

The Whispering Veil



The Whispering Voice—The Hidden Hand

The voice behind the world

Long ago, in the hidden city of Liora, a scholar named Elyndra discovered that the world itself murmured its secrets to those who would listen. She noticed that the flow of thoughts, emotions, and intentions formed patterns invisible to the untrained eye. By attuning herself to these currents, she could foresee minor events, influence decisions without force, and detect hidden dangers.

Elyndra shared her discoveries with a small circle of followers, teaching that Magic was not a tool for overt power but keys to understanding and guiding the world gently. Her methods spread quietly, favoring discretion over spectacle. The philosophy became known as The Whispering Veil, a path for those who seek to shape outcomes through perception, patience, and insight rather than direct force.

As kingdoms grew and conflicts multiplied, some practitioners came to a troubling conclusion. Knowledge often revealed dangers long before others could recognize them. Yet warnings were ignored, leaders acted foolishly, and preventable tragedies unfolded repeatedly. These members argued that understanding alone was insufficient. Guidance was not enough. Those who could perceive the hidden currents of history carried a responsibility to shape them.

Over time, these beliefs gave rise to the Hidden Hand.

Officially, many Veil chapters deny the existence of the faction. Unofficially, most acknowledge that its influence can be found wherever events seem to move toward unlikely but beneficial outcomes.



Personality and Tone

- * Calm and controlled, Highly pragmatic.
- * Rarely reveal their full thoughts or intentions.
- * View problems through long-term consequences rather than immediate outcomes.
- * Willing to accept morally uncomfortable choices in pursuit of greater stability.
- * Prefer subtle intervention over direct authority.
- * Often appear helpful, insightful, and trustworthy.
- * Believe responsibility sometimes requires secrecy.

Core Beliefs

- * Knowledge creates responsibility.
- * Understanding without action is a wasted gift.
- * Most people cannot perceive the full consequences of their choices.
- * Guidance is preferable to force, but force may be necessary when the stakes are high.
- * The greatest influence is influence that remains unseen.
- * Stability is often preserved through actions that the public never notices.
- * Truth is valuable, but not every truth should be revealed.
- * The wise must sometimes make difficult choices on behalf of others.

Arcane Practices

- * Threads of Probability: Students study how small actions can create far-reaching consequences.
- * Influence Exercises: Practitioners learn subtle manipulation through suggestion, timing, reputation, and social pressure.
- * Veiled Correspondence: Hidden networks exchange information through coded messages, intermediaries, and concealed channels.
- * The Unseen Correction: Members practice altering outcomes through indirect intervention rather than overt action.
- * Masks and Mirrors: Students learn to conceal motives, intentions, and affiliations while maintaining multiple identities and relationships.
- * Contingency Mapping: Practitioners develop elaborate plans for multiple possible futures, preparing responses before crises emerge.

Essence

Additional Spell Lists

- * Closed
 - * Gate Mastery
 - * Spirit Mastery
- * Open
 - * Lesser Illusions
 - * Unbarring Ways

Mentalism

Additional Spell Lists

- * Closed
 - * Attack Avoidance
 - * Speed
- * Open
 - * Anticipations
 - * Self Healing