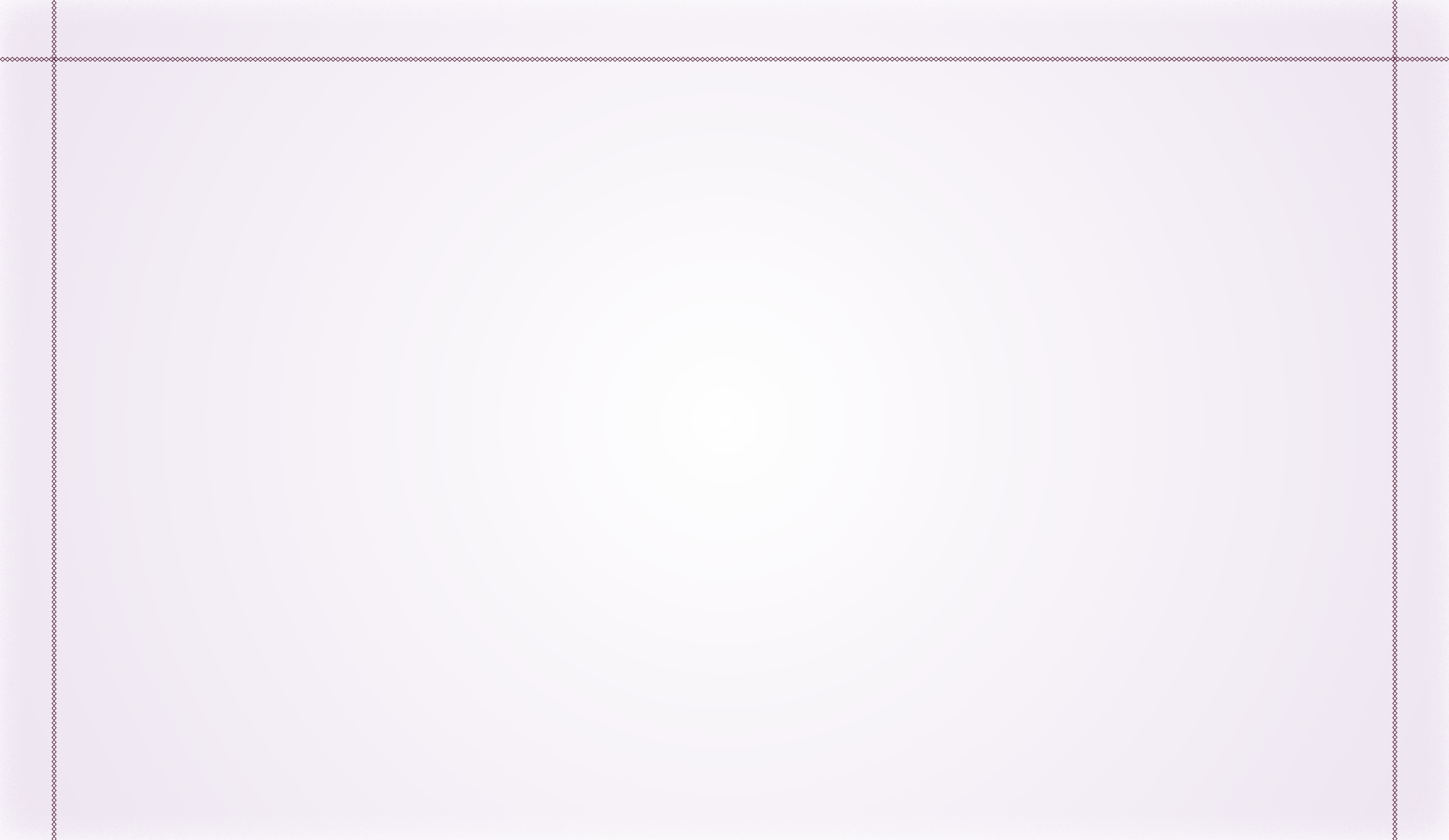




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ABOUT THIS PROJECT:

Using my experience as a graphic designer and visual communicator, combined with my passion for storytelling and working with new technology, I embarked on producing a minibook using the latest generative Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology.

My project goal was to demonstrate how cutting-edge technology can be used in the design/creative world.

While the story and images were generated using AI, there were limitations. For example, generative AI is not yet (but will be) capable of reproducing the same character interacting in different scenes.

I did extensive work in Photoshop with the images to make them work within my storyline: placing characters in the same scene, adding elements to a scene, enhancing the images, color toning, etc.

Please see Acknowledgments at the end of the book for the AI creative tools and prompts used.

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*To Todd, for believing in me,
your support & love*

*To Snufer, Chesney & Kato,
for your furry companionship*

*To Creatives around the world,
for the inspiration in all you do*



Once upon a time, in the majestic kingdom of Eldoria, there lived a remarkable warrior princess named Seraphina. She was known throughout the land for her strength, talent and unwavering compassion. Seraphina's kingdom thrived under her benevolent rule, but dark clouds loomed on the horizon.

For generations, Eldoria had been safeguarded by the mighty Silver Sword, a treasured heirloom passed down through Seraphina's family. Crafted with extraordinary care and enchanted by her grandmother, the sword was said to hold immense power, capable of defending the kingdom from any threat.

Evil had its eye on Eldoria, embodied by a malevolent villain known as Lord Malachi. He coveted not only the kingdom but the power of the Silver Sword. With a heart as cold as ice and a mind as cunning as a serpent, he plotted to seize it and plunge Eldoria into darkness.

Seraphina was well aware of the looming threat. She had spent years honing her combat skills, mastering her swordsmanship and nurturing the deep bond she shared with her beloved winged Bengal tiger, Astral. Together, they patrolled the kingdom, ensuring its safety.

One fateful morning, as Seraphina ventured into the enchanted forest bordering Eldoria, she encountered a stranger from a distant land. His name was Eros, a man with an otherworldly aura and a set of unique

powers. Eros had been drawn to Eldoria by a vision of impending doom, and he pledged his assistance to Seraphina's cause.

Eros was a demi-god, a being from a forgotten time, whose strength and talents surpassed mortal comprehension. He arrived in Eldoria





with his loyal companion, a magnificent winged black horse named Nocturne, whose eyes shone with intelligence and unwavering loyalty.

At first, Seraphina was skeptical of the stranger's intentions. Her kingdom's safety was her utmost concern, and she had grown used to fighting her battles alone. But as she spent time with Eros and witnessed his extraordinary abilities, her doubts began to wane.

In the weeks that followed, Seraphina, Eros, Astral, and Nocturne forged a formidable alliance. Seraphina's combat skills combined with Eros's unique powers made them a formidable duo, while Astral and Nocturne served as



swift and vigilant scouts. Together, they formulated a strategy to thwart Lord Malachi's sinister ambitions.

Despite their shared goal, Seraphina and Eros often found themselves at odds over their approaches. Seraphina favored swift and decisive action, determined to confront the villain head-on. Eros, on the other hand, believed in subtlety and cunning, using his powers to gather information and outmaneuver their adversary.

Their disagreements sometimes led to heated debates, but they both understood that their differences made them a stronger team. Through compromise and understanding, they managed to strike a balance between their strategies.

One moonlit night, as Eldoria slumbered, they received word of Lord Malachi's imminent attack. With hearts ablaze and swords drawn, Seraphina, Eros, and their trusted companions stood at the ready.

The kingdom's fate hung in the balance.





Lord Malachi's forces arrived with a fury, their dark banners billowing in the night. They advanced upon Eldoria's walls with catapults and battering rams, intent on breaching its defenses. Seraphina and Eros led a daring sortie, engaging the enemy on the battlefield.

Astral and Nocturne soared through the night sky, raining down destruction upon the enemy ranks. Eros's powers allowed him to control the elements, summoning gusts of wind and bolts of lightning to confuse and disorient the foe. Seraphina, wielding the Silver Sword with grace and determination, carved a path through the enemy lines.

The battle raged on, but Seraphina and her newfound ally refused to yield. Their unity, combined with their unwavering resolve, began to turn the tide in Eldoria's favor. Lord Malachi watched in disbelief as his forces faltered.

In a desperate last-ditch effort, Lord Malachi unleashed dark magic, attempting to corrupt the Silver Sword's power. But Eros, with a surge of his own mystical energy, countered the dark sorcery and restored the sword's purity.

With a mighty roar, Astral pounced upon Lord Malachi, knocking him to the ground. Seraphina, her eyes ablaze with determination, held the Silver Sword aloft and struck a final, decisive blow. The evil villain was vanquished, his darkness banished from the land.

Eldoria rejoiced in the victory, celebrating the courage and unity of their beloved princess and her allies. Seraphina, Eros, Astral, and Nocturne had saved the kingdom from certain doom.

As the days turned into weeks and the weeks into months, Seraphina and Eros continued to work together to rebuild Eldoria and ensure its prosperity. Their differences had evolved into a deep and abiding friendship, a testament to the power of unity in the face of adversity.

One sunny afternoon, as they stood atop Eldoria's tallest tower, gazing out at the kingdom they had saved, Seraphina turned to Eros with a smile. "You





truly are a remarkable ally, Eros,” she said. “I don’t know what I would have done without you.”

Eros, his eyes reflecting the warmth of the sun, replied, “And I, Seraphina, am honored to have fought alongside a warrior as valiant and compassionate as you. Together, we have made Eldoria stronger than ever.”

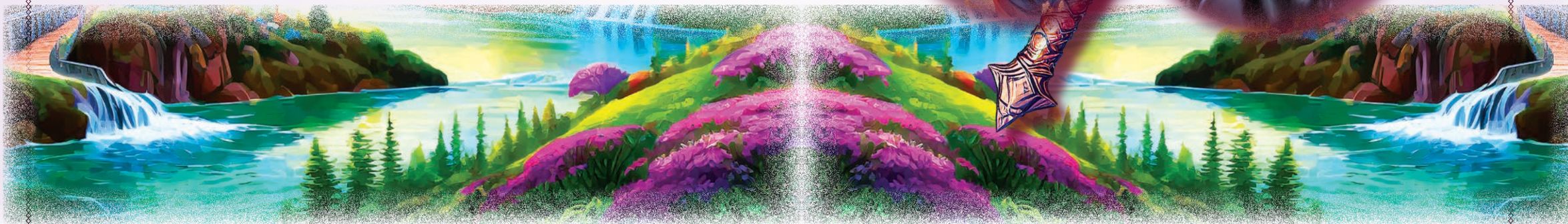
As they spoke, Astral and Nocturne, the winged companions who had brought them together, soared through the sky above, a symbol of the enduring bond between their two worlds.

In the end, Seraphina’s strength, talent, caring heart, and unyielding compassion had not only protected her kingdom but had also brought together two souls from different times and lands. Together, they had forged a friendship as powerful as any weapon, proving that in the face of darkness, the light of unity would always prevail. Eldoria stood as a testament to their unwavering commitment, a kingdom bathed in the light of a bright and hopeful future.



And so, the warrior princess, her beloved Bengal tiger, the demi-god with special powers, and the winged black horse continued to guard Eldoria, watching over it with love and devotion. The Silver Sword gleamed brightly in Seraphina's hand, a reminder of the strength of her lineage and the power of unity in the face of evil.

Adventures to continue . . .



AI CREATIVE TOOLS AND PROMPT ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:

This minibook was produced using the latest generative Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology.

Three different generative AI tools, along with Adobe Photoshop and Adobe InDesign, were used.

I utilized ChatGPT to generate the story based on my original concept and the detailed prompt I wrote. The story has not been edited from what was originally generated.

I used Adobe Firefly to generate my images, again, based on my original concepts and the detailed prompts I wrote.

I worked in Adobe Photoshop to edit, enhance and tone my images.

I created an original-selection color palette using Khroma, an AI-based color combination generator.

With the AI generated content from my original prompts, I designed my book using Adobe InDesign.

I have seen AI tools evolving over the past year, and they will most definitely be incredibly useful creative tools for designers going forward.

Using ChatGPT to generate the fiction story:

PROMPT: Write a 1,500 word fiction story with a happy ending, about a strong, talented, caring and compassionate warrior princess that must guard her kingdom from an evil villain that wants her kingdom and the mighty silver sword passed down to her from her grandmother through the generations. She's helped in her quest to protect her kingdom by her beloved winged Bengal tiger and a stranger from another land who has special powers he will share with the princess. The stranger is a strong, talented demi-god from another time, who has sworn to help protect the princess, along with his trusted companion, a winged black horse. While they disagree on strategies from time to time, they will work together to defeat the evil villain and save the kingdom.

Using Firefly to generate the fiction story images:

– **Eldoria**, Majestic Kingdom:

PROMPT: A majestic, sprawling kingdom with mountains, a flowing river, enchanted forest, colorful walled village with glass castle on a rise

– **Seraphina**, Warrior Princess:

PROMPT: Tall, Warrior Princess, long, auburn hair with braids, lean muscle, sea-green eyes, knee-high, deep purple leather boots standing in colorful enchanted forest

– **Silver Sword:**

PROMPT: Mighty, Long Silver Sword, a treasured heirloom on colorful enchanted forest ground

– **Astral**, Seraphina's beloved winged Bengal Tiger:

PROMPT: Winged Bengal Tiger standing on colorful enchanted forest ground

– **Eros**, Demi-God:

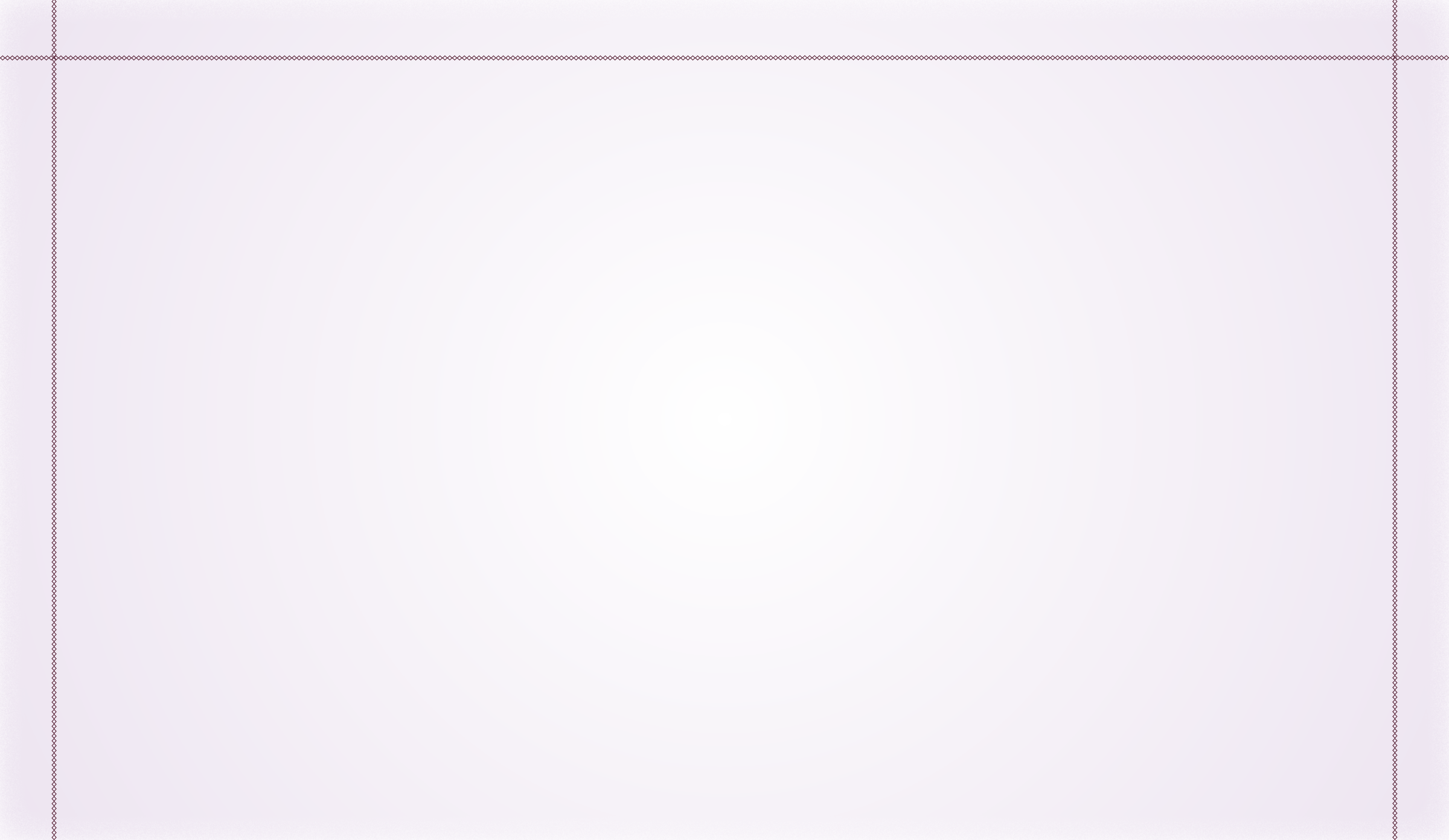
PROMPT: A demi-god, man, strong, tall, muscles, long black hair, long black billowing cloak over black peasant shirt, leather boots, flint-gray eye standing in colorful enchanted forest

– **Nocturne**, Loyal Companion of Eros:

PROMPT: A magnificent winged black horse with intelligent eyes and unwavering loyalty standing on colorful enchanted forest ground

– **Lord Malachi**, Evil Villain:

PROMPT: Tall, male villain, silver hair, mean black eyes standing in dark evil forest



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