Dragon Rouge and the Draconian Initiation

Dragon Rouge was founded to be a meeting point for people interested in the dark tradition in magic, philosophy and diverse forms of art. Dragon Rouge is an order in which one has the possibility to meet like-minded individuals and to exchange knowledge and experiences. Dragon Rouge is a fairly out-turned organisation and works as the exoteric channel of the draconian current. Dragon Rouge enables people with different backgrounds sharing an interest in occultism, magic and the dark tradition to meet. As a member one is not forced to enter the initiatoric and magical system, but for those who wish Dragon Rouge can be a preparatory structure for the Dragon Order – Ordo Draconis that is the true inner and esoteric initiatoric order.

Initiation

The esoteric initiation is based on the view that there exist different layers of reality, which the adept can explore and penetrate. This occurs through initiation. Initiation is a key concept in esoterism. The goal of initiation is to reveal the hidden core that can be found behind the outer appearance of the phenomena. Through initiation the adept contacts the inside of religions and myths and gains knowledge about hidden truths. Through this knowledge the adept learns how to control the mechanisms of existence and can influence these in accordance with the will. Mircea Eliade defines initiation in "Rites and Symbols of Initiation":

"The central moment of every initiation is represented by the ceremony symbolizing the death of the novice and his return to the fellowship of the living. But he returns to life a new man, assuming another mode of being. Initiatory death signifies the end at once of childhood, of ignorance, and of the profane condition."

Initiation occurs through a metaphysical death, a descent into the underworld and a rebirth and return. The initiate leaves his old life and his old self behind and is reborn, often with a new name, representing the new person. The adept leaves behind a state of limited existence with pre determined actions and will to reach a divine state of god hood with a free will and the power to create.

The Draconian initiation is both an inner process and something that occurs together with adepts on the Draconian Path. Thus, the draconian levels of initiation are not merely revolutionary existential progress but also certain duties towards the order as well as benefits.

The Draconian Initiation is a unique path that in a systematic and controlled manner works with the chaotic forces and the utmost darkness. The most common occultism usually warns against these forces. Under the surface of the bright occultism the dark tradition has sometimes appeared, often as a warning or as unspoken insinuations. There are three main levels of knowledge, in which the first one is our mundane knowledge and the information that the mundane science presents. Under this level we can find the light esoteric knowledge that has been transmitted through the classical occult societies. Under this level we can find the dark esoteric knowledge.
1. Esoteric knowledge: Mundane science.
2. Light esoteric knowledge: The bright tradition
3. Dark esoteric knowledge: The dark tradition.

The dark initiation is extremely rare, since it leads out into chaos and few people are able to wander this path. The light Esoterism leads to a melting together with the divine, while the dark Esoterism leads beyond the divine. The word "draconian" can also be translated as "harsh" and this is too a very fitting description of the Draconian Path. It is a harsh path but it also leads into worlds of singular beauty and power. The bright Esoterism leads to a unity with Jahve or Marduk and the ideas that they created the world from. The dark Esoterism leads out to Tehom or Tiamat who existed long before the light gods and who exists in infinity outside the light of divinity. For the initiated adept on the Draconian Path this darkness is a light, so much stronger than the light of the gods of light, that their light is experienced merely like darkness.

**DRAGON ROUGE.** 0° degree. Membership in Dragon Rouge. This is only the membership in the outer structure of Dragon Rouge and is not a degree in fact. As a member one can order the first magical course that enables the initiation in the first degree.

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**The Earth Sphere.** The 0° and 1.0° Lilith are associated with earth and the material level. The first initiation works as an opening in the mundane world through which the person can enter the Draconian Path.

1.0° Lilith. The 1.0° and 2.0° degrees are preparatory degrees for the more demanding 3.0° initiation that grants entry to the Dragon Order and the inner esoteric workings. To gain the 1.0° degree one must a) have passed the first magical course, b) read certain basic literature, c) announced ones magical name to the order, d) sent in an application together with a description of the magical work during the course and a basic description of the foundations of the principles of Draconian Magic. The first initiation can be conducted by the magician him/herself or together with the contact person or local lodge leader.

**The Moon Sphere:** Three degrees (2,3,4) are associated with the astral level and during these degrees the adept works with astral magic, dream workings and witchcraft.

2.0° Gamaliel: The second preparatory level consists of more qualified magical work with the astral levels. This is a deepening of the first degree and the initiation is more demanding. If necessary the magical name can be changed. The initiation is conducted by the contact person together with at least one additional adept from Dragon Rouge. The initiate shall create a basic personal ritual in connection with the initiation. In rare cases also this degree can be granted for self-initiation if the distance is too far. This generally demands that
someone from at least 3.0° can put down a good word for the initiate. From the 2.0° degree the magician is expected to assist in practical matters of the order. This initiation enables one to order the 3.0° course.

**Ordo Draconis Minor**: 3.0° Samael. The first initiation into the Dragon Order. The initiate shall have been judged as having extensive theoretical and practical knowledge and experience. If necessary the magical name can be changed or altered. At this level the initiate does not himself apply for initiation but is invited after a decision in the Dragon Order. The initiation is conducted by the Dragon Order and takes place at a special magically charged time and place. This initiation includes the Dragon Oath. This level is a step up into a higher spiritual brother/sisterhood. From 3.0° Samael the initiate takes an active responsibility for the organisation and also gains influence in the order. The initiate works as an advisor in matters of organisational importance and to initiates up to 2.0°. From this level the magician cannot be part of any other magical organisation since the Dragon Order demands a focused dedication.

4.0° A’arab Zaraq. After specially chosen magical workings formed after individual magical preferences the initiate is offered the magical baptism that is a release of the spiritual soul and the magician’s totem and fylgja. During the baptism the raven of A’arab Zaraq wavers above the head of the initiate and he/she enters the path of ”the magical warrior”. Levels 4,5,6,7 are sometimes referred to as ”the path of the warrior” and A’arab Zaraq is a preparatory degree for the three levels of the Sun Sphere.

**The Lesser Abyss**: Often during a very demanding and terrifying process the initiate leaves the focus on his lower self and becomes one with his/her higher self and Daemon.

**ORDO DRACONIS MAJOR: The Sun Sphere.** Three degrees (5,6 and 7) are associated to the mental level and the initiate is from this level in truth called ”advent” in the full meaning of the word. The adept works with the alchemy of will and action, the magic of the warrior and the unity between the god and the beast. The initiate leaves the identification with the outer ”personality” to find the inner ”individuality”. All initiations on this level are conducted together with brothers and sisters from the higher Dragon Order.

5.0° Thagirion : When the adept has passed the lesser abyss and has experienced a unity with his/her Daemon the magician can take the step into the higher Dragon Order. This process of the 5.0° degree is one of the most decisive of the magician’s initiator path. This is the middle level of the Qliphotic initiator tree. The initiation is a magical ennobling in which the adept enters into the ”Draconian knighthood”.

6.0° Golachab : Since many magicians seems to stay a long time on the 5.0° level, the sixth degree is a breaking up and a first step towards the higher grades and the deep and distant levels these represent. Golachab is the most violent and destructive qlipha and the magician learns how to master its forces in the alchemistical work of creation.

7.0° Gha’agsheblah : The adept makes a resume of his/hers past magical life and prepares to leave the world and take a step into the divine realms.

**The Greater Abyss**: The world is annihilated and ceases to exist. The adept floats out into the utmost limitless darkness. The adept leaves his/her daemon behind and enters a state of metaphysical loneliness. In the abyss the adept makes a choice and formulates a formula based on the previous magical experience of the lower grades.

**The Star Sphere.** The degrees of the upper triad (8,9 and 10) belong to the divine level. The Star Sphere is completely disconnected from the earthly level. The initiations are conducted alone or
together with the higher Dragon Order. Degrees 8, 9 and 10 are sometimes referred to as "the path of the monk".

8.0° Satariel: When the adept has formulated his/her choice he/she is born out of the abyss as if it were a womb or infinite sea. The eye of the Dragon is opened and the adept becomes clear seeing. The adept becomes a god. From this level the initiate is a magician in the deepest sense of the word.

9.0° Ghagiel: The magician recreates the universe.

10.0° Thaumiel: The magician is in the absolute core. This is the eye of the Dragon and the throne of Lucifer. The magician can exist here for eternity, but can also make the ultimate choice. All religious, philosophical and metaphysical goals are choices. The magician can reach Nirvana; become one with darkness and the womb of Kali. The magician can invert Thaumiel and become one with God and the bright side. The magician can return to the lower levels. The magician can also take the final step out of the universe.

11.0° Adamas Ater: The universe B. The black Diamond. The magician that makes this choice can enter Universe B through the black hole. This step is sometimes referred to as "The Mystery".