

the outfit

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Another question: what is the historical basis (if any) for our conception of how a torturer looks? In other words, from whence comes the image of the bare-chested masked torturer?

Lex Shellac

Wolfe himself remarked that the whole book came out of the idea to dress as a character in a fantasy novel for one of those big sci-fi conventions. The outfit intrigued him (I don't know where he got the image, though), and the novel grew out of that. Sounds a bit coy, but in art, so much can come out of so little. Wolfe was obviously having thoughts in this direction anyway...

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