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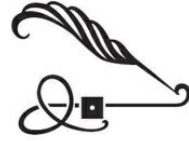
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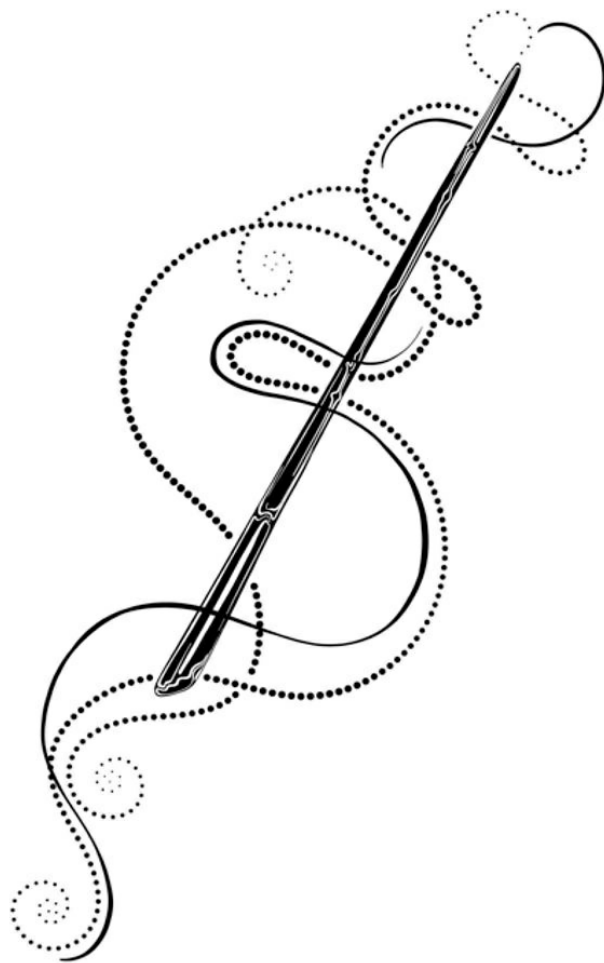
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## FOREWORD

I've worked with many writers, but no one quite as special as Jo. She knows her characters and her universe inside out, she's one of the most dynamic thinkers I've ever met, and for someone who has enjoyed so much success she is incredibly grounded. Her storytelling is singular, yet she approaches the filmmaking process as producer and screenwriter with a genuinely collaborative spirit.

I first read *Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald* in the spring of 2016, a full year and two months before we began shooting the film. The script felt layered, emotional, and that most precious of things: itself. For a filmmaker it offered many gifts and a huge sandpit in which to play. Whether the thrill of recreating Paris in the late 1920s, wrangling a new collection of wonderful beasts, or exploring an emotional, multi-stranded story with compelling characters and themes, each day of prep and production was always exciting as well as fun.

Above all, however, it was the characters that captured and beguiled me on that first read; they are timeless, enchanting, intriguing. All of them are being tested to their core, navigating a world that is becoming ever more complex and dangerous—a world that, however heightened and magical, in some ways echoes our own across time.

David Yates  
September 9, 2018





**SCENE 1**

**EXT. NEW YORK, AMERICAN MINISTRY OF MAGIC—1927—  
NIGHT**

*AERIAL SHOT of New York and MACUSA building.*



**SCENE 2**

**INT. MACUSA BASEMENT, BARE, BLACK-WALLED ROOM—  
NIGHT**

*The long-haired, bearded GRINDELWALD sits motionless, magically fixed to a chair. The air shimmers, charged with spells.*

*ABERNATHY peers in at GRINDELWALD from the corridor.*

*A baby Chupacabra—part lizard, part homunculus, a blood-sucking creature of the Americas—is chained to GRINDELWALD’S chair.*



**SCENE 3**

**INT. MACUSA, CORRIDOR BETWEEN CELLS—SHORTLY AFTER  
—NIGHT**

*PRESIDENT SERAPHINA PICQUERY and RUDOLPH SPIELMAN walk at pace toward an ominous-looking door past endless pairs of guards.*

**SPIELMAN**  
*(Germanic)*

. . . you'll be glad to be rid of him, I expect.

**PICQUERY**

We'd be more than happy to keep him here in custody.

**SPIELMAN**

Six months are enough. It's time for him to answer for his crimes in Europe.

*As they reach the door, ABERNATHY turns and acknowledges them.*

**ABERNATHY**

President Picquery, Mr. Spielman, sir. Prisoner is secured and ready to travel.

*SPIELMAN and PICQUERY peer into the cell at GRINDELWALD.*

**SPIELMAN**

You've thrown everything at him, I see.

**PICQUERY**

It was necessary. He's extremely powerful. We've had to change his guard three times—he's very . . . persuasive. So we removed his tongue.



**SCENE 4**

**INT. MACUSA CELLS—NIGHT**

*Cells resembling cages rise in tiers. Prisoners chant and bang against the bars as the bound GRINDELWALD is transported upstairs, suspended magically in midair.*

**PRISONERS**

Grindelwald! Grindelwald!



## **SCENE 5**

### **EXT. MACUSA ROOFTOP—MINUTES LATER—NIGHT**

*A hearse-like black carriage, drawn by eight Thestrals, waits. AURORS 1 & 2 climb into the driver's seat, the rest force GRINDELWALD inside.*

#### **SPIELMAN**

The wizarding community worldwide owes you a great debt, Madam President.

#### **PICQUERY**

Do not underestimate him.

*ABERNATHY approaches them.*

#### **ABERNATHY**

Mr. Spielman, we found his wand hidden away.

*He hands over a black rectangular box.*

#### **PICQUERY**

Abernathy?

#### **ABERNATHY**

And we found this.

*He holds a vial of some glowing gold substance in the palm of his hand. SPIELMAN reaches for the vial, which hangs on a chain, and after a moment of hesitation, ABERNATHY releases it.*

*Inside the carriage, GRINDELWALD raises his eyes to the roof as the vial is passed to SPIELMAN.*

*SPIELMAN climbs into the carriage. AUROR 1 driving, AUROR 2 beside him. The door closes. A series of padlocks emerges from the carriage doors.*

*An ominous drumroll of clicks as padlocks fasten themselves in place.*

**AUROR 1**

Yah!

*The Thestrals take off.*

*The carriage plummets, then soars away through torrential rain. More AURORS follow on broomsticks.*

*A beat.*

*ABERNATHY steps forward, holding the Elder Wand. He looks up at the carriage, growing ever smaller. He Disapparates.*

CUT TO:



**SCENE 6**

**EXT. THESTRAL-DRAWN CARRIAGE—NIGHT**

*The underside of the carriage. ABERNATHY Apparates, clinging to the wheel shaft.*



**SCENE 7**

**INT. THESTRAL-DRAWN CARRIAGE—NIGHT**

*SPIELMAN and GRINDELWALD sit, eyes locked, flanked by AURORS, all pointing their wands at GRINDELWALD. GRINDELWALD'S wand box lies on SPIELMAN'S lap.*

*SPIELMAN holds up the vial, dangling from its chain.*

**SPIELMAN**

No more silver tongue, eh?

*But GRINDELWALD is transforming . . .*



**SCENE 8**

**EXT. THESTRAL-DRAWN CARRIAGE—NIGHT**

*ABERNATHY adjusts his grip underneath the carriage. His face too is changing. His hair is turning blond and lengthening . . . he is GRINDELWALD. He raises the Elder Wand.*



**SCENE 9**

**INT. THESTRAL-DRAWN CARRIAGE—NIGHT**

*GRINDELWALD'S rapid transformation into a tongueless ABERNATHY is almost complete.*

**SPIELMAN**

*(shocked)*

Oh!



**SCENE 10**

## **EXT. THESTRAL-DRAWN CARRIAGE—NIGHT**

*Now fully transformed, GRINDELWALD Disapparates from the underside of the carriage . . .*

*. . . and Apparates next to the driver's seat, where he is spotted by AURORS 1 & 2. GRINDELWALD points his wand at the carriage reins, turning the black ropes into living snakes that ensnare AUROR 1 so he falls from the carriage, back through the night sky, past the broomstick riders.*

*GRINDELWALD casts another spell so the black ropes of the reins bind AUROR 2 like a chrysalis, launching him forward in the air, then slingshotting him back to knock AURORS 3 & 4 from the rear of the Thestral-drawn carriage. They fall away into darkness.*





## **SCENE 11**

### **INT. THESTRAL-DRAWN CARRIAGE—NIGHT**

*All wands reverse their direction to jab dangerously at the necks of SPIELMAN and the two remaining AURORS. SPIELMAN watches as his wand melts into dust.*

*The carriage rocks dangerously, both doors open. As GRINDELWALD'S head appears at the window, the panicking SPIELMAN opens the wand box*



on his lap. The Chupacabra leaps out and sinks its fangs deep into SPIELMAN'S neck. He wrestles it. The vial falls to the floor.



## **SCENE 12**

### **EXT. THESTRAL-DRAWN CARRIAGE—NIGHT**

*GRINDELWALD drives the carriage down onto the Hudson River, chased by the AURORS on broomsticks. The carriage wheels graze the surface of the water. The broomstick riders are catching up.*

*GRINDELWALD touches the Elder Wand to the river and at once the inside of the carriage begins to fill with water.*

*He lifts the carriage back up into the air.*



## **SCENE 13**

### **INT. THESTRAL-DRAWN CARRIAGE—NIGHT**

*Submerged in the water, the two AURORS, SPIELMAN, and ABERNATHY hold their breath.*

*SPIELMAN attempts to grab the vial, which is floating loose in the water, but the Chupacabra blocks his path. ABERNATHY, with hands still bound, manages to capture the vial in his mouth.*



## **SCENE 14**

### **EXT. THESTRAL-DRAWN CARRIAGE—NIGHT**

*Still driving the carriage, GRINDELWALD swirls his wand in the air toward the surrounding storm clouds. One by one, forks of lightning strike the broomstick riders, knocking each in turn from the sky.*



## **SCENE 15**

### **INT. THESTRAL-DRAWN CARRIAGE—NIGHT**

*GRINDELWALD appears at the door and nods to ABERNATHY. He throws the door open so the water pours out—along with the two remaining AURORS. GRINDELWALD clammers inside and retrieves the vial from ABERNATHY’S mouth by the chain, casting a spell that grants ABERNATHY a new forked tongue.*

#### **GRINDELWALD**

You have joined a noble cause, my friend.

*GRINDELWALD rips the little Chupacabra off SPIELMAN. It rubs its bloody face affectionately against his hand.*

#### **GRINDELWALD**

I know. Okay. I know, Antonio.

*He looks at it with distaste.*

#### **GRINDELWALD**

So needy.

*He then flings it through the door.*

*He blasts SPIELMAN magically through the open door, then tosses a wand after him.*

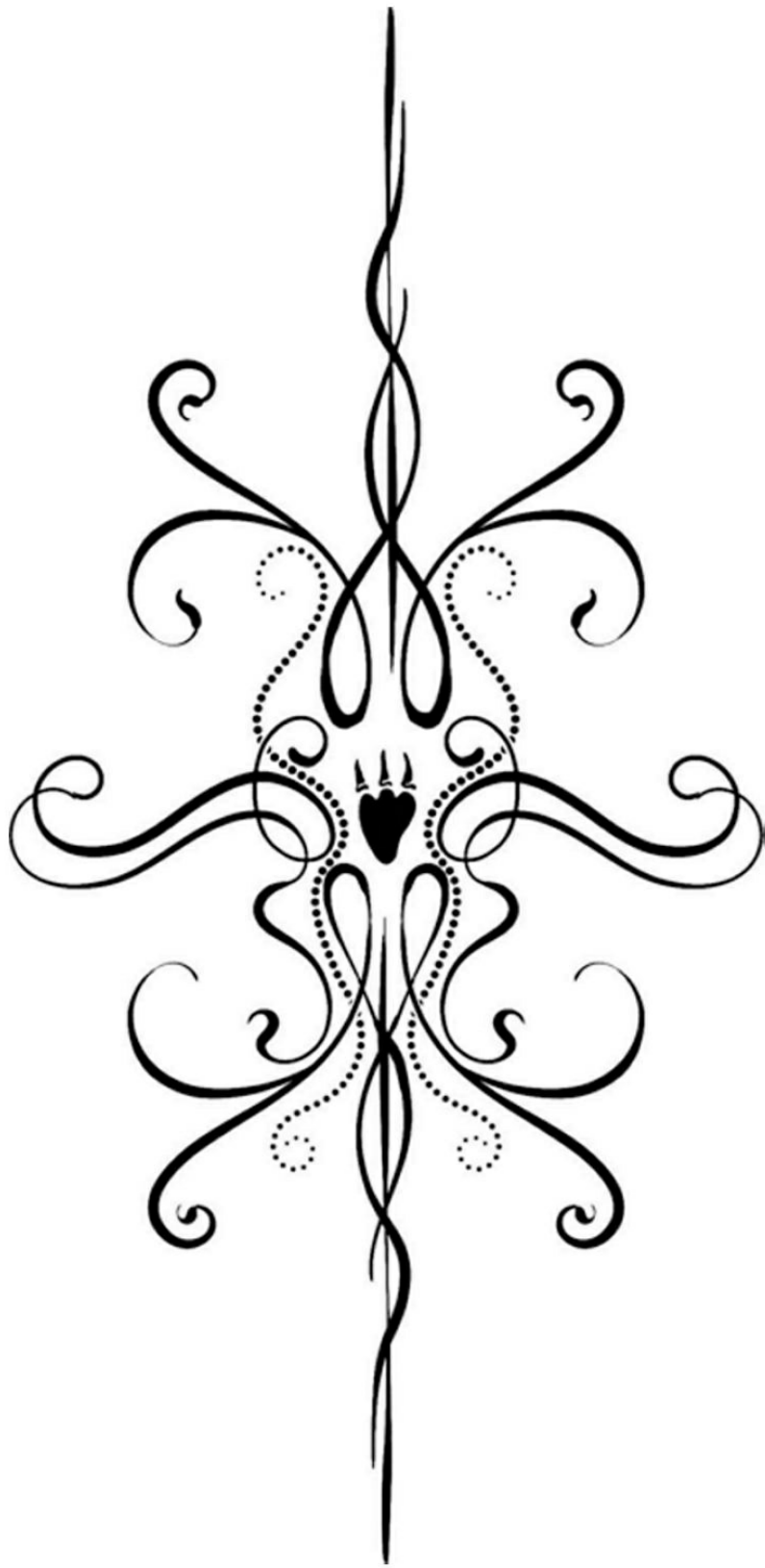


**SCENE 16**

**EXT. SKY OVER ATLANTIC OCEAN—NIGHT**

*As SPIELMAN falls, he manages to seize the wand and conjures an invisible Slowing Charm. Sinking slowly toward the sea, SPIELMAN watches his carriage streaking away in the direction of Europe.*





**SCENE 17**

**EXT. OVERCAST LONDON, WHITEHALL—THREE MONTHS  
LATER—AFTERNOON**

*A gloomy silence. Establishing shot.*

*An owl flutters down into the Ministry.*





**SCENE 18**

**INT. MINISTRY OF MAGIC—AFTERNOON**

*NEWT SCAMANDER sits alone in a dingy waiting area, staring abstractedly into space. After a moment, he feels something tugging on his wrist. He looks down. Pickett, a Bowtruckle, is swinging on a loose thread in his cuff.*

*The thread snaps. Pickett falls. NEWT'S button rolls away down a corridor. NEWT and Pickett watch it go.*

*A beat.*

*Then both chase after it. NEWT just gets there first. As he bends to pick it up, he finds himself confronted by a pair of female feet.*

**LETA (O.S.)**

They're ready for you, Newt.

*He stands up. Face-to-face with LETA LESTRANGE, who is beautiful and smiling, NEWT stuffs the button and Pickett into his pocket.*

**NEWT**

Leta . . . what are you doing here?

**LETA**

Theseus thought it would be good if I became part of the Ministry family.

**NEWT**

Did he actually say the words "Ministry family"?

*She gives a little laugh. They head off along the corridor. Tension. A lot of history.*

**NEWT**

That sounds like my brother.

**LETA**

Theseus was disappointed you couldn't come to dinner. Any of the nights we asked you.

**NEWT**

Well, I've been busy.

**LETA**

He's your brother, Newt, he likes spending time with you. And

so do I.

*NEWT spots Pickett climbing onto his lapel and holds out the breast pocket of his coat.*

**NEWT**

*(to Pickett)*

Oi, you! Hop in, Pick.

*Pickett snuggles down.*

**LETA**

*(smiling)*

Why do strange creatures love you so much?

**NEWT**

Well, there are no strange creatures—

**NEWT & LETA**

“—only blinkered people.”

*She is smiling again. NEWT—just—reciprocates.*

**LETA**

How long did you get in detention for saying that to Prendergast?

**NEWT**

You know, I think it was a month that time.

**LETA**

And I set off a Dungbomb under his desk so I could join you, do you remember?

*They have come within sight of scary, official doors leading to the meeting room. THESEUS SCAMANDER emerges.*

**NEWT**

No, I actually don't remember that.



*Rebuffed, she comes to a halt. NEWT walks away toward THESEUS, who is very like NEWT, but more outgoing, easier in manner. THESEUS winks at LETA before turning to NEWT.*

**THESEUS**

Hello.

**LETA**

Theseus. We were just talking about Newt coming for dinner.

**THESEUS**

Really? Well . . . Look, before we go in there I—

**NEWT**

—It's my fifth attempt, Theseus. I know the form.

**THESEUS**

This isn't going to be like the other times. This is . . . Just try and keep an open mind, will you? And maybe a little less—

*A wordless gesture indicates Pickett, NEWT'S blue coat, and his messy hair.*

**NEWT**

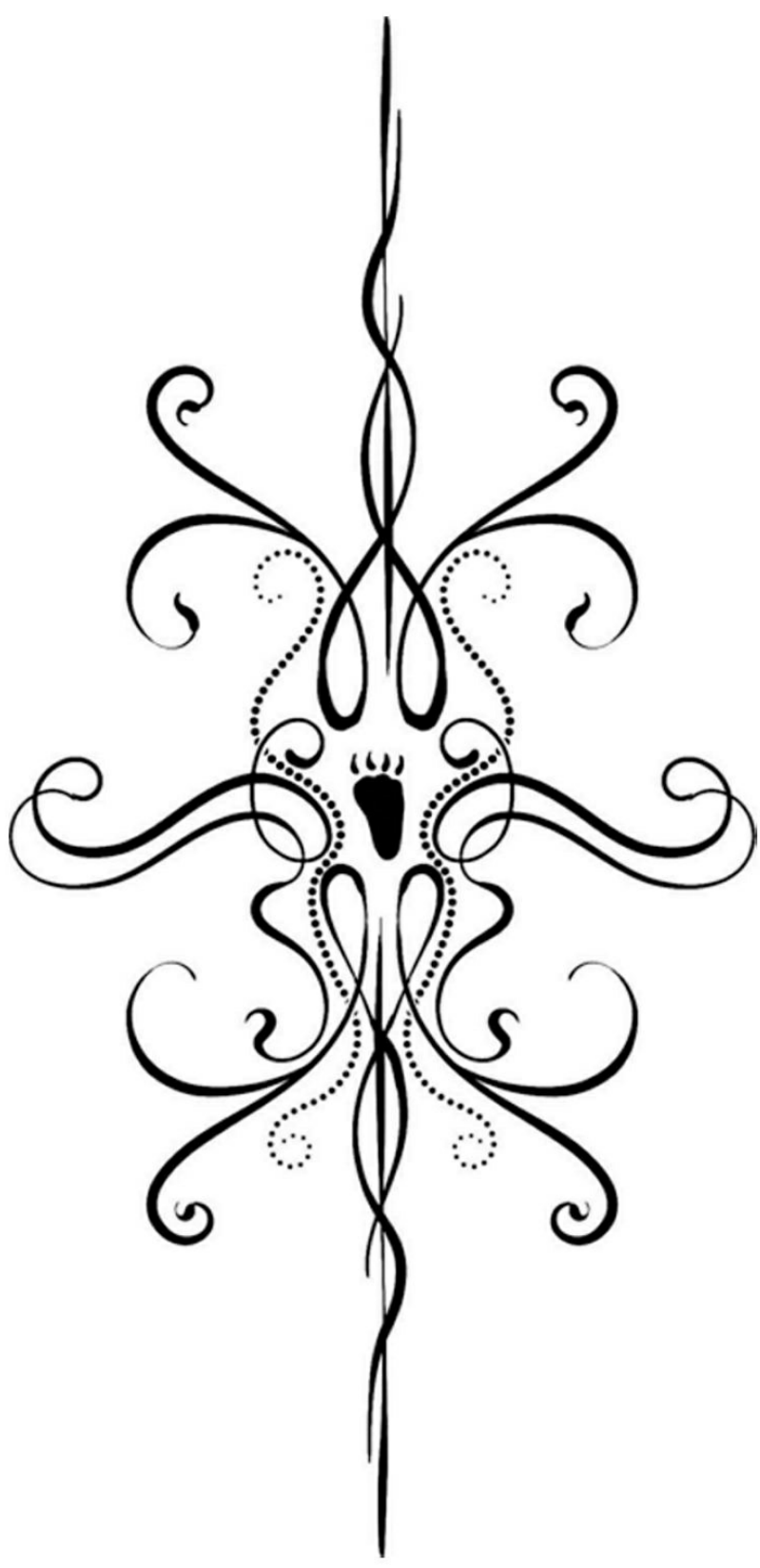
—like me?

**THESEUS**

*(not without affection)*

Well, it can't hurt. Come on, let's go.







**SCENE 19**

**INT. MINISTRY OF MAGIC, HEARING ROOM—AFTERNOON**

*NEWT and THESEUS enter the room, where TORQUIL TRAVERS (harsh, mean-spirited), ARNOLD GUZMAN (American), and RUDOLPH*

*SPIELMAN (who is still bruised from GRINDELWALD'S escape, the bloody bite visible on his neck) are already sitting.*

*Two empty chairs, which NEWT and THESEUS take. The corners of the room are in darkness.*

**TRIVERS**

Hearing commences.

*The quill begins to write. TRIVERS opens a file in front of him, which contains pictures of NEWT'S Wanted pictures and of the post-Obscurial devastation in New York.*

**TRIVERS**

You want an end to the ban on your traveling internationally.  
Why?

**NEWT**

Because I like to travel internationally.

**SPIELMAN**

*(reading from his own file)*

“Subject uncooperative and evasive on reasons for last international trip.”

*All look at NEWT, waiting.*

**NEWT**

It was a field trip. I was collecting material for my book on magical beasts—

**TRIVERS**

You destroyed half of New York.

**NEWT**

No, that's actually factually incorrect on two counts—

**THESEUS**

*(quiet but stern)*

Newt!

*NEWT stops, frowns.*

**GUZMAN**

Mr. Scamander, it's clear you're frustrated and, frankly, so are we. In the spirit of compromise, we'd like to make a proposition.

*NEWT glances at THESEUS warily. THESEUS nods: Listen.*

**NEWT**

What kind of proposition?

**TRAVERS**

The committee will agree to lift your travel ban under one condition.

*NEWT waits. SPIELMAN leans forward.*

**SPIELMAN**

You join the Ministry. Specifically, your brother's department.

*NEWT digests this, then:*

**NEWT**

No, I—that isn't my kind of—Theseus is the Auror. I think my talents lie elsewhere—

**GUZMAN**

Mr. Scamander. The wizarding and non-wizarding worlds have been at peace for over a century. Grindelwald wants to see that peace destroyed, and for certain members of our community his message is very seductive. Many purebloods believe it is their birthright to rule not only our world but the non-magic world as well. They see Grindelwald as their hero, and Grindelwald sees this boy as a means to make this all come true.

*Hearing this, NEWT frowns, watching as CREDENCE'S face emerges in the surface of the table.*

**NEWT**

I'm sorry. You're talking about Credence as if he were still here.

**THESEUS**

He survived, Newt.

*NEWT stops cold, his eyes fixed on THESEUS. THESEUS nods.*

**THESEUS**

He's still alive. He left New York months ago. He's somewhere in Europe. Where exactly, we don't know, but—

**NEWT**

And you want me to hunt Credence down? To kill him?

*Out of the shadows in the corner comes deep, nasty laughter.*

**GRIMMSON**

Same old Scamander.

*NEWT reacts to the sound of the voice. GRIMMSON moves into the light. Scarred, brutal, he is a beast hunter for hire.*

**NEWT**

*(furious)*

What's he doing here?

**GRIMMSON**

Taking on the job you're too soft to do.

*GRIMMSON walks toward them while the ghostly image of CREDENCE shimmers on the enchanted surface of the table.*

**GRIMMSON**

*(of CREDENCE)*

Is that it?

*NEWT rises furiously, storms toward the door.*

**TRAVERS**

*(calling after him)*

Travel documentation denied!

*THESEUS stares at the door as it closes. The committee looks unsurprised, turns their gazes to the smirking GRIMMSON.*



**SCENE 20**

**INT. MINISTRY OF MAGIC, CORRIDOR—AFTERNOON**

*THESEUS chases after NEWT.*

**THESEUS**

Newt!

*NEWT stops. Turns.*

**THESEUS**

*(testy)*

You think I like the idea of Grimmson any more than you do?

**NEWT**

Listen, I don't want to hear how the ends justify the means,  
Theseus.

**THESEUS**

I think you're gonna have to pull your head out of the sand!

**NEWT**

*(exasperated)*

Okay, right, here we go. What a selfish . . . irresponsible . . .

**THESEUS**

You know, the time is coming when everyone's going to have to

pick a side. Even you.

**NEWT**

I don't do sides.

**THESEUS**

Newt . . .

*He turns to go, but THESEUS runs after him, grabs his arm to hold him back.*

**THESEUS**

*(pulling him in for a hug)*

C'mere.

*NEWT doesn't reciprocate but doesn't fight him off either.*

**THESEUS**

*(in NEWT'S ear)*

They're watching you.



**SCENE 21**

**INT. MINISTRY OF MAGIC, HEARING ROOM—AFTERNOON**

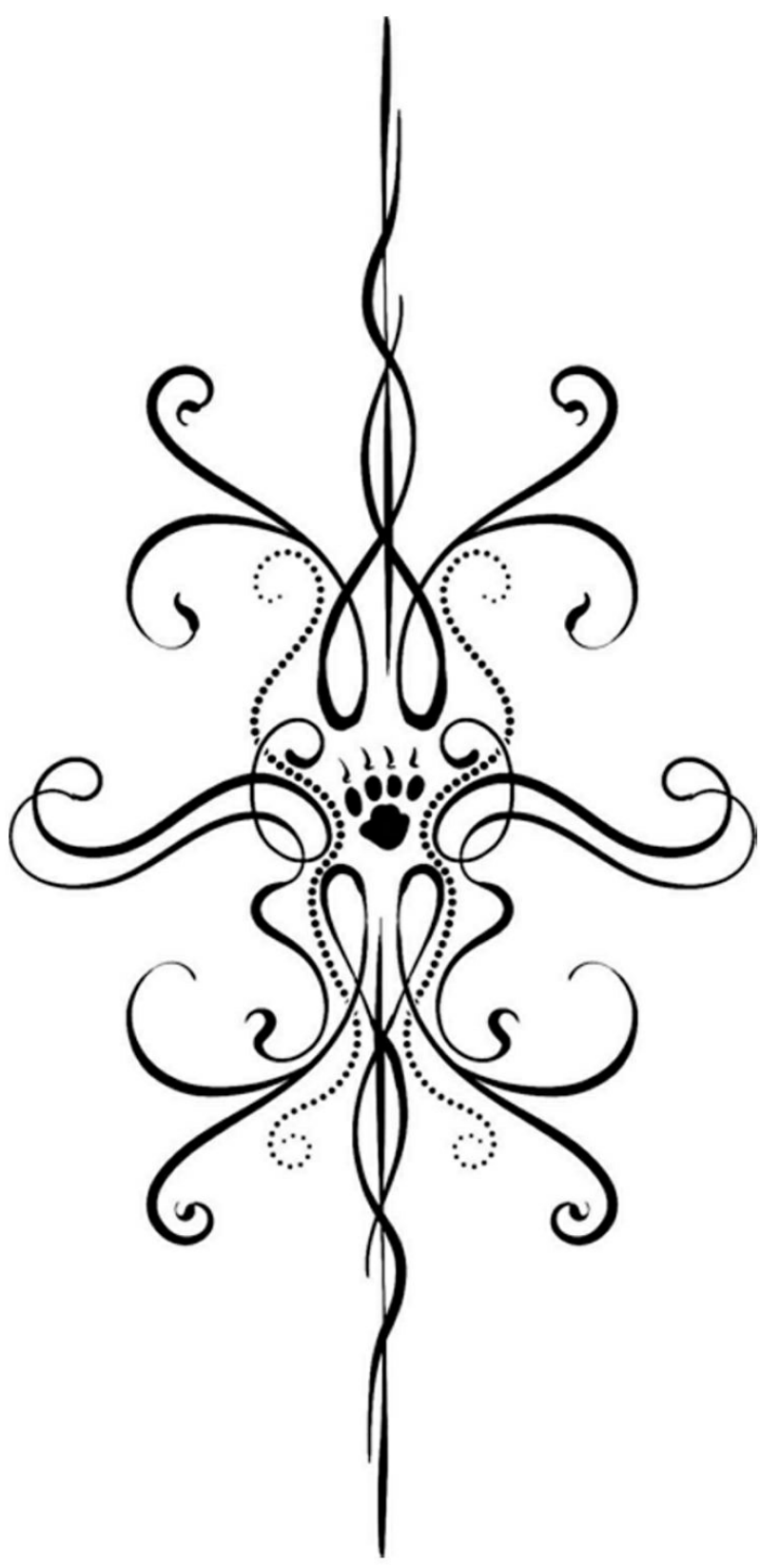
*GRIMMSON is sitting in what was NEWT'S seat, facing the committee.*

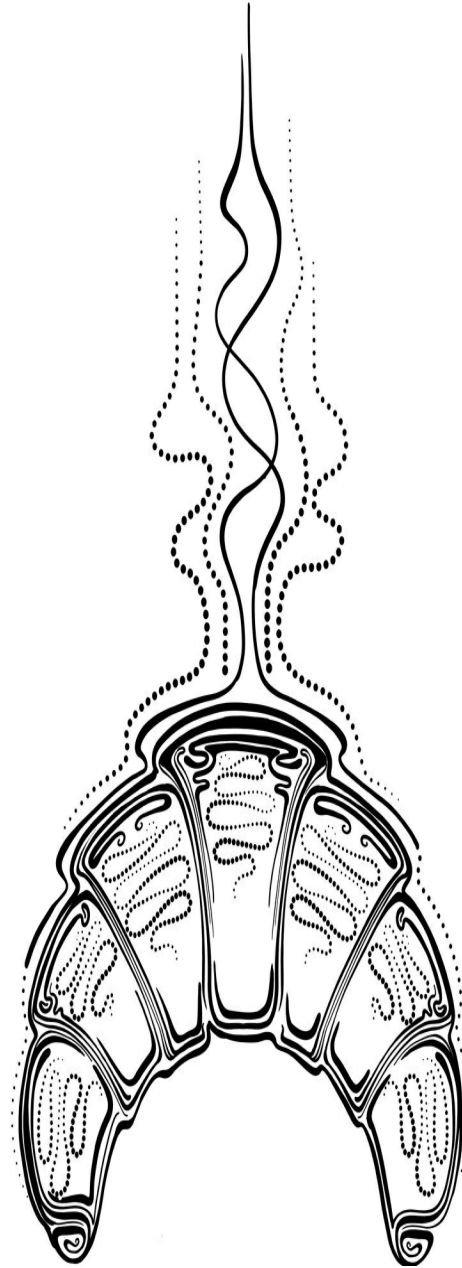
**GRIMMSON**

Well, gentlemen. I assume this means I have the job.









**SCENE 22**

**EXT. SKYLINE OF UPMARKET QUARTER OF PARIS—  
AFTERNOON**

*Establishing shot.*



**SCENE 23**

**EXT. ELEGANT STREET OF 19TH-CENTURY PARISIAN HOUSES  
—AFTERNOON**

*GRINDELWALD and ACOLYTES stand in the street. GRINDELWALD points his cane at a particularly fine house.*

*A clatter announces the arrival of a horse-drawn hearse.*

*NAGEL, KRALL, CARROW, ABERNATHY, KRAFFT, ROSIER (female), and MACDUFF approach the front door. KRALL opens it with his wand. The ACOLYTES enter.*

**PARISIAN MAN (O.S.)**

Chérie?

**PARISIAN WOMAN (O.S.)**

*(worried)*

Qui est là?

*GRINDELWALD looks around the street, calm, waiting, tapping on the pavement with his cane.*

*We see a green flash—the Killing Curse. The door reopens. Two black coffins exit. GRINDELWALD watches as NAGEL and KRAFFT load the coffins onto the carriage.*



**SCENE 24**

**INT. GRINDELWALD'S HIDEOUT, DRAWING ROOM—  
AFTERNOON**

*GRINDELWALD surveys the elegant clutter left by the haut bourgeois family he has just murdered.*

**GRINDELWALD**

Yes. This will be suitable after a thorough cleanse.  
(to NAGEL)

I want you to go to the circus now. Give my note to Credence, begin his journey.

*NAGEL nods and leaves.*

**ROSIER**

When we've won, they'll flee cities in the millions. They've had their time.

**GRINDELWALD**

We don't say such things out loud. We want only freedom. Freedom to be ourselves.

**ROSIER**

To annihilate non-wizards.

**GRINDELWALD**

Not all of them. Not all. We're not merciless. The beast of burden will always be necessary.

*We hear the sound of a child close at hand.*

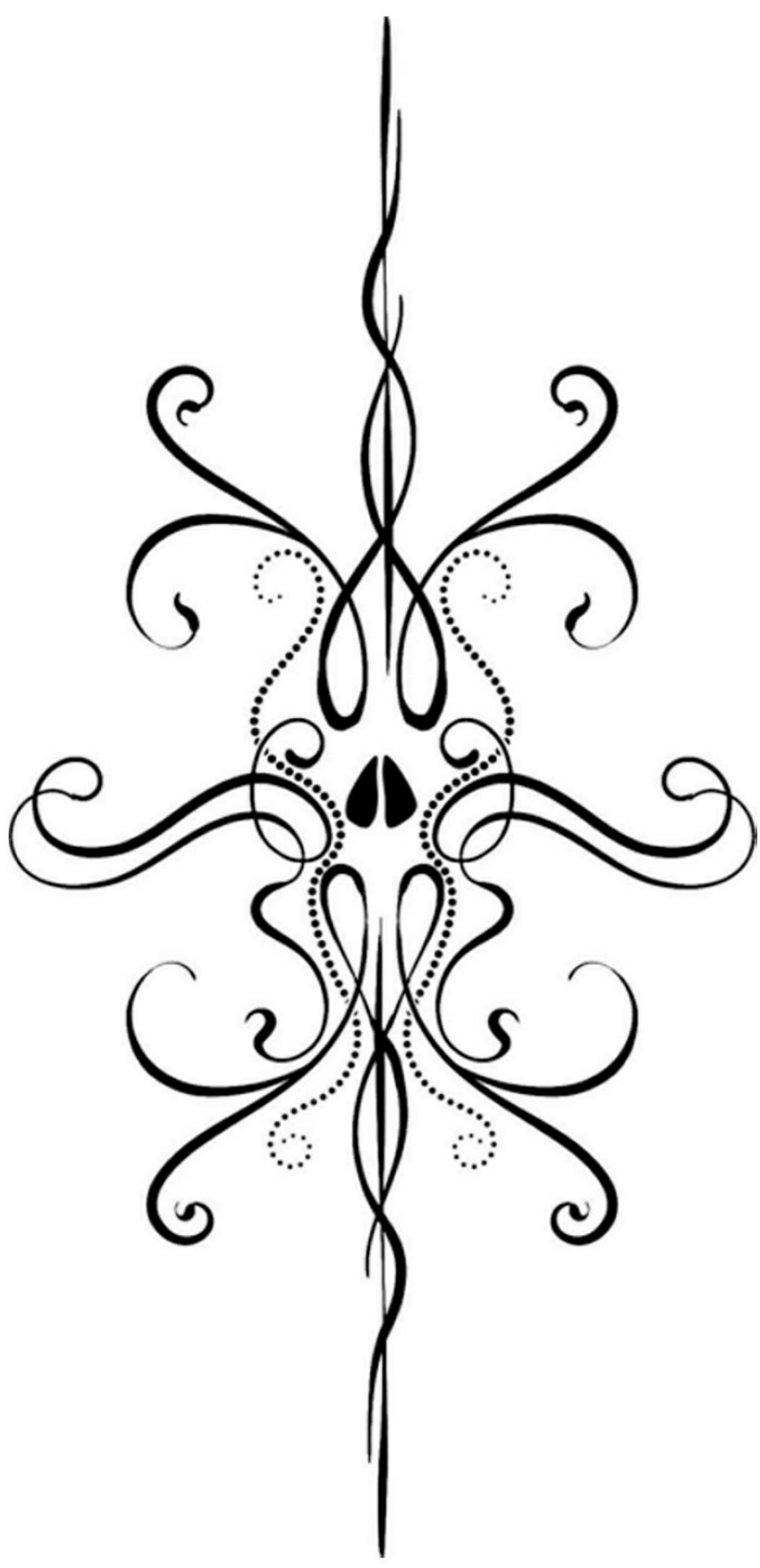


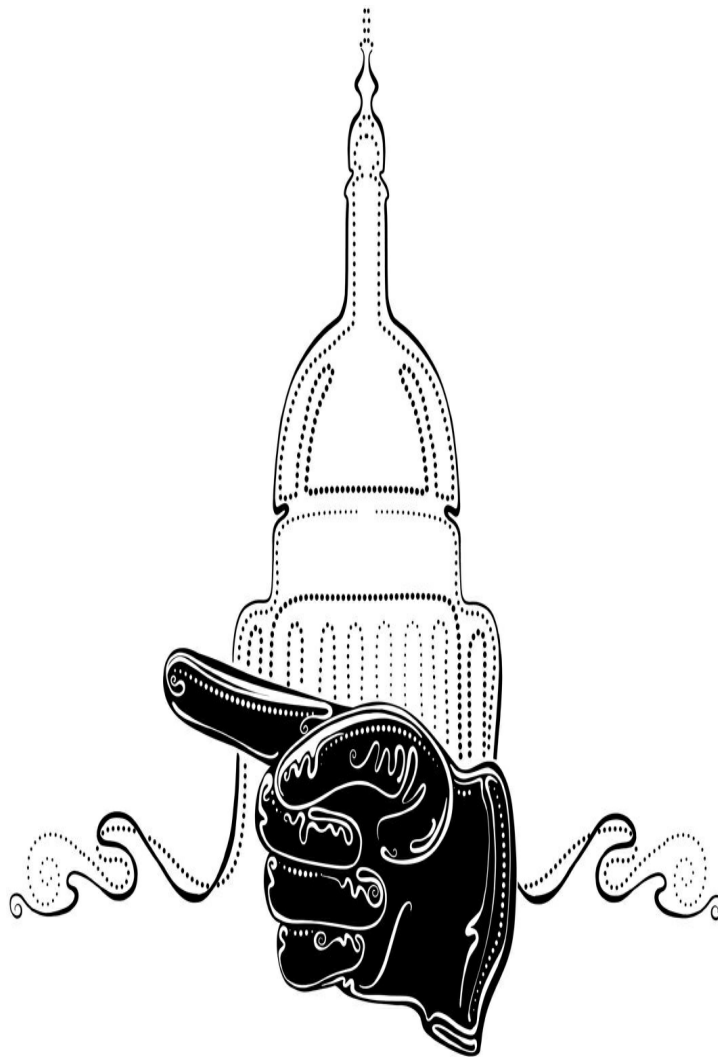
## **SCENE 25**

### **INT. GRINDELWALD'S HIDEOUT, NURSERY—AFTERNOON**

*GRINDELWALD enters. A small child looks up, puzzled. GRINDELWALD contemplates him for a moment, then nods at CARROW and turns to leave.*

*We see another green flash as GRINDELWALD closes the door.*





**SCENE 26**

**EXT. LONDON BACK STREET—EVENING**

*NEWT Apparates and walks on briskly beneath an increasingly stormy sky. Seconds later, STEBBINS, an Auror, Apparates some yards behind him. They have been playing this game for an hour. NEWT turns a corner into a darker alleyway, peers back around the corner, and points his wand back at STEBBINS.*

**NEWT**  
(*sotto voce*)  
Ventus.

*STEBBINS is immediately caught in a hurricane for one. To the confusion and amusement of passing Muggles, his hat flies away, he is almost knocked off his feet, and cannot proceed.*

*Smiling slightly, NEWT withdraws his head, still leaning against the wall of the dark alleyway, to find a single black glove hanging in the air in front of him. He looks at it, expressionless. It gives a little wave, then points into the far distance. NEWT looks to where it is pointing. High on the dome of St. Paul's Cathedral, a tiny human figure raises its arm.*

*NEWT looks back at the glove, which makes as though to shake hands. NEWT takes it, and he and the glove Disapparate—*



**SCENE 27**  
**EXT. DOME OF ST. PAUL'S—EVENING**

*—Apparating beside a dandy-esque forty-five-year-old wizard with graying auburn hair and beard. NEWT hands back his glove.*

**NEWT**  
Dumbledore.  
(*amused*)  
Were the less conspicuous rooftops full, then?

**DUMBLEDORE**  
(*looking out over city*)  
I do enjoy a view. *Nebulus.*

*A swirling fog descends over London.*



*They Disapparate.*



**SCENE 28**

**EXT. TRAFALGAR SQUARE—EVENING**

*DUMBLEDORE and NEWT Apparate and walk on past the great stone Landseer lions. The darkening sky is becoming increasingly ominous. A flock of pigeons rises into the air at their approach.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

How was it?

**NEWT**

They're still convinced that you sent me to New York.

**DUMBLEDORE**

You told them I didn't?

**NEWT**

Yes. Even though you did.

*A beat. DUMBLEDORE inscrutable, NEWT wanting answers.*

**NEWT**

You told me where to find that trafficked Thunderbird, Dumbledore. You knew that I would take him home and you knew I'd have to take him through a Muggle port.

**DUMBLEDORE**

Well, I've always felt an affinity with the great magical birds. There's a story in my family that a phoenix will come to any Dumbledore who is in desperate need. They say my great-great-grandfather had one, but that it took flight when he died, never to return.

**NEWT**

With all due respect, I don't believe for a minute that's why you told me about the Thunderbird.

*A noise behind them. The silhouette of a man appears out of shadows. They Disapparate—*



**SCENE 29**

**EXT. VICTORIA BUS STATION—EVENING**

*Footsteps nearby. Both ready their wands, but the footsteps die away. They walk on.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

Credence is in Paris, Newt. He's trying to trace his real family. I take it you've heard the rumors about who he really is?

**NEWT**

No.

*DUMBLEDORE and NEWT board a stationary bus.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

The purebloods think he's the last of an important French line, a baby whom everyone thought lost . . .

*A look between them. NEWT is astonished.*

**NEWT**

Not Leta's brother?

**DUMBLEDORE**

That's what they're whispering. Pureblood or not, I know this: An Obscurus grows in the absence of love as a dark twin, an

only friend. If Credence has a real brother or sister out there who can take its place, he might yet be saved.

*(beat)*

Wherever Credence is in Paris, he's either in danger or a danger to others. We may not know who he is yet, but he needs to be found. And I rather hoped you might be the one to find him.

*DUMBLEDORE conjures NICOLAS FLAMEL'S card from thin air and offers it to NEWT, who eyes it with suspicion.*

**NEWT**

What's that?

**DUMBLEDORE**

It's an address of a very old acquaintance of mine. A safe house in Paris, reinforced with enchantments.

**NEWT**

Safe house? Why would I need a safe house in Paris?

**DUMBLEDORE**

One hopes you won't, but should things at some point go terribly wrong, it's good to have a place to go. You know, for a cup of tea.

**NEWT**

No, no, no—absolutely not.



**SCENE 30**

**EXT. LAMBETH BRIDGE—NIGHT**

*They Apparate onto a bridge.*

**NEWT**

I'm banned from international travel, Dumbledore. If I leave the country, they will put me in Azkaban and throw away the key.

*DUMBLEDORE stops.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

Do you know why I admire you, Newt? More, perhaps, than any man I know?

*(off NEWT'S surprise)*

You don't seek power or popularity. You simply ask, is the thing right in itself? If it is, then I must do it, no matter the cost.

*He walks on.*

**NEWT**

That's all very well, Dumbledore, but, forgive me for asking, why can't you go?

*They stop.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

I can't move against Grindelwald. It has to be you.

*(beat)*

Well, I don't blame you, in your shoes I'd probably refuse too. It's late. Good evening, Newt.

*DUMBLEDORE Disapparates.*

**NEWT**

Oh c'mon!

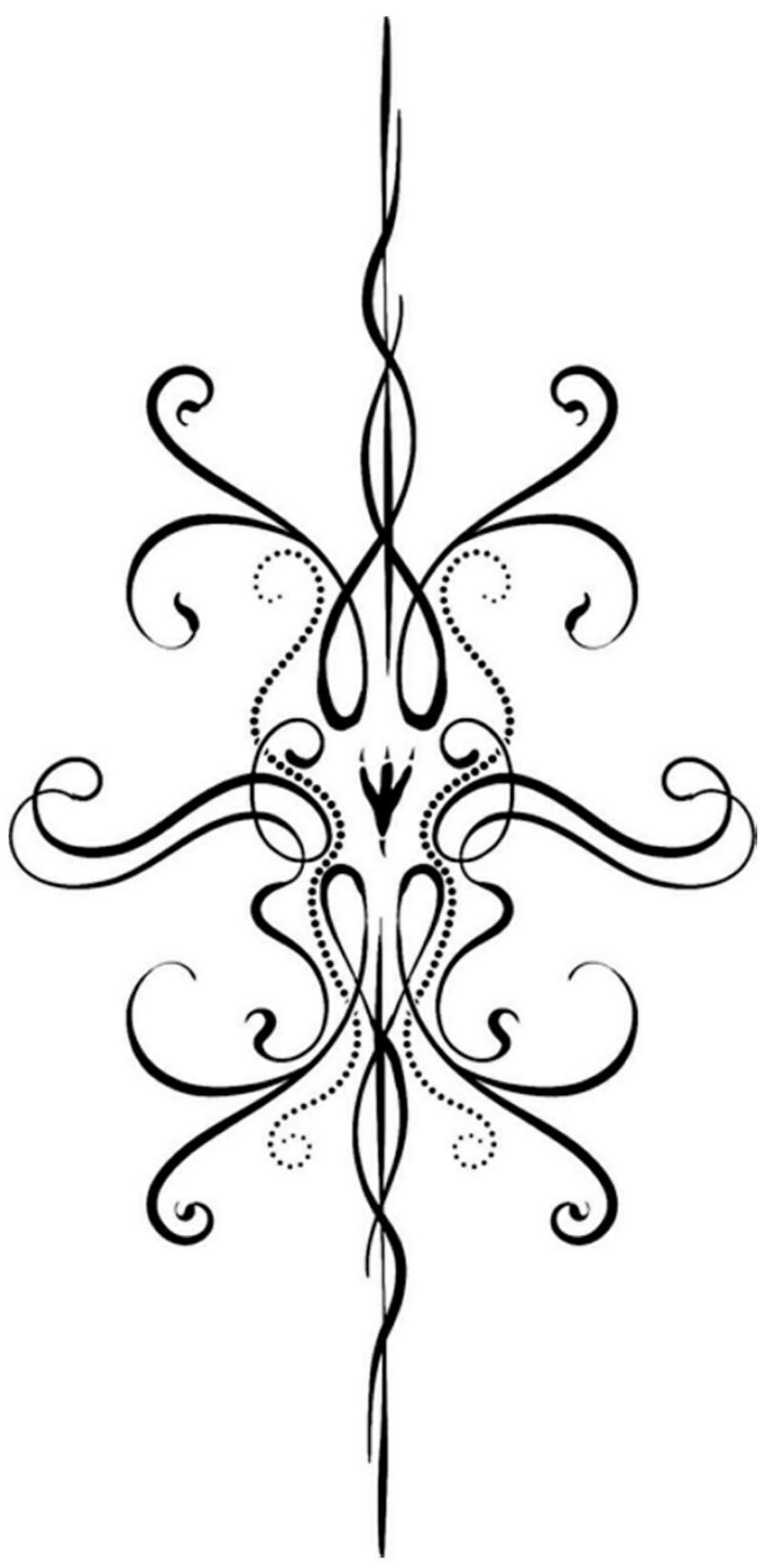
*DUMBLEDORE'S empty glove reappears and tucks the business card bearing the address of the safe house into NEWT'S top pocket.*

**NEWT**

*(exasperated)*

Dumbledore.







**SCENE 31**

**EXT. NEWT'S STREET—NIGHT**

*Establishing shot: a street of ordinary yellow brick Victorian houses. First specks of rain. NEWT walks swiftly up the front steps but pauses just outside the front door. The light in his sitting room is flashing on and off.*



## **SCENE 32**

### **INT. NEWT'S HOUSE—NIGHT**

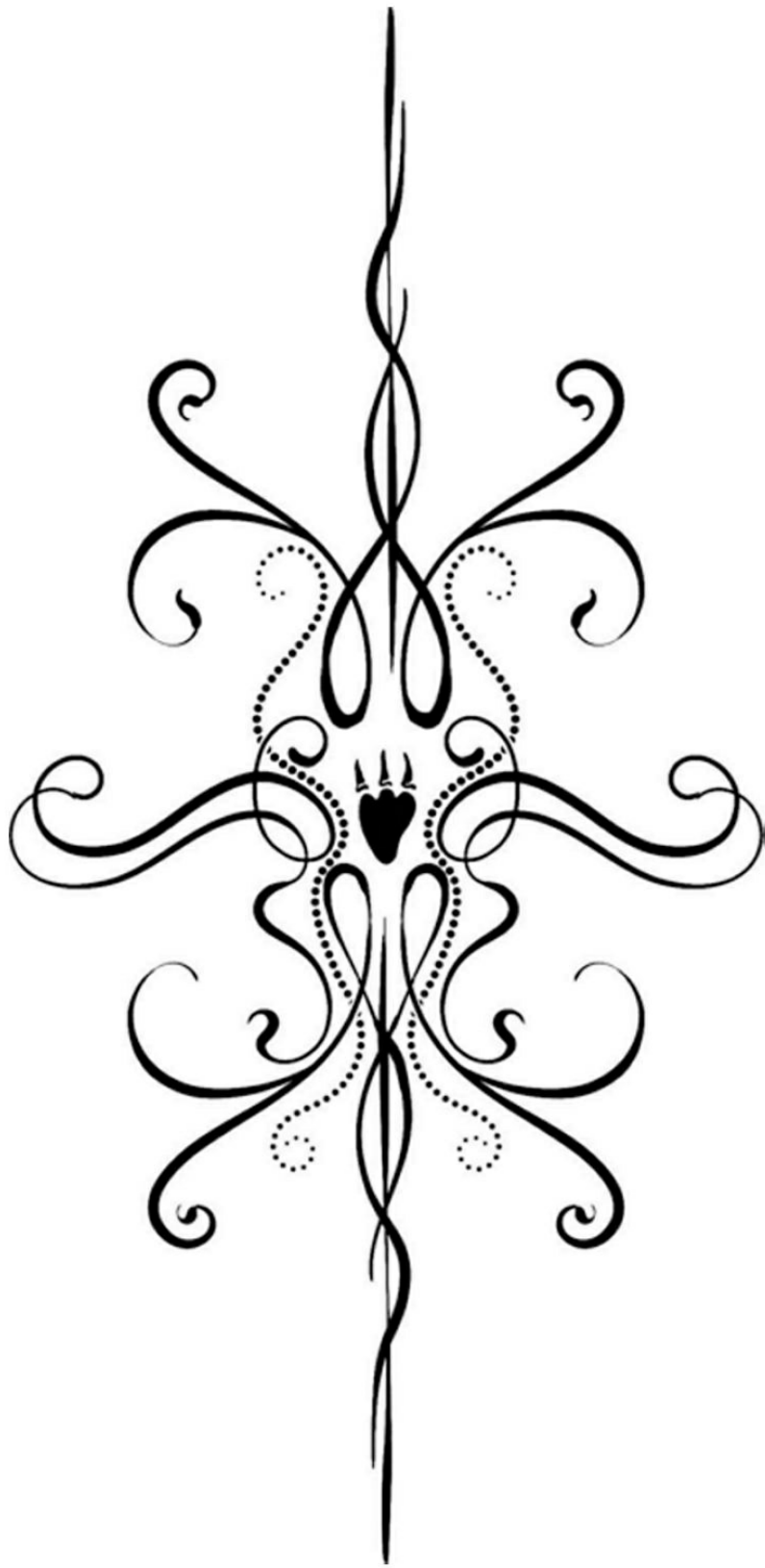
*NEWT opens the front door cautiously. Inside, a baby Niffler is swinging from the brass cord of a table lamp, causing the light to flicker on and off. The baby Niffler succeeds in stealing the brass cord before spotting NEWT. It scampers away, knocking all manner of objects to the floor.*

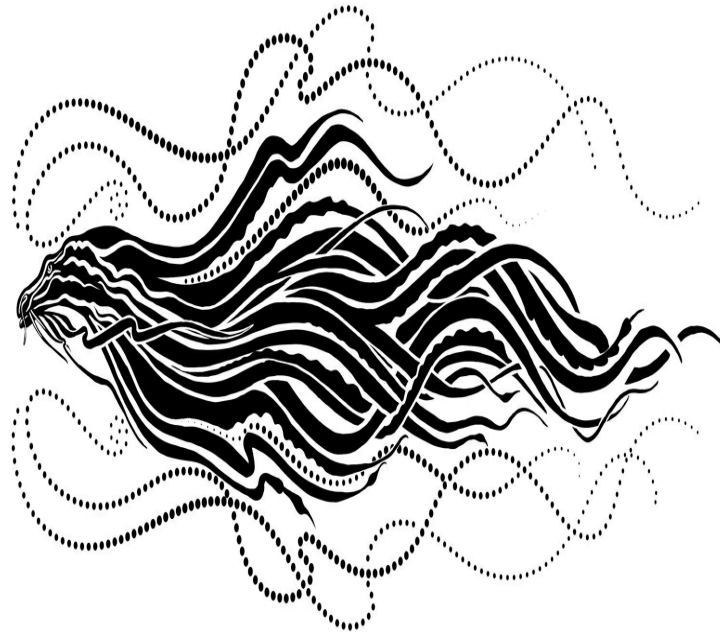
*NEWT spots a second baby Niffler sitting on a set of weighing scales, pinned down by gold-colored weights it is clearly attempting to steal.*

*As the first baby makes it to the dining table, NEWT lightly drops a saucepan on top of it, which continues moving across the table. NEWT tosses an apple into the opposite weighing scale, sending the baby Niffler flying into the air. NEWT catches both baby Nifflers as they fall, then tucks them into his pockets.*

*Satisfied, NEWT heads toward the door to his basement but turns at the last moment to see a third escaped baby Niffler climbing onto a bottle of champagne on the counter. With a sense of inevitability, the champagne bottle pops and the baby Niffler zooms toward NEWT on top of the cork, soaring past him and down the stairs to the basement.*







**SCENE 33**

**INT. NEWT'S BASEMENT MENAGERIE—MOMENTS LATER—  
NIGHT**

*A gigantic hospital for magical creatures.*

**NEWT**

Bunty! Bunty! Bunty, the baby Nifflers are loose again!

*(to the Nifflers)*

Oi! Oh.

*BUNTY, NEWT'S assistant, hurries into view. She is a plain girl, crazy about creatures, hopelessly in love with NEWT. She peels off the Nifflers with freshly bandaged fingers.*

*She tempts the last baby Niffler—the champagne cork rider—with a gold necklace, then tucks all three into a nest full of sparkling objects.*

**NEWT**

Well done.

**BUNTY**

I'm so sorry, Newt, they must have picked the lock while I was cleaning out the Augureys—

**NEWT**

Not to worry.

*NEWT and BUNTY walk together among the enclosures.*

**BUNTY**

Hmm . . . I've fed nearly everyone, Pinky's had his nose drops, and—

**NEWT**

—And Elsie?

**BUNTY**

Elsie's droppings are nearly normal again.

**NEWT**

Wonderful. You can clock off now—  
(*seeing her fingers*)  
I told you to leave the Kelpie to me.

**BUNTY**

That wound needs more ointment—

**NEWT**

I don't want you losing fingers over it.

*NEWT marches toward a patch of black water, BUNTY trotting in his wake, awash with emotion at his concern for her.*

**NEWT**

Seriously, you go home now, Bunty. You must be exhausted.

**BUNTY**

You know the Kelpie's easier with two.

*They approach the water. NEWT unhooks a bridle hanging beside the pond.*

**BUNTY**

*(hopeful)*

Perhaps you should take off your shirt?

**NEWT**

*(oblivious)*

Don't worry, I'll dry off quickly enough.

*NEWT smiles and jumps backward into the water. The Kelpie erupts: a gigantic, semi-spectral horse intent on drowning NEWT, who grabs it around the neck and manages to scramble onto its back as it thrashes.*

*The Kelpie dives, taking NEWT with it. BUNTY waits, frightened.*

*WHOOSH—NEWT bursts back out of the water and the Kelpie is bridled. Now docile, it shakes its mane. BUNTY transfixed by the sight of NEWT in his wet shirt.*

**NEWT**

Someone needed to let off some steam. Ointment, Bunty?

*She hands it over. Still mounted, NEWT applies ointment to a wound on the Kelpie's neck.*

**NEWT**

Bite Bunty again and there'll be trouble, mister.

*As he dismounts, there is a crash from overhead. Both he and BUNTY look up.*

**BUNTY**

*(scared)*

What was that?

**NEWT**

I don't know. But I want you to go home now, Bunty.

**BUNTY**

Shall I call the Ministry?

**NEWT**

No, I want you to go home. Please.



**SCENE 34**

**INT. NEWT'S STAIRCASE—A MINUTE LATER—NIGHT**

*NEWT climbs the stairs to his living quarters, wand drawn, curious and expecting the worst. He pushes open the door.*



**SCENE 35**

**INT. NEWT'S SITTING ROOM—NIGHT**

*A spartan bachelor residence. NEWT'S real life is in the basement.*

*JACOB KOWALSKI and QUEENIE GOLDSTEIN stand in the middle of the room, suitcases beside them, QUEENIE nervous and excited, JACOB unfocused and over-merry, possibly drunk. He is holding the remaining pieces of NEWT'S vase, which he has just broken.*

**QUEENIE**

If you could just give it to me . . . Just give it to me, sweetie. Just give it to me.

*(whispering)*

If you could just give this to me, sweetheart. Oh!

**JACOB**

*(looking at NEWT)*

He doesn't care. Hold it.

**NEWT**

St—

**JACOB**

*(bellows)*

HEY! NEWT! Get over here, you maniac.

*He flings his arms around a delighted but awkward NEWT.*

**QUEENIE**

We hope you don't mind, Newt? We let ourselves in—it's raining out there—cats and dogs! London's cold!

**NEWT**

*(to JACOB)*

But you were supposed to have been Obliviated!

**JACOB**

I know!

**NEWT**

So . . . But . . .

**JACOB**

It didn't work, pal. I mean, you said it, the potion only erases bad memories. I didn't have any. I mean, don't get me wrong, I had some weird ones. But this angel . . . this angel over here, she filled me in on all the bad parts, and here we are, I guess, huh?

**NEWT**

*(overjoyed)*

This is wonderful!

*He looks around, sure that TINA is here too.*

**NEWT**

Is . . .Tina? Tina?

**QUEENIE**

Oh it's just us, honey. Me and Jacob.

**NEWT**

Oh.

**QUEENIE**

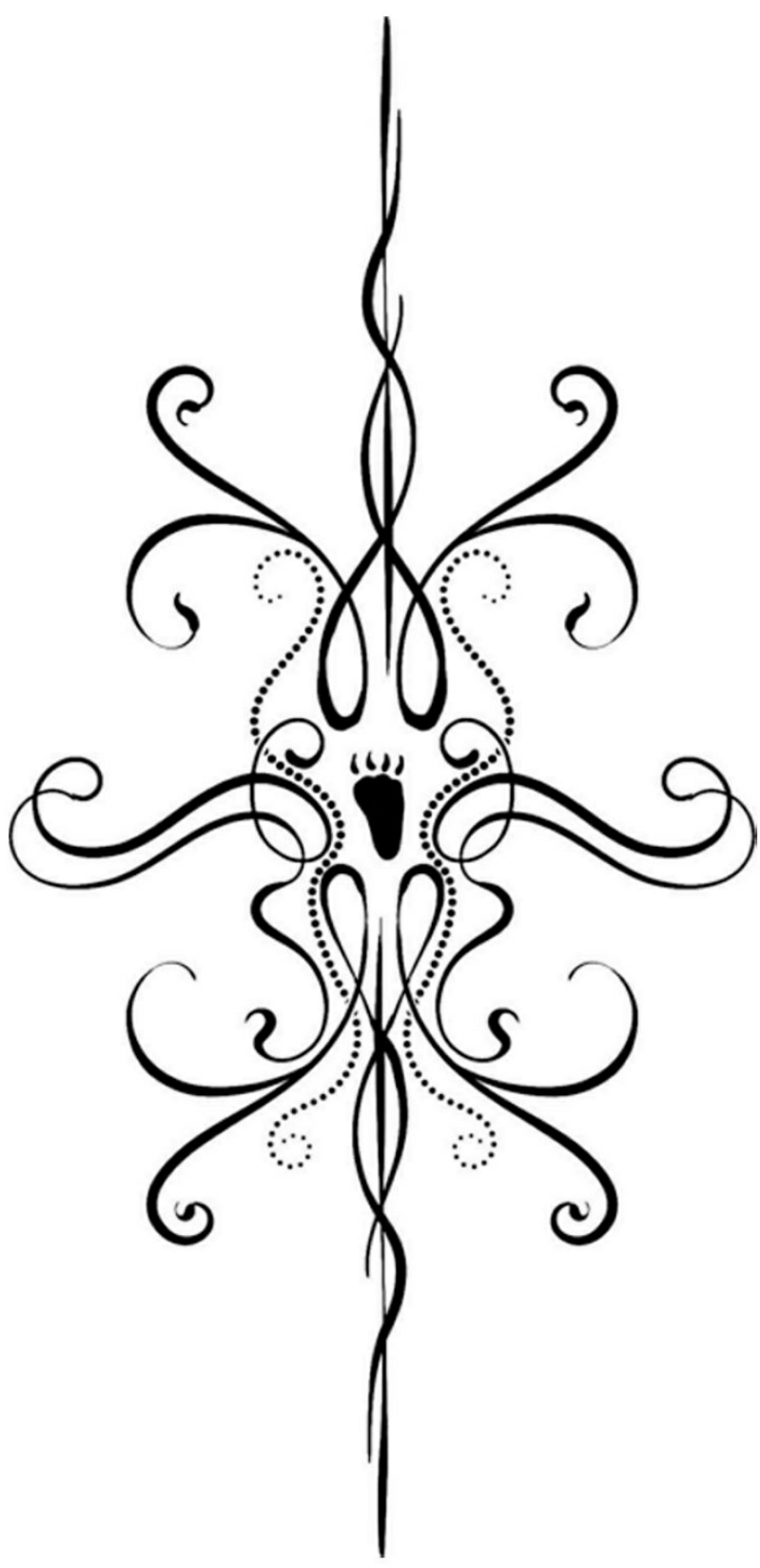
*(uncomfortable)*

Why don't I make us some dinner, huh?

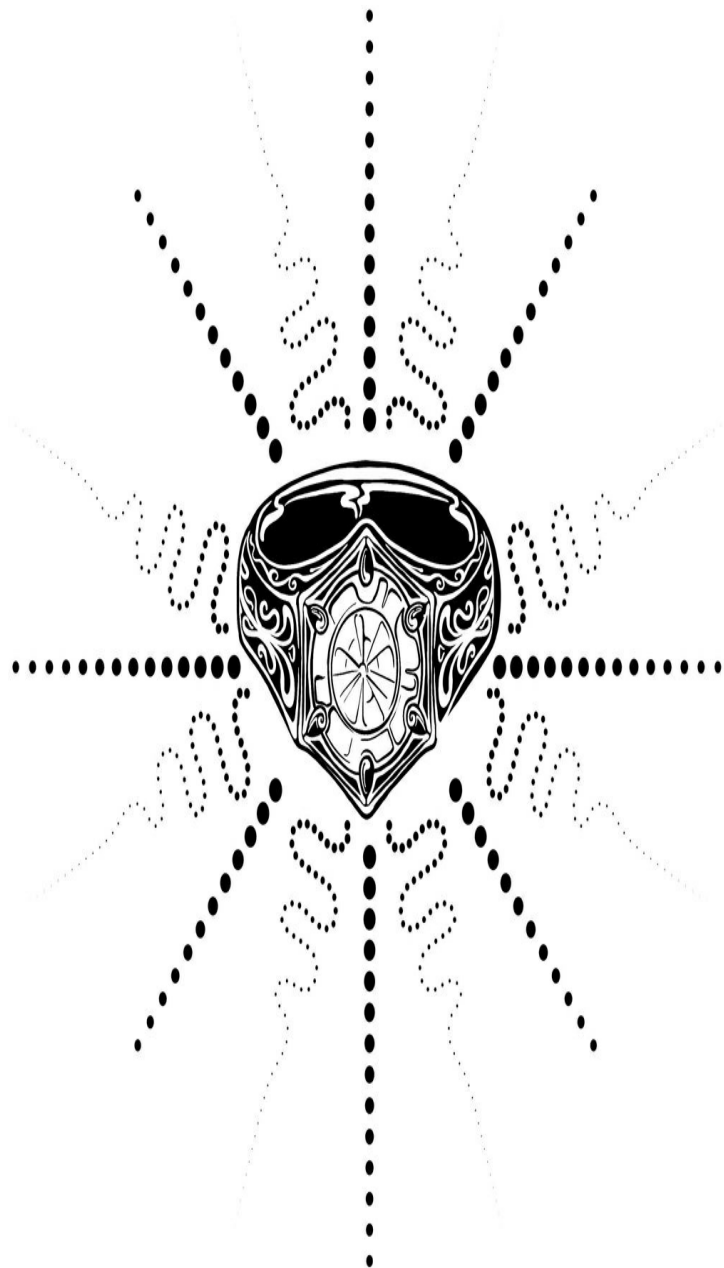
**JACOB**

Yes!









**SCENE 36**

**INT. NEWT'S SITTING ROOM—FIVE MINUTES LATER—NIGHT**

*The threesome sit at a table bearing NEWT'S mismatched crockery, the atmosphere tainted by TINA'S absence. QUEENIE'S case lies open on the*

sofa.

**QUEENIE**

Tina and I aren't talking.

**NEWT**

Why?

*JACOB'S POV—pink and hazy, as though happily drunk.*

**QUEENIE**

Oh well, you know, she found out about Jacob and I seeing each other and she didn't like it, 'cause of the "law."

*(miming quotation marks)*

Not allowed to date No-Majs, not allowed to marry them. Blah, blah, blah. Well, she was all in a tizzy anyway, 'cause of you.

**NEWT**

Me?

**QUEENIE**

Yeah, you, Newt. It was in *Spellbound*. Here—I brought it for you—

*She points her wand at her suitcase. A celebrity magazine zooms to her: Spellbound: Celebrity Secrets and Spell Tips of the Stars! On the cover, an idealized NEWT and an improbably beaming Niffler. BEAST TAMER NEWT TO WED!*

*QUEENIE opens the magazine. THESEUS, LETA, NEWT, and BUNTY stand side by side at his book launch.*

**QUEENIE**

*(showing him)*

"Newt Scamander with fiancée, Leta Lestrange; brother, Theseus; and unknown woman."

**NEWT**

No. Theseus is marrying Leta, not me.

**QUEENIE**

Oh! Oh dear . . . well, see, Teen read that, and she started dating someone else. He's an Auror. His name's Achilles Tolliver.

*A silence. Then NEWT starts to notice JACOB'S state: Eating sloppily, he hums to himself, then tries to drink the salt. QUEENIE takes it and puts his glass in his hand, trying to cover.*

**QUEENIE**

Anyway . . . We're real excited to be here, Newt. This is a— well, it's a special trip for us. You see, Jacob and I, we're getting married.

*She shows him her engagement ring. JACOB tries to toast the moment and pours beer all over his ear.*

**JACOB**

I'm marrying Jacob!

*Now sure he knows what's going on, NEWT glares at QUEENIE.*

**NEWT (V.O.)**

*(speaking telepathically)*

You've enchanted him, haven't you?

**QUEENIE**

*(reading his mind)*

What? I have not.

**NEWT**

Will you stop reading my mind?

*(speaking telepathically)*

Queenie, you've brought him here against his will.

**QUEENIE**

Oh, that is an outrageous accusation. Look at him. He's just

happy. He's so happy!

**NEWT**

*(drawing his wand)*

Then you won't mind if I—

*QUEENIE jumps up and tries to shield JACOB from him.*

**QUEENIE**

Please don't!

**NEWT**

Queenie, you've got nothing to fear if he wants to get married.  
We can just lift the enchantment and he can tell us himself.

*Several painful moments pass. At last she moves aside.*

**JACOB**

What you got there? Whatchu gonna do? Whatchu gonna do  
with that, Mr. Scamander?

**NEWT**

*Surgito.*

*JACOB reacts as though to a bucket of cold water. He comes back to himself  
and takes in his surroundings. He looks at NEWT.*

**NEWT**

Congratulations on your engagement, Jacob.

**JACOB**

Wait, what?

*NEWT looks at QUEENIE.*

**JACOB**

Oh no.

*He realizes he has been taken against his will. Slowly, he gets to his feet to*

*face QUEENIE.*

*She reads his mind. With a sob, she runs to close her case (several small objects, including a lipstick and a fragment of torn postcard, fall out) and flees the apartment.*

**JACOB**

Queenie!  
(*turning to NEWT*)

It's very nice to see you. Where the hell am I right now?

**NEWT**

Uh, uh, London.

**JACOB**

(*frustrated*)  
Oh! I always wanted to go here!  
(*angry*)  
Queenie!

*He runs after her.*



**SCENE 37**

**EXT. NEWT'S STREET—A MINUTE LATER—NIGHT**

*QUEENIE dashes out of NEWT'S house and off up the street, crying. JACOB runs after her, livid.*

**JACOB**

Queen, honey. Well, I'm just curious, when were you going to wake me up? After we'd had five kids?

*QUEENIE turns to confront JACOB.*

**QUEENIE**

Why is it wrong to want to marry you?

**JACOB**

Okay—

**QUEENIE**

To wanna have a family? I just want what everyone else has, that's all.

**JACOB**

Okay, wait. We talked about this, like, a million times. If we get married and they find out, they're gonna throw you in jail, sweetheart. I can't have that. They don't like people like me marrying people like you. I ain't a wizard. I'm just me.

**QUEENIE**

They're really progressive here, and they'll let us get married properly.

*QUEENIE gestures to the street.*

**JACOB**

Sweetheart, you don't need to enchant me. I'm already enchanted! I love you so much.

**QUEENIE**

Yeah?

**JACOB**

Yeah. But I can't have you risking everything like this, you know? You're not giving us a choice, sweetheart.

**QUEENIE**

You're not givin' *me* a choice. One of us had to be brave, and you were being a coward!

**JACOB**

I was being a coward? If I'm a coward, you're a—

*She reads his mind.*

**QUEENIE**

—crazy!

*She reacts. He knows she “heard” him.*

**JACOB**

I didn't say it . . .

**QUEENIE**

You didn't have to.

**JACOB**

No, I didn't mean it, sweetheart.

**QUEENIE**

Yeah, you did.

**JACOB**

No.

**QUEENIE**

I'm gonna go see my sister.

**JACOB**

Fine. See your sister.

**QUEENIE**

Fine.

*QUEENIE Disapparates.*

**JACOB**

No, wait! No! Queenie! I didn't mean it. I didn't say nothing.

*But he is alone in the street.*



**SCENE 38**

**INT. NEWT'S HOUSE—SHORTLY AFTER—NIGHT**

*NEWT'S miserable gaze falls on the piece of postcard. He crosses to pick it up, then points his wand at it.*

**NEWT**

*Papyrus Reparō.*

*It reconstitutes into a whole. We see a picture of Paris.*

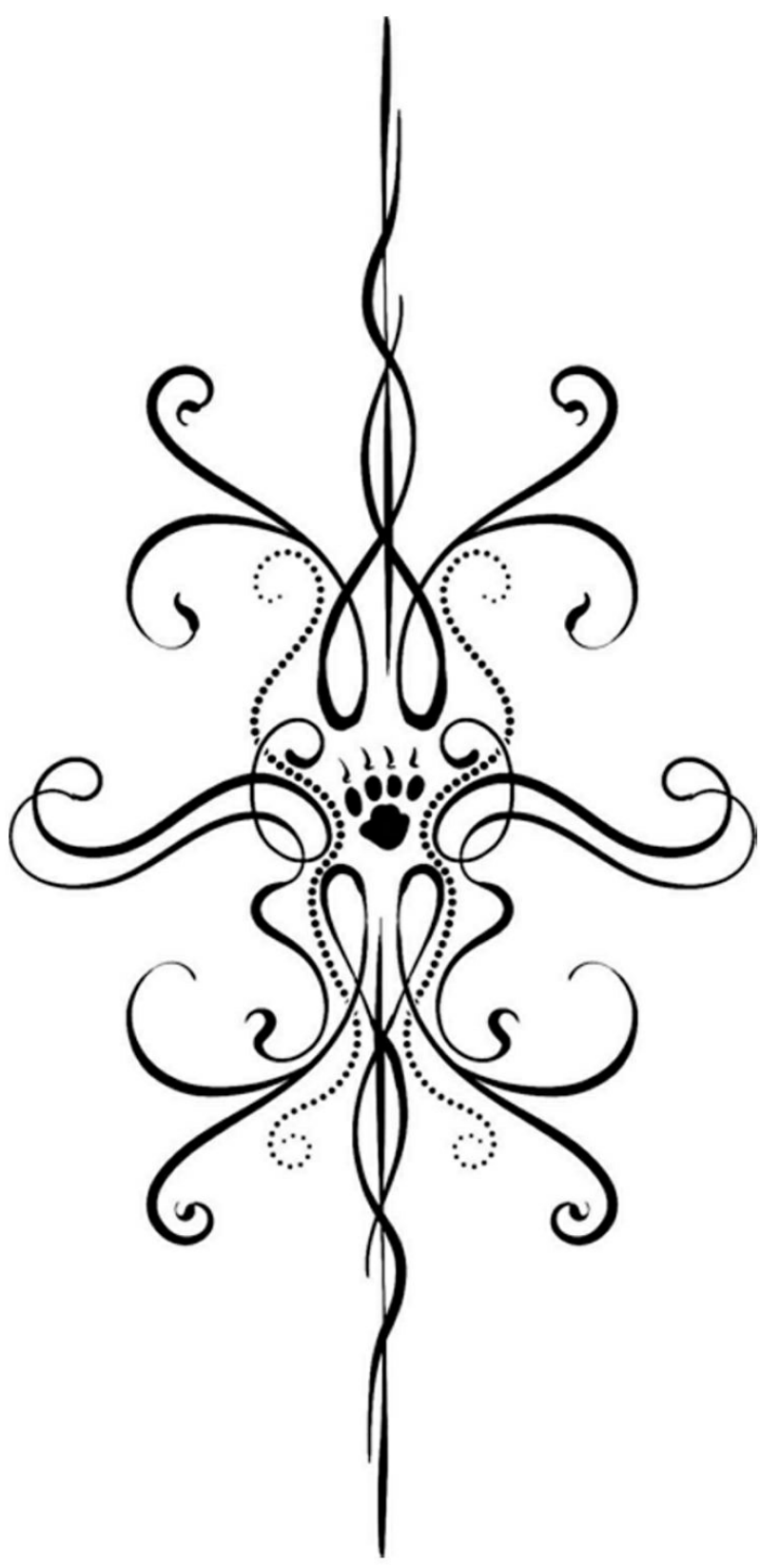
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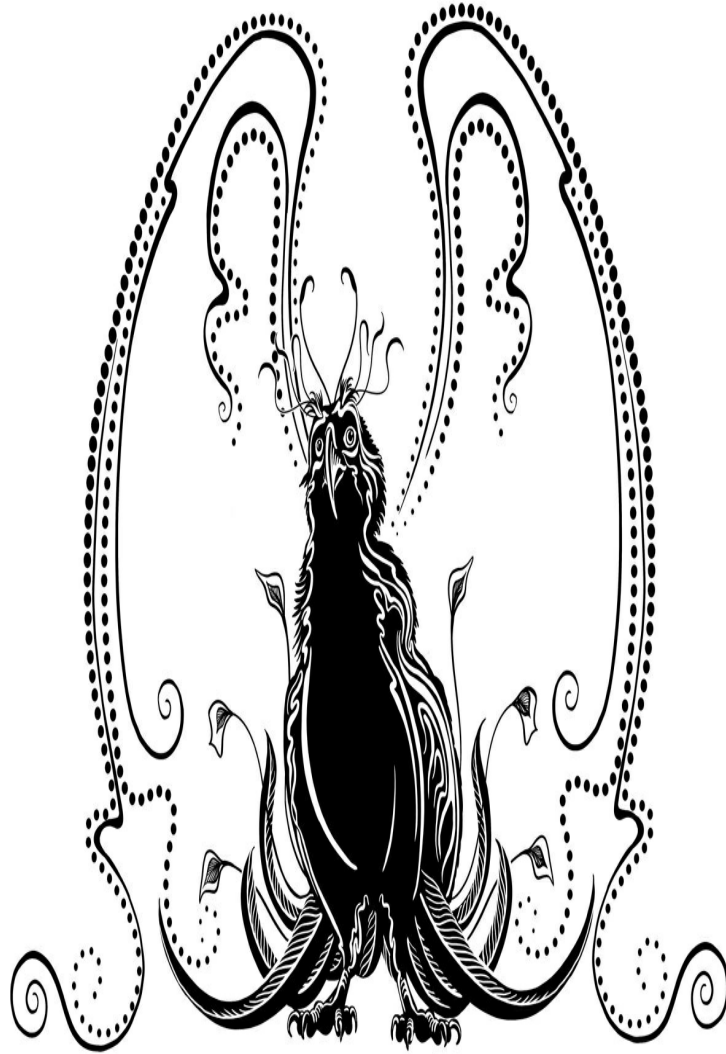
**TINA (V.O.)**

*My dear Queenie,  
What a beautiful city.  
I'm thinking of you,  
Tina X*









**SCENE 39**

**INT. NEWT'S BASEMENT MENAGERIE—NIGHT**

*CLOSE ON JACOB as he enters, pushes open the door, stares around. Soaked through, he has been searching the streets for an hour. NEWT is nowhere to be seen.*

**JACOB**

Hey, Newt?

**NEWT (O.S.)**

Down here, Jacob. I'll be with you in a second.

*JACOB starts peering into the enclosure. By the patch of dark water where the Kelpie lives, NEWT has placed a sign for BUNTY: BUNTY, DON'T TOUCH UNTIL I GET BACK. He walks on.*

*An Augurey caws mournfully at JACOB as he walks past.*

**JACOB**

I got my own problems.

**NEWT (O.S.)**

No, no, no. Back in, please. Right, wait, wait, wait, wait.

*A sign on the Augurey cage reads: BUNTY—DON'T FORGET TO GIVE PATRICK PELLETS. JACOB hears movement and changes direction, passing a snoozing griffin with a bandaged beak: BUNTY: CHANGE DRESSING DAILY.*

*NEWT'S case sits beside the Niffler enclosure. On the inside of the lid is a large moving picture of TINA he has torn out of a newspaper.*

*NEWT comes round the corner wearing his coat.*

**NEWT**

Queenie left a postcard. Tina's in Paris looking for Credence.

**JACOB**

Genius. Queenie's gonna go straight for Tina.  
(elated)

Okay, we're going to France, pal! Hold on. I'll get my jacket.

**NEWT**

I've got it.

*NEWT has already pointed his wand at the ceiling. JACOB'S coat, hat, and case drop onto the floor in front of him. JACOB is blasted with warm magical air, which dries his rain-soaked clothes.*

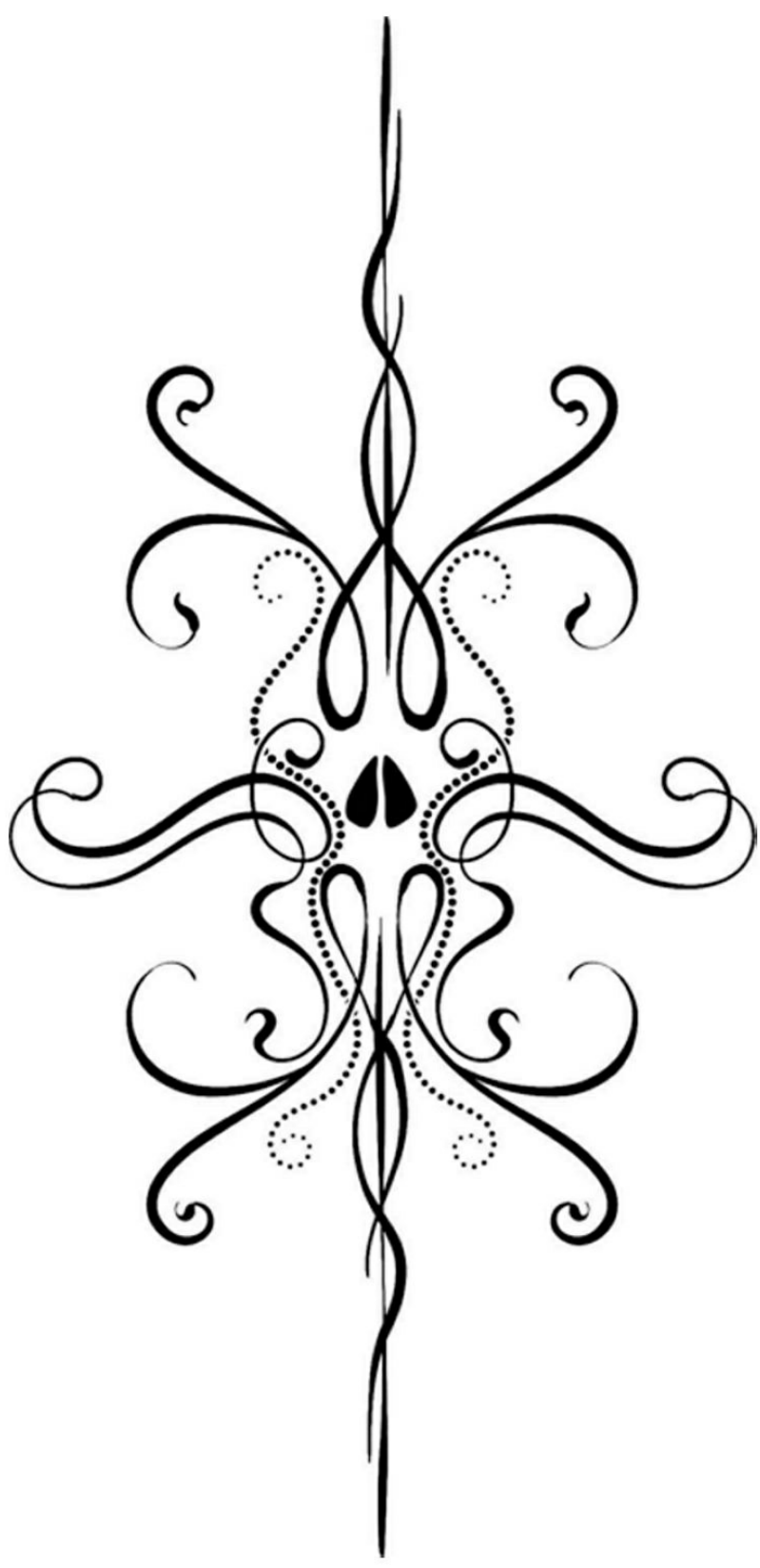
**JACOB**

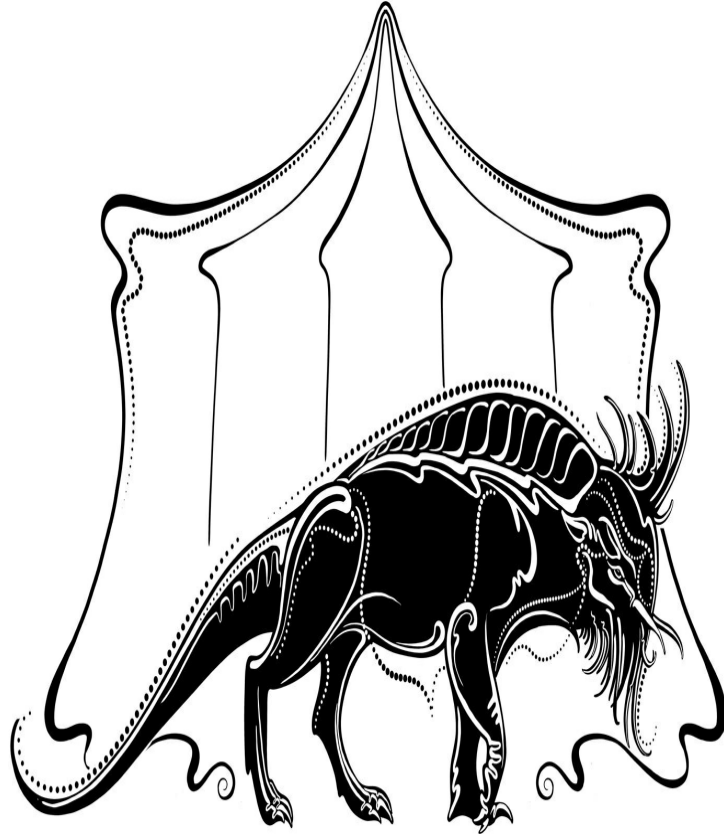
*(impressed)*

Oh. Beautiful.

*They leave. We close in on the note that has appeared: BUNTY, GONE TO PARIS.  
HAVE TAKEN NIFFLERS WITH ME. NEWT.*







**SCENE 40**

**EXT. PARIS, PLACE CACHÉE—NIGHT**

*A clear, starry night. TINA GOLDSTEIN, reinstated Auror on a mission of her own, more elegant and confident than in New York but carrying private sadness, walks toward the bronzed statue of a robed woman set on a tall stone base, where witches and wizards dressed as Muggles are vanishing.*



**SCENE 41**

## **EXT. PLACE CACHÉE, CIRCUS ARCANUS—NIGHT**

*Music, laughter, and conversation erupt around her. The circus is now in full swing. A banner declares: CIRCUS ARCANUS: FREAKS AND ODDITIES! Several tents, a big top in the middle.*

*TINA walks past the street performers working in the open, scrutinizing them. A HALF-TROLL performs feats of strength. A few misshapen and particularly downtrodden humanoids—UNDERBEINGS without powers but of magical ancestry—shuffle around, taking money from the crowd. Horns hidden beneath hats, unusual eyes beneath hoods; HALF-ELVES and HALF-GOBLINS juggle and tumble.*

*A magnificent Chinese Zouwu, a giant catlike creature with a long, plumed tail, is imprisoned in a cage. Fireworks burst overhead.*



### **SCENE 42**

#### **INT. CIRCUS ARCANUS, FREAKS' TENT—EVENING**

*NAGINI is kneeling at a trunk, stroking her circus dress. She must perform shortly. CREDENCE hurries to her.*

**CREDENCE**

*(whispers)*

Nagini!

*She turns.*

**NAGINI**

Credence.

*He hands her the note. She scans it, frowns.*

**CREDENCE**

*(whispers)*

I think I know where she is.

*NAGINI looks up, meets his eyes.*

**CREDENCE**

We escape tonight.

*SKENDER comes into NAGINI'S tent.*

**SKENDER**

Hey, I've told you to stay away from her, boy—did I say you could take a break? Clean out the Kappa.

*SKENDER closes the curtain between CREDENCE and NAGINI.*

**SKENDER**

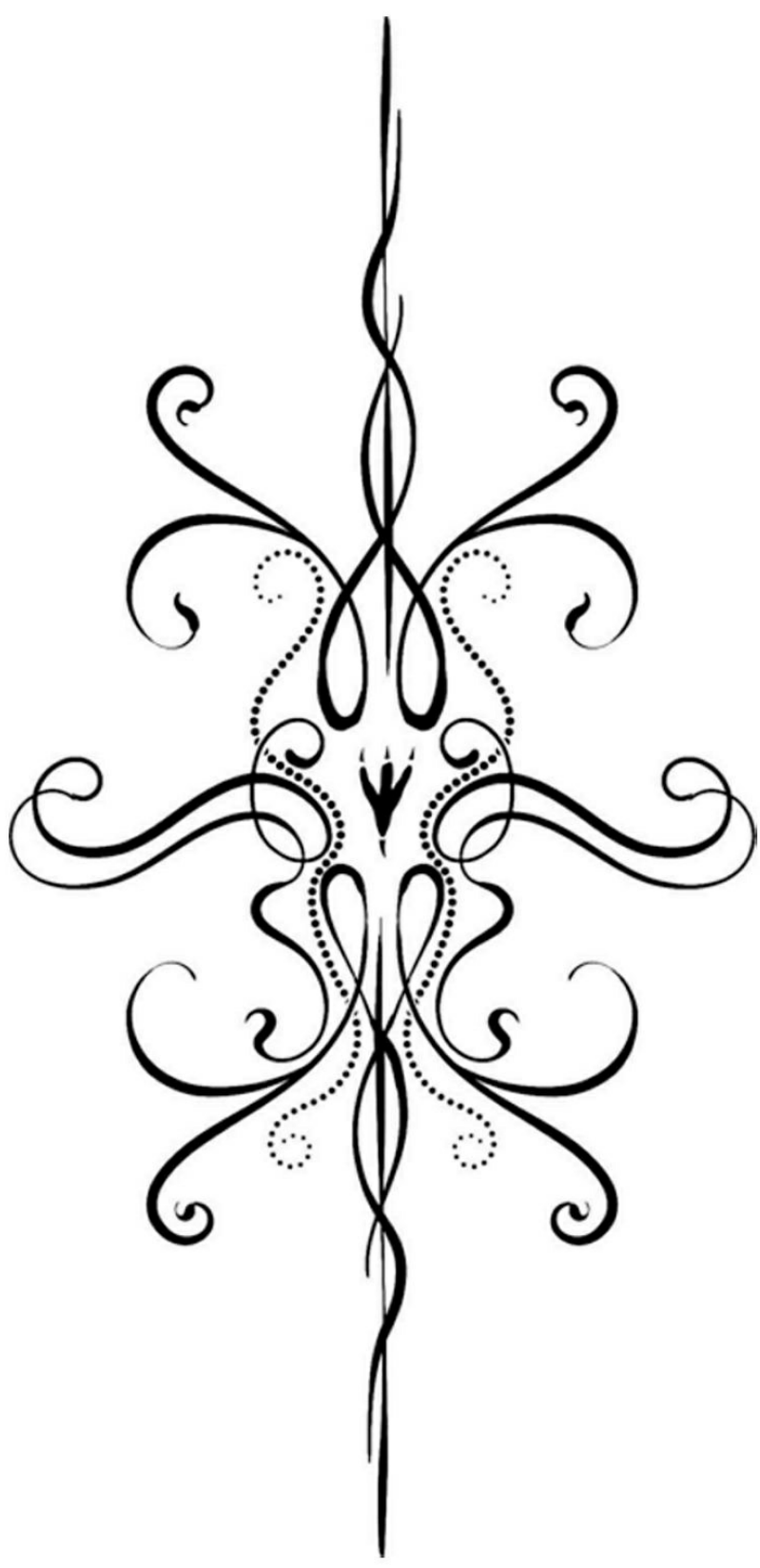
*(to NAGINI)*

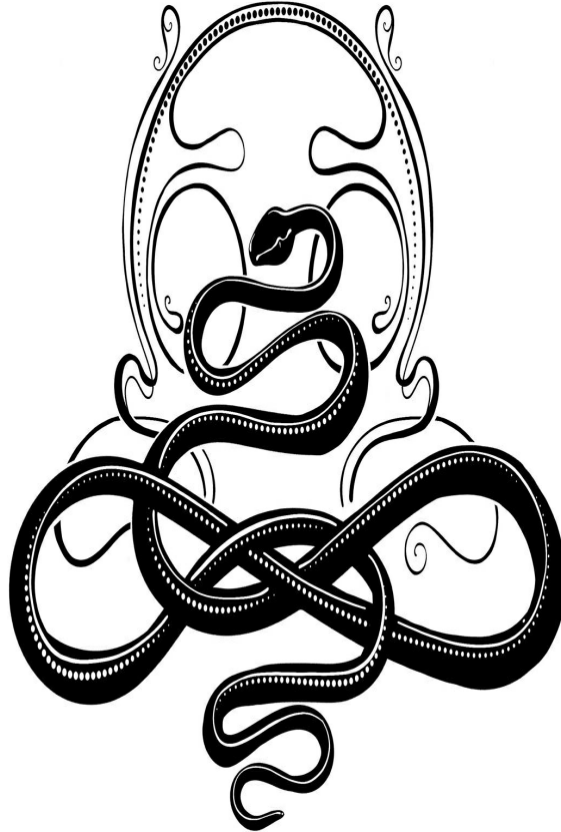
And you, get ready!

*CREDENCE turns and looks up to a cage full of Firedrakes.*









**SCENE 43**

**INT. CIRCUS ARCANUS, BIG TOP—NIGHT**

*SKENDER is standing beside the circular platform/cage in the middle of a crowd, many of whom are drunk.*

**SKENDER**

Next in our little show of freaks and oddities, I present to you—a  
Maledictus!

*He whips open the curtains. There stands NAGINI in a snakeskin dress. Men in the crowd whistle and jeer.*

**SKENDER**

Once trapped in the jungles of Indonesia, she is the carrier of a blood curse. Such Underbeings are destined, through the course of their lives, to turn permanently into beasts.

*TINA makes her way around the back of the crowd, looking for CREDENCE.*

*Elsewhere in the tent, an elegant, suited French African, YUSUF KAMA, is scanning the crowd rather than watching SKENDER. There is a black feather in the band of his fedora.*

**SKENDER**

But look at her. So beautiful, yes? So desirable . . . but soon she will be trapped forever in a very different body. Every night, when she sleeps . . . mesdames et messieurs . . . she is forced to become—

*Nothing happens. The crowd jeers at SKENDER. NAGINI looks at SKENDER, a look of hatred.*

**SKENDER**

She is forced to become . . .

*CREDENCE'S and NAGINI'S eyes meet across the big top.*

*ANGLE ON TINA, who has spotted CREDENCE. She starts to edge toward him, trying not to attract attention.*

*ANGLE ON KAMA, who does the same.*

**SKENDER**

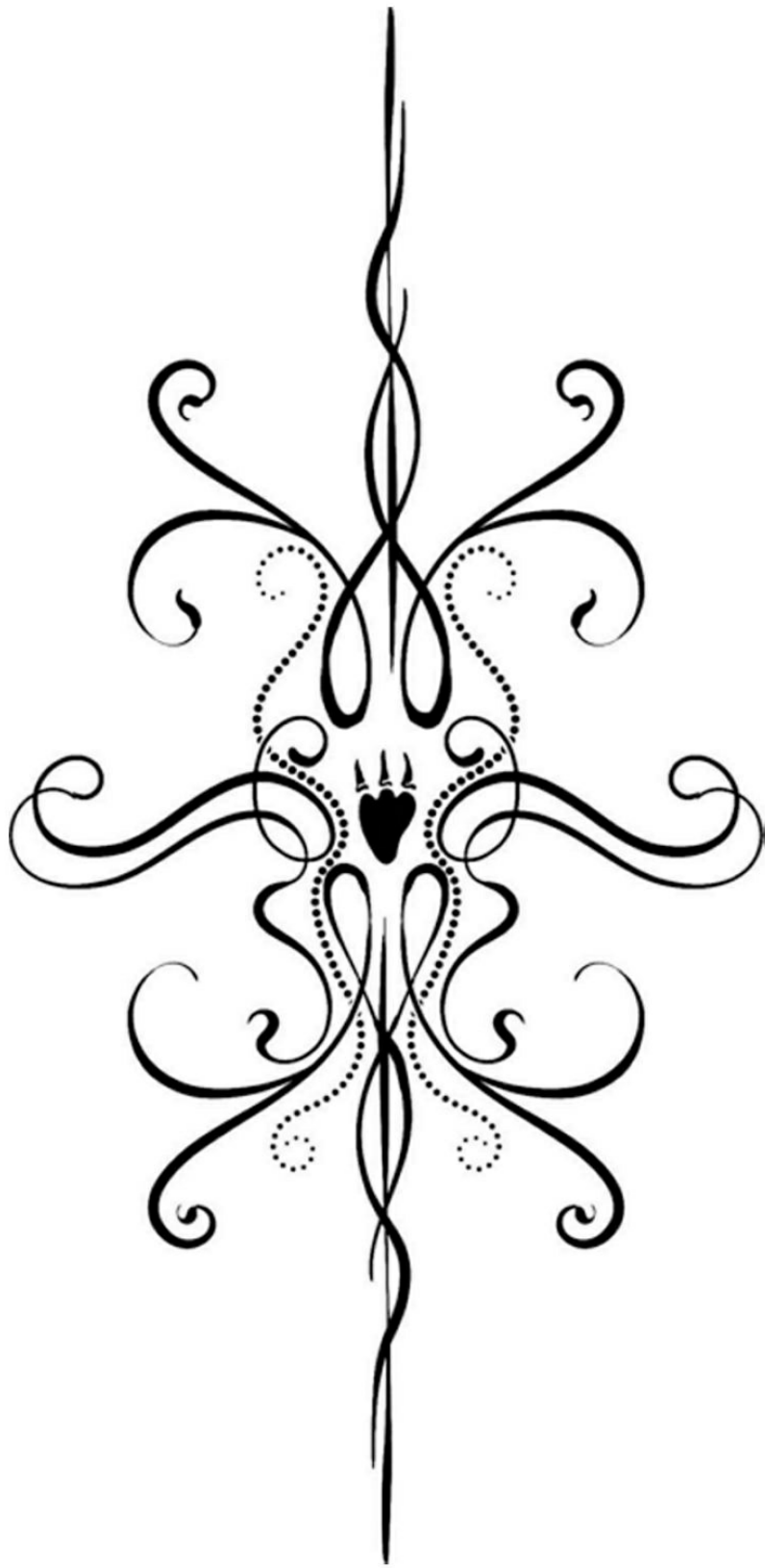
She is forced to become . . .

*SKENDER whips the bars. NAGINI closes her eyes. Slowly, she melts into coils.*

**SKENDER**

Over time, she will not be able to transform back. She will be forever trapped in the body of a snake.

*NAGINI suddenly strikes at SKENDER through the bars and utters a cry in Parseltongue. SKENDER crumples, bleeding. At the back of the tent, CREDENCE smashes open the Firedrakes' cage and they soar to freedom like fireworks. The big top catches fire—screams, panic, the crowd falls over one another to reach the exit—*





#### **SCENE 44**

#### **EXT. CIRCUS ARCANUS, BIG TOP—NIGHT**

*The big top is on fire. Firedrakes weave patterns in the sky above it, trailing showers of sparks. The fire has terrified and enraged the creatures. A hippogriff is rearing and plunging while its handlers try to control it. Everywhere performers are packing up, fast, elves shutting themselves into boxes, which fold smaller and smaller.*

*TINA Apparates and, with a flick of her wand, puts out the fire.*

*The Zouwu crate is on fire and shaking perilously. The creature within roars and howls. The Zouwu explodes out of it: a monstrous cat the size of an elephant, five-colored, with a tail as long as a python. It has been horrendously abused: Scars across its face, it is malnourished, limping, and now driven to a frenzy of terror.*

*TINA spots CREDENCE in the distance.*

**TINA**

Credence!

*The Zouwu hobbles as fast as it can, away into the darkness. SKENDER knows there is no catching it now. He runs to galvanize his workers.*

**SKENDER**

Pack it up! Paris is done for us now.

*SKENDER points his wand at the tent, shrinks it to the size of a handkerchief, and pockets it.*

**TINA**

*(approaching SKENDER)*

The boy with the Maledictus, what do you know about him?

**SKENDER**

*(contemptuous)*

He's looking for his mother. All my freaks think they can go home. Okay, let's go.

*He leaps up onto a carriage and, as the crates and boxes are all magically reduced to a few cases, clatters away into the night.*

*TINA is left on her own in what seems for a moment to be a deserted square. Then she realizes that KAMA is standing behind her.*

CUT TO:



**SCENE 45**

**EXT. PARISIAN CAFÉ—NIGHT**

*TINA and KAMA sit together at an outside table. TINA is suspicious of KAMA.*

**TINA**

I think we were both at the circus for the same reason,  
monsieur . . . ?

**KAMA**

Kama. Yusuf Kama. And you think right.

**TINA**

What do you want with Credence?

**KAMA**

The same as you.

**TINA**

Which is?

**KAMA**

To prove who the boy really is. If the rumors of his identity are correct, he and I are—distantly—related. I am the last male of my pure-blooded line . . . and so, if the rumors are correct, is he.

*KAMA takes The Predictions of Tycho Dodonus out of his pocket and holds it tantalizingly before her.*

**KAMA**

You have read *The Predictions of Tycho Dodonus*?

**TINA**

Yes. But that's poetry, not proof.

**KAMA**

If I could show you something better—more concrete—something that proves who he is—would the Ministries of Europe and America let him live?

*A beat.*

**TINA**

They might.



**KAMA**

*(he nods)*

Then come.

*He gets up and TINA follows.*



**SCENE 46**

**INT. GRINDELWALD'S HIDEOUT, DRAWING ROOM—NIGHT**

*GRINDELWALD exhales vapor from a glowing skull-shaped hookah. His ACOLYTES watch as the smoke forms a vision of the Obscurus, a swirl of black and flashing red, then resolves into an image of CREDENCE.*

*All look excited, except KRALL, who is sulky.*

**GRINDELWALD**

So . . . Credence Barebone. Nearly destroyed by the woman who raised him. Yet now he seeks the mother who bore him. He's desperate for family. He's desperate for love. He's the key to our victory.

**KRALL**

Well, we know where the boy is, don't we? Why don't we grab him and leave!

**GRINDELWALD**

*(to KRALL)*

He must come to me freely—and he will.

*GRINDELWALD returns his gaze to the vision of CREDENCE suspended in the center of the drawing room.*

**GRINDELWALD**

The path has been laid, and he is following it. The trail that will lead him to me, and the strange and glorious truth of who he is.

**KRALL**

Why is he so important?

*GRINDELWALD walks to face KRALL.*

**GRINDELWALD**

Who represents the greatest threat to our cause?

**KRALL**

Albus Dumbledore.

**GRINDELWALD**

If I asked you now to go to the school where he is hiding and kill him for me, would you do it for me, Krall?

*(smiles)*

Credence is the only entity alive . . . who can kill him.

**KRALL**

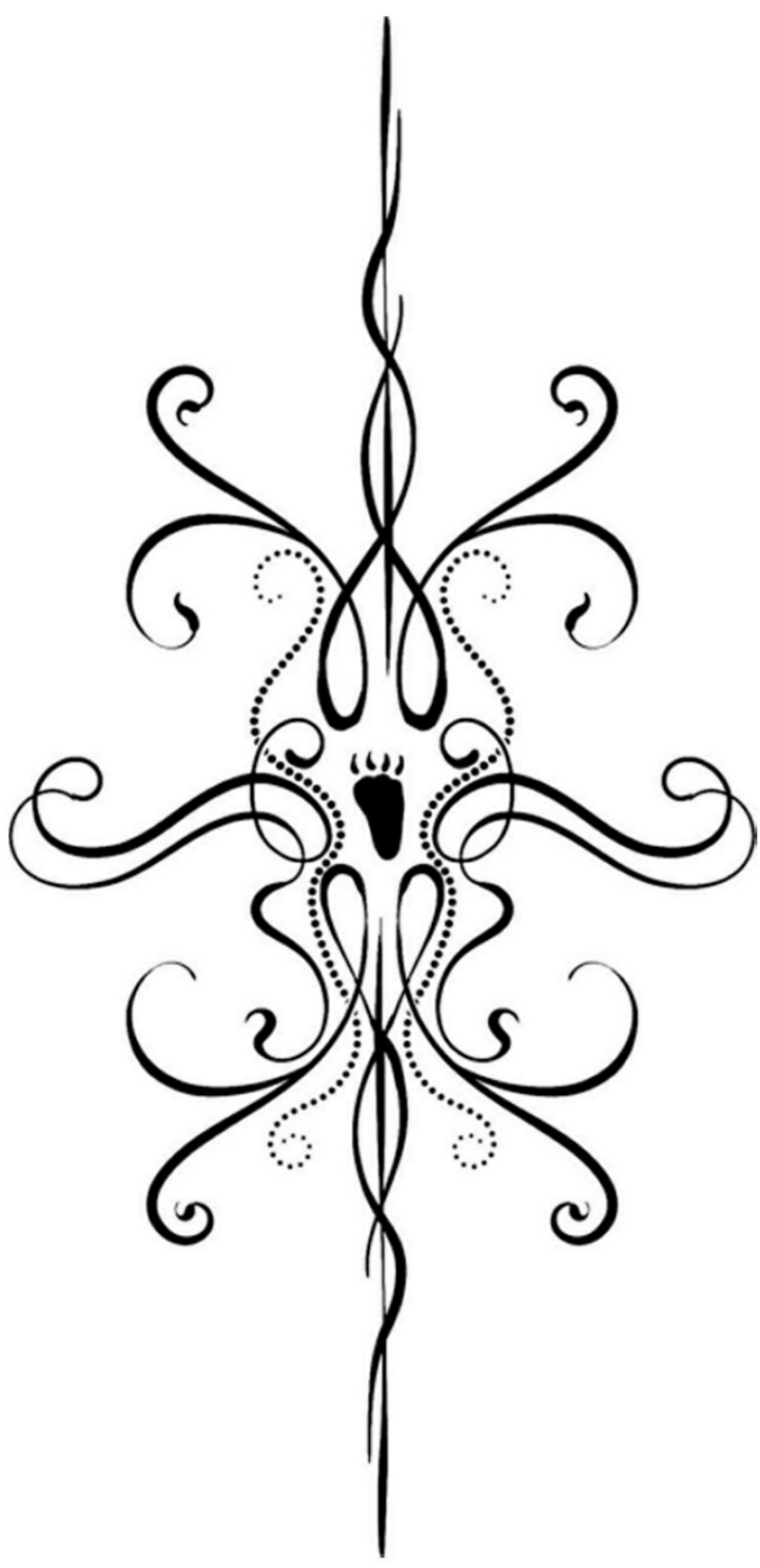
You really think that he can kill the great—can kill Albus Dumbledore?

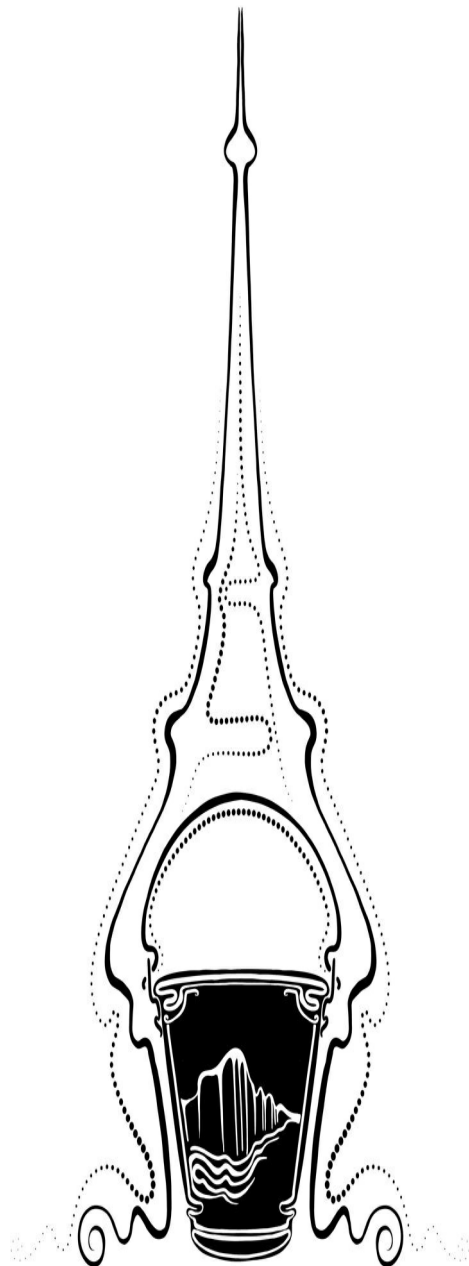
**GRINDELWALD**

*(whispers)*

I know he can. But will you be with us when that happens, Krall? Will you?







**SCENE 47**

**EXT. WHITE CLIFFS OF DOVER—DAWN**

*NEWT and JACOB are walking with cases toward Beachy Head. Pickett pokes his head out of NEWT'S breast pocket and yawns.*

**NEWT**

Jacob, that man Tina's been seeing—

**JACOB**

Don't worry! She's gonna see you and she'll see the four of us together, it'll be just like New York all over again. Don't worry about it.

**NEWT**

Yes, but he's an Auror, Queenie said?

**JACOB**

Yeah, he's an Auror. So what? Don't worry about him.

*A beat. They walk.*

**NEWT**

What d'you think I should say to her, if I see her?

**JACOB**

Oh, well, it's best not to plan these things. You know, you just say whatever comes to you in the moment.

*A beat. They walk.*

**NEWT**

*(reminiscently)*

She has eyes just like a salamander.

**JACOB**

Don't say that.

*A beat. JACOB decides NEWT needs help.*

**JACOB**

Nah, look, you just tell her that you missed her. Right, and then you came all the way to Paris to find her. She'll love that. And then, tell her you're losing sleep at night for thinking of her. Just don't say anything about no salamanders, all right?

**NEWT**

Right. Okay.

**JACOB**

Hey, hey, hey. It's gonna be all right. We're in this together, pal. Okay, I'm gonna help you out. I'm gonna help you find Tina, find Queenie, and we'll all be happy again. Just like old times.

*He spots a slightly sinister figure on the edge of the cliff: all black, tattered robes.*

**JACOB**

Who is this guy?

**NEWT**

He's the only way I can leave the country without documentation. Now, you don't suffer from motion sickness, do you?

**JACOB**

I don't do well on boats, Newt.

*A beat.*

**NEWT**

You'll be fine.

**PORTKEY TOUT**

Stir your stumps—it leaves in one minute!

*Confused, JACOB looks around for the conveyance, ignoring the rusty bucket on the ground.*

**PORTKEY TOUT**

Fifty Galleons.

**NEWT**

No, we said thirty.

**PORTKEY TOUT**

Thirty to go to France, twenty not to tell anyone I seen Newt Scamander leaving the country illegally.

*Angry, NEWT pays up.*

**PORTKEY TOUT**

Price of fame, pal.  
*(checks watch)*  
Ten seconds.

*NEWT picks up the bucket and holds out his hand to JACOB.*

**NEWT**  
*(to JACOB)*  
Jacob.

**JACOB**  
ARGH!

*They are pulled away into thin air.*

CUT TO:



**SCENE 48**

**EXT. PLACE CACHÉE—DAY**

*NEWT and JACOB peer around the corner. A French POLICEMAN is standing in front of the statue of the robed woman. JACOB is pale, sweaty, and still clutching the bucket, which has come in handy.*

**JACOB**  
I didn't like that Portkey, Newt.

**NEWT**  
*(absently)*

So you keep saying. Follow me.

*NEWT points his wand at the POLICEMAN.*

**NEWT**  
*Confundus.*

*The POLICEMAN lurches as though drunk, blinks, shakes his head, then giggles and ambles off, raising his hat at disconcerted passersby.*

**NEWT**  
Come on. That'll wear off in a few minutes.

*NEWT leads JACOB through the statue and into Magical Paris. He puts his case down and points his wand at the street.*

**NEWT**  
*Appare vestigium.*

*The tracking spell materializes as a swirl of gold, which illuminates traces of recent magical activity in the square.*

**NEWT**  
*Accio Niffler!*

*The case bursts open and a Niffler jumps out.*

**NEWT**  
Get looking.

*NEWT climbs onto the case and inspects impressions of creatures revealed in the air, while the now-trained adult Niffler sniffs out clues.*

**NEWT**  
That's a Kappa. That's a Japanese water demon—

*The Niffler sniffs around some shimmering footsteps. The Niffler has found*



*the place where TINA stood in front of the Zouwu.*

*NEWT sees a vision of TINA.*

**NEWT**

Tina? Tina!  
(*to Niffler*)  
What have you found?

*He bends down to lick the pavement.*

**JACOB**

(*glancing around*)  
And we're licking the dirt now.

*NEWT puts his wand to his ear and listens to a terrifying roar. He points his wand to the street.*

**NEWT**

*Revelio.*

*JACOB sees what NEWT is looking at: gigantic paw marks overlaying everything else.*

**JACOB**

(*intensely worried*)  
Newt . . . what made those?

**NEWT**

That is a Zouwu. It's a Chinese creature. They are incredibly fast and incredibly powerful. They can travel a thousand miles in a day . . . and this one could take you from one part of Paris to the next in a single leap.

*The Niffler sniffs around more shimmering footsteps—another place where TINA stood.*

**NEWT**

Oh, good boy.

*(intensely worried)*

Jacob, she was here. Tina stood here. She has incredibly narrow feet, have you noticed?

**JACOB**

Can't say that I have.

*NEWT sees a vision of KAMA.*

**NEWT**

Then someone came towards her.

*NEWT points to a feather from KAMA'S hat, sniffs it, and looks troubled.*

**NEWT**

*Avensequim.*

*The feather turns like the needle of a compass, pointing the way.*

**NEWT**

Follow that feather.

**JACOB**

What?

**NEWT**

Jacob, follow the feather.

**JACOB**

Follow the feather.

**NEWT**

*(of the Niffler)*

Where is he? Ah, *Accio* Niffler.

*The Niffler is carried by the spell back into the case. NEWT takes the case and dashes off.*

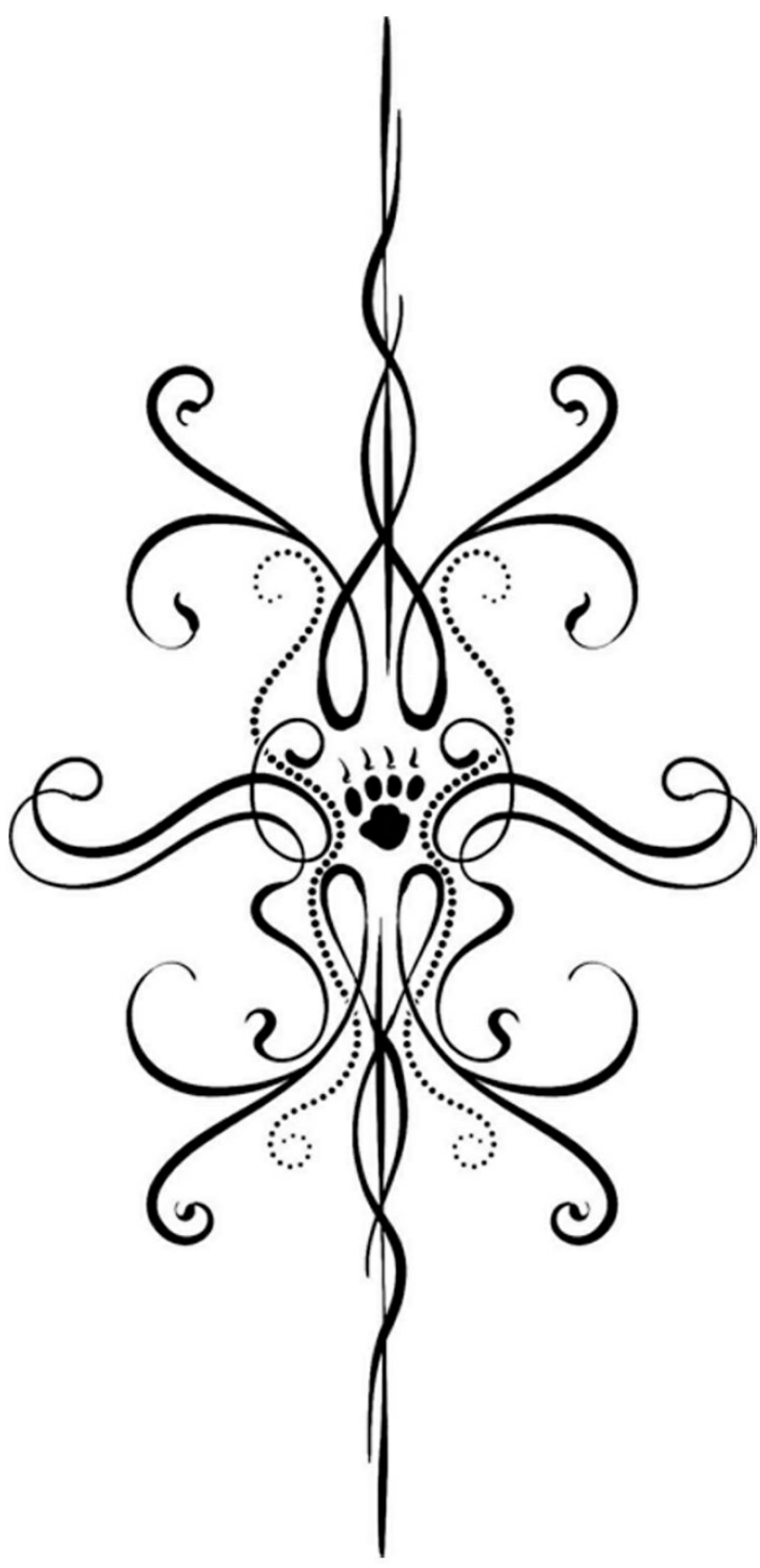
*JACOB gestures toward the bucket in his hand.*

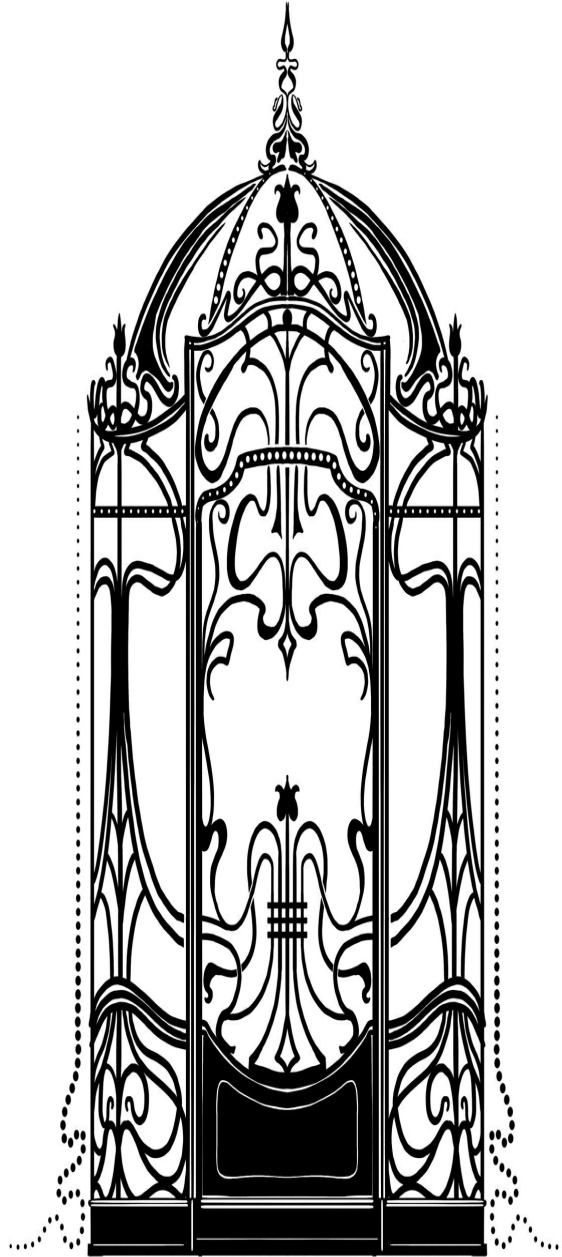
**NEWT**

Let go of the bucket!

*JACOB drops the bucket and chases after NEWT.*







**SCENE 49**  
**EXT. PARIS—DAY**

*Establishing shot.*



**SCENE 50**

**EXT. PLACE DE FURSTEMBERG—MORNING**

*QUEENIE approaches the trees in the middle of the square. She coughs. The roots of the trees rise up and form a birdcage elevator around her, which descends into the earth.*



**SCENE 51**

**INT. MINISTÈRE DES AFFAIRES MAGIQUES, MAIN LEVEL—  
MORNING**

*QUEENIE descends into the beautiful Art Nouveau French Ministry of Magic, its domed ceiling patterned with constellations. QUEENIE approaches reception.*

**RECEPTIONIST**

Bienvenue au Ministère des Affaires Magiques.

**QUEENIE**

I'm sorry, I don't know what you just said at all—

**RECEPTIONIST**

Welcome to the French Ministry of Magic. What is your business, please?

**QUEENIE**

*(loudly and slowly)*

I need to speak to Tina Goldstein, she's an American Auror working on a case here—

*The RECEPTIONIST flicks through a few pages.*

**RECEPTIONIST**

We have no Tina Goldstein here.

**QUEENIE**

No, it's . . . I'm sorry there must be some sort of mistake. See, I know she's in Paris, she sent me a postcard. I brought it, I can show it to you. Maybe you can help me find her here?

*QUEENIE reaches for her suitcase, which falls open.*

**QUEENIE**

It's just in here. Oh rabbits! If you can just wait one moment! I know it's in here somewhere. I definitely packed it. Where is it?

*As the RECEPTIONIST gives a Gallic shrug, a genteel ELDERLY LADY crosses into the shot behind QUEENIE. She has a distinctive bag in her hands—we follow her into the elevator—where ROSIER stands waiting. As the doors close, the ELDERLY LADY transforms into ABERNATHY and he pulls out an elaborate box . . .*



**SCENE 52**

**EXT. PARIS BACK STREET—DAY**

*QUEENIE stands sadly on the street, holding an umbrella. Then—a double take—did she just see NEWT and JACOB hurrying from one side street into another?*

**JACOB**

Could we at least stop for a coffee, or like a—

**NEWT**

Not now, Jacob.

**JACOB**

I don't know.

**NEWT**

This way. Come on.

**JACOB**

Pain au chocolat? Half a croissant, or like, a bonbon?

**NEWT**

This way.

*QUEENIE sets off down the street, trotting in her haste to catch up with NEWT and JACOB.*

*We follow her, drawing ever closer, as she chooses from a bewildering number of side alleys. So absorbed is she in trying to follow NEWT and JACOB—she can now “hear” JACOB’S thoughts.*

**QUEENIE**

*(calls aloud, joyful)*

Jacob! Jacob?

*But he has gone. Exhausted and lonely, QUEENIE drops down to the curb in the rain, deafened by the clamor of the thoughts of those in the crowd around her.*

*A hand falls onto QUEENIE’S shoulder. She turns, beaming. Her expression turns to puzzlement.*

**ROSIER**

Madame? Tout va bien, Madame?



**SCENE 53**



**EXT. BIRD MARKET—LATER THAT DAY**

*CREDENCE and NAGINI walk into shot, looking around. CREDENCE steals birdseed as he passes a stall.*

*GRIMMSON watches them, unnoticed.*



**SCENE 54**

**EXT. RUE PHILIPPE LORAND—SHORTLY AFTERWARD—DAY**

*CREDENCE and NAGINI peer around the corner at the distant Number Eighteen. A light shines in the attic. A shadow moves in front of it.*

**CREDENCE**

*(scared)*

She's home.

*Now he is here, he is rooted to the spot. He dare not proceed. NAGINI prizes his hand from behind his back.*

*She leads him across the road.*



**SCENE 55**

**EXT. REAR OF 18 RUE PHILIPPE LORAND—MINUTES LATER—DAY**

*A door stands open into the yard. They slide through it into a servants' passageway. NAGINI'S nostrils flare. Her eyes dart around. There is something wrong. They proceed toward the stairs.*



## **SCENE 56**

### **INT. 18 RUE PHILIPPE LORAND, LANDING OUTSIDE MAID'S ROOM—DAY**

*CREDESCENCE and NAGINI reach the landing. A door stands ajar. A shadow cast by lamplight: what seems to be a woman, sewing. The shadow pauses in its work. NAGINI is edgy, nervous, looking around.*

**IRMA (O.S.)**

Qui est là?

*CREDESCENCE can neither move nor speak. NAGINI realizes this.*

**NAGINI**

C'est votre fils, madame.

*She takes CREDESCENCE'S hand and pulls him gently into the room. Mended and freshly washed clothing hang from racks on the ceiling. They can see the shadow of a woman. NAGINI'S senses are hyperalert. She can smell danger. The shadow stands.*

**IRMA**

Qui êtes-vous?

**CREDESCENCE**

*(whispers, terrified)*

Are you Irma? Are you . . . ? Are you Irma Dugard?

*No response. They move through the hanging fabric toward her.*

**CREDESCENCE**

I'm sorry. Your name is on my adoption paper. Does this make sense? You gave me to Mrs. Barebone in New York.

*A beat.*

*A tiny hand pushes the last piece of fabric aside. There stands IRMA: half-elf, half-human. CREDESCENCE'S face reveals confusion, awful disappointment.*

**IRMA**

*(to CREDESCENCE)*

I am not your mother. I was only a servant.

*(smiling)*

You were such a beautiful baby. And you are a beautiful man. I have missed you.

*ANGLE ON GRIMMSON, watching them from a doorway.*

**CREDESCENCE**

Why didn't they want me? But why is your name on my adoption paper?

**IRMA**

I took you to Mrs. Barebone because she was supposed to look after you.

*NAGINI'S fear is increasing.*

*ANGLE ON THE DARK WALL BEHIND SWATHES OF FABRIC.*

*The perfectly camouflaged GRIMMSON emerges from the wall, raises his wand, aims for the silhouetted figures, and dispatches a Killing Curse that sears through the sheets and clothing, leaving smoldering holes. We hear a body fall. NAGINI screams. CREDESCENCE'S shadow has vanished.*

*Grinning, certain of triumph, GRIMMSON slashes away the smoking fabric until he stands facing—*

*IRMA, dead on the floor, and NAGINI, who backs away from him. Slowly, his grin fading, GRIMMSON looks up at the ceiling. The Obscurus is swirling there like thick black smoke.*

*In a flash, GRIMMSON conjures a domed Shield Charm around himself and IRMA'S body.*

*And the Obscurus dives, pelting the Shield Charm like a million bullets, rising and re-forming and diving again, but though the magical barrier trembles, it is not broken.*

*Now the Obscurus expands in fury, smashing apart the attic like a tornado.*

*GRIMMSON smiles up at the Obscurus: We'll meet again. He Disapparates.*

*Mingling with the debris of the destroyed attic, the Obscurus slams inward and CREDENCE re-forms. He stands looking down at the tiny body.*



## **SCENE 57**

### **EXT. ALLEYWAY—AFTERNOON**

*Fresh from IRMA'S murder, GRIMMSON stands in a covered alleyway beneath a bridge over the Seine. GRINDELWALD appears.*

**GRIMMSON**

She's dead.

*GRINDELWALD walks toward him and halts when they are face-to-face.*

**GRINDELWALD**

How did the boy take it?

**GRIMMSON**

*(shrugging)*

He's sensitive. The Ministry won't be happy when I tell them I've missed. They know my reputation.

**GRINDELWALD**

Listen to me. The disapproval of cowards is praise to the brave. Your name will be written in glory when wizards rule the world. And the clock is ticking faster. You watch over Credence. Keep

him safe. For the greater good.

**GRIMMSON**

For the greater good.



**SCENE 58**

**EXT. PARISIAN CAFÉ—EVENING**

*A pair of lovers sit over coffee. NEWT is scanning every man who leaves the café, checking the reaction of the feather trapped beneath the glass. JACOB stares at the lovers.*

**JACOB**

You know what I miss about Queenie? Everything. I even miss the stuff that drove me nuts. Like the mind reading . . .

*(he notices NEWT'S inattention)*

. . . I was lucky to have someone like her even interested in anything I thought. You know what I mean?

*A beat.*

**NEWT**

Sorry?

**JACOB**

I was saying, you're sure the guy is here that we're looking for?

**NEWT**

Definitely. The feather says so.



## **SCENE 59**

### **INT. PARISIAN CAFÉ, BATHROOM—EVENING**

*A cramped and dirty bathroom. KAMA stares into the mirror, his featherless fedora perched on the tap. Suddenly his face twitches. He raises his bandaged hand to his eye and rubs it, shaking his head. He removes his hand and stares at his reflection. We close in. A tiny tentacle is visible at the corner of his eye. He whimpers in distress and gropes in his suit pocket for a small bottle of bright green liquid, which he drops into his eye with a dropper.*

*Another whimper of pain as the tentacle withdraws. He looks at his reflection. It seems normal. He puts his hat back on and leaves.*



## **SCENE 60**

### **INT. PARISIAN CAFÉ—EVENING**

*KAMA leaves the café. The feather points at him. NEWT lets it out and it flies to KAMA'S hat.*

**JACOB**

Is that the guy we're looking for?

**NEWT**

Yes.

*NEWT and JACOB jump up to confront him.*

**NEWT**

*(to KAMA)*

Er—bonjour. Bonjour, monsieur.

*KAMA makes to carry on walking, ignoring NEWT.*

**NEWT**

Oh wait, no, sorry. We were . . . we were actually just wondering if you'd come across a friend of ours?

**JACOB**

Tina Goldstein.

**KAMA**

Monsieur, Paris is a large city.

**NEWT**

She's an Auror. When Aurors go missing, the Ministry tend to come looking, so . . . No, now I suppose it would probably be better if we just report her absence—

**KAMA**

*(deciding)*

She is tall? Dark? Rather—

**JACOB**

—intense?

**NEWT**

—beautiful—

**JACOB**

*(hasty, off NEWT'S look)*

—Yeah, what I meant to say—she's very—very pretty—

**NEWT**

She's intense too.

**KAMA**

I think I saw someone like this last night. Perhaps if I showed you where?

**NEWT**

If you wouldn't mind. That would be lovely.

**KAMA**  
Sure.



**SCENE 61**  
**INT. KAMA'S HIDEOUT—EVENING**

*The interior of KAMA'S hideout is pitch black. The sound of water dripping. A brief shaft of sunlight reveals TINA, sleeping lightly on the floor in her coat.*

**NEWT**  
Tina?

*She wakes. A moment as NEWT and TINA stare at each other. Each has thought of the other daily for a year. With no sign of KAMA, it seems she has been rescued.*

**TINA**  
*(joyful, disbelieving)*  
Newt!

*TINA notices KAMA entering in the background and raising his wand. Her expression changes.*

**KAMA**  
*Expelliarmus!*

*NEWT'S wand flies out of his hand into KAMA'S. Bars form across the door, imprisoning them.*

**KAMA**  
*(through the door)*  
My apologies, Mr. Scamander! I shall return and release you when Credence is dead!



**TINA**

Kama, wait!

**KAMA**

You see, either he dies . . . or I do.

*He claps a hand to his eye.*

**KAMA**

No, no, no, no. Oh no. No, no, no.

*He jerks convulsively and slides to the floor, unconscious.*

**NEWT**

Well, that's not the best start to a rescue attempt.

**TINA**

This was a rescue attempt? You've just lost me my only lead.

*JACOB launches for the door, trying to break it down.*

**NEWT**

*(innocent)*

Well, how was the interrogation going before we turned up?

*TINA throws him a dark look. She strides to the back of the cave.*

*Pickett, who, unnoticed, has hopped out of NEWT'S pocket, successfully picks the lock, and the bars swing open.*

**JACOB**

Newt!

**NEWT**

Well done, Pick.

*(to TINA)*

You need this man, you say?

**TINA**

Yeah. I think this man knows where Credence is, Mr. Scamander.

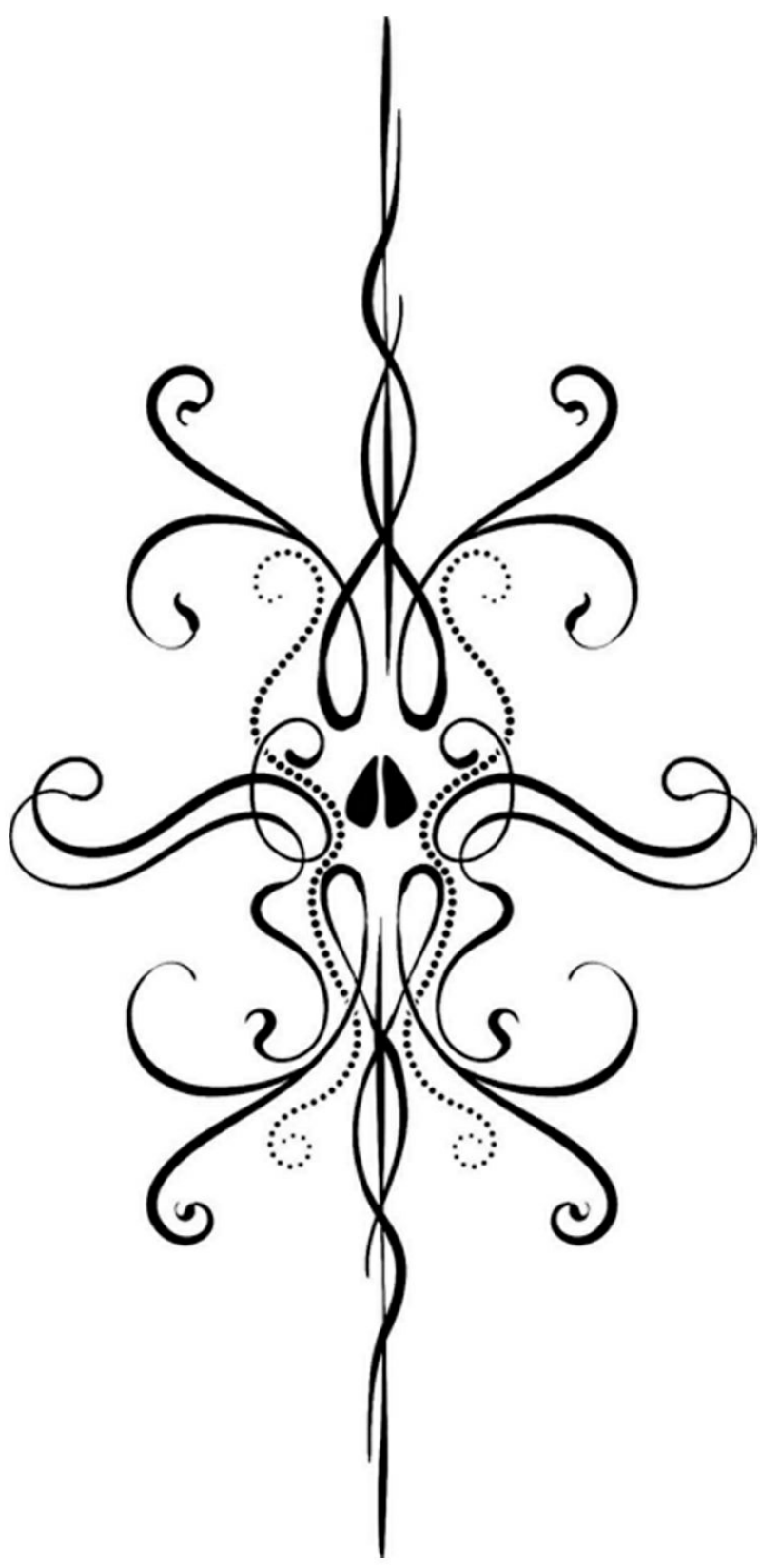
*As they bend over the unconscious KAMA, they hear an earth-shattering roar from somewhere above them. They look at each other.*

**NEWT**

Well, that'll be the Zouwu.

*NEWT grabs his wand and Disapparates.*







**SCENE 62**

**EXT. PARISIAN BRIDGE—NIGHT**

*In the middle of the bridge is the Zouwu, terrified and lethal. It is too badly hurt to keep running, but it is swiping at passersby, who are screaming and running out of the way. Cars screech to a halt.*

*NEWT Apparates in the middle of the bridge, fifty yards from the Zouwu, holding his case. A second later, TINA Apparates too, holding JACOB'S arm. JACOB is sagging under the weight of the unconscious KAMA.*

**JACOB**

*(calls)*

*Newt, get out of there!*

*NEWT stoops down slowly and opens his case. The Zouwu snarls, crouches, and begins to advance on NEWT.*

*Very slowly, so as not to alarm the Zouwu, NEWT lowers his arm into the case, feeling for something. It takes him longer than he expected. Frowning, he reaches deeper inside. The Zouwu advances. It bares its teeth.*

*NEWT has found what he was looking for. He raises his arm. He is holding a fluffy toy bird on a stick and rope.*

*A beat. The Zouwu's eyes start to follow the bird.*

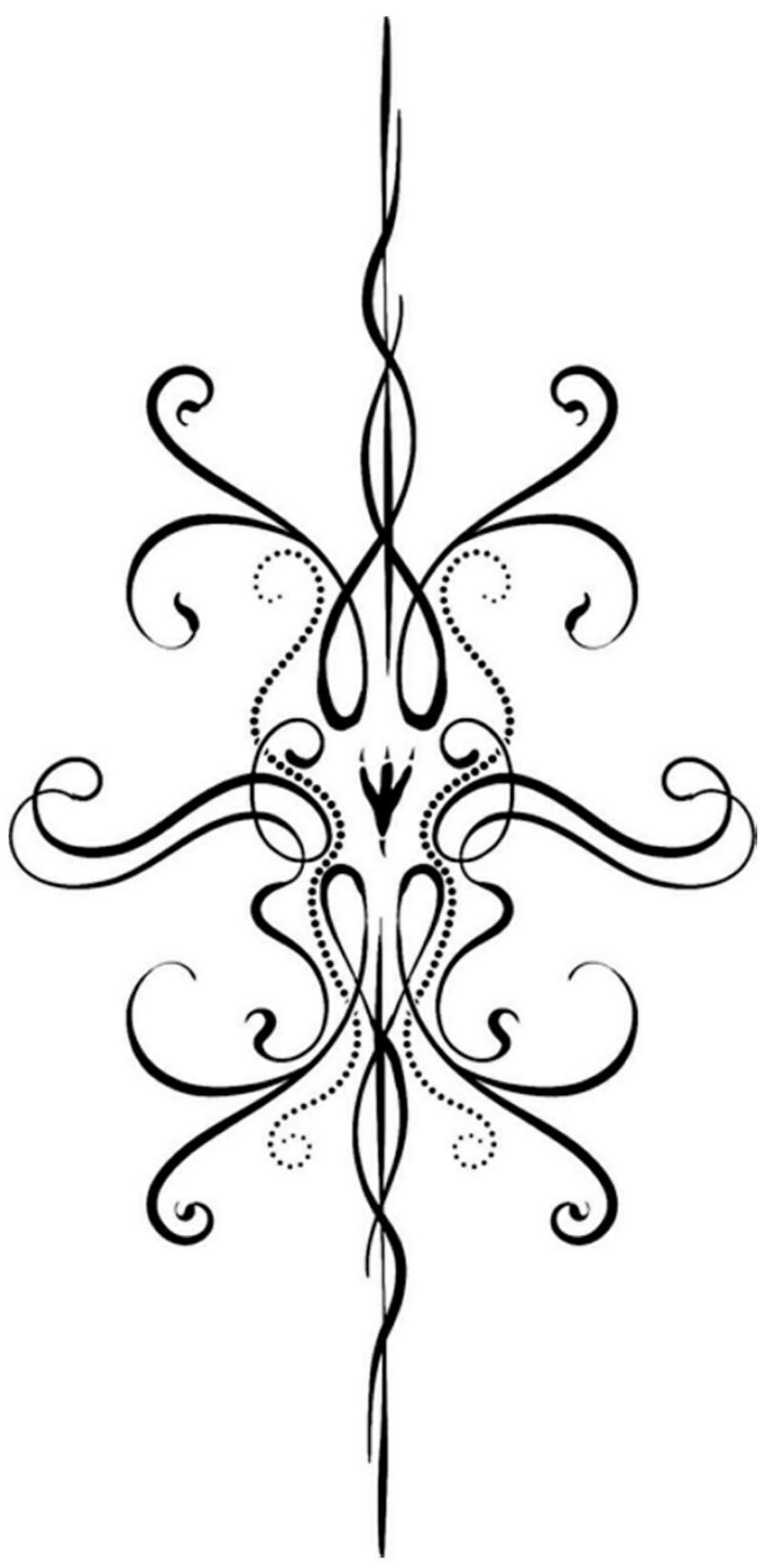
*The Zouwu's tail twitches. It crouches lower than ever. Then, with a sudden bound, it soars through the air toward NEWT. Screams from the onlookers—NEWT will surely be crushed—*

*But at the last moment he lets the bird fall into the case and the Zouwu sails after it in a flash of rainbow color, python tail flailing and—WHAM—NEWT slams the lid shut.*

*Uproar from the crowd, sirens approaching, police cars converging on the bridge. FLAMEL'S card flies up out of NEWT'S pocket.*

*TINA and JACOB, still carrying KAMA, run toward NEWT, and all four Disapparate.*





## **SCENE 63**

### **EXT. HOGWARTS—DAY**

*An ominous procession of AURORS marches up the drive toward the castle, among them, THESEUS and LETA.*

*CLOSE ON AN UPPER WINDOW. STUDENTS staring down at the strangers, nudging one another. The AURORS enter the school.*



## **SCENE 64**

### **INT. DEFENSE AGAINST THE DARK ARTS CLASSROOM—DAY**

*DUMBLEDORE is teaching. A space in the middle of the room, all students enjoying the spectacle. A large boy—McCLAGGAN—is braced for attack, his robes covered in dust, his tie knotted around his ear. He and DUMBLEDORE circle each other.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

What were the three biggest mistakes that you made last time?

**McCLAGGAN**

Caught by surprise, sir.

**DUMBLEDORE**

What else?

**McCLAGGAN**

Didn't parry before counter-curse, sir.

**DUMBLEDORE**

Very good. And the last one . . . the most important one?

*McCLAGGAN looks away, thinking. DUMBLEDORE hits him unawares. McCLAGGAN flies into the air, DUMBLEDORE conjures a sofa, McCLAGGAN hits it and slides to the floor.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

Not learning from the first two.

*The class laughs. The door opens. TRAVERS, THESEUS, and four other AURORS enter, YOUNG MINERVA McGONAGALL behind them.*

**McGONAGALL**

This is a school, you've no right—

**TRAVERS**

I'm the Head of Magical Law Enforcement and I have the right to go wherever I please.

*(to the students)*

Out of here.

*They don't move.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

*(to the students)*

Go with Professor McGonagall, please.

*They file out, curious or alarmed. The last out is McCLAGGAN.*

**McCLAGGAN**

*(to TRAVERS)*

He's the best teacher we've got.

**DUMBLEDORE**

*(quiet)*

Thanks, McClaggan.

**TRAVERS**

Get out!

**McGONAGALL**



Come, McClaggan.

*The door closes.*

**TRIVERS**

Newt Scamander is in Paris.

**DUMBLEDORE**

Really?

**TRIVERS**

Cut the pretense. I know he's there on your orders.

**DUMBLEDORE**

If you'd ever had the pleasure to teach him, you'd know Newt is not a great follower of orders.

*TRIVERS tosses a small book to DUMBLEDORE, who catches it in one hand.*

**TRIVERS**

*(indicating the book)*

You've read *The Predictions of Tycho Dodonus*?

**DUMBLEDORE**

Many years ago.

**TRIVERS**

*(reads)*

“A son cruelly banished  
Despair of the daughter  
Return—”

**DUMBLEDORE**

Yes, I know it.

**TRIVERS**

There's a rumor this prediction refers to the Obscurial. They say that Grindelwald wants—

**DUMBLEDORE**

—a highborn henchman. I’ve heard the rumor.

**TRAVERS**

And yet Scamander appears wherever the Obscurial goes, to protect him. Meanwhile you have built up quite a little network of international contacts—

**DUMBLEDORE**

*(quiet, steely)*

However long you keep me and my friends under surveillance, you’re not going to discover plots against you, Travers, because we want the same thing: the defeat of Grindelwald. But I warn you, your policies of suppression and violence are pushing supporters into his arms—

**TRAVERS**

I’m not interested in your warnings!

*(controlling himself)*

Now, it pains me to say it, because—well, I don’t like you.

*TRAVERS and DUMBLEDORE both chuckle.*

**TRAVERS**

But . . . you are the only wizard who is his equal. I need you to fight him.

*A pause. The AURORS watch.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

I cannot.

**TRAVERS**

Because of this?

*He casts a spell to show moving pictures of TEENAGE DUMBLEDORE and TEENAGE GRINDELWALD. The AURORS are shocked.*

*The TEENAGE DUMBLEDORE and TEENAGE GRINDELWALD stare intently into each other's eyes.*

**TRAVERS**

You and Grindelwald were as close as brothers.

**DUMBLEDORE**

We were closer than brothers.

*DUMBLEDORE is looking at the pictures. These memories are agony. He is full of remorse but, almost worse: nostalgia for the only time in his life he felt fully understood.*

**TRAVERS**

*Will you fight him?*

**DUMBLEDORE**

*(pained)*

I can't.

**TRAVERS**

Then you have chosen your side.

*He flicks his wand once more. Thick metal cuffs—Admonitors—appear on DUMBLEDORE'S wrists.*

**TRAVERS**

From now on, I shall know every spell you cast. I'm doubling the watch on you, and you will no longer teach Defense Against the Dark Arts.

*(to THESEUS)*

Where's Leta? We need to go to Paris!

*He storms out. The AURORS follow. THESEUS is last to the door.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

*(quietly)*

Theseus.

*THESEUS looks back.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

Theseus, if Grindelwald calls a rally, don't try and break it up.  
Don't let Travers send you in there. If you ever trusted me—

**TRAVERS (O.S.)**  
THESEUS!

*THESEUS leaves.*



**SCENE 65**

**INT. DESERTED HOGWARTS CORRIDOR—DAY**

*The late afternoon sun falls through the windows as LETA walks along a corridor populated only with memories. She stops beside an open door.*

*The Great Hall is lit with floating candles.*



**SCENE 66**

**INT. EMPTY HOGWARTS CLASSROOM—DAY**

*LETA walks slowly into the classroom, then turns to look back into the corridor and—*

DISSOLVE TO:



**SCENE 67**

**INT. EMPTY HOGWARTS CLASSROOM—SEVENTEEN YEARS  
PREVIOUSLY—MORNING**

*13-YEAR-OLD LETA stands hiding inside the empty classroom while students in cloaks trundle by, pushing trunks and carrying owls. It is the last day of the winter term and nearly everyone is going home.*

*ANGLE ON TWO 13-YEAR-OLD GRYFFINDOR GIRLS pushing trunks.*

**GRYFFINDOR GIRL 1**

You know she stays here every vacation. Her family don't actually want her home.

**GRYFFINDOR GIRL 2**

I don't blame them, she's so annoying. Even the name Lestrangle makes me feel sick—

*LETA flings herself into their path, pointing her wand.*

**13-YEAR-OLD LETA**

*Oscusi!*

*GRYFFINDOR GIRL 2'S mouth is sealed shut as though she never had one. Triumphant, LETA flees the scene, pushing past shocked students.*

**GRYFFINDOR GIRL 1**

*(screams)*

Professor McGonagall! LESTRANGE HAS DONE IT AGAIN!

**McGONAGALL (O.S.)**

Lestrangle, stop running! LESTRANGE! Disobedient children. Stop! Shame on the House of Slytherin. One hundred points! Two hundred! Get back here, right now! Stop! Stop it! Stop it! You stop it! Get back here!

**GRYFFINDOR GIRL 1**

Miss, it was Lestrangle. She's horrible—

*McGONAGALL silences the girl.*

*ANGLE ON LETA, sprinting around a corner.*

*She wrenches open a side door and plunges inside.*



### **SCENE 68**

#### **INT. HOGWARTS CUPBOARD—SEVENTEEN YEARS PREVIOUSLY—MORNING**

*13-YEAR-OLD LETA slams the door and stands there, ear against it. She hears running, distant shouts. Then a sound behind her makes her jump and turn around.*

*13-YEAR-OLD NEWT is already in occupation of the cupboard. He has hidden a couple of tanks here, one containing tadpoles, another Streeleers. A lined cardboard box serves as a nest for the raven chick he is cradling in his hand. It wears a splint on its broken leg. NEWT and LETA stare at each other.*

#### **13-YEAR-OLD LETA**

Scamander . . . why aren't you packing?

#### **13-YEAR-OLD NEWT**

I'm not going home.

#### **13-YEAR-OLD LETA**

Why not?

#### **13-YEAR-OLD NEWT**

*(of the raven)*

He needs me. It was hurt.

*LETA takes in the tanks, then the ugly little bird, to which NEWT now feeds*

*an earthworm.*

**13-YEAR-OLD LETA**

What is that?

**13-YEAR-OLD NEWT**

A raven chick.

*She is mildly intrigued now.*

**13-YEAR-OLD LETA**

The raven's my family's emblem.

*She watches him stroking the bird's head. As he places the chick gently in her hands, she seems to see him plainly for the first time.*

DISSOLVE TO:



**SCENE 69**

**INT. DEFENSE AGAINST THE DARK ARTS CLASS—FOURTEEN YEARS PREVIOUSLY—DAY**

*It is Boggart time. DUMBLEDORE supervises the line of teenagers advancing to try their luck. “Riddikulus”—“Riddikulus”—gusts of hilarity as a shark becomes a flotation device, a zombie's head turns into a pumpkin, a vampire turns into a buck-toothed rabbit.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

All right, Newt. Be brave.

*16-YEAR-OLD NEWT moves to the front of the queue. The Boggart turns into a Ministry desk.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

Mmm, that's an unusual one. So Mr. Scamander fears what more than anything else in the world?

**16-YEAR-OLD NEWT**

Having to work in an office, sir.

*The class roars with laughter.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

Go ahead, Newt.

**16-YEAR-OLD NEWT**

*Riddikulus!*

*NEWT turns the desk into a gamboling wooden dragon and moves aside.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

Well done. Good job.

*It is 16-YEAR-OLD LETA'S turn, but she doesn't move. She is terrified.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

*(kind, to LETA)*

Leta, it's only a Boggart, it can't hurt you. Everyone's scared of something.

*A group of girls stands together, enjoying her fear.*

**GRYFFINDOR GIRL 1**

I've been looking forward to this.

*LETA steps forward. The Boggart transforms and at once, all laughter is extinguished. Green light is reflected on every horrified face.*

*We see a shadow, with a tiny human hand. LETA lets out a sob and runs from the room.*





**SCENE 70**

**EXT. HOGWARTS LAKE, BOWTRUCKLE ISLAND—FOURTEEN YEARS PREVIOUSLY—EVENING**

*NEWT finds LETA sitting by the lake, tearstained, eyes swollen. They look at each other.*

**16-YEAR-OLD LETA**

I don't want to talk about it!

*He holds out his hand and she lets him pull her up. He leads her past a few trees until they reach the one where Bowtruckles are climbing and fighting and playing. They freeze at the humans' approach but relax when they recognize NEWT. He holds out a finger. One of them jumps on.*

**16-YEAR-OLD NEWT**

They know me, or they'd hide. They only nest in trees with wand-quality wood, did you know that?

*(beat)*

And they have very complex social lives. If you watch them for long enough, you realize . . .

*He trails off. She is watching him, not the Bowtruckles. NEWT reaches across to her, the Bowtruckle standing on his wrist. His hand grazes hers.*

**DUMBLEDORE (V.O.)**

Hello, Leta.

DISSOLVE TO:



**SCENE 71**

**INT. EMPTY HOGWARTS CLASSROOM—AFTERNOON**

*LETA is still sitting at her old desk in the present-day classroom.  
DUMBLEDORE enters.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

This is a surprise.

**LETA**

*(cold)*

Finding me in a classroom? Was I such a bad student?

**DUMBLEDORE**

On the contrary, you were one of my cleverest.

**LETA**

I said bad, not stupid. Don't bother answering. I know you never liked me.

**DUMBLEDORE**

Well, you're wrong. I never thought you bad.

**LETA**

You were alone, then. Everybody else did.

*(very quietly)*

And they were right. I was wicked.

*A beat as he considers her.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

Leta, I know how painful the rumors about your brother Corvus must be for you.

**LETA**

No, you don't. Not unless you had a brother who died too.

**DUMBLEDORE**

In my case, it was my sister.

*She stares at him, both hostile and curious.*

**LETA**

Did you love her?

**DUMBLEDORE**

Not as well as I should have done.

*He steps toward LETA.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

It's never too late to free yourself. Confession is a relief, I'm told. A great weight lifted.

*She stares at him. What does he know—or suspect?*

**DUMBLEDORE**

*(sotto voce)*

Regret is my constant companion. Do not let it become yours.



## **SCENE 72**

### **INT. GRINDELWALD'S HIDEOUT, DRAWING ROOM—END OF DAY**

*QUEENIE is on the sofa, beside a table of tea and cakes. She sets down her empty teacup. We feel her slight awkwardness as it is instantly refilled by ROSIER.*

**QUEENIE**

Oh, no, thank you. You've been real kind, but my sister Tina's probably worried sick about me, you know. Banging on all the doors and things, so I think I'd better be going.

**ROSIER**

But you haven't met your host.

**QUEENIE**

*(a little wistfully)*

Oh, are you married?

**ROSIER**

*(smiling)*

Let's say . . . deeply committed.

**QUEENIE**

*(innocent)*

You see, I can't tell if you're making a joke or if you're just . . .  
French.

*ROSIER laughs and leaves. QUEENIE is confused. An enchanted teapot hovering in midair nudges her, intent on refilling her cup.*

**QUEENIE**

*(to the teapot)*

Hey, knock it off.

*The door opens. GRINDELWALD enters. QUEENIE stands and the teapot and cups smash to the ground. She draws her wand and aims it at GRINDELWALD.*

**QUEENIE**

You stay right there. I know what you are.

*He walks slowly toward her.*

**GRINDELWALD**

Queenie, we are not here to hurt you. We only want to help you.  
You're so very, very far from home. Far away from everything  
you love. Everything that was comfortable.

*QUEENIE stares, keeping her wand raised.*

**GRINDELWALD**

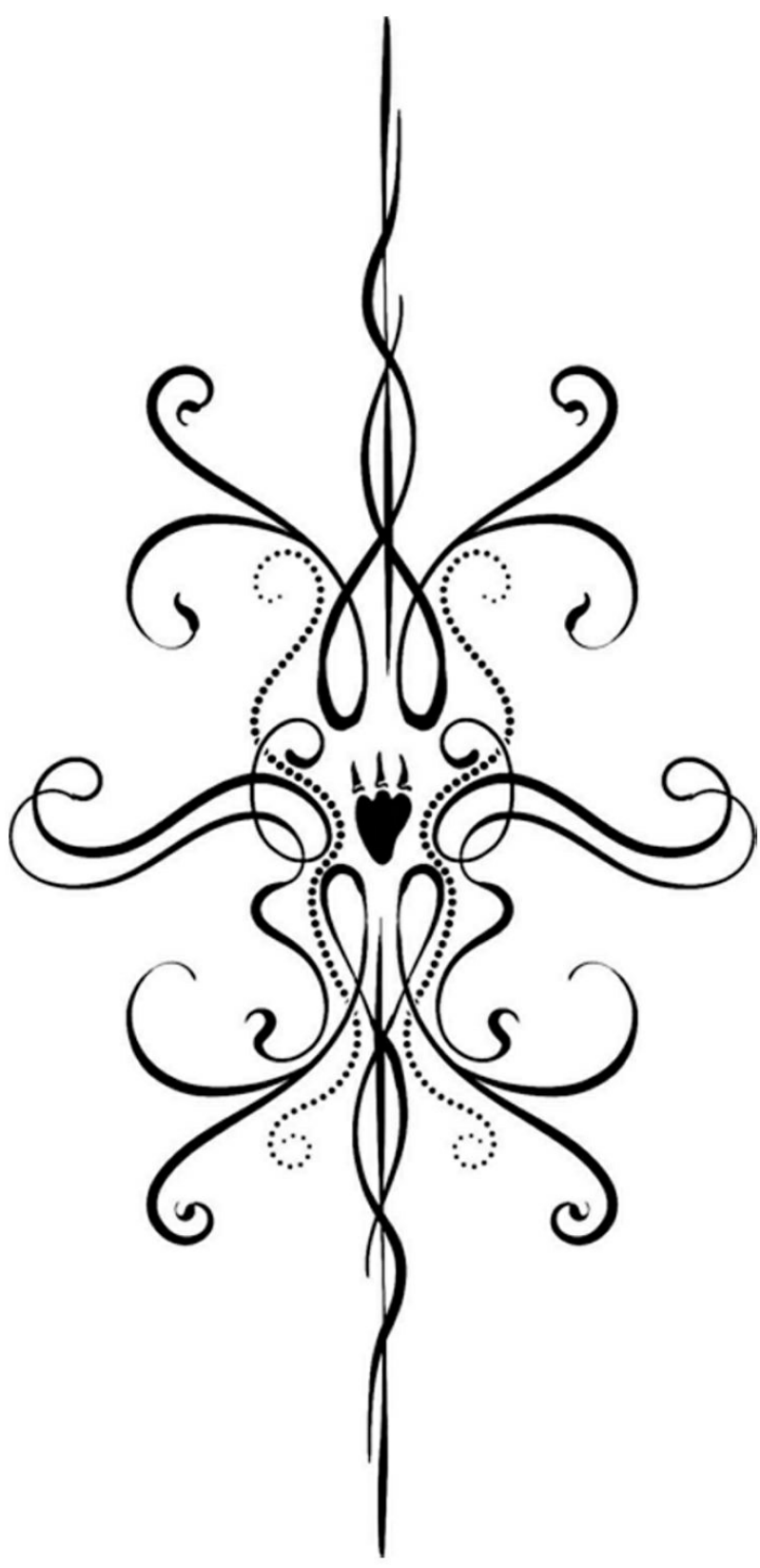
I would never see you harmed, ever. It is not your fault that your sister is an Auror. I wish you were working with me now towards a world where we wizards are free to live openly, and to love freely.

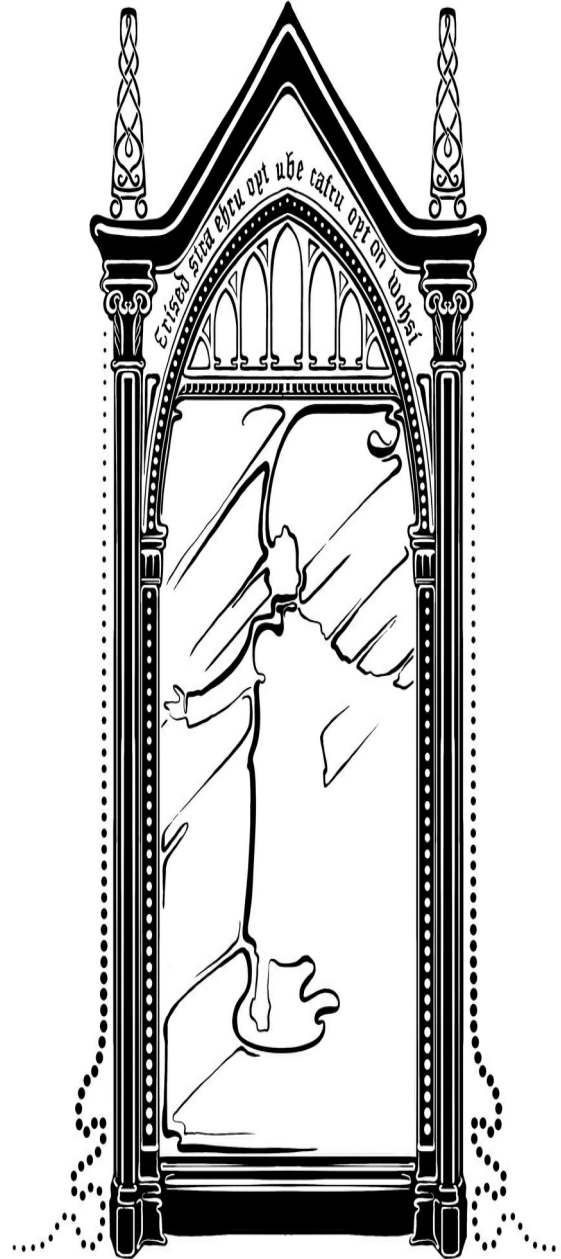
*GRINDELWALD'S hand touches her wand-tip and lowers it.*

**GRINDELWALD**

You are an innocent. So go now. Leave this place.







**SCENE 73**

**INT. HOGWARTS, ROOM OF REQUIREMENT—NIGHT**

*A spartan room. A large object stands against the wall, covered in black velvet. DUMBLEDORE stands thinking for a moment, then approaches the*

*covered object and pulls the curtain down.*

*The Mirror of Erised is revealed. He has not looked into it for many years. Bracing himself, he now does so.*

*We see TEENAGE DUMBLEDORE and TEENAGE GRINDELWALD facing each other in a barn. Both score their palms with their wands. Now bleeding, they interlace their hands . . .*

*DUMBLEDORE turns his head away, fighting the impulse to cover the glass again.*

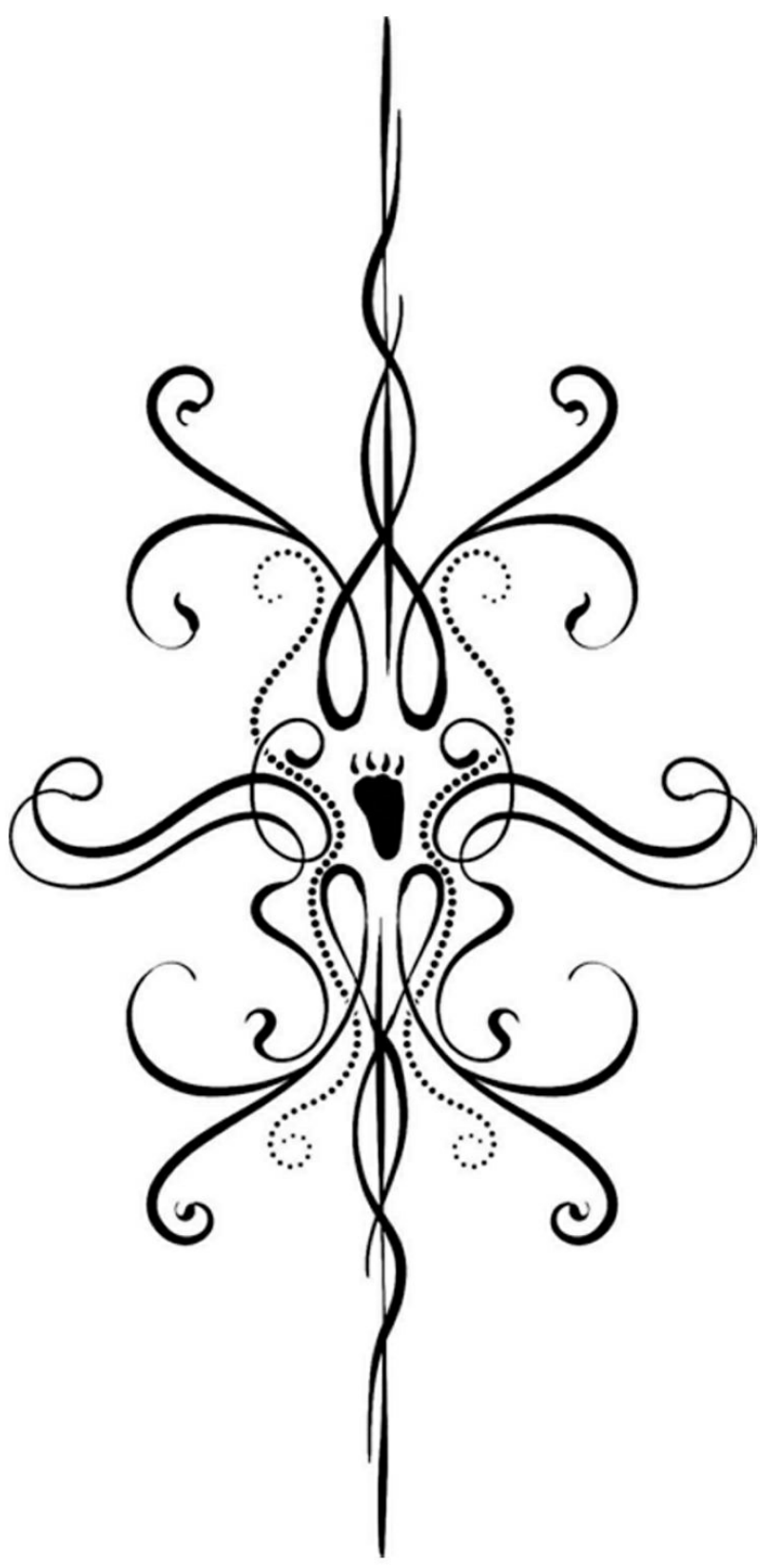
*Bracing himself, he looks up.*

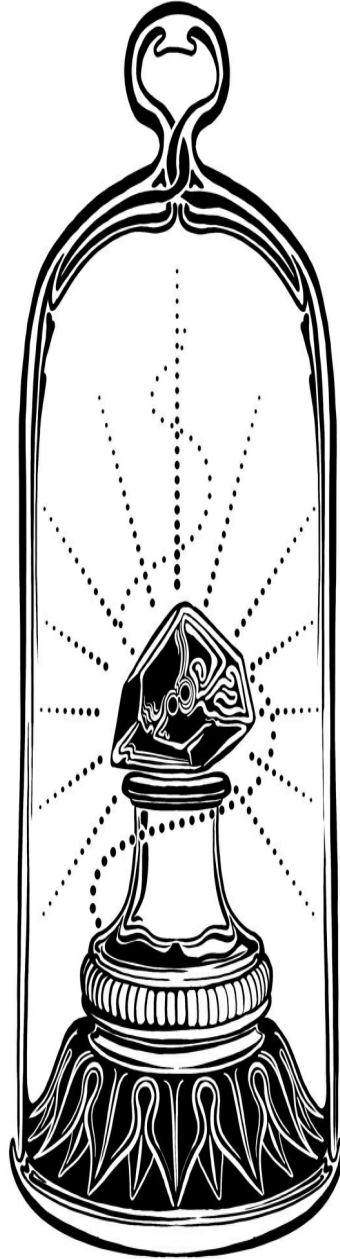
*From their bloody palms rise two glowing drops of blood, which mingle and merge to create one. A metal shape begins to form around the droplet, becoming more defined and intricate. It is GRINDELWALD'S vial.*

*The vision fades and the present-day GRINDELWALD stands smiling out of the mirror, surrounded by blackness.*









**SCENE 74**

**EXT. PARIS, RUE DE MONTMORENCY—AFTERNOON**

*Establishing shot of NICOLAS FLAMEL'S house.*



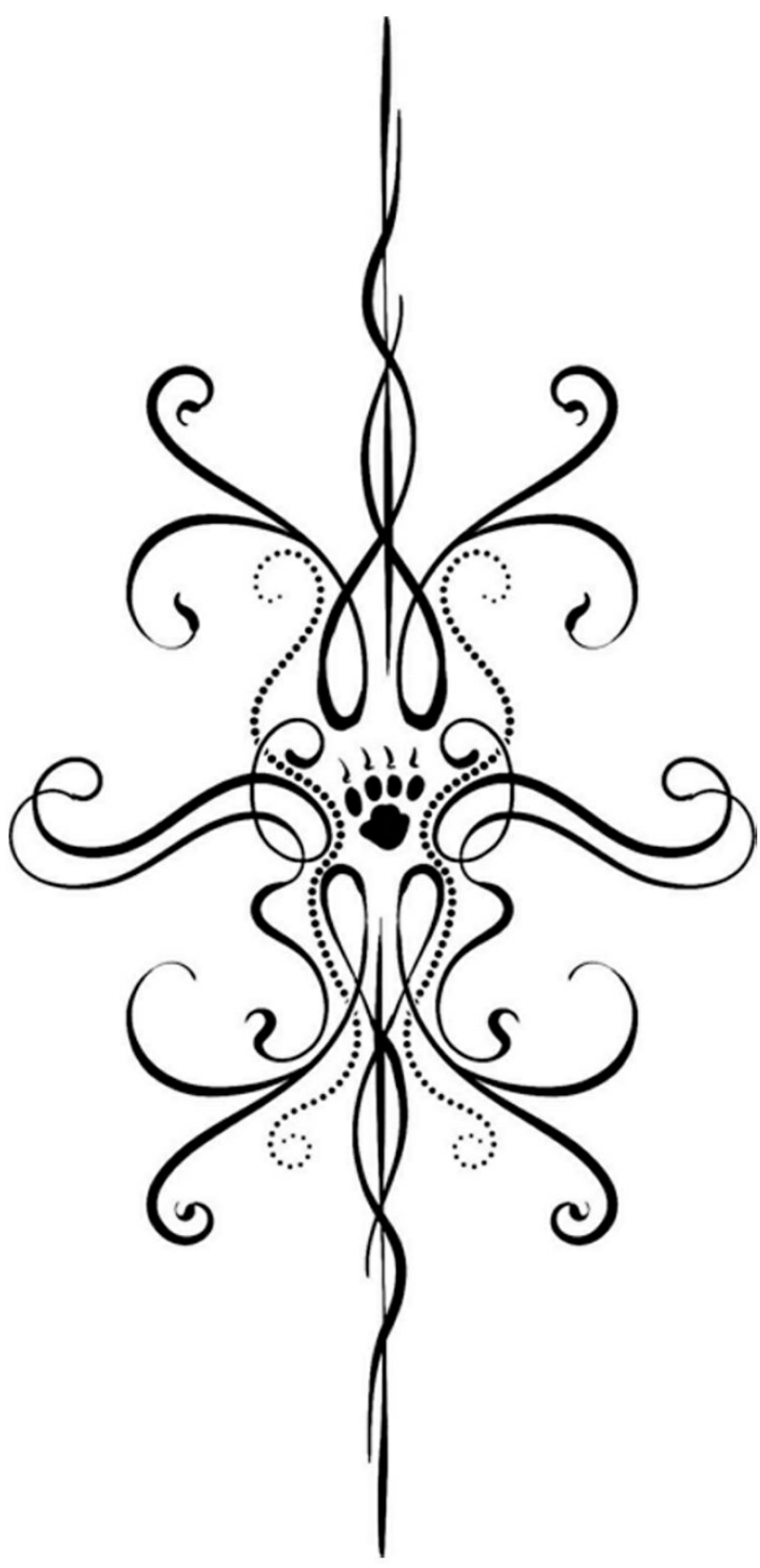
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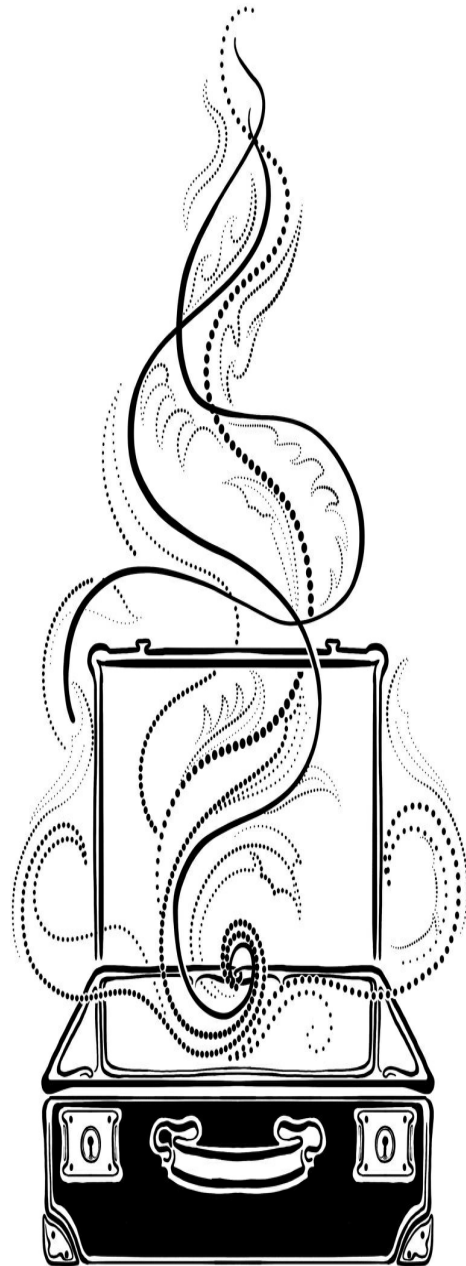
### **INT. FLAMEL HOUSE—AFTERNOON**

*A creepy medieval drawing room. The tapestries sport moving figures and odd runes. A large crystal ball in a corner shows dark clouds. TINA is trying to wake up KAMA with a bottle of smelling salts. He moves slightly. The Predictions of Tycho Dodonus slips out of his pocket onto the floor. TINA picks it up and opens it to the prediction KAMA has underlined.*

*NEWT'S case is open on a table. The Zouwu roars from inside. TINA turns to look at it, listening.*







**SCENE 76**

**INT. NEWT'S CASE, ZOUWU ENCLOSURE—AFTERNOON**

*A wild Chinese habitat. NEWT is curled up in dense undergrowth. The Zouwu picks him up and dangles him from a claw.*



**SCENE 77**

**INT. FLAMEL HOUSE—AFTERNOON**

*JACOB enters and sees TINA watching the case. She hastily looks back at the book.*

**JACOB**

*(calling into case)*

Hey, Newt, buddy. Tina's up here. She's all by her lonesome and maybe you want to come up and keep her company?

*(beat)*

I've been looking for food, and I ain't found any. I guess I'm gonna go upstairs and try my luck in the—I dunno—the attic!



**SCENE 78**

**INT. NEWT'S CASE, ZOUWU ENCLOSURE—AFTERNOON**

*Still dangling from the Zouwu's claw, NEWT soothes and coaxes her until he can reach her harness and remove it. The Zouwu is finally freed from her chains.*

**NEWT**

You're all right.

**JACOB (O.S.)**

Okay!



**SCENE 79**

**INT. FLAMEL HOUSE—AFTERNOON**

*JACOB is about to leave when NEWT clambers back out of the case.*

**NEWT**

She's responded well to the Dittany. She was born to run, you see. I think she's just lacking in confidence—

*He glances at TINA. She pockets The Predictions of Tycho Dodonus and speaks, not quite looking at NEWT.*

**TINA**

Mr. Scamander, have you got anything in your case that might help revive this man? I need to question him. I think he knows who Credence really is. The scars on his hand suggest an unbreakable vow—

**NEWT**

*(eager, overlapping)*

—unbreakable vow. Yeah, I noticed that too—

*They examine the unconscious KAMA.*

**NEWT**

*Lumos.*

*NEWT'S and TINA'S hands brush as NEWT advances his lit wand-tip to look in KAMA'S eye. Both jump. NEWT stares into KAMA'S eye. The tiny flicker of a tentacle, swiftly withdrawn—*

**TINA**

*(gasps)*

What was that?

**NEWT**

*(serious)*

There must be a water dragon in that sewer—they carry these

parasites, you see. They . . . Jacob?

**JACOB**

Yeah?

**NEWT**

In my case, in the pocket there, you'll find a pair of tweezers.

**JACOB**

Tweezers?

**NEWT**

They're thin and pointy—

**TINA**

Thin, little pointy things.

**JACOB**

Yes, I know what tweezers are.

**NEWT**

*(to TINA)*

You might not want to watch this . . .

**TINA**

I can handle it.

*NEWT succeeds in catching and pulling at the tentacle in KAMA'S eye.*

**NEWT**

Come on. You're all right. Jacob, will you take that for me?

*He has extracted something like a spindly, waterborne spider, which he hands to JACOB.*

**JACOB**

Ew! Calamari.

*KAMA has started muttering, distraught, semiconscious.*



**KAMA**

I must kill him . . .

**TINA**

Who? Credence? Who—?

**NEWT**

It may take him a few hours to recover. The parasite's poison is quite strong.

**TINA**

I'll have to go to the Ministry with what I've got.  
*(a wobble in her voice)*

It was nice to see you again, Mr. Scamander.

*She strides from the room, leaving NEWT perplexed and upset.*



**SCENE 80**

**INT. FLAMEL HOUSE, HALLWAY—AFTERNOON**

*JACOB follows TINA into the hall.*

**JACOB**

Hey, hold on one second, will you? Well, hold on! Wait! Tina!

*She leaves. As the front door closes, NEWT appears at the drawing room door.*

**JACOB**

*(to NEWT)*

You didn't mention salamanders, did you?

**NEWT**

No, she just—ran. I don't know . . .

**JACOB**

*(firm)*

So you chase after her!

*NEWT grabs his case. He leaves.*



**SCENE 81**

**EXT. RUE DE MONTMORENCY—END OF DAY**

*TINA is hurrying up the road. NEWT hastens to catch up.*

**NEWT**

Tina. Please, just listen to me—

**TINA**

Mr. Scamander, I need to go talk to the Ministry—and I know how you feel about Aurors—

**NEWT**

I may have been a little strong in the way that I expressed myself in that letter—

**TINA**

What was the exact phrase? “A bunch of careerist hypocrites”?

**NEWT**

I’m sorry, but I can’t admire people whose answer to everything that they fear or misunderstand is “kill it”!

**TINA**

I’m an Auror and I don’t—

**NEWT**

Yes, and that’s because you’ve gone middle head!

**TINA**

*(stopping)*

Excuse me?

**NEWT**

It's an expression derived from the three heads of the Runespoor. The middle one is the visionary. Every Auror in Europe wants Credence dead—except you. You've gone middle head.

*A beat.*

**TINA**

Who else uses that expression, Mr. Scamander?

*NEWT considers.*

**NEWT**

I think it might just be me.

*All lights are extinguished as every building is wrapped in black banners.*

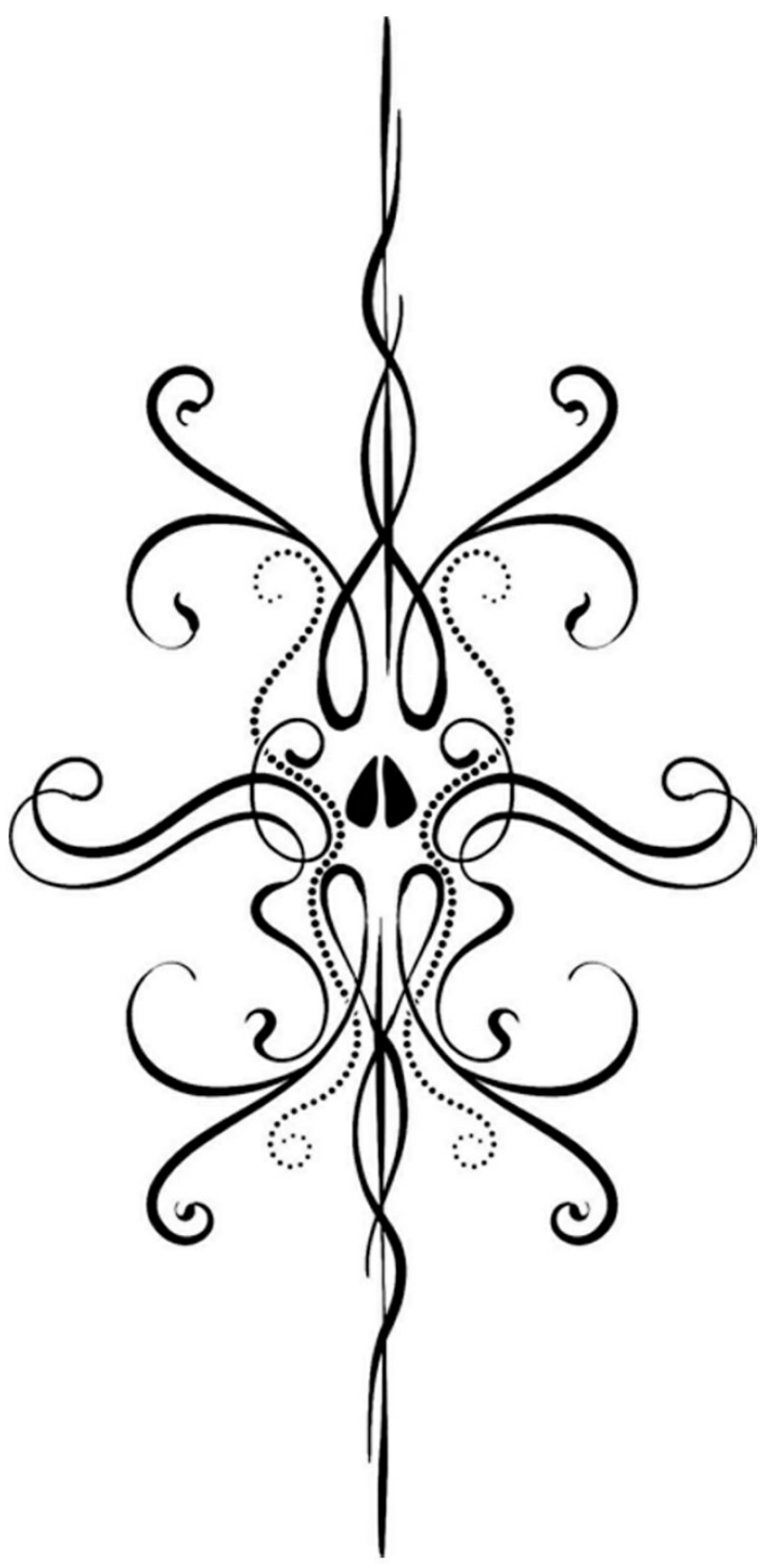
*Muggles pass, totally immune, but a YOUNG RED-HAIRED WITCH nearby is walking along. She, like NEWT and TINA, can see the banners.*

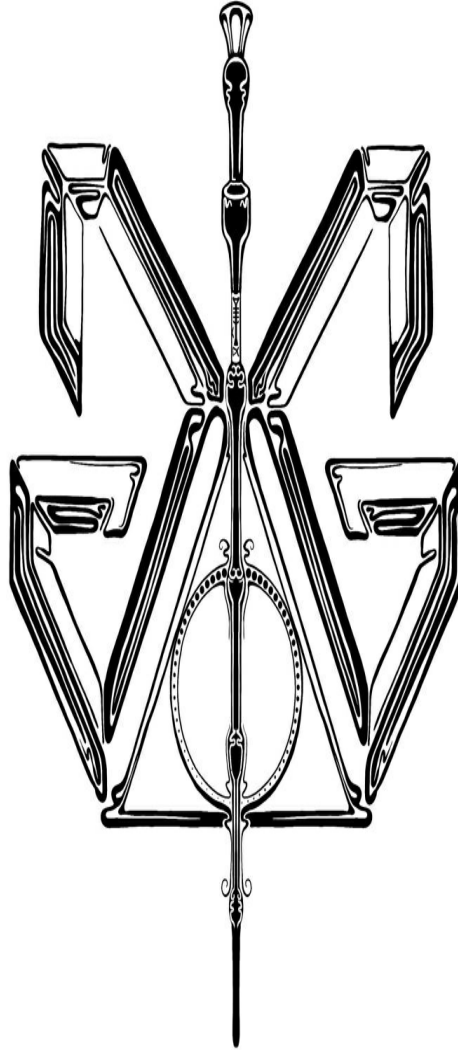
*TINA steps into the middle of the road, watching the black silk fall out of the sky to shroud the surrounding buildings in darkness.*

**TINA**

It's Grindelwald. He's calling his followers.

*We pan up one length of flowing black silk until we achieve an aerial view of Paris. The entire city is being covered in GRINDELWALD'S dark banners.*





**SCENE 82**

**EXT. WIZARDING CAFÉ—END OF DAY**

*Witches and wizards hurrying outside to see what is invisible to Muggle passersby.*



**SCENE 83**

**EXT. PARISIAN STREET—END OF DAY**

*QUEENIE reaches out to the nearest black banner, and an emblem of a white raven appears beneath her touch.*



**SCENE 84**

**EXT. PLACE DE FURSTEMBERG—END OF DAY**

*NEWT still following TINA. They stand surrounded by the impressive scale of GRINDELWALD'S banners.*

**TINA**

It's too late. Grindelwald's come for Credence. He might already have him.

**NEWT**

*(suddenly forceful)*

It's not too late. We can still get to him first.

*He grabs her hand and pulls her on.*

**TINA**

Where are you going?

**NEWT**

The French Ministry of Magic.

**TINA**

That's the last place Credence would go!

**NEWT**

There's a box hidden at the Ministry safe. It's a box that can tell us who Credence really is.

**TINA**

A box? What are you talking about?

**NEWT**

Trust me.



**SCENE 85**

**EXT. DERELICT BUILDING, ROOFTOP—LATE AFTERNOON**

*CREDENCE is breaking up birdseed and feeding it to a small chick when NAGINI appears behind him.*

**NAGINI**

*(urgently)*

Credence.

*She leads him back through the open window, out onto the roof. The Eiffel Tower is visible behind them.*

*We pan around and see GRINDELWALD sitting on the rooftop near them both.*

**GRINDELWALD**

Shh.

**CREDENCE**

*(whispers)*

What do you want?

**GRINDELWALD**

From you? Nothing. For you? Everything I never had. But what is it you want, my boy?

**CREDENCE**

I want to know who I am.

**GRINDELWALD**

This is where you will find proof of your true identity.

*GRINDELWALD takes a piece of parchment from his pocket and throws it into the air. The parchment flutters to CREDENCE and lands gently in his hand.*

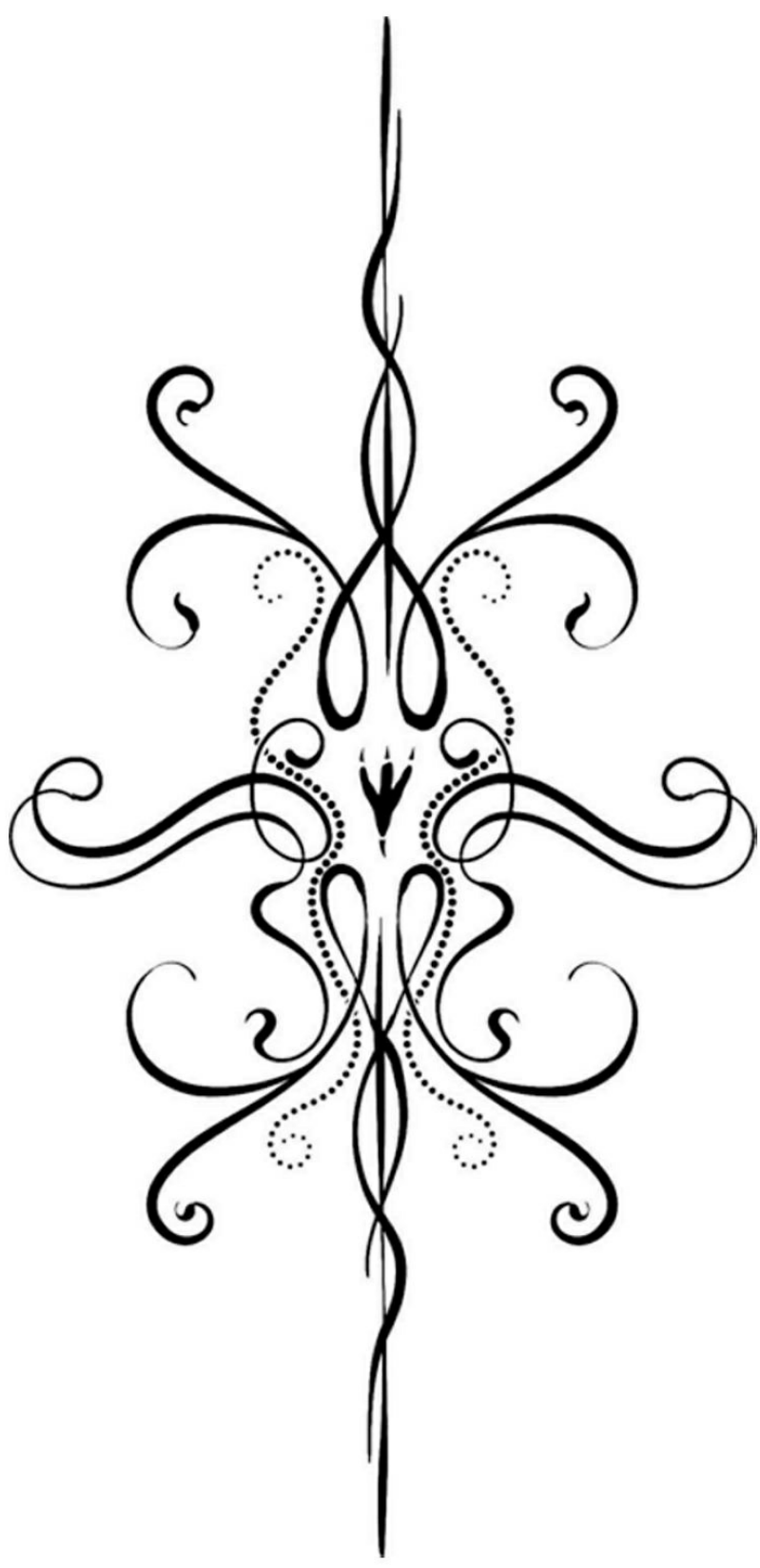
**GRINDELWALD**

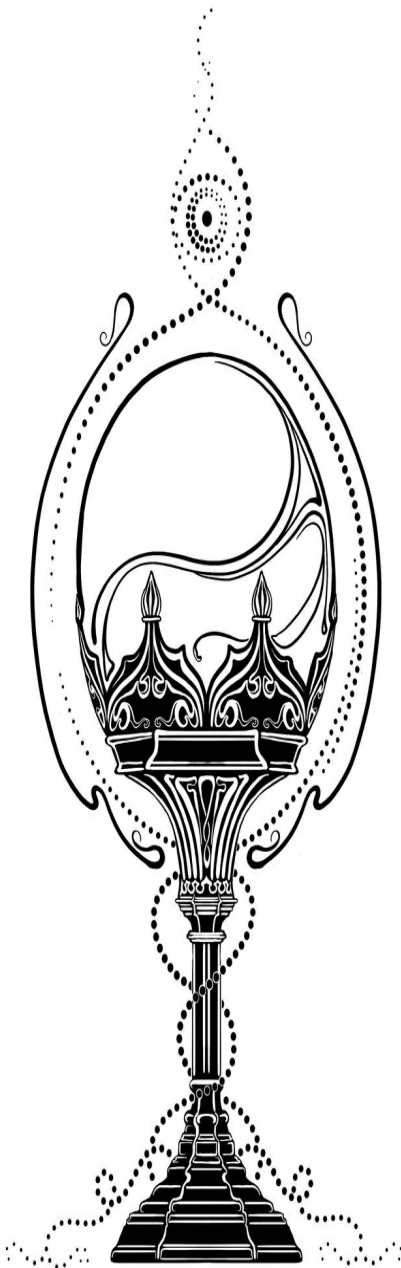
Come to Père Lachaise tonight and you will discover the truth.

*He bows, then Disapparates, leaving CREDENCE holding a map of Père Lachaise cemetery.*









**SCENE 86**

**INT. FLAMEL HOUSE—END OF DAY**

*An uncomfortable JACOB is asleep in a chair beside the semiconscious KAMA. KAMA is muttering.*

**KAMA**

Father . . . why did you make me . . . ?

*JACOB jolts awake as if from a bad dream.*

**JACOB**

Wait! Wait—

*Now fully awake, JACOB'S stomach begins to rumble.*

*A figure appears behind JACOB. Six-hundred-year-old NICOLAS FLAMEL stands at the entrance to his alchemist's studio.*

**FLAMEL**

I'm afraid we keep no food in the house.

*JACOB yelps in fear.*

**JACOB**

*(terrified)*

Are you a ghost?

**FLAMEL**

*(amused)*

No, no, I am alive, but I am an alchemist, and therefore immortal.

**JACOB**

You don't look a day over three-seventy-five. Hey, sorry we didn't knock—

**FLAMEL**

No matter. Albus told me some friends might be dropping in.  
*(holding out his hand)*

Nicolas Flamel.

**JACOB**

Oh. Jacob Kowalski.

*They shake hands. JACOB'S grip is firm—too firm for the alchemist's fragile bones.*

**FLAMEL**

Ooh!

**JACOB**

I'm sorry.

**FLAMEL**

It's all right.

**JACOB**

I didn't—

*FLAMEL looks over at the large crystal ball, in which dark billowing clouds and flashes of lightning have appeared.*

**FLAMEL**

Aha! At last, we see developments!

**JACOB**

*(drawing closer)*

I've seen one of these before. It was at the fair. There was this dame there, and she had a veil. I gave her a nickel and she told me about my future.

*(beat)*

She missed out on quite a bit, actually.

*We close in on the orb, into dark billowing smoke and flashes of lightning, into the center where we see CREDENCE—*

**JACOB (O.S.)**

Hey—wait a minute! I know him. That's that kid. That's Credence—

*—and then it becomes the Lestrangle tomb, its stone raven prominent. Suddenly, QUEENIE appears inside the tomb, sitting on a stone bench,*

*waiting . . .*

**JACOB**

Hey! That's Queenie! There she is.  
*(as if to QUEENIE)*

Hi, baby!  
*(to FLAMEL)*

Where is this? Is this—is this here?

**FLAMEL**

This is the Lestrange tomb. It lies in the cemetery of Père Lachaise. . .

**JACOB**

*(to QUEENIE in the crystal ball)*  
I'm coming, baby. Stay right there—  
*(to FLAMEL)*

Thank you, thank you, Mr. Flamel!

*JACOB clutches FLAMEL'S hands in gratitude.*

**FLAMEL**

Ahh!

**JACOB**

Oh no. I'm sorry! I'm sorry, okay?

**FLAMEL**

Ouch.

**JACOB**

Oh—look after Mr. Tentacles for me.

*He turns. The sofa is empty. JACOB runs out of the room into the hall. The front door stands open. KAMA has escaped.*

**JACOB**

Oh no. I'm sorry, I gotta go.

**FLAMEL**

Please, you must not go to the cemetery!

*But JACOB too runs off into the night.*

**BACK TO FLAMEL.**

*He has shuffled after JACOB, but on realizing he is gone, FLAMEL turns anxiously back to the orb. Black flames are swirling around it.*

*FLAMEL shuffles back into his studio and opens a cupboard. We glimpse glass vials, tubes, and the glowing Philosopher's Stone. He heaves from a shelf a padlocked book embossed with a phoenix. He touches the padlock and it springs open.*

**CLOSE ON THE BOOK** as he flicks through it.

*Each page holds a photograph captioned with a name. FLAMEL turns the pages, but the subjects of all the pictures are missing.*

**FLAMEL**

Oh dear—

**DUMBLEDORE'S** portrait is blank.

*FLAMEL flicks open another page. EULALIE HICKS, a young American professor at Ilvermorny, looks around, worried.*

**EULALIE**

What's happening?

**FLAMEL**

Exactly what he said would happen. Grindelwald rallies tonight at the cemetery, and there will be death!

**EULALIE**

Then you gotta go!

**FLAMEL**

*(panicked)*

What? I haven't seen action in two hundred years . . .

**EULALIE**

You can do this, Flamel. We believe in you.



**SCENE 87**

**EXT. PLACE DE FURSTEMBERG—DAY**

*TINA and NEWT stand in a nearby alleyway, looking out over the square where tree roots previously rose to form the birdcage elevator to the French Ministry.*

**NEWT**

The box is in the ancestral records room, Tina. So, three floors down.

*NEWT rummages in his pockets and pulls out a tiny bottle with only a couple of muddy drops left inside it.*

**TINA**

Is that Polyjuice?

**NEWT**

*(of the bottle)*

Just enough to get me inside.

*He looks down at his coat and finds one of THESEUS'S hairs on his shoulder. He adds it to the mixture, drinks, and turns into THESEUS, still wearing NEWT'S clothes.*

**TINA**

Who—?

**NEWT**

My brother, Theseus. He's an Auror. And a hugger.



**SCENE 88**

**INT. MINISTÈRE DES AFFAIRES MAGIQUES, MAIN LEVEL—  
NIGHT**

*THESEUS exits a meeting room and strides toward LETA, who is waiting for him.*

**LETA**

What's happening?

**THESEUS**

Grindelwald's rallying. We don't know where, but we think it's tonight.

*LETA and THESEUS kiss.*

**LETA**

Be careful.

**THESEUS**

Of course.

**LETA**

Promise me you'll be careful.

**THESEUS**

Of course, I'm going to be careful. Listen, I want you to hear this from me. They think that Credence boy might be your missing brother.

**LETA**



My brother is dead. He died. How many times, Theseus?

**THESEUS**

I know, I know. And the records, the records will prove that, okay? They can't lie.

**TRAVERS**

*(sharply)*

Theseus.

*THESEUS leaves LETA and joins TRAVERS.*

**TRAVERS**

I want every person at that rally arrested. If they resist—

**THESEUS**

Sir—forgive me . . . but if we go in too heavy, don't we run the risk of adding to the—

**TRAVERS**

Just do it.

*THESEUS catches sight of NEWT-AS-THESEUS and TINA walking, heads down, through the Ministry typing pool. The brothers' eyes meet.*

*ANGLE ON NEWT-AS-THESEUS AND TINA.*

*NEWT-AS-THESEUS grabs TINA'S arm and makes a sharp turn down a corridor. THESEUS sets off in pursuit, leaving LETA and the angry TRAVERS (who hasn't spotted NEWT) behind. LETA backs away from the throng and slips through a side door.*



**SCENE 89**

**INT. MINISTÈRE DES AFFAIRES MAGIQUES, CORRIDOR—**

## **NIGHT**

*NEWT-AS-THESEUS and TINA run along a corridor lined with pictures, the Polyjuice Potion already wearing off NEWT.*

**NEWT**

I don't suppose you can Disapparate on Ministry premises in France, can you?

**TINA**

No.

**NEWT**

Pity.

*The Potion wears off completely.*

**TINA**

Newt!

**NEWT**

Yes, I know. I know there's—

*At once, every portrait along the corridor turns into NEWT. An alarm sounds.*

**ALARM (O.S.)**

Urgence! Urgence! Un sorcier suivi, Newt Scamander, est entré dans le Ministère! Emergency! Emergency! A tracked wizard, Newt Scamander, has entered the Department of Magic!

*THESEUS moves into shot.*

**THESEUS**

Newt!

**TINA**

*(running)*

That's your brother?

**NEWT**

Yes—I think I may have mentioned in my letters we have quite a complicated relationship—

**THESEUS**

NEWT, STOP!

*NEWT and TINA sprint through a second door, which leads—*



**SCENE 90**

**INT. MINISTÈRE DES AFFAIRES MAGIQUES, MAILROOM—  
NIGHT**

*—into a mailroom. Two elderly PORTERS are pushing mailcarts across the circular room.*

**TINA**

Does he want to kill you?

**NEWT**

Frequently.

**THESEUS**

No!

*As they sprint past the mailcarts, THESEUS sends a curse after them, sending the mailcart boxes flying. TINA blocks the spell.*

**TINA**

He needs to control his temper!

*TINA points her wand. THESEUS is slammed down into a high chair that TINA has conjured out of nowhere. Hands bound, THESEUS flies backward on the chair into a meeting room, where he slams into a wall.*

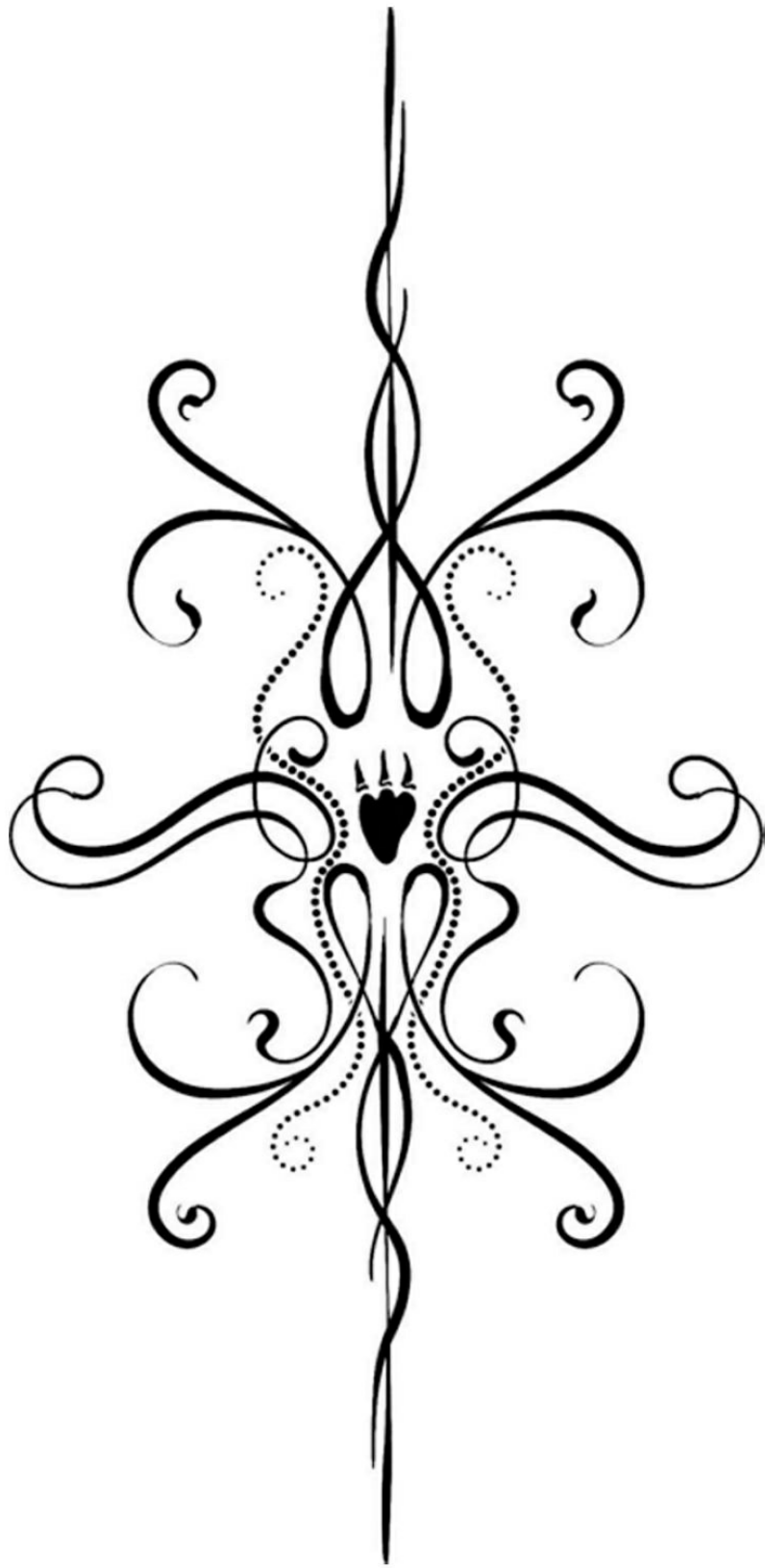
**NEWT**

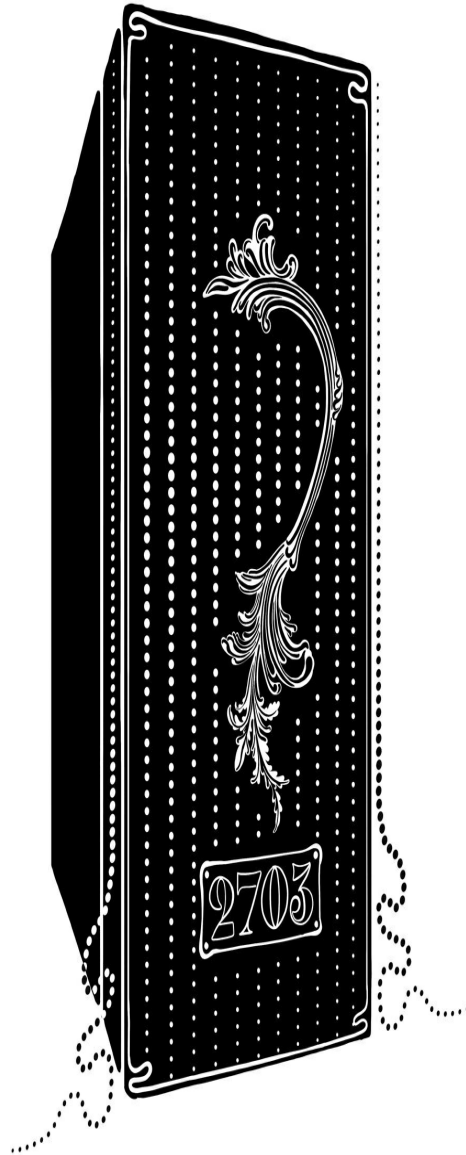
*(awed)*

I think that might have been the best moment of my life.

*TINA laughs. NEWT and TINA sprint on.*







**SCENE 91**

**INT. LESTRANGE MAUSOLEUM—NIGHT**

*An ancient tomb containing many sarcophagi is dominated by the grand marble tomb of LETA'S father.*

*ABERNATHY and MACDUFF enter carrying the bag retrieved from the*

*French Ministry and remove the elaborate box, which they plant in the mausoleum to be found.*



**SCENE 92**

**EXT. PÈRE LACHAISE CEMETERY—SHORTLY AFTERWARD—  
NIGHT**

*JACOB is panting as he runs through the dark, deserted cemetery, looking for the tomb he saw in the orb. A faint light in the distance shows him the Lestrangle mausoleum.*



**SCENE 93**

**EXT. LESTRANGE MAUSOLEUM—A MINUTE LATER—NIGHT**

*JACOB reaches the tomb. A stone raven on the lintel.*

**JACOB**  
*(whispers)*  
Queenie?

*No answer. He enters.*



**SCENE 94**

**INT. LESTRANGE MAUSOLEUM—NIGHT**

*ANGLE ON JACOB entering a small space full of shadows and sarcophagi. A single lamp.*

**JACOB**

Queenie, honey?

**MALE WIZARD**

Don't. Don't move.

*A movement behind him. He whirls around. A silhouetted figure lunges at him.*



**SCENE 95**

**INT. MINISTÈRE DES AFFAIRES MAGIQUES, RECORDS ROOM  
ATRIUM—NIGHT**

*NEWT and TINA turn a corner into a beautiful atrium area in front of towering Art Nouveau doors carved to resemble trees. A very old woman behind a desk bars the way: MELUSINE.*

**MELUSINE**

Puis-je vous aider?

**NEWT**

Er—yes, this is Leta Lestrangle. And—I'm her—

**TINA**

Fiancé.

*An increased awkwardness between them as MELUSINE lifts an ancient book onto the desk and opens it.*

*CLOSE ON MELUSINE'S WIZENED FINGER as it runs down a list of surnames beginning with L.*



**MELUSINE**  
*(pointing them on)*  
Allez-y.

**TINA**  
*(whispering)*  
Merci.

**NEWT**  
*(sotto voce, behind TINA)*  
Thank you.

*NEWT grabs TINA'S hand and pulls her toward the doors into the records room. MELUSINE eyes them suspiciously.*

**NEWT**  
Tina, about that fiancée business—

**TINA**  
*(brittle)*  
Sorry, yeah. I should have congratulated you—

*The doors to the records office open. They enter briskly.*



**SCENE 96**  
**INT. MINISTÈRE DES AFFAIRES MAGIQUES, RECORDS ROOM—**  
**NIGHT**

*The doors close behind them, plunging them into darkness.*

**NEWT**  
No, that's—

**TINA**

*Lumos.*

*An extraordinary acre of shelves stretches away from them, all carved to look like trees, so that they seem to be on the edge of the forest. Pickett pokes his head out of NEWT'S pocket and squeals in excitement.*

**TINA**

Lestrangle.

*Nothing happens.*

*TINA sets off, NEWT right behind her. They weave in and out of the carved shelves bearing rolls of parchment, the occasional prophecy, other mysterious trunks and boxes.*

**NEWT**

Tina—about Leta—

**TINA**

Yes, I've just said, I am happy for you—

**NEWT**

Yeah, well, don't.

*She stops. Looks at him. What?*

**NEWT**

Please don't be happy.

*(in trouble)*

Uh, no, no. I'm sorry. I don't . . . Uh, obviously, I—Obviously I want you to be. And I hear that you are now. Uh, which is wonderful. Sorry—

*(a gesture of hopelessness)*

What I'm trying to say is, I want you to be happy, but don't be happy that I'm happy, because I'm not.

*(off her confusion)*

Happy.

*(off her continued confusion)*

Or engaged.

**TINA**

What?

**NEWT**

It was a mistake in a stupid magazine. My brother's marrying Leta, June the sixth. I'm supposed to be best man. Which is sort of mildly hilarious.

**TINA**

Does he think you're here to win her back?

*(beat)*

Are you here to win her back?

**NEWT**

No! I'm here to—

*A beat. He stares at her.*

**NEWT**

—you know, your eyes really are—

**TINA**

Are what?

**NEWT**

I'm not supposed to say.

*Pickett is climbing out of NEWT'S pocket onto the nearest shelf. NEWT doesn't notice.*

*A beat. In a rush:*

**TINA**

Newt, I read your book, and did you—?

**NEWT**

I still have a picture of you—wait, did you read—?

*NEWT pulls the picture of her from his breast pocket and unfolds it. She is inordinately touched. He looks from the picture to TINA.*

**NEWT**

I got this—I mean, it’s just a picture of you from the paper, but it’s interesting because your eyes in newsprint . . . See, in reality they have this effect in them, Tina . . . It’s like fire in water, in dark water. I’ve only ever seen that—

*(struggling)*

I’ve only ever seen that in—

**TINA**

*(whispers)*

Salamanders?

*A loud bang as the doors to the records room fly open. They jump apart. Somebody has entered the room. They draw back among the shelves.*

**TINA**

Come.

*ANGLE ON LETA in the doorway.*

*She walks inside, desperate. This is her last chance to hide evidence about Corvus’s death. The doors close behind her. She raises her wand.*

**LETA**

Lestrangle.

*The shelves begin to move.*

*ANGLE ON MELUSINE, watching through the records room doors.*

*ANGLE ON NEWT AND TINA.*

*The giant trees are shifting all around them. They are almost crushed as the Lestrangle “tree” flies toward them. They hop onto a shelf.*

*ANGLE ON LETA.*

*The towering stack stops, swaying, in front of her. She stares. An empty shelf confronts her. A mark in the dust where a box sat, a slip of parchment in its place.*

*She picks up the slip and reads it aloud.*

**LETA**

“Records moved to Lestrange family tomb at Père Lachaise.”

*She spots Pickett hiding among the deed boxes on the shelf.*

**LETA**

*Circumrota.*

*The record tower turns, revealing NEWT and TINA clinging to the shelves.*

**LETA**

Hello, Newt.

**NEWT**

Hello, Leta.

**TINA**

*(awkwardly, but kindly)*

Hi.

*At that moment, MELUSINE enters the records room surrounded by growling Matagots.*

**NEWT**

Oh no.

**LETA**

*(scared)*

What kind of cats are those?

**NEWT**

These aren't cats, they're Matagots. They're spirit familiars. They guard the Ministry—but they won't hurt you unless you—

*Panicking, LETA fires a spell at one of the cats.*

**LETA**

*Stupefy!*

*Her spell not only fails, it causes the Matagots to multiply and become even more aggressive.*

**NEWT**

**UNLESS YOU ATTACK THEM!**

*As each batch of Matagots is hit, they multiply and mutate. The situation has become dangerous.*

**LETA**

*Oops.*

**NEWT**

*Leta!*

*LETA climbs over the balustrade to join NEWT and TINA on the shelf stack.*

**LETA**

*Reverte!*

*The towering stack flies backward as the Matagots pounce in a terrifying ebony surge of teeth and claws.*

*The other “trees” of the records room forest spin and move as NEWT, TINA, and LETA run through the room chased by the attacking Matagots.*

*But just as the Matagots seemingly lose the trail, all of the records room towers retract into the floor, leaving the room empty. The Matagots prowl toward where their prey must surely be standing, only to find—*

*NEWT’S case.*

*ANGLE ON THE CASE from above.*

*A beat.*

*An explosion as the Zouwu bursts out of the case, NEWT clinging to its back. Roaring, it rears, slashing at the rising tide of Matagots, its mane flashing.*

**NEWT**  
*Accio!*

*NEWT'S case flies into his hand.*

*For a few seconds the Zouwu and NEWT vanish under the seething mass of cats. They fight them off, the Zouwu's immense power unmatched, red tail swishing.*

*NEWT points his wand at the ceiling.*

**NEWT**  
*Ascendio!*

*The towers rise once again from the floor, lifting NEWT and the Zouwu high up into the air. Still fighting off the Matagots as the stacks tip and fall beneath the sheer weight, the Zouwu clambers across to the balcony.*



## **SCENE 97**

### **INT. MINISTÈRE DES AFFAIRES MAGIQUES, MAIN LEVEL—A MINUTE LATER—NIGHT**

*The Matagots give chase as the Zouwu gallops out of the room, leaving injured and thwarted Matagots in its wake. The Zouwu carves a path of destruction through the Ministry. It takes one last leap over the typing pool . . .*

*. . . and its immense magical power propels it up and out through the glass roof.*



## **SCENE 98**

### **EXT. PÈRE LACHAISE CEMETERY—NIGHT**

*NEWT and the Zouwu land in the cemetery. With one gigantic leap, the Zouwu has taken them to freedom.*

*The few Matagots that have followed them growl and then shrink. Reduced to the size of domestic cats in the Muggle environment, they “meow” pitifully.*

*NEWT opens his case as the Zouwu nudges him with affection.*

#### **NEWT**

Whoa, whoa, whoa. Okay, wait. Hold it there, please. Come on.  
All right, okay, wait. Okay.

*LETA and TINA climb out of the case to observe NEWT coaxing the Zouwu.*

*TINA shakes the cat bird toy she has retrieved from the case. The Zouwu’s eyes light up.*

*Unnoticed by NEWT and TINA, LETA runs away into the darkness.*



## **SCENE 99**

### **INT. LESTRANGE MAUSOLEUM—A MINUTE LATER—NIGHT**

*LETA enters the ornate space lined with sleeping statues of dead Lestranges. JACOB stands backed against the wall next to NAGINI in snake form, who is repeatedly lashing out at KAMA, who is trying to get a clean shot at CREDESCENCE.*



**KAMA**

*(to NAGINI)*

Move back! Move! Out of the way! If I must kill you as well as Corvus, I shall!

*LETA raises her wand at KAMA, who swings round to see her, wand pointed at him—a standoff.*

**LETA**

Stop!

*She walks forward, stricken but determined, at last, to do the right thing. KAMA is mesmerized. She is his mother reborn. He moves toward LETA, studies her face in the darkness, transfixed and moved by the sight of her.*

**LETA**

Yusuf?

**KAMA**

Is that really you? My little sister . . . ?

*NEWT and TINA enter and exchange looks—another piece of the puzzle.*

**CREDENCE**

*(to LETA)*

So he's your brother? Who am I?

**LETA**

I don't know.

*He pushes past LETA and faces KAMA, unprotected.*

**CREDENCE**

I'm tired of living with no name and no history. Just tell me my story—then you can end it.

**KAMA**

Your story is our story . . .  
*(gesturing to LETA)*

*Our story.*

**LETA**

No, Yusuf—

**KAMA**

*(determined)*

My father was Mustafa Kama, a pureblood of S n galese descent and most accomplished.



**SCENE 100**

**EXT. PARK—1896—DAY**

*We see a beautiful woman, LAURENA, dressed in an exquisite gown, walking through a park with her husband, MUSTAFA—clearly in love. A YOUNG YUSUF by their side.*

**KAMA (V.O.)**

My mother, Laurena, was equally high-bred—a noted beauty. They were deeply in love. They knew a man of great influence, from a famous French pureblood family. He desired her.

*Watching from a distance, an intense wizard, CORVUS LESTRANGE SR., studies her beauty.*



**SCENE 101**

**INT. KAMA MANSION—1896—NIGHT**

*LAURENA’S gown changes to a nightdress. She is walking slowly*

*downstairs, a supernatural wind blowing.*

**KAMA (V.O.)**

Lestrange used the Imperius Curse to seduce and abduct her . . .

*The twelve-year-old KAMA runs after his mother, tugs at her hand, and tries to pull her back upstairs. She throws him off. The front door flies open. LESTRANGE SR. stands at the foot of the garden path. LAURENA walks toward him. KAMA chases after her. LESTRANGE SR. points his wand at KAMA and sends him sprawling.*

*LAURENA lies on the bed as IRMA carries a newborn swaddled in a blanket to LESTRANGE SR.*



**SCENE 102**

**INT. LESTRANGE MAUSOLEUM—NIGHT**

**KAMA**

. . . that was the last time I ever saw her. She died, giving birth to a little girl.

*(to LETA)*

You.

*Tears start in LETA'S eyes, reliving the guilt she holds.*

**KAMA**

The news of her death drove my father insane. With his dying breath, my father charged me to seek revenge.

*(determined)*

Kill the person Lestrange loves best in the world . . . I thought at first it would be easy . . . he had only one close relative . . . you.

But—

**LETA**

Say it . . .

**KAMA**

. . . he never loved you.



**SCENE 103**

**INT. LESTRANGE MANOR, BEDROOM—1901—DAY**

*We reenter the story to find LESTRANGE SR. with a new, blond wife.*

**KAMA (V.O.)**

He remarried not three months after her death. He loved her no more than he had loved you . . . But then . . .

*IRMA takes the BABY BOY who has just been born, and passes him to LESTRANGE SR., who is delighted.*

**KAMA (V.O.)**

. . . his son, Corvus, was born at last. And that man who had never known love was filled with it . . .



**SCENE 104**

**INT. LESTRANGE MAUSOLEUM—NIGHT**

*CRENENCE looks on, rapt—is this who he is? He’s hungry to know more.*

**KAMA**

All he cared about was little Corvus.

*A beat.*

**CREDESCENCE**

So. . . this is the truth? I am Corvus Lestrangle?

**KAMA**

Yes.

**LETA**

No.

*CREDESCENCE stares from one to the other.*

*KAMA turns and looks at LETA. Her eyes are unfocused. These memories have haunted her nightmares for years.*

**KAMA**

*(to LETA)*

Realizing that Mustafa Kama's son had sworn revenge, your father sought to hide you where I couldn't find you. So he confided you to his servant, who boarded a ship for America.

**LETA**

He did send Corvus to America, but—

**KAMA**

His servant, Irma Dugard, was a half-elf. Her magic was weak and therefore left no trace I could follow. I had only just discovered how you had escaped when I received news I never expected . . . The ship had gone down at sea . . . But you survived, didn't you?

*(to CREDESCENCE)*

Somehow, someone had pulled you from the water!

“A son cruelly banished

Despair of the daughter

Return, great avenger

With wings from the water.”

There—

*(points at LETA)*

—stands the despairing daughter. You are the winged raven returned from the sea, but I—I am the avenger of my family’s ruin.

*KAMA raises his wand.*

**KAMA**

I pity you, Corvus, but you must die.

**LETA**

Corvus Lestrangle is already dead. I killed him.

*LETA raises her wand.*

**LETA**

*Accio!*

*A heavy box, hidden in the corner of the mausoleum, comes crashing to her through the dust. A series of clicks as cogs whirr . . . Puzzle-like, it falls apart.*

**LETA**

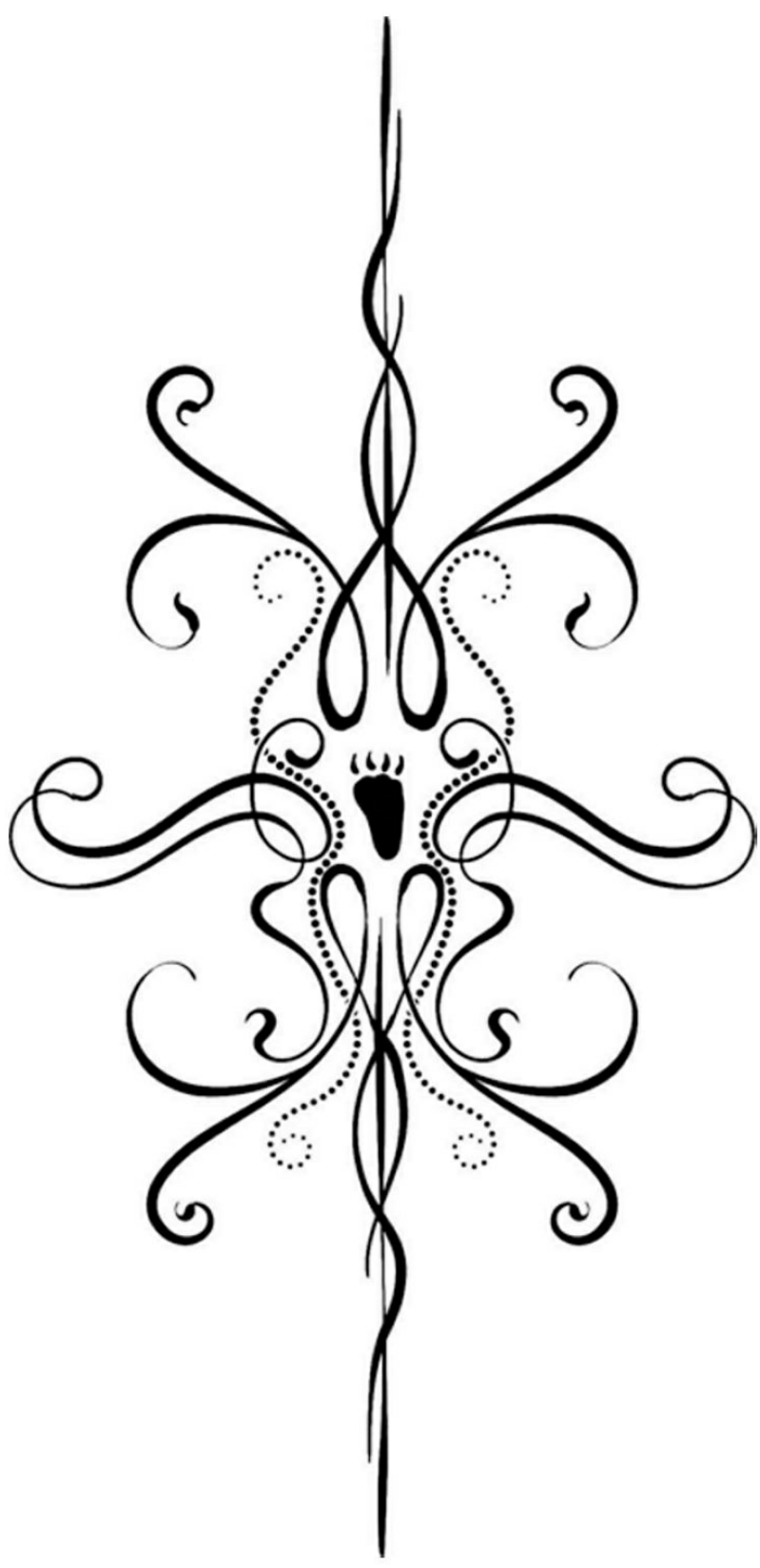
My father owned a very strange family tree. It only recorded the men . . .

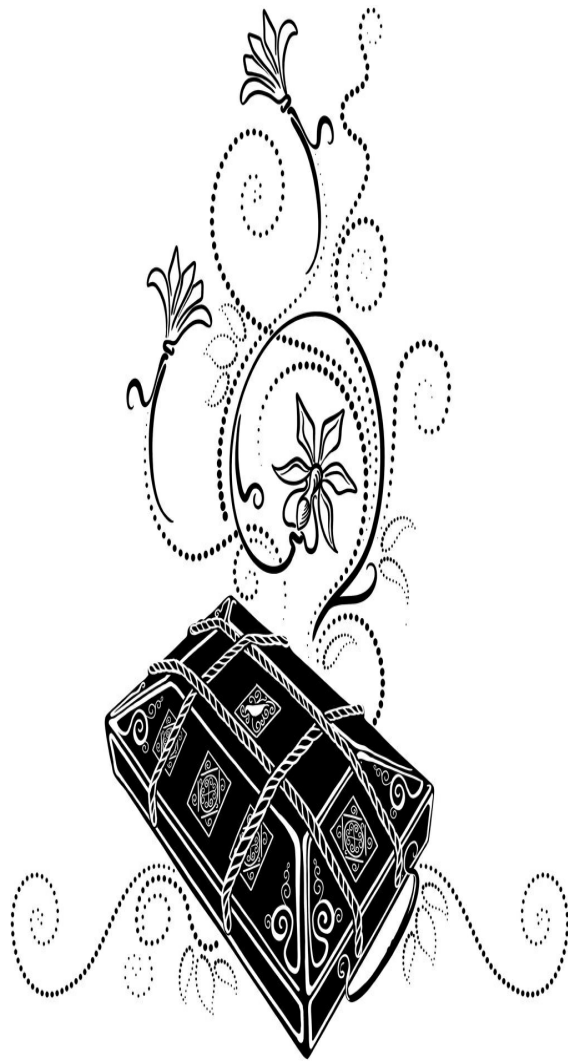
*We glimpse a tree with an orchid-like flower twisting around it.*

**LETA**

. . . the women in my family were recorded as flowers. Beautiful. Separate.







**SCENE 105**

**INT. LESTRANGE MANOR, NURSERY—1901—NIGHT**

*IRMA lifts a baby from a crib and departs, watched by a desolate  
LESTRANGE SR.*

**LETA (V.O.)**

My father sent me to America, along with Corvus.





## **SCENE 106**

### **INT. SHIP'S CABIN—1901—NIGHT**

*IRMA is asleep, CHILD LETA awake on a lower bunk, and BABY CORVUS screaming in his crib.*

#### **LETA (V.O.)**

Irma was to pose as a grandmother with two grandchildren . . .

*The lights suddenly flicker on and off—CHILD LETA hasn't moved, she is still looking at the screaming BABY CORVUS.*

#### **LETA (V.O.)**

Corvus never stopped crying.

*In the background there is a commotion as figures run along the corridor outside the door. As CHILD LETA approaches BABY CORVUS, who continues to cry, IRMA wakes. She goes to investigate the fuss and noise in the corridor.*

#### **LETA (V.O.)**

I never wanted to hurt him.

*CHILD LETA is transfixed by the baby.*

#### **LETA (V.O.)**

I only wanted to be free of him. Just for a moment . . .



## **SCENE 107**

### **INT. SHIP'S CORRIDOR—1901—NIGHT**

*The door of the opposite cabin is ajar. BABY CREDENCE is inside, fast asleep. CHILD LETA slips inside. She swaps the babies.*

**LETA (V.O.)**

Just a single moment.



**SCENE 108**

**INT. SHIP'S CABIN—1901—NIGHT**

*CHILD LETA enters with BABY CREDENCE.*

**IRMA**

Give him to me!

*The ship lurches again. IRMA snatches BABY CREDENCE, not noticing the switch amid the confusion. The cabin door bangs open to reveal a dark-haired young woman wearing a nightdress and life jacket.*

**CREDENCE'S AUNT**

Irma? They want us to put on life jackets!

*She slips and slides into her own cabin and picks up BABY CORVUS, also not realizing the babies have been switched.*



**SCENE 109**

**EXT. LIFEBOAT—1901—NIGHT**

*CHILD LETA, IRMA, and BABY CREDENCE are in one boat, CREDENCE'S AUNT and BABY CORVUS in another.*

*A huge wave is approaching. CHILD LETA watches as the lifeboat bearing CREDENCE'S AUNT and BABY CORVUS is overturned.*

*CLOSE ON THE SURFACE OF THE WATER. A few survivors reappear, including CREDENCE'S AUNT, but not BABY CORVUS . . . CREDENCE'S AUNT pulls off her life jacket so she can dive too . . .*

*She does not reemerge. We close in through the surface of the water, past the drowning woman, and see the dark shape of a drowning baby trailing bubbles of magical light as he sinks . . . and his figure becomes . . .*



## **SCENE 110**

### **INT. LESTRANGE MAUSOLEUM—NIGHT**

*. . . the drowning baby falling through sea-green light, hanging in the air in the mausoleum. LETA has conjured it. It has haunted her all her life and now she shows it to them.*

*The orchid representing LETA on the Lestrangle family tree twists around the branch labeled CORVUS LESTRANGE until the leaves wither and die.*

**NEWT**

You didn't mean to do it, Leta. So it wasn't your fault.

**LETA**

Oh, Newt. You never met a monster you couldn't love.

*A long look between them, a look full of memories.*

**TINA**

Leta, do you know who Credence really is? Did you know, when you swapped them?

**LETA**

No.

*CREDESCENCE reacts.*

*An opening suddenly appears in the wall of the mausoleum. All stare at the steps leading down into the earth. The sound of a gigantic crowd rumbles beneath them.*

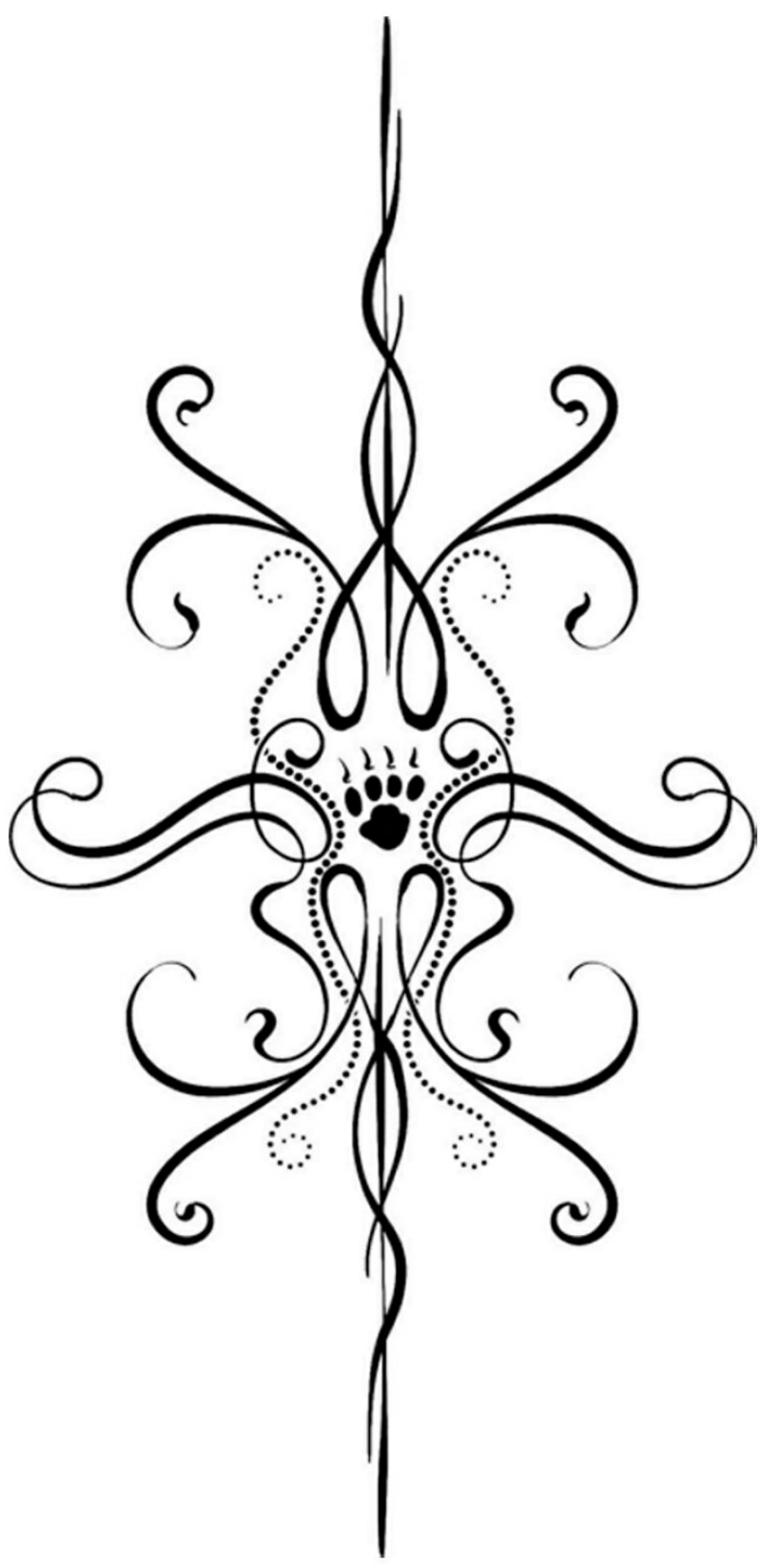
**JACOB**

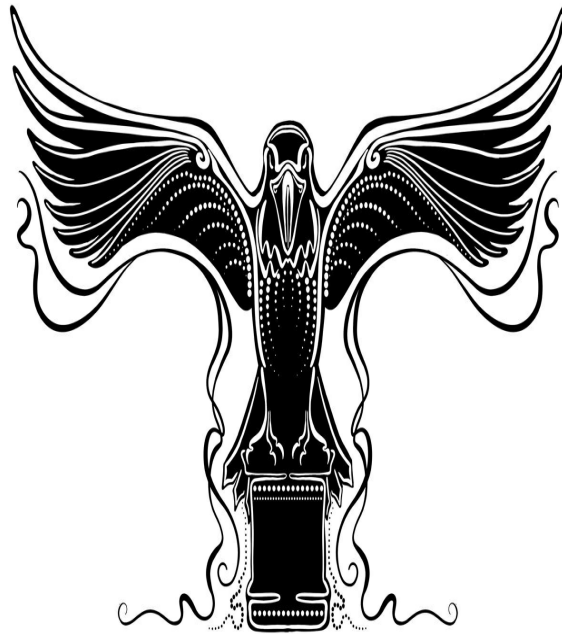
Queenie?

*Before anyone can stop him, he runs down the steps. NEWT and TINA dash after him. LETA looks at KAMA, then follows NEWT.*

*KAMA hurries after her.*







## **SCENE 111**

### **INT. UNDERGROUND AMPHITHEATER—NIGHT**

*JACOB steps out of the narrow staircase into an underground amphitheater and is confronted by a terrifying sight.*

*Thousands of witches and wizards mill around, some already seated on stone benches. The atmosphere is edgy. Some are nervous but curious. Others excited, still others ready for a fight. Masked ACOLYTES steward the crowd.*

*ANGLE ON CREDENCE AND NAGINI entering the amphitheater.*

*Awed and intimidated by the sight, they are swept along in the swell of people moving deeper into the auditorium.*

*NAGINI tries to hold CREDENCE back.*

**NAGINI**

They're purebloods. They kill the likes of us for sport!

*He carries on walking. NAGINI hesitates, then follows too.*

*Looking around, JACOB spots a familiar blond head—QUEENIE, being accompanied to a front row seat by an ACOLYTE.*

**JACOB**

*(whispers)*

Queenie.

*He pushes his way into the crowd.*

*ANGLE ON JACOB running toward QUEENIE.*

*She turns. Utter delight—*

**QUEENIE**

Jacob! Honey, you're here! Hi!

*She flings her arms around his neck.*

**QUEENIE**

*(reading his mind)*

Oh, honey, I'm so sorry, I never should have done it, I love you so much—

**JACOB**

And you know that I love you, right?

**QUEENIE**

Yeah.

**JACOB**

Good, now let's get the hell out of here.

*He tries to pull her back the way he came, but she tugs him back.*

**QUEENIE**

*(serious)*

Oh, wait. Wait a second. I just thought maybe we could hear him first. You know, just listen, that's all.

**JACOB**

What are you talking about?

*She pulls a confused JACOB into a seat beside her in the front row, clutching his hand. JACOB looks around nervously at all the purebloods.*

*ANGLE ON NEWT AND TINA.*

*They are already in the crowd, TINA looking around for those they have followed, but NEWT, perturbed, is starting to see the bigger picture.*

**TINA**

It's a trap.

**NEWT**

Yeah. Queenie—the family tree—it's all been bait.

*He looks around. ACOLYTES are moving to cover all the entrances.*

**TINA**

We have to find a way out of here, right now.

**NEWT**

You go find the others.

**TINA**

What are you gonna do?

**NEWT**

I'll think of something.

*He sets off. She moves more slowly into the crowd, looking for JACOB and CREDESCENCE.*

*ANGLE ON AN ACOLYTE watching NEWT'S progress.*



*The lights dim. The crowd begins to cheer.*



**SCENE 112**

**INT. UNDERGROUND AMPHITHEATER—NIGHT**

*We follow GRINDELWALD onstage as the audience explodes with delight. Their hysteria builds as he stands there, part demagogue, part rock star.*

*ANGLE ON TINA, edging through the crowd, searching.*

*She spots QUEENIE and, at a short distance, CREDENCE. Whom should she approach first? She chooses CREDENCE, but as she moves, is blocked by an ACOLYTE. They make eye contact. TINA knows she is wildly outnumbered. Under the ACOLYTE'S gaze, she sinks onto a bench.*

*We pan over the crowd. We see QUEENIE, rapt, and JACOB, low in his seat and scared . . . KAMA, who is skeptical . . . CREDENCE, transfixed, and NAGINI, who trusts nobody . . . LETA, studying GRINDELWALD, wondering . . .*

*ANGLE ON GRINDELWALD, gesturing at the crowd to settle.*

**GRINDELWALD**

My brothers, my sisters, my friends: the great gift of your applause is not for me.

*(off noises of denial)*

No. It is for yourselves.

*ANGLE ON LETA, amid the crowd. She is not clapping, but she feels the pull of GRINDELWALD'S charisma.*

**GRINDELWALD**

You came today because of a craving and a knowledge that the old ways serve us no longer . . . You come today because you

crave something new, something different.

*ANGLE ON CREDENCE, listening.*

**GRINDELWALD**

It is said that I hate Les Non-Magiques. The Muggles. The No-Maj. The Can't-Spells.

*Jeers and hisses from much of the crowd. JACOB sinks deeper into his seat. QUEENIE is momentarily anxious; she seizes his hand: No, wait, listen—*

**GRINDELWALD**

I do not hate them. I do not.

*Silence from the crowd.*

**GRINDELWALD**

For I do not fight out of hatred. I say the Muggles are not lesser, but other. Not worthless, but of other value. Not disposable, but of a different disposition.

*(beat)*

Magic blooms only in rare souls. It is granted to those who live for higher things. Oh, and what a world we could make, for all of humanity. We who live for freedom, for truth—

*His eyes meet QUEENIE'S in the front row.*

**GRINDELWALD**

—and for love.

*We pan across QUEENIE, now heart and soul his . . .*



**SCENE 113**

**EXT. PÈRE LACHAISE CEMETERY—NIGHT**

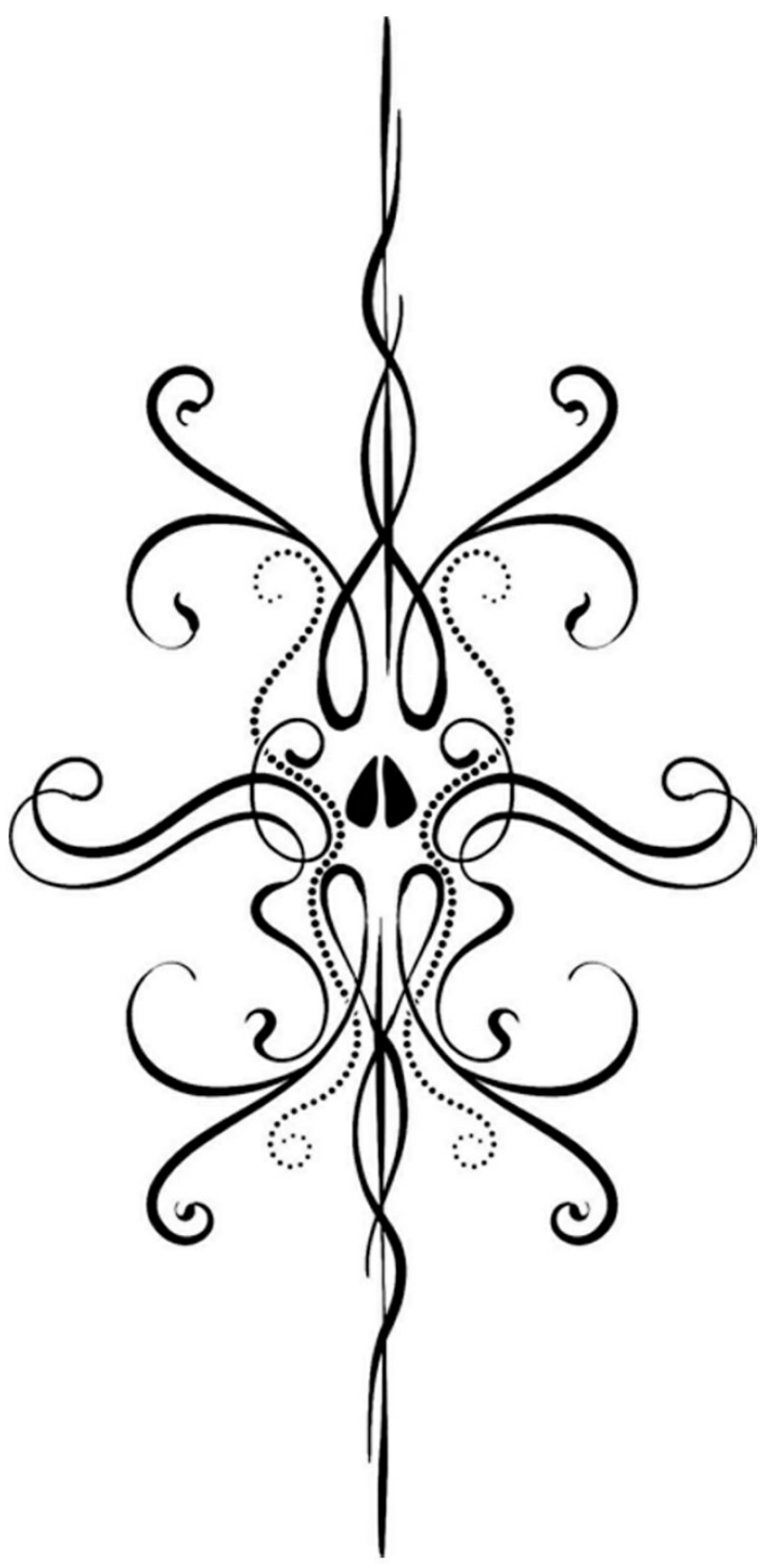
*The figures of fifty AURORS appear in silhouette among the mausoleums. We move in and see that THESEUS is one of them.*

**THESEUS**

It isn't illegal to listen to him! Use minimum of force on the crowd. We mustn't be what he says we are!

*But on other faces we see nervousness, even fear, and on a few, a clear will to fight, to avenge.*







**SCENE 114**

**INT. UNDERGROUND AMPHITHEATER—NIGHT**

*BACK TO GRINDELWALD onstage.*

## **GRINDELWALD**

The moment has come to share my vision of the future that awaits if we do not rise up and take our rightful place in the world.

*ROSIER appears onstage. Bowing, she presents the skull-hookah to GRINDELWALD.*

*Total silence falls in the auditorium. GRINDELWALD is illuminated by the skull's golden light. He inhales deeply through the tube. His eyes roll up into his head. He exhales . . .*

*. . . and it is extraordinary. A gigantic Technicolor cloak seems to unfurl from his lips across the high stone ceiling, bearing moving images—the crowd gasps—*

*Thousands of marching, booted feet . . . explosions, men running with guns . . .*

*CLOSE ON THE FACES OF THE CROWD, mesmerized and afraid, the light of the vision playing across their faces.*

*CLOSE ON NEWT, stunned.*

*The vision of a nuclear blast rocks the amphitheater. It is horrifying. The crowd feels it, is terrified. Screams, until the vision subsides, leaving murmurs of panic . . .*

*CLOSE ON JACOB, horrified.*

## **JACOB**

Not another war . . .

*The vision fades. All eyes return to GRINDELWALD.*

## **GRINDELWALD**

That is what we are fighting! That is the enemy—their arrogance, their power lust, their barbarity. How long will it take before they turn their weapons on us?

*We pan around the exits and see AURORS, unnoticed, entering the auditorium, fanning out among the crowd.*

*CLOSE ON THESEUS, who is worried: The situation is volatile and could go badly wrong.*

*The crowd settles, agitated, expectant. They are waiting for some new, extraordinary revelation.*

**GRINDELWALD**

Do nothing when I speak of this. You must remain calm and contain your emotions.

*(beat)*

There are Aurors here among us.

*Gasps. Heads turn. We see the AURORS looking around in panic. They are wildly outnumbered. The crowd is hostile.*

**GRINDELWALD**

*(to the AURORS who have just entered)*

Come closer, brother wizards! Join us.

*To mounting hisses and angry jeers, the AURORS know they have no choice but to walk forward and show themselves.*

*ANGLE ON LETA, turning to look.*

*She spots THESEUS. A long, charged look between them.*

**THESEUS**

*(to the other AURORS)*

Do nothing. No force.

*But one of the jumpiest young AURORS has made eye contact with the YOUNG RED-HAIRED WITCH. She is angry, as twitchy as he is, fingering her wand.*

**GRINDELWALD**

They have killed many of my followers, it is true. They caught and tortured me in New York. They had struck down their fellow witches and wizards for the simple crime of seeking truth, for wanting freedom . . .

*He is deliberately playing on the unstable YOUNG RED-HAIRED WITCH'S feelings. The YOUNG AUROR raises his wand a few inches. He can sense her desire for violence—*

**GRINDELWALD**

Your anger—your desire for revenge—is natural.

*And it happens. She raises her wand, but the YOUNG AUROR curses first. To the horror of her companions, she falls, dead.*

**GRINDELWALD**

No!

*Screams fill the auditorium. GRINDELWALD ascends into the crowd, which parts for him. He kneels and pulls the YOUNG RED-HAIRED WITCH'S limp body into his arms.*

**GRINDELWALD**

*(to her friends)*

Take this young warrior back to her family.

*The Niffler, unnoticed, wriggles out from beneath GRINDELWALD'S boot and disappears into the crowd.*

**GRINDELWALD**

Disapparate. Leave. Go forth from this place and spread the word: It is not we who are violent.

*They take the body and Disapparate, as does most of the crowd. THESEUS and the AURORS watch the purebloods leave. THESEUS ushers his AURORS forward.*

**THESEUS**



*(looking at GRINDELWALD)*

Let's take him.

*They start to descend the amphitheater steps. GRINDELWALD turns his back on the advancing AURORS, relishing the fight to come.*

**GRINDELWALD**

*Protego diabolica.*

*He spins and draws a protective circle of black fire around himself. The exits close.*

*ABERNATHY, CARROW, KRAFFT, MACDUFF, NAGEL, and ROSIER walk through the flames into the circle.*

*ANGLE ON KRALL, hesitating.*

*Then he decides the circle is the better option, braces himself, runs into the fire—and is consumed.*

**GRINDELWALD**

Aurors, join me in this circle, pledge to me your eternal allegiance, or die. Only here shall you know freedom, only here shall you know yourself.

*GRINDELWALD sends a wall of flames into the air, pursuing fleeing AURORS.*

**GRINDELWALD**

Play by the rules! No cheating, children.

*NAGINI grabs CREDENCE and tries to drag him away with her, but he is staring at GRINDELWALD.*

**CREDENCE**

He knows who I am.

**NAGINI**

He knows what you were born, not who you are . . .

*GRINDELWALD smiles at CREDENCE through the fire.*

**NEWT**

Credence!

*NEWT tries to fight the fire but it becomes more monstrous, lashing out with eel-like spurs.*

*CREDENCE decides: Pulling free of NAGINI, he walks toward the flames.*

*Devastated, NAGINI is forced back by the ever-expanding fire.*

*ANGLE ON QUEENIE AND JACOB, who are pressed up against a different stretch of wall.*

**JACOB**

Queenie. You gotta wake up.

**QUEENIE**

*(a decision)*

Jacob, he's the answer. He wants what we want.

**JACOB**

No, no, no, no, no, no.

**QUEENIE**

Yeah.

**JACOB**

No.

*The black flames are coming toward them, fast.*

*ANGLE ON CREDENCE, walking through the flames.*

*GRINDELWALD embraces him like a prodigal son.*

**GRINDELWALD**

This has all been for you, Credence.

*ANGLE ON QUEENIE AND JACOB.*

**QUEENIE**

Walk with me.

**JACOB**

Honey, no!

**QUEENIE**

*(screams)*

Walk with me!

**JACOB**

You're crazy.

*She reads his mind, turns, hesitates, then walks into the black fire.*

**JACOB**

*(desperate, disbelieving)*

No! Queenie, don't do it!

*She screams, and JACOB covers his face, terrified, as she passes through the ring of fire and joins GRINDELWALD'S side.*

**JACOB**

Queenie . . .

**TINA**

QUEENIE!

*QUEENIE Disapparates.*

*TINA retaliates, throwing a curse at GRINDELWALD, but the circle of fire lashes out in ever more violent spears. GRINDELWALD conducts the flames as though leading an orchestra, the Elder Wand his baton, as the forks of fire strike at AURORS attempting to Disapparate or flee.*

*Half a dozen AURORS lose their heads and run through the flames to GRINDELWALD.*

*ANGLE ON NEWT AND THESEUS, standing together on the amphitheater steps.*

**GRINDELWALD**

Mr. Scamander. Do you think Dumbledore will mourn for you?

*GRINDELWALD throws a large burst of black fire at them both, and THESEUS and NEWT defend themselves.*

**LETA (O.S.)**

Grindelwald! Stop!

*GRINDELWALD catches sight of LETA.*

**THESEUS**

Leta . . .

**GRINDELWALD**

This one I believe I know.

*THESEUS makes a gigantic effort of will, carving a passage toward LETA, determined to reach her. They are using all their skill to keep the flames at bay.*

*GRINDELWALD moves toward her through the flames as THESEUS fights closer, desperate to reach her.*

**GRINDELWALD**

Leta Lestrangle . . . despised entirely amongst wizards . . .  
unloved, mistreated . . . yet brave. So very brave.

*(to LETA)*

Time to come home.

*He stretches out his hand. She contemplates it.*

*He looks at her, eyes narrowed.*

*She looks toward both THESEUS and NEWT, who are watching her, stunned.*

**LETA**

I love you.

*She points her wand at the skull in ROSIER'S hands, which explodes. ROSIER is knocked backward and GRINDELWALD is momentarily obscured in a whirl of chaos.*

**LETA**

*(to the others)*

GO! GO!

*The fire engulfs LETA. THESEUS goes wild. He tries to dive after her.*

*But NEWT grabs him and they Disapparate. The fire, mirroring GRINDELWALD'S rage, explodes, chasing them.*

**GRINDELWALD**

*(whispers)*

I hate Paris.



**SCENE 115**

**EXT. PÈRE LACHAISE CEMETERY—A MINUTE LATER—NIGHT**

*NEWT and THESEUS, TINA with JACOB, and KAMA with NAGINI all Apparate out from the amphitheater. The black fire pursues them like a many-headed hydra, erupting out of every mausoleum.*

*FLAMEL arrives at last.*

*The cemetery is on the verge of destruction. The fire GRINDELWALD has unleashed is out of control. It forms dragon-like creatures intent on annihilation.*

**FLAMEL**

TOGETHER! In a circle, your wand into the earth, or all Paris will be lost!

**NEWT & THESEUS**

*Finite!*

**TINA**

*Finite!*

**KAMA**

*Finite!*

**FLAMEL**

*Finite!*

*Our heroes, minus JACOB, make a circle, plunge their wands into the earth.*

*It takes almost superhuman power to contain GRINDELWALD'S demonic fire, which they are forced to combat with flames still more deadly. United, our heroes fight . . .*

*And at last, their purifying fire drives GRINDELWALD'S back. The entrances to the underground lair are sealed.*

*They have saved the city.*

*FLAMEL comforts JACOB. NAGINI sits in the darkness, tearful.*

*NEWT shuffles over awkwardly to the bereft THESEUS. NEWT hesitates, struggling to find words of comfort. Then, for the first time in his life, he puts his arms around his brother. They hug.*

**NEWT**

*I've chosen my side.*

*The Niffler hobbles over to NEWT, who picks him up . . .*

**NEWT**

*(to the Niffler)*

Come on. Yeah. No, you're okay.

... then notices GRINDELWALD'S vial in its paws. He takes the pendant, amazed. NEWT tucks both the vial and Niffler inside his coat.



## **SCENE 116**

### **EXT. THE VIADUCT AT HOGWARTS—DAWN**

*DUMBLEDORE is walking across the viaduct from Hogwarts, toward NEWT, JACOB, TINA, THESEUS, NAGINI, KAMA, TRAVERS, and assorted AURORS, who stand at the other end.*

*NEWT walks ahead alone to meet DUMBLEDORE. TRAVERS moves to stop him.*

#### **THESEUS**

*(to TRAVERS)*

I think it's best if he speaks to him alone.

*TRAVERS opens his mouth to protest. Meets THESEUS'S gaze. Nods curtly.*

*NEWT walks along toward DUMBLEDORE. They meet in the middle of the viaduct.*



## **SCENE 117**

### **EXT. AUSTRIA, NURMENGARD CASTLE WINDOW—DAWN**

*CREDENCE is staring out at the sky, scared of what he has done but awed by the magnificent vista. We pan out to see Nurmengard, high on its*

mountain.



**SCENE 118**

**INT. NURMENGARD CASTLE, SIDE ROOM—DAWN**

*GRINDELWALD and QUEENIE are watching CREDESCENCE through the half-open door into a grand drawing room.*

**GRINDELWALD**

*(whispers)*

Is he frightened of me still?

**QUEENIE**

*(whispers)*

You need to be careful . . . He's not sure he made the right choice. Be very gentle with him.

*She smiles as he bows her out through a separate door. Once he is sure she has gone, he walks into the drawing room to join CREDESCENCE.*

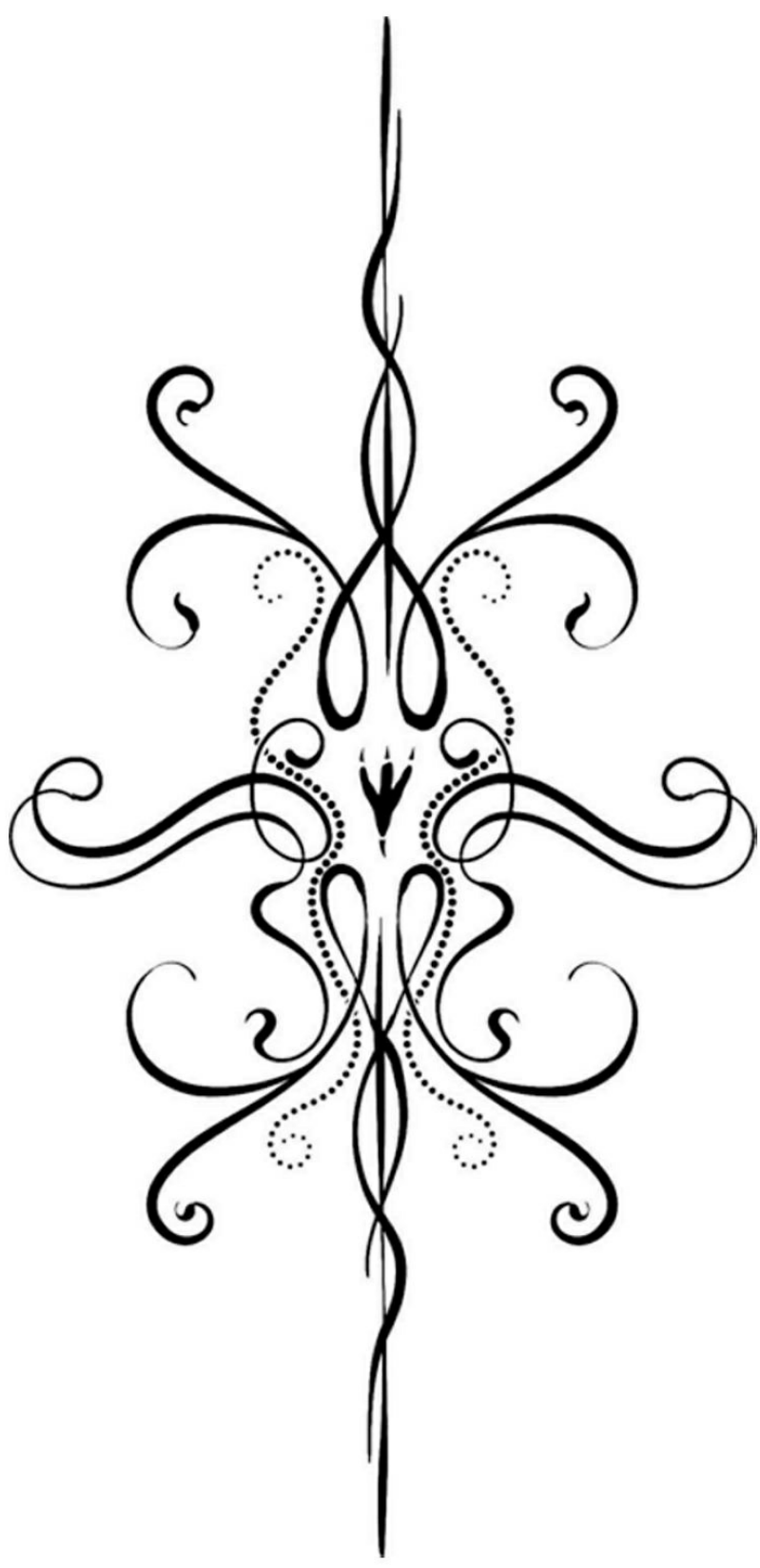
**GRINDELWALD**

I have a gift for you, my boy.

*From behind his back he takes a handsome wand. With a bow, he presents it to CREDESCENCE, who cannot believe his eyes.*









**SCENE 119**

**EXT. THE VIADUCT AT HOGWARTS—DAY**

*We see that DUMBLEDORE is hollow-eyed. His usual calm has gone. He's a man at the end of his tether.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

Is it true about Leta?

*NEWT nods.*

**NEWT**

Yes.

**DUMBLEDORE**

I'm so sorry.

*NEWT pulls out the vial. DUMBLEDORE stares at it, simultaneously tormented and amazed.*

**NEWT**

It's a blood pact, isn't it? You swore not to fight each other.

*Bitterly ashamed, DUMBLEDORE nods.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

*(overcome)*

How in the name of Merlin did you manage to get . . . ?

*The Niffler pokes its head out of NEWT'S jacket, sad to see the pendant go.*

**NEWT**

Grindelwald doesn't seem to understand the nature of things he considers simple.

*DUMBLEDORE raises his hands to show the Admonitors.*

*CLOSE ON THESEUS.*

*He raises his wand.*

*BACK TO DUMBLEDORE AND NEWT.*

*The Admonitors fall from DUMBLEDORE'S wrists.*

*The vial—blood troth—hangs in the air between them.*

**NEWT**

Can you destroy it?

**DUMBLEDORE**

Maybe . . . maybe.

*Overcome, tearful, he tries to speak cheerfully.*

**DUMBLEDORE**

*(of the Niffler)*

Would he like a cup of tea?

*They turn to walk back toward Hogwarts.*

**NEWT**

He'll have some milk. Hide the teaspoons.

*The others walk slowly after them.*



## **SCENE 120**

### **INT. NURMENGARD CASTLE—DAWN**

**GRINDELWALD**

You have suffered the most heinous of betrayals, most purposely bestowed upon you by your own blood. Your own flesh and blood. And just as he has celebrated your torment, your brother seeks to destroy you.

*CREDESCENCE inhales sharply. His chick steps gingerly onto GRINDELWALD'S palm. GRINDELWALD throws it in the air, where it catches alight.*

**GRINDELWALD**

There is a legend in your family that a phoenix will come to any member who is in dire need.

*Given room at last, the bird stretches its wings and becomes full size. The bird is aflame, a phoenix reborn.*

**GRINDELWALD**

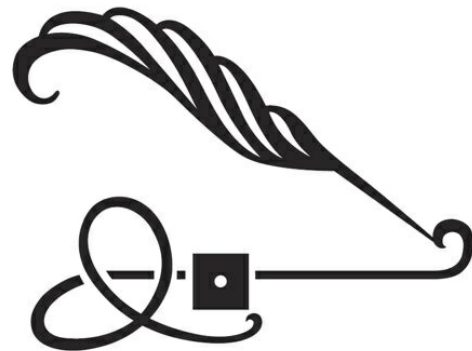
It is your birthright, my boy. As is the name I now restore to you.  
(whispers)

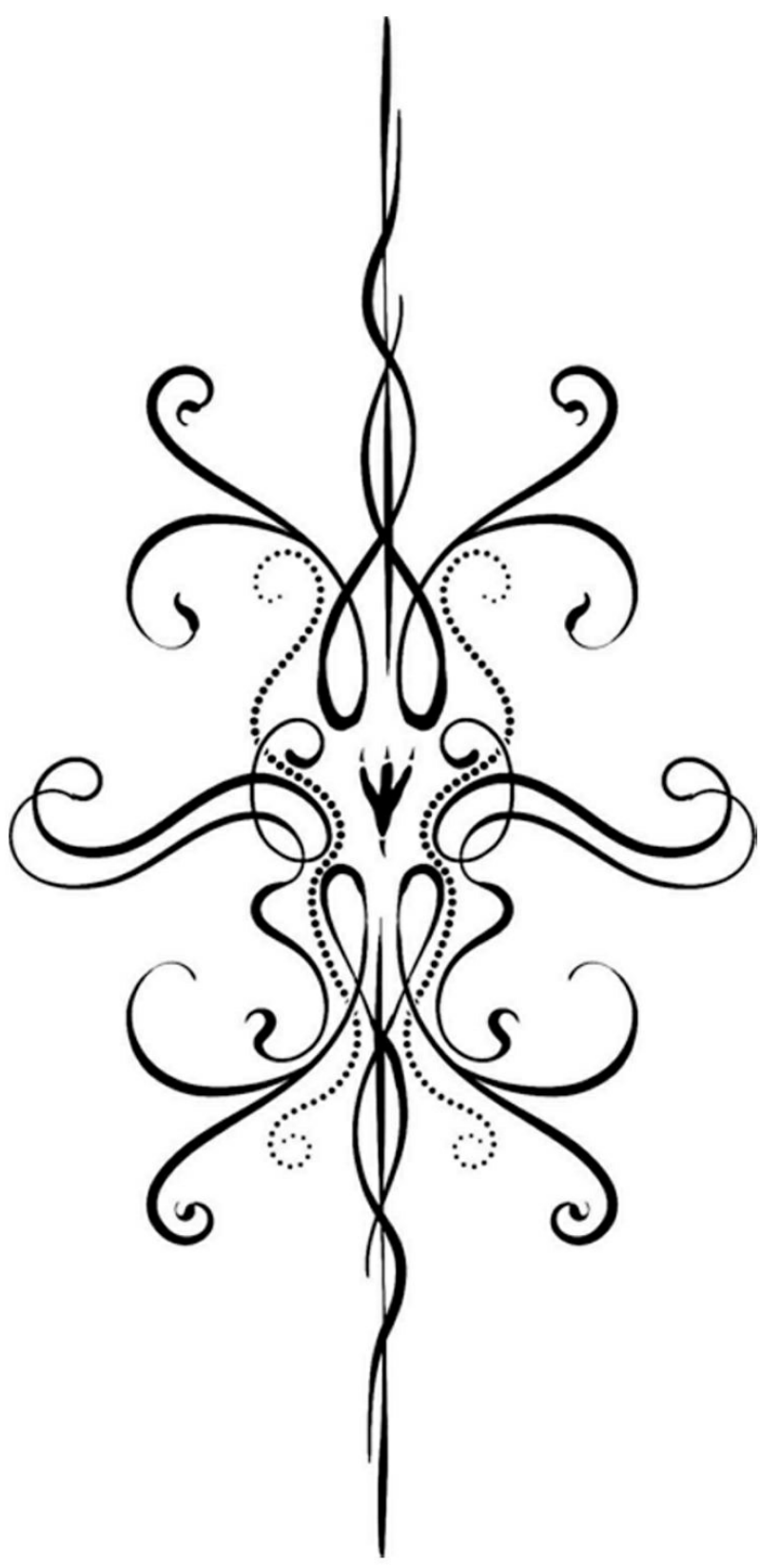
Aurelius. Aurelius Dumbledore.

*CREDENCE turns. The power of his Obscurus can at last be channeled. He points the wand at the window and a spell of immense power shatters the glass and breaks apart the mountain opposite.*

*CREDENCE stands staring through the shattered glass at his handiwork. He is extraordinary, and this is just his beginning.*

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END







GLOSSARY OF FILM TERMS



**Angle on**—The camera focuses on a particular character or object

**Back to**—The camera returns to a particular character or action within a scene, after focusing on another

**Close on**—The camera films a person or object from close range

**Cut to**—Move to another scene with no transition

**Dissolve**—A transition between scenes in which one image gradually fades out while another fades in to take its place

**Ext.**—*Exterior*; an outdoor location

**Int.**—*Interior*; an indoor location

**O.S.**—*Off-screen*; action that takes place off-screen or dialogue that is spoken without seeing the character on-screen

**Pan**—Camera movement involving the camera turning on a stationary axis moving slowly from one subject to another

**POV**—*Point-of-view*; the camera films from a particular character's point of view

**Sotto voce**—Spoken at a whisper or under one's breath

**V.O.**—*Voice-over*; dialogue spoken by a character not present in the scene



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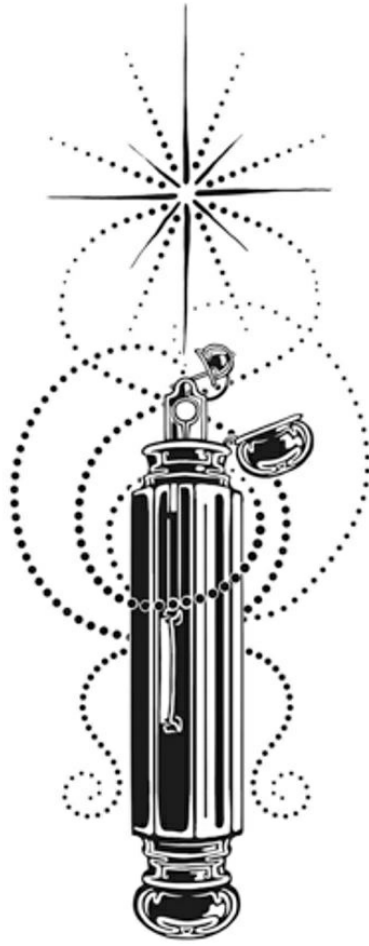
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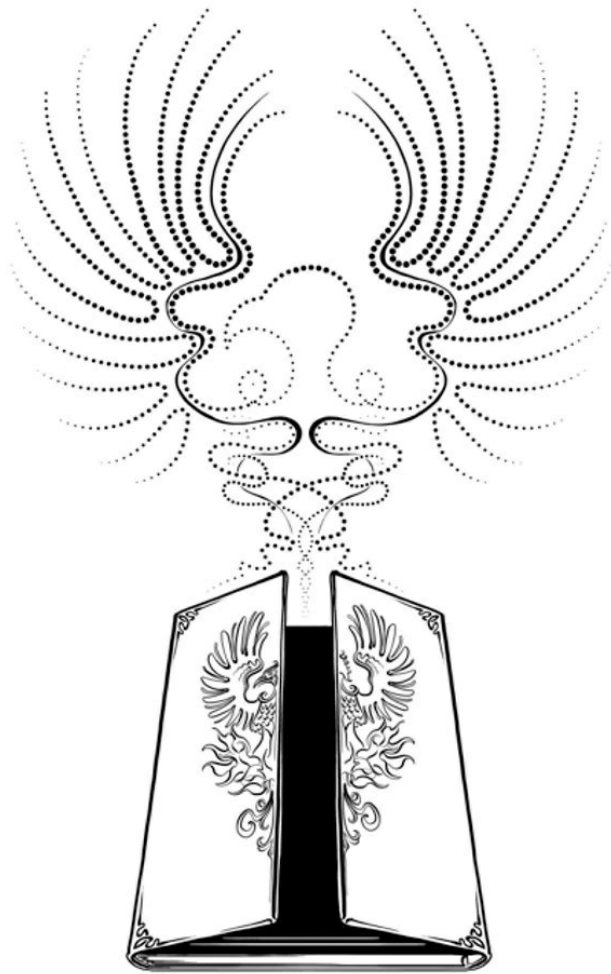


J.K. Rowling is the author of the much-loved series of seven Harry Potter novels, originally published between 1997 and 2007. Along with the three companion books written for charity, the series has sold over 500 million copies, been translated into over 80 languages, and made into eight blockbuster films.

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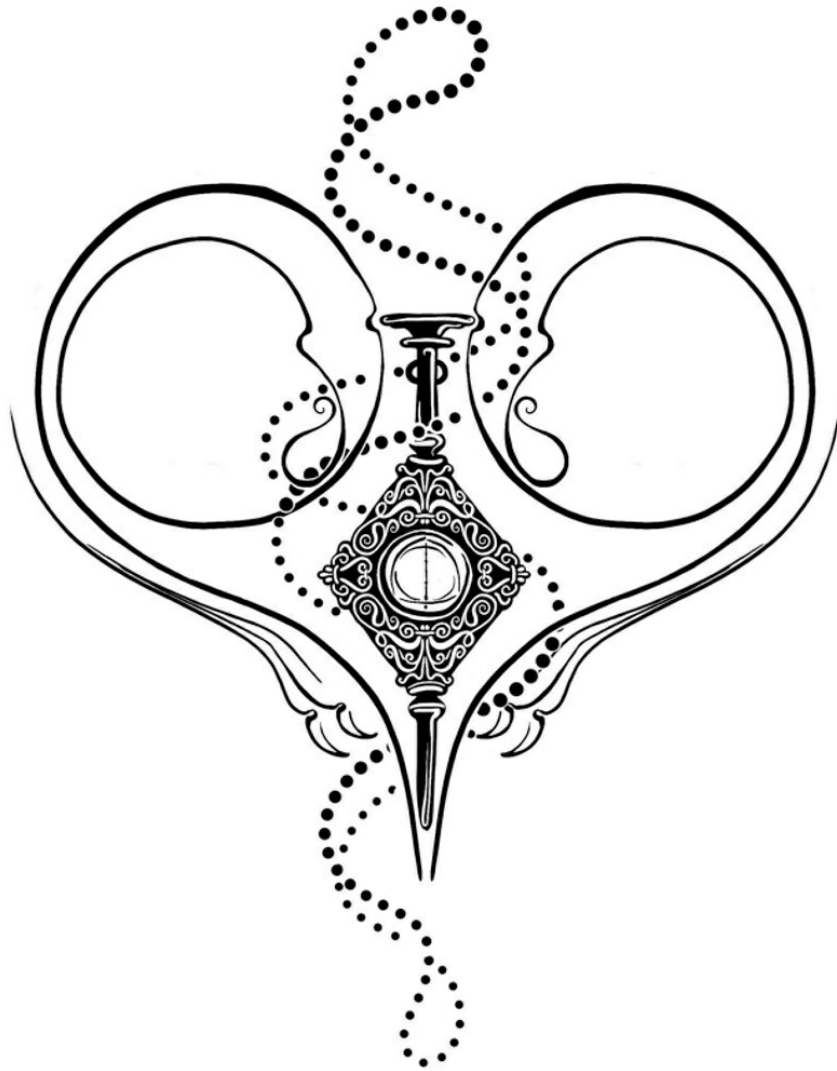


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