RACES

While the vast majority of people in the world are human, there are also many secret races that hide among them. Those humans who know and deal with the Outsider races are given the title of Insiders to distinguish them from the ignorant masses. The Outsiders are also divided into several distinct types.

# INSIDERS

*Attuned, Cursed, and Scions*

Most of the human population is made up of ignorant Bystanders. Even when they get a brief glimpse into the world’s supernatural Underside, they quickly forget it or keep it to themselves. A few, however, have the strength and determination to dig deeper and get involved. If they live long enough to make allies and become affiliated with a faction then they become Insiders.

While Insiders come from all walks of life, they do tend to be exceptional individuals. After all, most people instinctually shun and fear what they don’t understand. Of course, factions and Outsiders also motivated to involve the most extraordinary people for their clandestine affairs.

No one seems to know exactly why, but many of the people that make the transition from Bystander to Insider seem to have a special holistic link to humanity. Because of that link they’re called the **Attuned**. Some Insiders have discovered a small spark of innate power inherited from mixed Outsider ancestry. These Insiders are typically called **Scions** and can provide a useful link between Outsider and Insider relations. Unfortunately, more than a few Insiders have tragically sacrificed much of their humanity to unscrupulous Contractors. These pitiable creatures are known as the **Cursed**, but their monstrous nature makes them powerful agents.

# OUTSIDERS

*Chimera, Ephemera, and Fey*

From the innumerable Outside realms come an almost infinite variety of magical creatures. The most primitive Outsiders erupted from the Abyss of Chaos. These crude and elemental monsters are known as Primordials. Primordials frequently resemble the giants, demons, and monsters of legend. There are also more civilized beings that have become spiritually attuned with particular Outside realms. These heavenly Outsiders are called Celestials, and sometimes they are mistaken for fairies, angels, or gods.

Primordials and Celestials are far more alike than they pretend to be. Beyond those descriptions most Outsiders have almost nothing in common, so we tend to categorize them by shape. **Fey** are what we generally recognize as Outsider “people.” They may be larger, smaller, or more animalistic than humans, but all Fey still generally humanoid. The remaining beasts and creepy crawlies fall under the description of **Chimera**. Some of Chimera look like normal animals, but most are monsters straight out of your nightmares. Those two categories would cover everything, but some Outsiders don’t even have physical bodies! These creatures are like intangible ghosts and spirits so we call them **Ephemera.**

## FAIREST

* Elemental
* Therian
* Titan

## CHIMERA

* Behemoth
* Exalted
* Hidden

## EPHEMERA

* Incarna
* Legacies
* Shades