

The Lesser Gods and Creatures of Mythical Greece

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DIONYSUS

(Roman Name: Bacchus)

The Only God with a Mortal Parent
Son of Zeus and a Mortal Woman

In Fact, Zeus Gave Birth to Him

God of the Vine and Wine

He is a Two-Sided God:

Gentle Planter/Violent Partier

Counterpart to Demeter

Opposite of Apollo

Final God to be Added



EROS

(Roman Name: Cupid)

The Son of Aphrodite

He Has Two Types of Arrows

One Type Causes Intense Infatuation

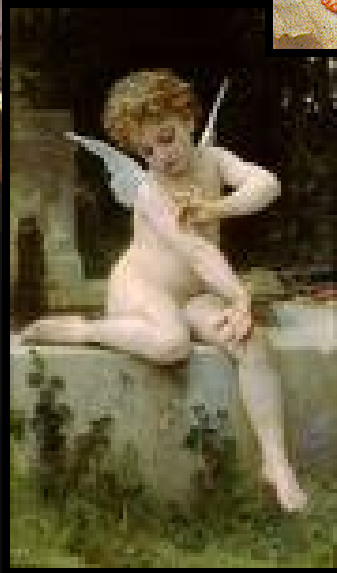
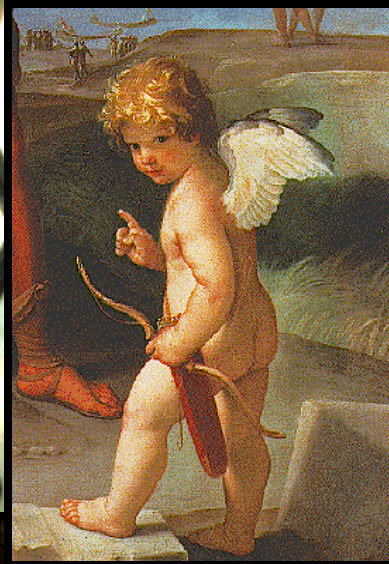
The Other Hardens the Heart

Very Mischievous

Likes to Cause Trouble

To the Greeks, Eros was a
Teenaged Boy

To the Romans, Cupid was a
Young Boy with Wings



PAN

God of the Woodlands and Shepherds

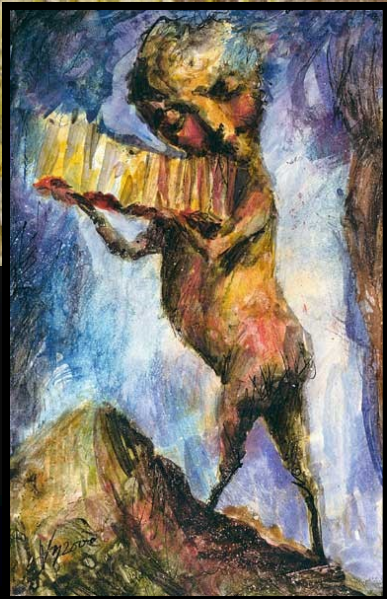
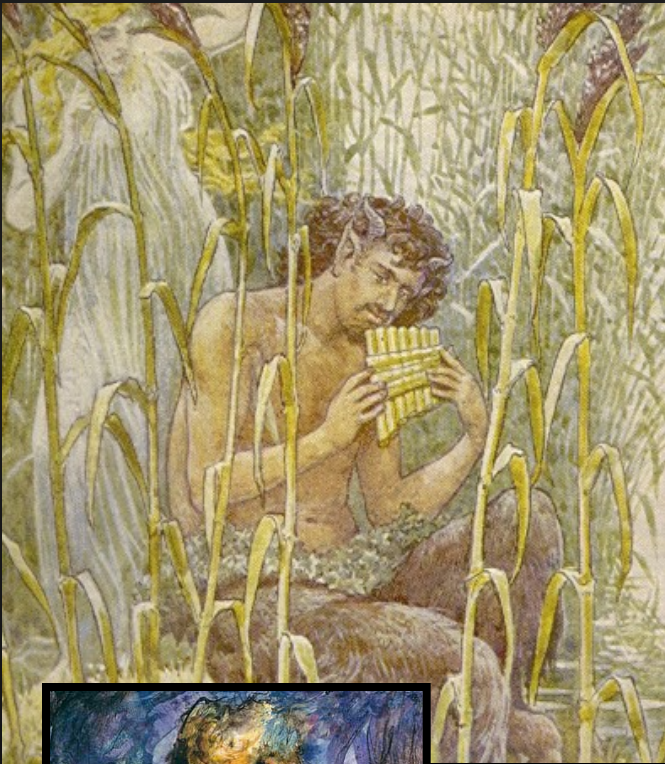
Son of Hermes and a nymph

For Fun He Enjoyed Chasing the
Woodland Nymphs and Seducing
Them

Plays the Reed Pipes

His Pipes were made from a
Transformed Nymph He Once
Loved

The Word “Panic” Comes from Him



the FATES

Three Entities Who Control
the Birth, Life and Death of
Every Human Being

Described as Three Old
Hags at a Spinning
Wheel

One Spins the Thread of Life

One Measures Out its Length

And the Third Cuts it Loose

Not to be confused with
the Gray Sisters, Three
Old Women Who All
Share an Eye





the ERINYES

(Roman Name: the Furies)

Beings Who Were Born
from the Blood of Uranus

Their Job is to Torment
Men and Women who
Murder a Family
Member

They Live in Hades

Appear in the Dreams and
Visions of Those They Persecute,
Eventually Driving Them Insane



CENTAURS

Half-Man, Half-Horse
Creatures

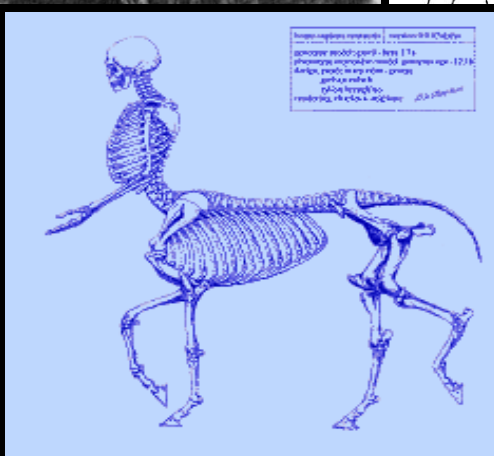
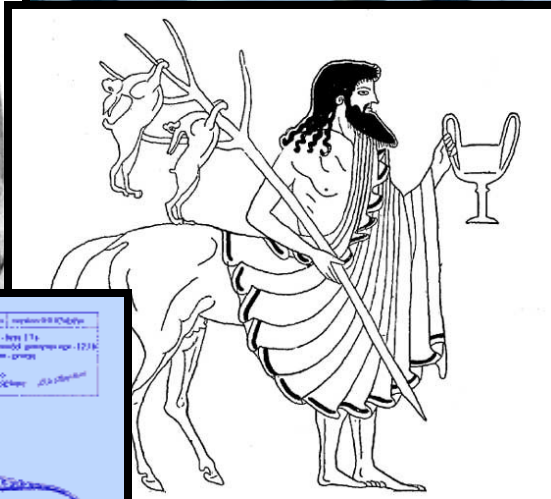
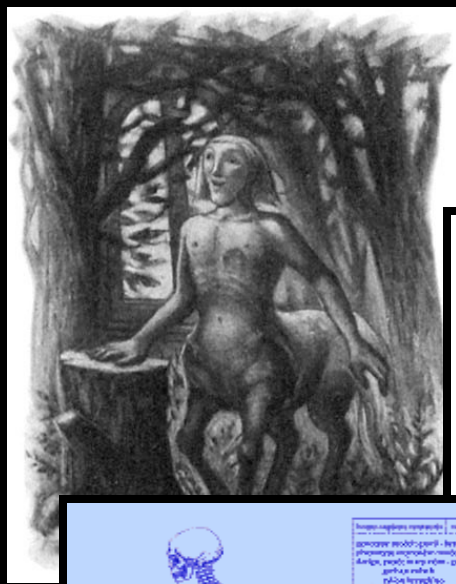
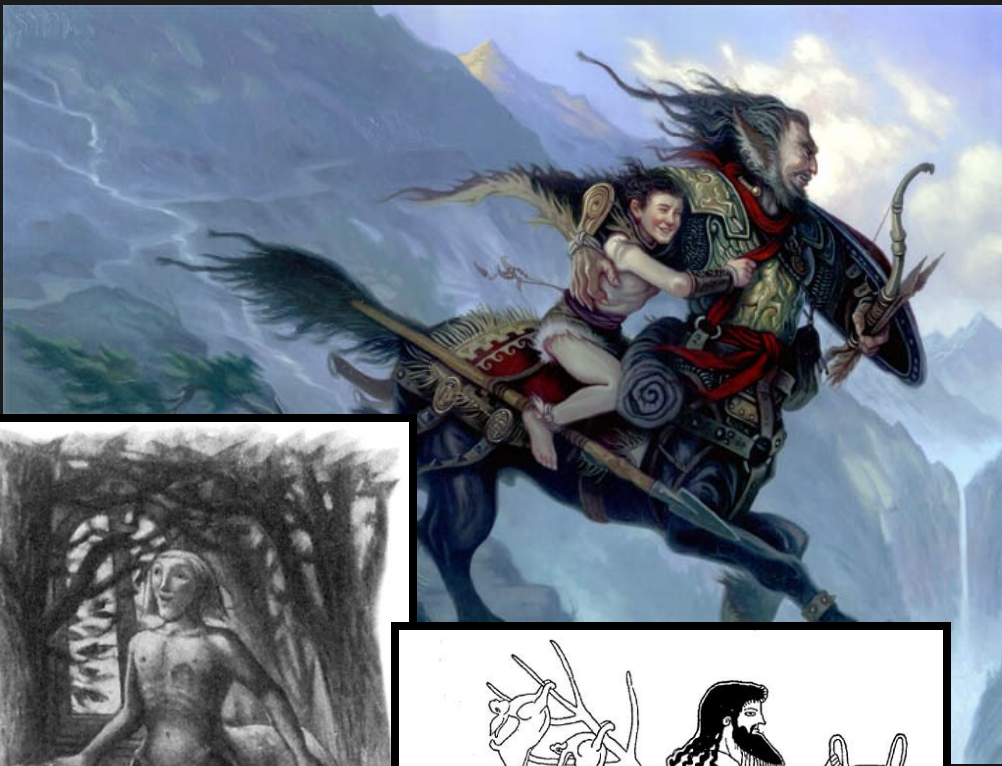
Most of Them Were Very
Savage and Brutal

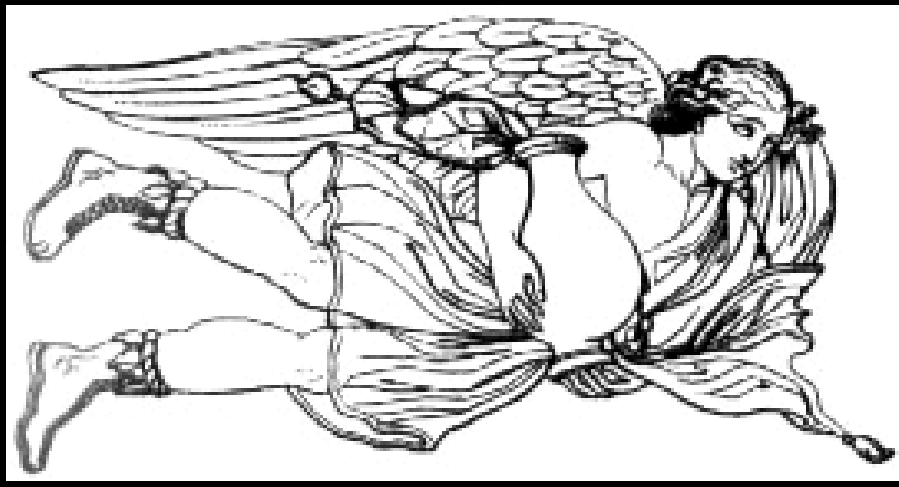
CHIRON was the Most
Famous Centaur

He was Raised by Apollo
and Artemis and Learned
to be Wise

Trained Many Heroes of
Greece

After his Death, Zeus
Placed him among the
Stars





KING AEOLUS

Lord of the Winds

Assists Odysseus on his
Journey

CHARYBDIS (KUH-RIB-DIS)

Gigantic Whirlpool that
Sucks Ships Down to
their Doom





SCYLLA (SILL-UH)

A Many-Headed Monster that Lives
Attached to a Rock in the Middle of
the Ocean

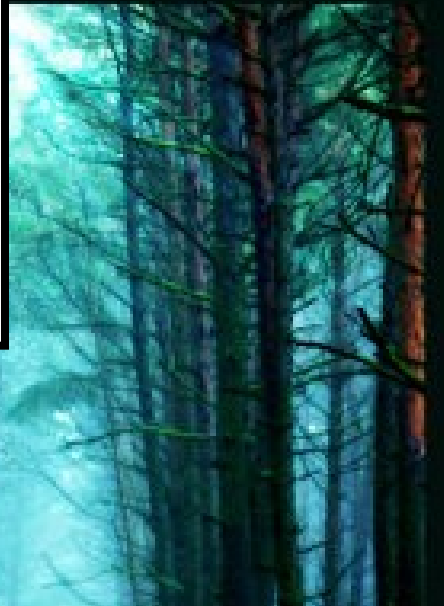
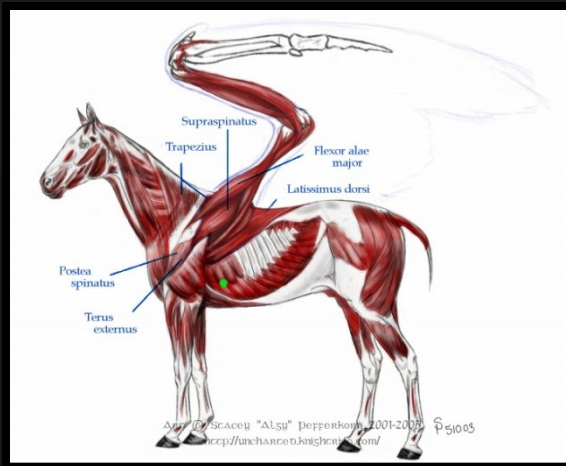
She was once a beautiful nymph

THE MUSES

Nine Eternal Creatures that Inspire
Every Form of Art

An Artist Would Invoke the Aid of a
Muse Before He or She Began His
or Her Work





PEGASUS

The Winged Horse that
Sprang from the Blood of
Medusa

Tamed by Bellerophon
(Not Heracles)



HARPIES

Foul Beasts with the
Head of a Woman and
the Body of a Bird

Called the Hounds of
Zeus

Everything They Touch
Becomes Foul





HELIOS

The God of the Sun

Drives his Glowing
Chariot Across the
Sky Every Day

Not to be Confused
with Apollo

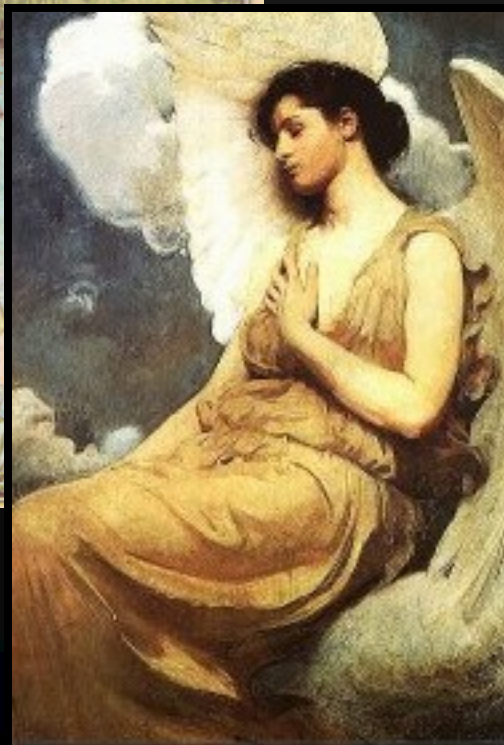




IRIS

Goddess of the Rainbow

The Secondary
Messenger of the Gods



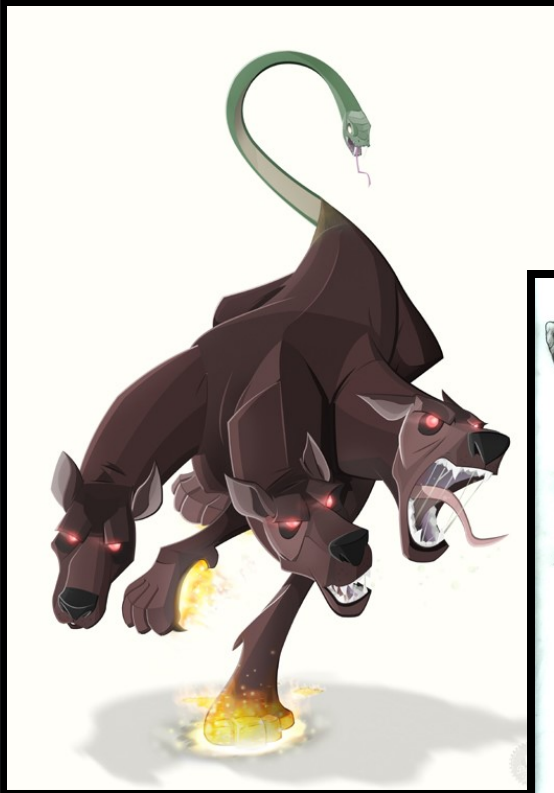
NYMPHS

The Spirits of Nature

Dryads = Tree Spirits

Naiads = Spirits of the
Rivers and Oceans





CERBERUS

The Three-Headed Hell
Hound of the
Underworld



CHARON

The Aged Boatman of
the Underworld



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