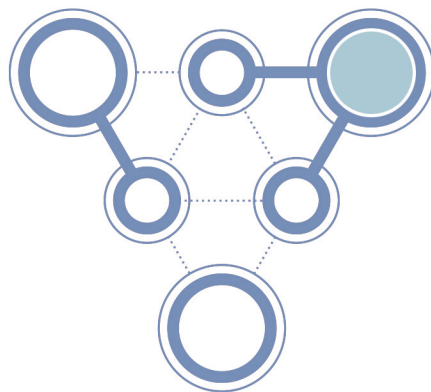




THE VALLARS

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TAJO VALLAR, AS A BOY, HAD NEVER LEFT THE ROCK AT VALLAR AND ITS ADJACENT TERRITORIES.

THOUGH HE YEARNED TO, WITH ALL HIS HEART AND SOUL.

BUT EVEN AS HE STAYED, MOORED TO THIS PLACE, HE DID WHAT HE WAS BORN TO DO--

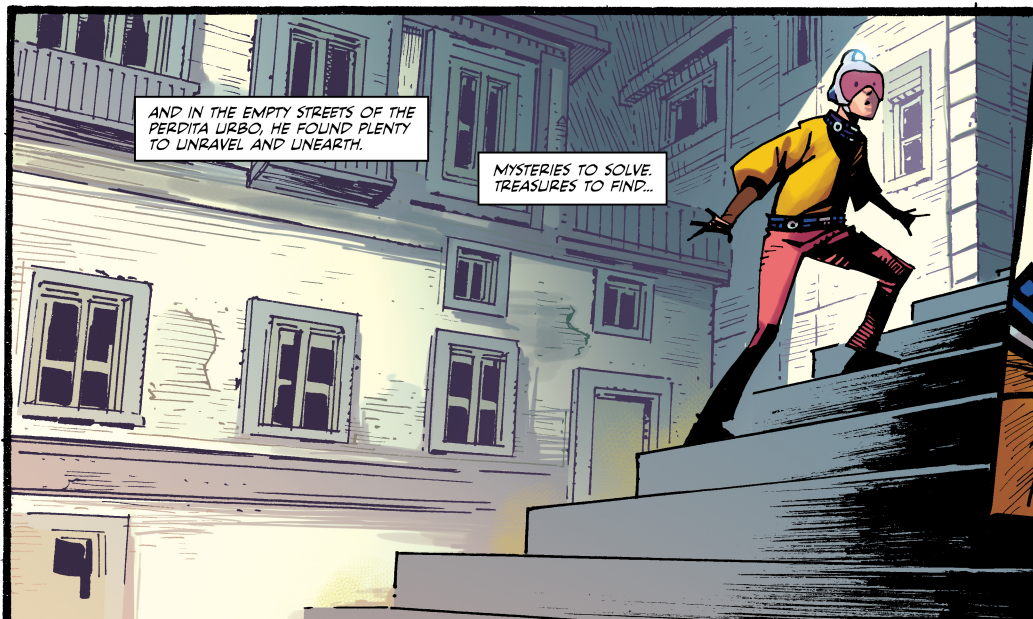


-- HE EXPLORED.



AND IN THE EMPTY STREETS OF THE PERDITA URBO, HE FOUND PLENTY TO UNRAVEL AND UNLEASH.

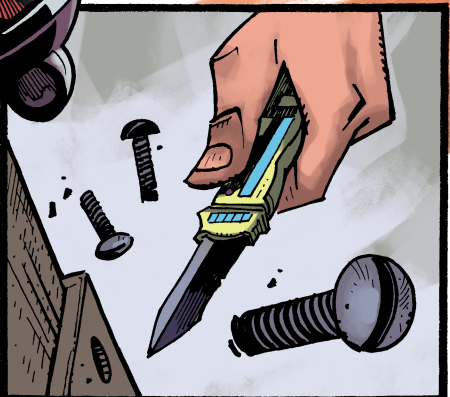
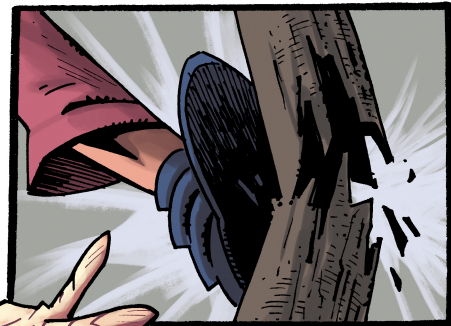
MYSTERIES TO SOLVE. TREASURES TO FIND...

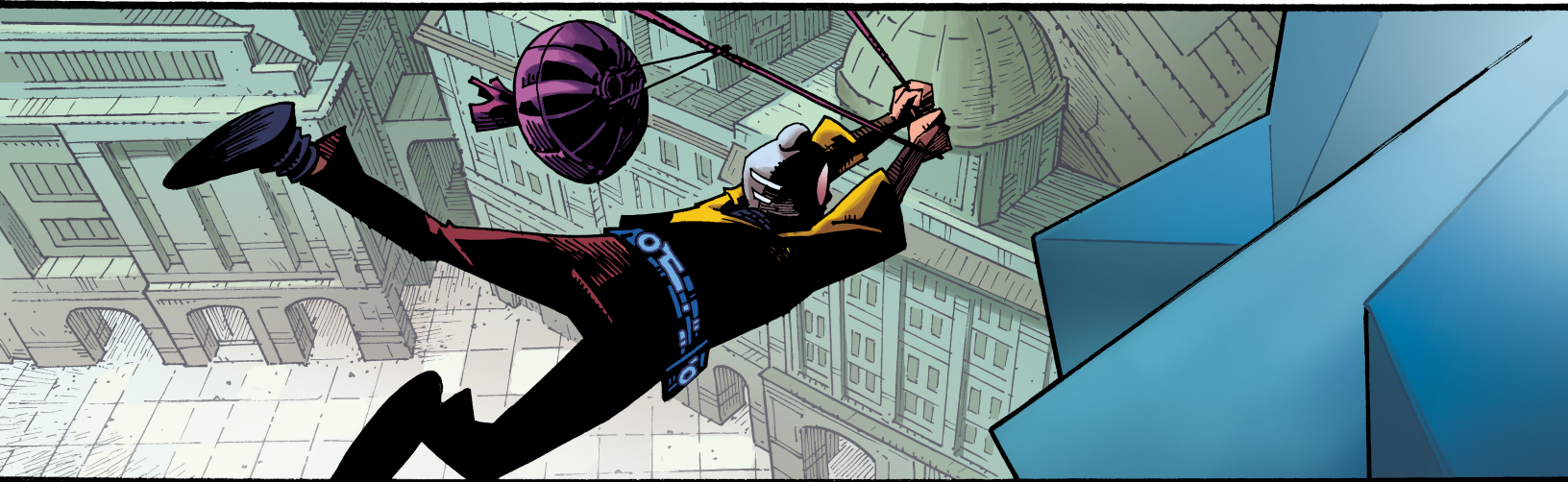
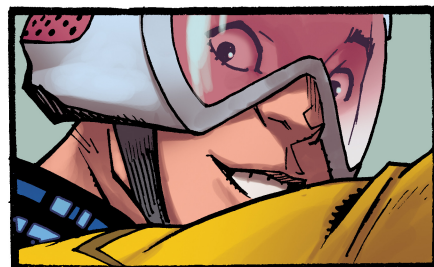


AND YES--



-- DANGERS
TO ESCAPE.







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I FOUND
IT. IT'S REAL.
IT'S REALLY
REAL--

-- THE
SALON DE
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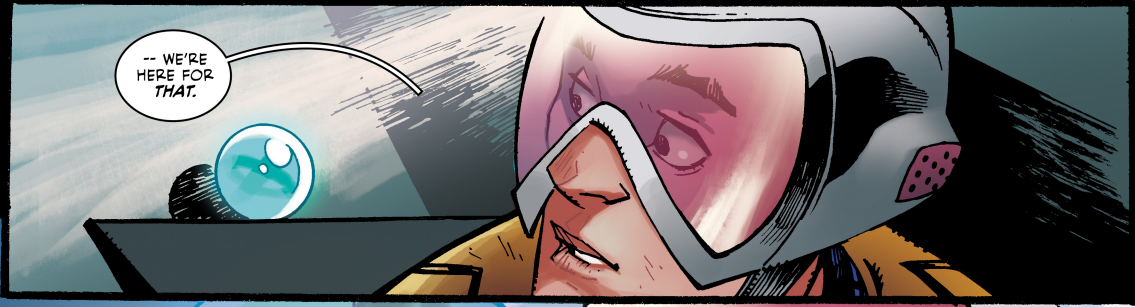
ETHINA
IS GONNA
BE SO
JEALOUS.

OUR
ANCESTORS--



-- AND EVERYTHING THEY BUILT.

BUT WE'RE NOT HERE TO *SIGHTSEE*, DEAR READER. NO, SIR--



-- WE'RE HERE FOR *THAT*.

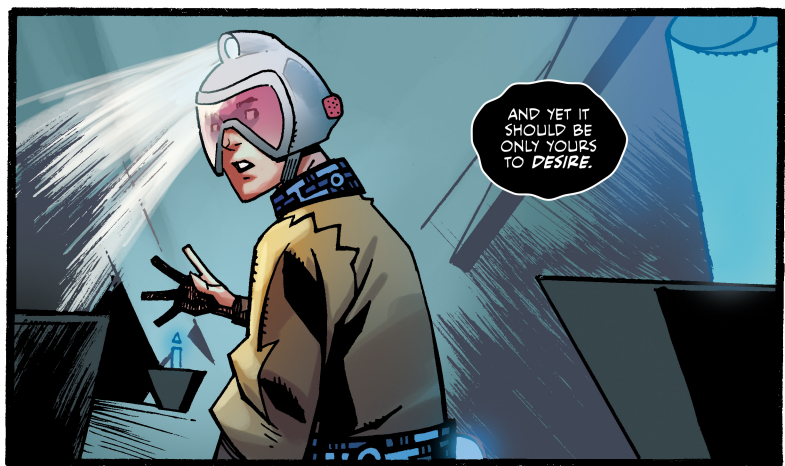


THE *ESSENCE OF LUMINA*.

ALL THE PROCESSING CAPACITY WE NEED, AND PROGRESSIVELY ADAPTIVE...



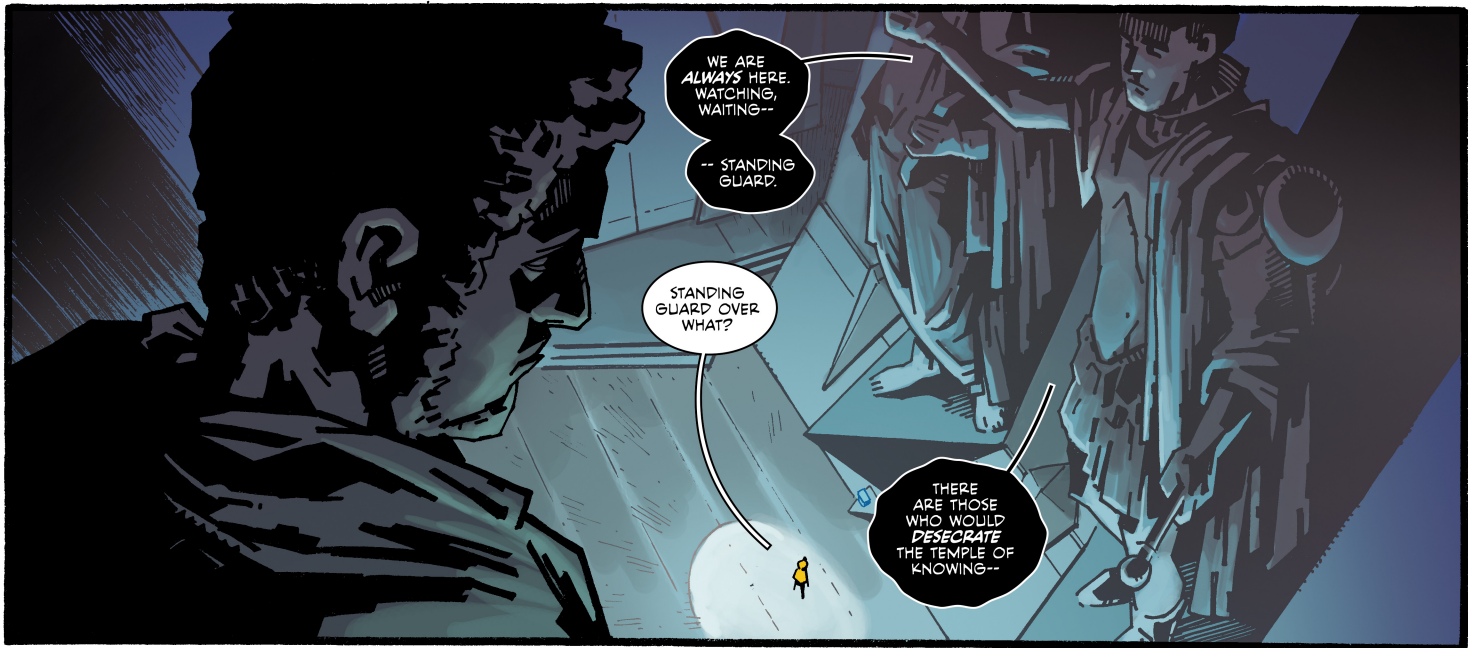
THIS IS *JUST* WHAT WE NEED.



AND YET IT SHOULD BE ONLY YOURS TO *DESIRE*.



WH-WHO'S THERE?



WE ARE ALWAYS HERE. WATCHING, WAITING--
-- STANDING GUARD.

STANDING GUARD OVER WHAT?

THERE ARE THOSE WHO WOULD DESECRATE THE TEMPLE OF KNOWING--



AND THOSE WHO'D SEE IT IN RUINS.

KH-TROM!



WHICH ONE ARE YOU, BOY?

ME? I DIDN'T MEAN TO MAKE ANYBODY MAD. I JUST NEEDED TO BORROW SOMETHING--

BORROW? BORROW?!!



THAT KNOWLEDGE YOU STOLE IS OURS!! OURS TO HOLD TO-- FOR AN ETERNITY!

RELINQUISH IT--



OR KNOW THE FATE OF THOSE WHO TRESPASS ON HOLY GROUND!!

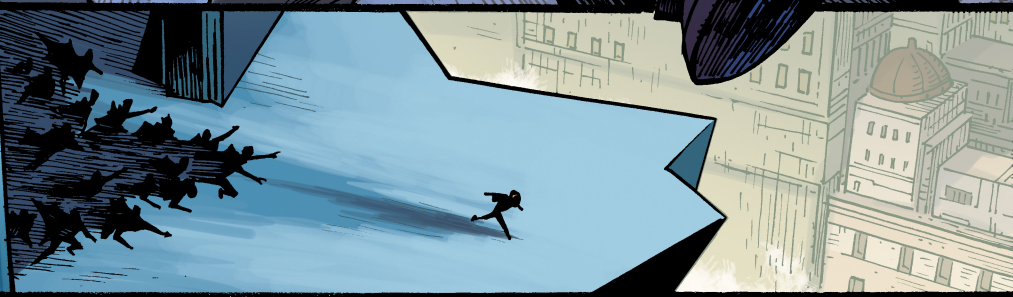
TATO VALLAR WAS BORN TO BE A GREAT EXPLORER.

BUT IT WAS NOT HIS RESTLESSNESS THAT MADE HIM SO.

IT WAS NOT HIS INTELLIGENCE, OR HIS THIRST FOR DISCOVERY.



NOR WAS IT HIS BRAVERY, THOUGH HE CERTAINLY HAD THAT TO SPARE.



NO, TAJO VALLAR WAS A BORN EXPLORER BECAUSE WHEN HE WAS CONFRONTED WITH THE THING THAT HE DID NOT UNDERSTAND, HE NEVER RAN--

-- HE REFUSED TO HIDE--



NO, WHEN THE SHADOWS GATHERED AROUND HIM--





-- HE DOVE,
HEAD FIRST--

-- STRAIGHT INTO
THE UNKNOWN.

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