

(Thaledor: Quest For Revenge)

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EXT. THALEDOR - KING'S PALACE - DAY

FADE IN:

(Animated still shots)

The lavish palace of Thaledor sits surrounded by gardens full of unique and beautiful flowers. The kingdom's markets buzz as patrons tend to their daily errands. Homes made of large steel beams and grinding gears line the narrow streets.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

Not long ago, the kingdom of Thaledor was ruled by a proper King.

FADE TO:

KING NELIO, mid 20s, sits on an ornate throne made of slowly turning gears and screws, addressing the audience before him.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

King Nelio was strong and noble. He loved his people and knew he needed to secure their future with an heir.

FADE TO:

An older man, distinguished in his military uniform and ornate monocle, bows before the King. He steps aside, introducing a woman behind him. MARINA, early 20s, dressed in a long flowing gown, approaches King Nelio on the throne.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

Fate would guide him to his Queen. Beautiful and kind, Queen Marina was the epitome of grace, and was beloved by everyone.

FADE TO:

A beautiful cathedral made almost entirely of stain glass surrounds the King and Marina on the day of their wedding.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

Their love grew quickly and soon they began trying to produce an heir.

FADE TO:

King Nelio glides across the ballroom floor with his Queen wrapped tightly in his arms. Robot waiters tend to guests sitting at tables surrounding them.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

Unfortunately, fate was no longer on their side.

FADE TO:

Queen Marina cries into the Kings chest. Lightning strikes outside their bedroom window. The King pulls her closer.

SFX: THUNDER

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

Years passed and the King and Queen were met with more heart ache. They yearned to fill the long empty hallways of the palace with the pitter-patter of little feet.

FADE TO:

A long empty hallway within the palace looks cold. Ornate paintings of royals past line the tastefully decorated walls.

FADE TO:

A beautiful olive skinned girl, GUINEVERE, 2, with bright green eyes, runs down the same hallway (player POV). Her little brown curls frame her face.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

They decided, rather than to bare an heir, to adopt one. They named her Guinevere. Finally, their family was complete.

FADE TO:

The King jumps out of a small flower bush, pouncing on Guinevere and holding her tightly. The Queen sets up lunch on a nearby blanket with the help of a robot servant.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

They had almost forgotten their hardships when suddenly, the Queen fell ill.

FADE TO:

Only the Queen's backside can be seen from outside the bathroom door. She's on her knees, hugging the toilet.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

To their surprise, the Queen was with child.

FADE TO:

The Queen stands before a large mirror in her bed chamber. She gently holds her now pronounced belly-bump and smiles.

FADE TO:

The King embraces her from behind. They both look into the mirror and smile. In the corner of the mirror, stands Guinevere's glaring reflection.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

When she began to carry longer than she ever had before, the Queen and King thought maybe, just maybe, they had a chance to bare a child.

FADE TO:

The Queen tries on maternity clothes with the help of a couple robot servants. Guinevere shoots her mother an angry look.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

Guinevere, however, didn't take to kindly to all the attention her unborn sibling was already receiving.

FADE TO:

The Queen lays in a hospital bed with her legs in stirrups. Robot wet nurses tend to her while a doctor assists in the delivery.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

The day arrived when the Queen finally went into labour. The entire palace waited anxiously for the news of a healthy heir.

FADE TO:

A doctor holds a crying baby girl up in the air for the Queen to see. The Queen reaches out with an outstretched arm.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

She named the baby Allyria. It was the happiest moment of her life... and the last.

FADE TO:

The Queen's outstretched hand falls to her side. Her eyes close and her joyful expression fades to emptiness.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

The doctor's did everything they could to save her, but it was in vain.

FADE TO:

King Nelio paces in his study. The doctor enters, head hung low. His clothes are covered in blood.

FADE TO:

King Nelio buries his face in his hands.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

The Queen passed, leaving the entire kingdom in mourning.

FADE TO:

King Nelio holds Allyria in his arms with Guinevere at his side. They stand before the grave of Queen Marina as priest leads them in prayer.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

But worse... She left two little girls without a mother.

FADE TO:

The King chases Allyria in the gardens. Guinevere shoots Allyria a jealous glare from a nearby tree swing.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

The King did his best to raise his daughters on his own. He loved them both equally and did everything he could to show them.

FADE TO:

King Nelio tries to encourage Guinevere to play with them, but she turns and storms off.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)
 Jealousy blinded Guinevere to her
 father's love. Over time, that jealousy
 turned to hatred. She spent most of her
 childhood trying to find ways to torment
 her little sister.

FADE TO:

Guinevere cuts the head off of a small fabric doll.

FADE TO:

Allyria cries as she holds her headless doll.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)
 Then, as luck would have it, tragedy
 stuck yet again.

FADE TO:

King Nelio is in the woods dressed in hunting gear. He
 trips on a log and falls on his gun. A GUNSHOT goes off.

SFX:GUNSHOT

ALLYRIA (V.O.)
 A hunting accident took their father from
 them, and left the kingdom of Thaledor
 without a King.

FADE TO:

Guinevere and Allyria sit in a large meeting chamber
 surrounded by old men dressed in long cloaks.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)
 Overnight, life in Thaledor changed for
 everyone. The King's advisors united to
 form a group called The Keepers of the
 Kingdom. They would work to keep the
 throne in order until Allyria came of
 age.

The old man with the monocle, much older now, tutors a
 slightly older Allyria. She starts to fall asleep at her
 desk. Guinevere shoots her a disgusted look.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)
 Years passed and finally came the year of
 Allyria's coronation.
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ALLYRIA (V.O.) (CONT'D)

While everyone was busy planning for the event, Guinevere decided to take The Keepers of the Kingdom to court.

FADE TO:

Guinevere speaks to an audience made up of The Keepers of the Kingdom in a large courtroom. They noble men and women shoot her looks of contemplation and understanding.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

She argued that though Allyria was a blood child of the King, she had been hand picked to be the heir long before her birth. She argued that the birth of the child, the one who killed the Queen, should not change that. She argued... and they listened.

FADE TO:

A very happy Guinevere sits on the throne that belonged to her father. One of The Keepers places a small, glowing crown full of gears and jewels on her head. The crowd before them cheers.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

Guinevere got the throne she wanted; the power she so craved. As for Allyria, Guinevere decided to get rid of her all together.

FADE TO:

Guards lead a crying Allyria to a small boat. Guinevere shoots her a devilish smile.

ALLYRIA (V.O.)

Guinevere sent her off; banishing her from the kingdom forever and deserting her on some god-forsaken island.

FADE TO:

(Game animation)

An older, dirty Allyria sits by a fire. Her dreadlocked hair catches the light of the setting sun as she relaxes by the nearby shore.

She picks a piece of meat off a cooking rabbit before her.

ALLYRIA

What happened to her, you ask? Well, I'm not sure anyone in the kingdom really knows. But I can tell you one thing...

She bites into a chunk of meat and wipes the juice that dribbles down her chin with a dirty hand.

ALLYRIA (CONT'D)

She's going to get her throne back... How do I know?

She laughs to herself and takes a sip of water from a coconut shell.

ALLYRIA (CONT'D)

Because my name is Allyria, and I'm getting my life back.

END CUTSCENE.