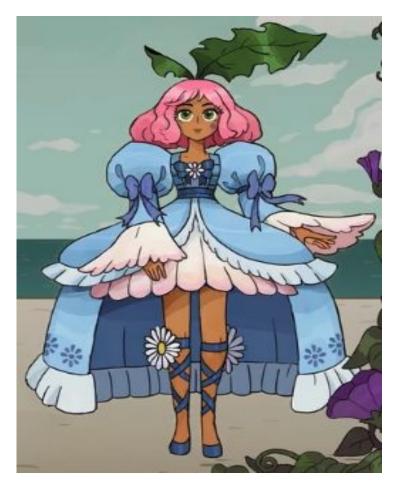


Queer fem(me)ininity = the exaggeration of feminine aesthetics with an eye towards hypervisibility in ways that actively resist cisheteronormative feminine scripts



Delloso de la Rue (they/them) Portrayed by Oscar Montoya (he/him)





Gwindolyn Thistle-hop (she/they) Portrayed by Surena Marie (she/they)





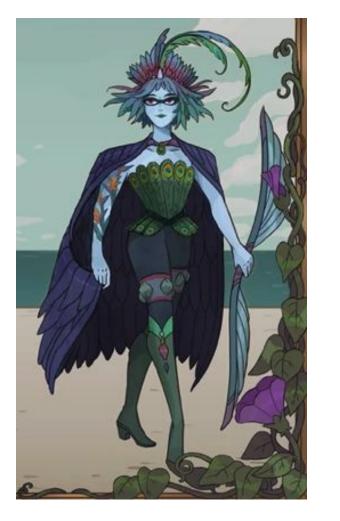
**Binx Choppley** (she/they) Portrayed by Surena Marie (she/they)



#### **Captain KP** Hobb (he/him) Portrayed by Brennan Lee Mulligan (he/him)



#### **Prince Andhera** (he/they) Portaryed by Omar Najam (he/him)



**Lady Chirp Featherfowl** (she/her) Portrayed by **Emily Axford** (she/her)

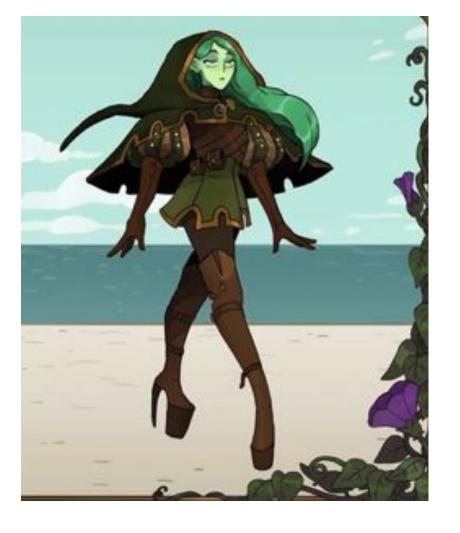


#### Lord Squak Airavis (he/him) Portrayed by Lou Wilson (he/him)



Wuvvy (she/her) Portrayed by Aabria Iyengar (she/her)

- Player-character collapse
  - Are we invested in the player (Oscar Montoya), the character (Delloso de la Rue), or the player-as-character (Oscar-as-Rue)



## Rue's hunt outfit



Hobb: "Rue, I worry about you in the glade, there is space in my hiding spot for two if you wish to join me [...] It would be an honor to make sure that you are safe here in the dark forest at night, and also, you are extremely visible and ruining my trap."



Rue: "It's quite alright, Captain. It was silly for me to play along in this game, I am the Game Master."



Rue: "Thank you, Captain Hobb. I don't know what I was thinking. It's quite alright — I am out here wearing a magnificent green outfit, I do stand out [...] I'm in your way, excuse me."



Kadji Amin names both the white androgyny of nonbinariness and the "ubiquitous category [of nonbinariness] that [can] seemingly apply to anyone" (Amin 2022"







# Rue's Nightgown outfit and Tea outfit





Rue's True Form and peony ballgown



Binx: "Who you showed yourself to be was amazing, and I needed you to know that. And I don't think you're like the other people from the Court of Wonder, are you? [...] So, I'm trusting you because you trusted us."

Binx: "I'm here to find our magic, and I think you're not like them, because they stole it [our magic]. And you're not like them."

