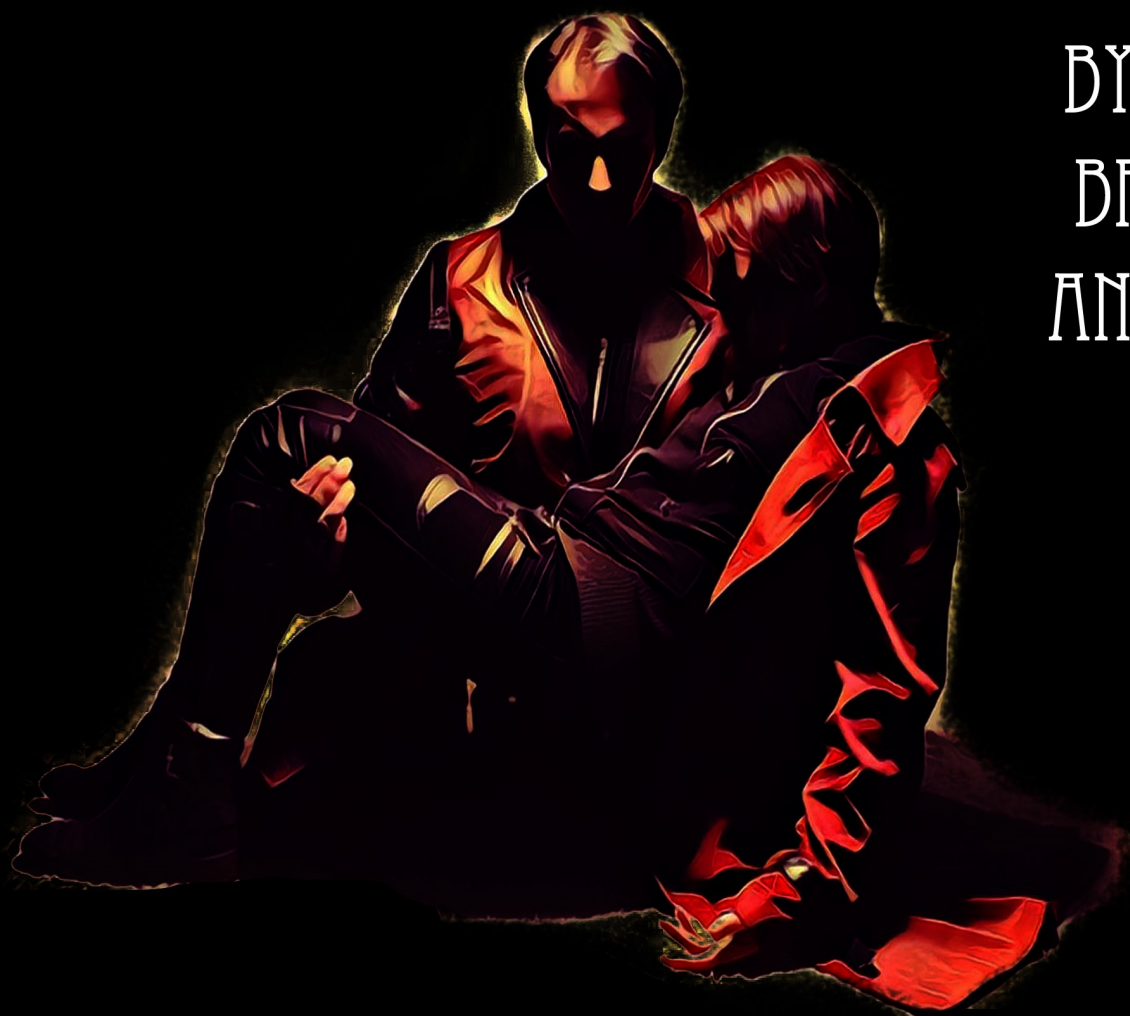


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Your comic left a lasting impression and inspires us to this day – thank you.





Warehouse 2200...



(distant)
"WE'LL MAKE OUR WAY TO..."



...AND FROM THE LABYRINTH
WE CAN EASILY...

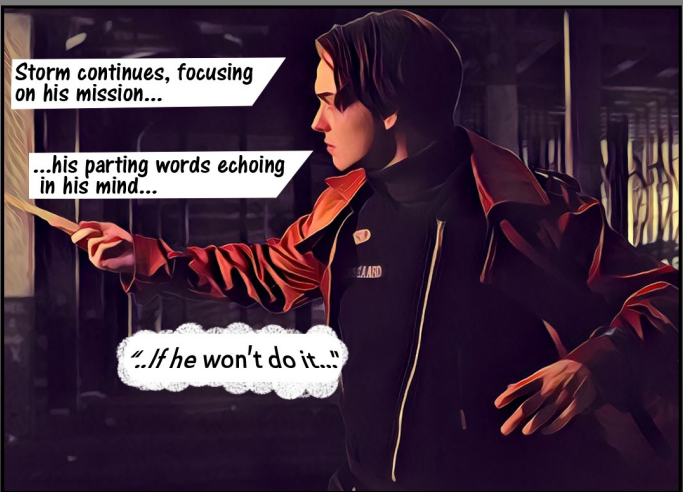
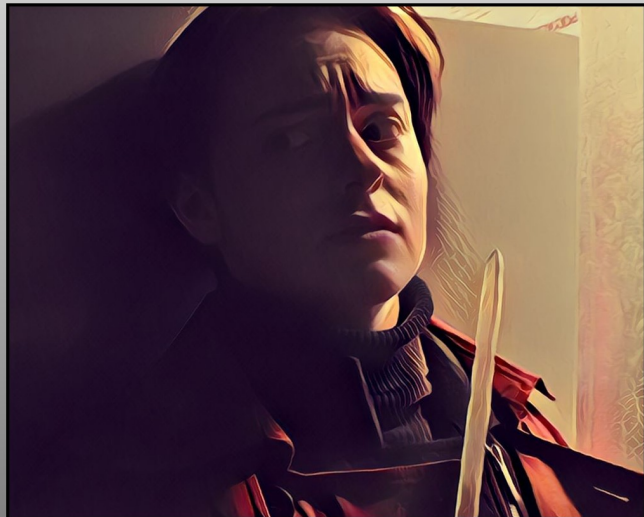


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...WHAT?

FEEEEEAR...



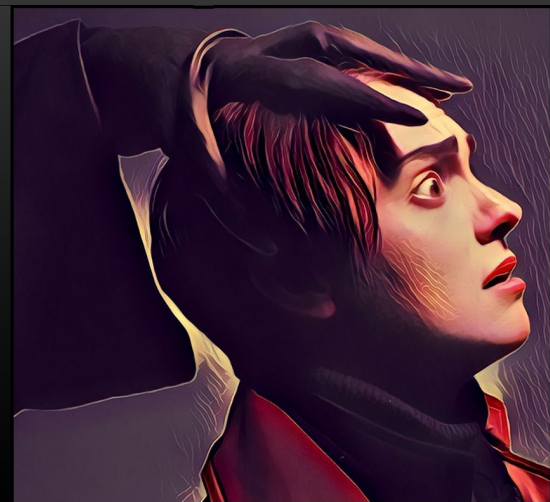
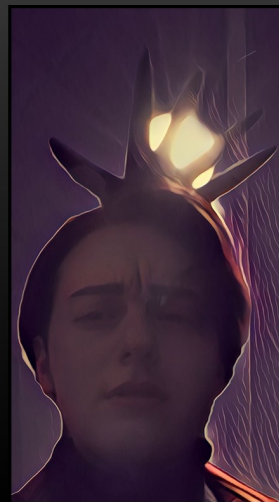
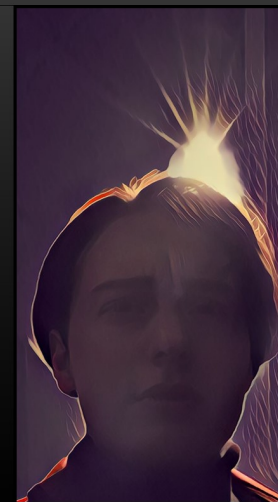
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on his mission...

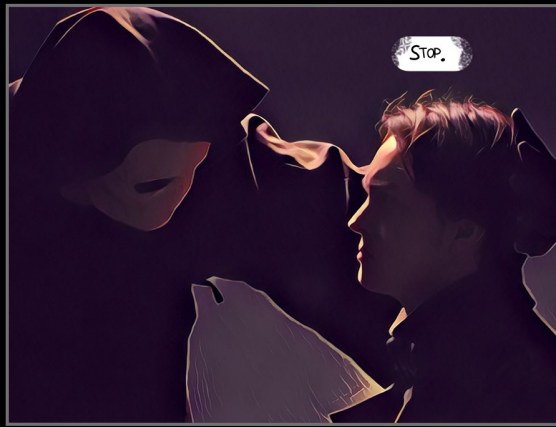
...his parting words echoing
in his mind...

"..If he won't do it..."



"..I'll do it myself".





STOP.



YOUR WAND, PLEASE, MR. SKOVSGAARD.



AND YOUR BACKUP. PLEASE. I WASN'T BORN YESTERDAY.



THANK YOU.

... RELEASE HIM.



WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE, LITTLE HERO?

Go to hell.

ALL IN GOOD TIME, ANSWER MY QUESTION.

YOU HATE ME, DON'T YOU?

You have no idea.

...I THINK I DO.



IN MY WORLD, STORM SKOVSGAARD USED TO BE A PROTEGE OF MINE IN DRAKE'S MILITARY. HE WAS A FIERY AND BRAVE LIEUTENANT, ALWAYS WILLING TO CUT DOWN THE RESISTANCE WITH VIOLENT RETRIBUTION, USING THE VIRULENT HATE HE HAD WITHIN.

HE WAS A FINE OFFICER.

Was?



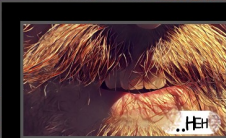
HE CROSSED THE ARCHMAGE.

HE FOUGHT BRAVELY, BUT THE ARCHMAGE CUT HIM DOWN LIKE A WEED.



No. Once I kill you, he'll have no reason to become the Archmage.

I'll save him.



..HEH



HA HA HA

THAT'S WHAT THIS IS?
... WHY YOU CAME ALONE?
YOU THOUGHT YOU COULD SAVE HIM
... HOW PRECIOUS YOU ALL ARE IN THIS TIMELINE.



DON'T YOU SEE? NONE OF YOU SEE IT.

MY GOD! OPEN YOUR EYES!

I WANT HIM TO BECOME THE ARCHMAGE!



"IF YOU KNOW THE ENEMY AND KNOW YOURSELF...!"

"You need not fear the result of a hundred battles."

YOU KNOW YOUR SUN TZU.



I WANT HIM TO BE THE MAN I KNOW. I WANT HIM TO GAIN THAT POWER DRAKE LOVES TO GO ON ABOUT.

DRAKE IS IN LOVE WITH POWER. HE BELIEVES POWER IS EVERYTHING. BUT I KNOW THAT POWER WITHOUT DIRECTION, WITHOUT FOCUS, IS EASILY REDIRECTED - THINK OF JUDO.

Using one's power against them.



YOU'RE AS QUICK A STUDY HERE AS IN MY TIMELINE.

I'D BE HAPPY TO TEACH YOU AGAIN.

What? No! You're crazy. I'm here to kill you.



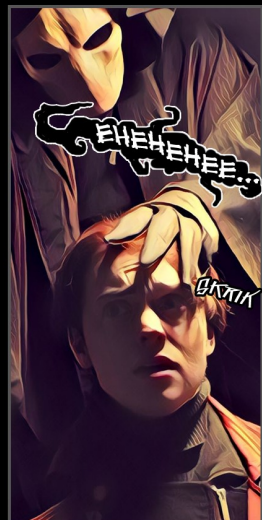
ARE YOU SURE?

YOU HAVE POTENTIAL WAITING TO BE TAPPED. LET ME HELP YOU UNLOCK IT.

NEVER!!

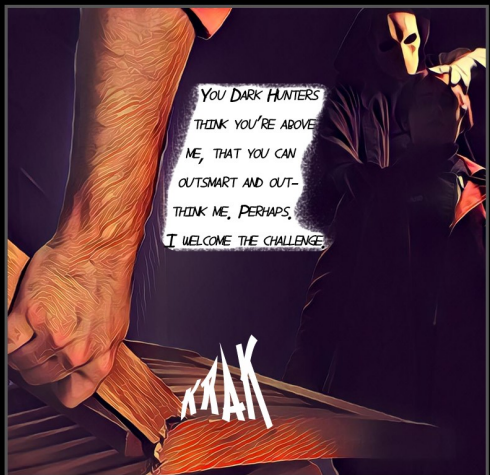


C'EST LA VIE. IF YOU'RE DEAD SET ON KILLING ME, I CAN'T VERY WELL HAVE YOU RUNNING AROUND, THEN, CAN I?



EHEHEHEE...

BRATIA



YOU DARK HUNTERS THINK YOU'RE ABOVE ME, THAT YOU CAN OUTSMART AND OUT-THINK ME, PERHAPS. I WELCOME THE CHALLENGE.

KRAK



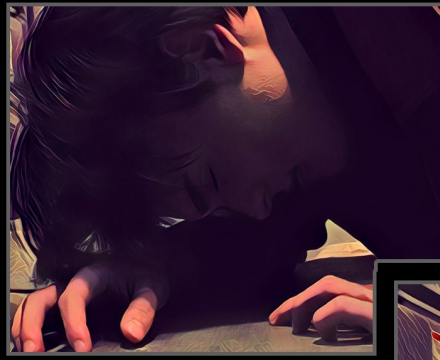
PAT PAT



BUT NO ONE OUT-BRUTALIZES ME.



ONE LAST SUN TZU LESSON...



... TERRIFY A THOUSAND.



KILL ME...



Storm?

STORM!
Where are you?!

ANSWER
ME!

STORM!!

..no, no, no...

..God no,
Storm...





