

The first Civilization

This year I started to compile ideas and write up items to start creating my very own universe. Fan of completionism, realism in fantasy and as much perfectionism as I can get, my first thoughts were on how the universe originated but settled for how a planet forms. Finding out that there is no planetology or even geography at the university of Regensburg. Struggling with looking up good entry level literature I felt lost at the start but thinking about getting help and who to ask my thoughts went to how nice it would be to have a mentor and from there to parents being the first mentors we get... and from there to my first idea for my universe.

A culture based on parenthood and fertility.

- Cultural head is a couple, in the image of the great mother and great father (sun and moon? because of agricultural importance of calendar etc)
 - if not married already (which is rare) they have to enter a ritual marriage
 - If their marriage doesn't provide healthy offspring, sign of infertility or being bad parents, they can't lead and have to step down
- divide all(?) departments in mother and father roles
- open but final (?) gender transition. During teen years children can decide to transition gender, officially and openly
- strong blood lines comparable to the Númenoreans? longevity, physicality, power(?)
- leading positions can only be filled by fertile people
 - only they truly contribute to the civilization
 - infertile, by age or health or else, can be still get into high office but only in a consulting fashion
- Inspirations
 - south and central american tribes and cultures, from archaic to american indian and later
 - social and economic structures of the Juchitán
 - Hopi agriculture and gender roles

Other ideas

- time is measured by sun, stars and moon calendar but the daily measurement of time is done by song
 - important role to be such a singer
 - strict training and selection procedure
 - magical?
 - teams of singers, male and female and x, sing in different groupings according to season? Years, months, days divided in "seasons"?
- due to importance of *fertility* gardening and animal husbandry is a prestigious trade and art
 - depending on decadence or social standing it's either for looks or practicality, strong animals or plants vs. pretty
- appearance idea: a mix of Inka and Rome?