

THE SILMARILLION FILM PROJECT



Season 4

**Session 4-07: Overarching Storylines
Dark Characters
February 1, 2019**



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Sunshine Moot
 - Orlando: March 23rd
- NederMoot
 - Leiden, Netherlands: April 13
- Mythmoot VI: Dragons June 27-30
 - Registration is now open!
 - <https://signumuniversity.org/mythmoot/>





GOALS FOR THIS SESSION

- To develop the story arcs for the following in Season 4:
 - The Dwarves and the Petty-dwarves (Finish)
 - Eöl
 - Villains
 - Sauron's project to capture elves and then release them as thralls
 - The corruption of Men in Hildorien
 - Dagor Aglareb
 - Creation of Glaurung





DWARVES – FINAL POINTS

- The Dwarves meet the Sons of Fëanor and decide to develop a trade relationship with Caranthir – Why?
- Telchar's role – She armed the Sindar of Doriath, but her famous works (Angrist, Narsil, the Dragon-helm) make it into other hands. What is her relationship with Eöl and the Noldor?
- Do the Noldor 'hunt' or have some sort of conflict with the Petty-dwarves upon meeting them? How is that resolved in a way that does not harm future Noldor-Dwarf relations? Can we perhaps not include this incident?





SUGGESTED NOLDO/DWARF SCENE

- Fingon visits Himring, inviting Angrod and Aegnor to come with him; Angrod declines (showing ongoing bad blood with the Fëanoreans). Caranthir and a Dwarf caravan arrive at Himring during the visit.
- Aegnor meets the dwarves (specifically Telchar) and is very enthusiastic about talking shop and helping the dwarves to solve some difficult challenge.
- Caranthir, being his usual unfriendly self, demands that the Dwarves reward his half-cousin for his wise counsel. Telchar gifts Narsil to Aegnor as a sign of friendship.





EÖL

- Last seen storming out of the meeting where the Avari decided to stay in Middle-earth
- He has met the Dwarves – what is that history?
- Suggestion – he enters Beleriand when he witnesses a falling star (which will form the crater of Lake Helevorn) and tracks it down to obtain the meteoric iron.
- He will buy Nan Elmoth from Thingol with a sword – when do we want to show that happening?
- How much of Eöl's history remains a mystery until he meets Aredhel? The audience should know more about him than she does...but not enough to know for sure that she's making a terrible mistake.
- Can we show some of Eöl's history in flashback?
- How long has Eöl been in Nan Elmoth before the Noldor arrive?





VILLAINS – CATCH AND RELEASE

- Sauron's long term plan begins in earnest after the Dagor Aglareb. He seeks to capture elves, break their wills, and then send them back to the Noldor as escaped captives.
- Named elves who could potentially be made captive: Maedhros, Rog, Ecthelion, Orodreth, Eldalotë, Penlod's invented brother, Gelmir, Gwindor, 'Gimli the Blind' (renamed)
- How and when are they captured?
- Who and how will they serve as 'traitors'?





VILLAINS - HILDORIEN

- The Fall of Men will occur largely off-screen. But what happened?
- Morgoth knows something that the Men do not. And he has the silmarils on his crown.
 - Ange1e4e5: “The Men would be persuaded to distrust and resent the Elves, make them think that Eru didn’t care about Men”
- Sauron is a good tempter and Giver of Gifts; he can probably make people afraid of the dark.
- Tag-team effort between Morgoth and Sauron could result in the Fall of Men, which we do not show, but overhear them discussing their plans for as they trade-off who is in Angband and who is in the East
- Use of Fankil as cult-leader in Hildorien?
- Edain are the ones who break away from the cult and come to trust the Avari.





LÚTHIEN

- Let's not forget about Lúthien!
- She will play a role in the Sindar response to learning of the Kinslaying
- She interacts primarily with Daeron; does he try to woo her?
- What is she learning from Melian? Magic? Healing? Ruling?
- Does she interact with Galadriel? How?
- While Lúthien shouldn't be insignificant, we don't want to 'give away' her later exploits by involving her in adventures too early. The potential is there...but we don't want to spoil it.





QUESTIONS FOR NEXT TIME

- Session 4-07: Friday February 15th

- We will be talking about the remaining storylines
 - Villains!
 - The Fall of Men
 - Lúthien

- Time to make a new Episode Outline for the Season incorporating the many ideas we've discussed!

