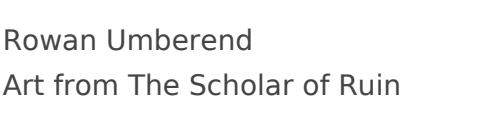
Rowan Umberend

“If my expulsion from the Vermillion Council has provided benefit, it is that I am never again required to share space with Rowan Umberend.”

- Darius, Terminal Amurai



Rowan Umberend
Art from The Scholar of Ruin

A member of the Vemillion Council until his expulsion for Blasphemy, Rowan of the Abylon Outskirts seeks to become the most powerful Phoenixborn. As his status of Phoenixborn was a secret, he had no area to protect. He is a new Phoenixborn for Ashes Reborn, and appeared with The Scholar of Ruin deck. He has returned in The End of Argaia.

History

Rowan was a member of the Vermillion Council, a secretive organization dedicated to studying the Phoenixborn, though he kept his status as a Phoenixborn hidden from them.

This gave him several allies whose knowledge he could exploit with his time and ceremonial magics, accelerating his own research into the physical and temporal ruins of Abylon's battle sites. There, he found the Red Raindrops, ancient and dark artifacts that could call forth the Red Rains.

His success had earned him hatred and expulsion from the Council, as well as disdain from his fellow Phoenixborn. He was correctly blamed for the return of the Red Rains, and bore a price on his head placed by Elga Trilling.

He did not see himself as a villain, rather, non-Phoenixborn are of little value in his eyes.[1]. Even during his trial, he showed no remorse at his actions.

In or shortly after the battle for the End of Argaia, Rowan was fatally wounded by Jericho Whitepetal.

Conjurations

For a ceremonial Phoenixborn, Rowan boasted many conjurations. His Eroding slows enemies, and his Ruin Dwellers are dangerous, left alone or attacked.

His reputation came from his other two conjurations, the Red Raindrops, and the Reborn Chimera. Reanimating a certain other Phoenixborn's former ally, this version is the first of its kind, but it is still considered "kind of a botched abomination."[2]

He, along with Jericho, has created the Rubble Spirits.

Card appearances

- Chant of Erosion
- Chant of Hostility
- Discovery
- Era's End
- Excavate
- Red Raindrops
- Tranquility
- Fatal Strike
- Cataclysm
- Burning Sand (The End of Argaia Ruin aspect)
- Ignition (The End of Argaia Rebirth aspect)

Quotes:

- “The past is my schematic for the future.”
- “Why should we fear what we once defeated?”
- “Time passes so cruelly, no?”
- “Yes, I admit I failed to anticipate this one.”
- “I may not win, but neither shall you!”

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