

SO I BEEN THINKING ABOUT THIS SINCE I HIT SUBSCRIBE FOR THIS COMPETITION. I HAD STRUGGLED TO PUT TOGETHER WHAT I WOULD COMFORTABLY FEEL IS AN ORGANIC UNION OF TWO SYMBOLS THAT COULD REPRESENT ONE PURPOSE. I RESEARCHED DIFFERENT MEANINGS, AND OF COURSE, USED THE CURRENT EPISODES OF THE MANDALORIAN SERIES FOR REFERENCE MATERIALS. I WAS UNSUCCESSFUL AT FINDING ANYTHING THAT REMOTELY CAUGHT MY EYE. THEN IT JUST POPPED INTO THIS 'OLD-MAN' BRAIN OF MINE, AS I WAS COMING UP THE STEPS HERE AT HOME. A FACTION OF HUNTERS BASED ON TWO ENTITIES THAT I FIND COMPLETELY AND UTTERLY FASCINATING TO LEARN ABOUT.

Shadow Hawks

THE SHADOWHAWKS ARE A UNION BETWEEN THE SHADOW HUNTER'S GUILD AND THE ANCIENT BIRDS OF PREY. BOTH A PERFECT DEFINITION OF SILENT KILLERS. ONE HUNTS FROM THE SHADOWS, ONLY LEAVING A WHISPER OF ITS EXISTENCE. ONE HUNTS FROM FAR ABOVE, RIDING ON THE WINDS BEFORE KILLING ITS PREY BELOW.

THE SHADOWHAWK SYMBOL, COMPRISED OF TWO PARTS, JOINED TOGETHER AS ONE. ON A VERTICAL DISPLAY IS AN ASYMMETRICAL SPEAR-SHAPED RUNE WITH OPPOSING HOOKS POINTING BACK INWARD TOWARDS THE CENTRAL PART OF THE BODY. LAID ACROSS THE CENTER OF THE RUNE LIES A BIRD OF PREY WITH FLARED WINGS, DISPLAYING ITS STRENGTH. WITH OUTSTRETCHED WINGS PORTRAYING THE MANY LEVELS OF ITS CREED. POWER, WISDOM, CUNNING. THE TAIL FEATHERS FORM A POINT, WHICH MIRRORS ITS UNDERLYING SYMBIOTIC COMPANION.



SHADOWHUNTERS HAVE WALKED AMONG US FOR AGES. REACHING OUT FROM THE DARKNESS AND SILENCING THOSE WHO OPPOSE THEM. AN ACCORD CAN BE GARNERED THROUGH ONE OF THE GUILDS PROXIES. A HUNDRED POUNDS OF CREDITS, A TARGET'S DOSSIER CAN BE WIPED CLEAN AND THE MARK WILL BE PHYSICALLY ERASED FROM EXISTENCE WITHOUT SO MUCH AS A TRACE.

THE BIRDS OF PREY HAVE BEEN HUNTERS SINCE THE DAWN OF TIME. WITH KEEN EYESIGHT AND RAZOR-SHARP TALONS, THEY STALK THEIR PREY FROM HIGH ABOVE, UNDETECTED IN THEIR HUNT. ONLY WHEN THEIR TALONS HAVE SUNK INTO THEIR PREY DOES THE REALIZATION OF DEATH FROM ABOVE, IS NOW THEIR REALITY.

THOSE WHO BARE THE SHADOWHAWK MARKING ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ZEALOTS. ONCE COMMISSIONED, NOTHING WILL STOP THEM IN THEIR CAUSE.

THEY ARE RELENTLESS IN THEIR PURPOSE, DEVOTED TO THEIR CLAN, EMOTIONLESS TO THEIR VICTIMS. SHADOWHAWKS CAREFULLY MAINTAIN AN ASTUTE EYE ON THE SCALES OF POWER AND THOSE WHO ABUSE THAT SCALE.

SHADOWHAWKS SEEK NO FAVOR, NOR KNEEL TO THE BELIEFS OF OTHERS. TARGETS ARE ELIMINATED WITHOUT PREJUDICE, REGARDLESS OF PROSPERITY OR POVERTY. RANK OR RECOGNITION, SHADOWHAWKS MAINTAIN THE BALANCE OF THOSE SCALES, HIDING IN THE SHADOWS, ABOVE OR BELOW, READY TO STRIKE WITHOUT REMORSE OR EMPATHY. THOSE WHO HAVE MOCKED THE SHADOWHAWKS HAVE ONLY FOUND THEIR DEMISE SHORTLY

THEREAFTER. THOSE WHO LAUGH AT THE LEGENDS BECOME SILENCED FROM
THE SHADOWS. THEIR LAUGHTER BECOMES DROWNED IN BLOOD. ONE
CANNOT BARGAIN WITH WHAT IS COMING. ONE CANNOT REASON WITH IT.
BECAUSE IT IS NOT AN ENTITY THAT CAN BE REASONED WITH. IT IS A DEMON
SENT STRAIGHT FROM THE BOWELS OF THE DARKNESS THAT WILL NEVER STOP
UNTIL YOU ARE DEAD.