

hut drama

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There are some interesting comments about the mating of inhumu which might be fruitful. In the beginning of Chapter 19 of RTTW, Juganu speaks of how the inhumu must mate on Green because its water has the necessary life in it necessary for their incubation. Silk identifies it as "a drama", in which "they are the audience as well as the actors." The inhumu act out certain things to simulate reality.

The neighbors made Horn act out the drama of Severian in cleaning out the sewers with a Black Blade, a claw-like light, and a watery redemption. They could have done it themselves, but he had to act out the role of savior. By cleaning out a sewer. Why does Horn simulate the savior/destroyer of Urth? Why do the inhumu simulate men's breeding practices to breed? Does ontogeny recapitulate phylogeny here? Does drama recaptiulate "myth" (which is essentially indistinguishable from history in the various Sun books)? And what does that say about the ancient development of the inhumu and their city? Marc Aramini