

INVOCATION OF THE LISTS OF THE PRINCIPALITY OF CYNAGUA

(In preparing for the invocation, the herald should obtain a list of the fighters who are entered and whether they are belted or unbelted. In addition, the herald should obtain the list of unbelted fighter who will be passed over to the belted side, if any. This list should be thoroughly checked to make sure that the pronunciation of each name is known.)

★ STANDARD FORM

(At the command of the Prince, the herald shall call the fighters to assemble before the thrones with their prospective consorts, if they wish. As is the custom at invocation, the belted fighters should take their places on the Prince's side and the unbelted fighters on the Princess' side, leaving an aisle in the center. The prospective consorts (if present) shall take their place behind their fighters, but close at hand.)

★ PROCESSIONAL FORM

(The procession shall consist of:

Musicians *(if present)*

Banner Bearers *with the banners of the territories represented in the lists*

Entrants in the lists, *each with his/her consort and each with personal banner bearers if desired.*

When all is ready, the musicians shall lead the procession about the field, coming at last before the thrones. Each entrant shall come forward with his/her consort, make a reverence to Their Highnesses and take a place on the Prince's side (if a belted fighter) or the Princess' side (if not a belted fighter). As each fighter takes his/her place in the respective lines, their prospective consort (if present) shall take their place behind the line of fighters, but close at hand. The banner bearers shall depart, joining the assembled populace if they so wish.)

Herald: Attend now, all who wish to witness this, the Invocation of the Coronet Lists.

As your name is called, please step forward, with your consort if present, that you may be known to Their Highnesses.

(The herald reads the names of the belted fighters.)

Herald: Let the following fighters also step forward with their consort if present, that you may be known to Their Highnesses.

(The herald reads the names of the unbelted fighters who are to stand on the Prince's side. As each of these unbelted fighter's names are called, the Prince invites the fighter and consort to stand among the Chivalry.)

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Herald: My Lord Marshal, let the fighters know which conventions of combat will be observed in these lists.

(The Marshal steps forward and does so.)

Herald: You have all heard the conventions of combat for this tournament, and you all know the Rules of the Lists. Do you swear to abide by these rules and these conventions during these lists?

Fighters: I so swear.

Herald: And do you each have a Lady or Lord whose favor you shall bear in these Lists, and who shall reign beside you as your consort should you be given victory over the field?

Fighters: I do.

Herald: And do you each swear that, should you be given victory in these Lists, you and your consort will swear fealty to the Principality and populace of Cynagua and to the Crown of the West, and that you can and will fulfill the duties and obligations of a Prince and Princess of Cynagua, and that you will rule justly and to the utmost of your abilities, as long as you shall reign?

Fighters: I so swear.

Herald: Then upon pain of expulsion from these Lists, let none here present enter these Lists bearing any stone, charm or herb of virtue by which they hope to gain advantage over their opponent. Let each of you prove by your skill and strength alone the worth and virtue of those whose favors you bear, either in victory or in honorable defeat.

(The Prince may, if he wishes, make an exhortation to the fighters, as may the Princess.)

Herald: Now let each of these fighters before the Princess, as their name is called, step forward with your consort, if they be present, that you may be known to Their Highnesses. Then, may you challenge any one of these fighters before the Prince for the honor of the first round of combat in the Coronet Lists. When your challenge is accepted, present yourselves to the Mistress of the Lists, that your challenge may be recorded.

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Herald: The Lists for the Coronet of Cynagua shall commence at _____.

(The herald checks with the Prince, then:)

The populace now has His Highness' leave to depart.

(The Herald shall call the names of each of the fighters standing before the Princess, in whatever order she feels appropriate. The next fighter should be called as soon as the preceding fighter's challenge has been accepted.)

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