

Unto Their Majesties An Tír, Their Heirs, Their Excellencies Lions Gate, unto the populace of Lions Gate, and to whom else these letters shall come, do Brynja Kortsdottir and Malyss Makneile send greetings, and we would herein submit our names for candidacy for the Baronial Coronets of Lions Gate.

Brynja has been part of the SCA for a lifetime: born into it, growing up in it, and now experiencing it as an adult. She has lived and been part of the branch's history and has participated in every aspect: from archery to heavy combat, rapier to arts and sciences, particularly scribal work. She has been recognized as a peer for her service, and takes pride in always being ready to lend a hand wherever it's needed. As a Sergeant in this Barony, she encourages and supports female fighters, helping them shine in our community.

While Malyss is newer to this Society, in his eight years within the SCA, he has been actively involved in various facets of our community. He has put energy into service and arts and sciences: becoming a Courtier of the Barony and holding multiple roles and offices. He has dipped toes into archery and heavy combat, and enjoys equestrian pursuits. Malyss also has a focus of engaging with our heraldic community, supporting the submissions process in Tir Righ, An Tir, and Known-World-wide.

In recent years, Brynja and Malyss have taken on varying offices both locally and at higher levels. Brynja has served as Minister of Stables and Scribal Officer to the Barony, and as Coronet Scribal Deputy, bringing her skills to organizing and managing these tasks. Malyss' most recent role is Lions Blood Herald, but has also held Blue Inkhorn and Lionsdale Exchequer offices.

Looking forward, we want to focus on continuing to build a welcoming, joyful environment that prioritises safety and inclusivity for all. While we know that there will be fun and exuberance to be had, and we greatly look forward to those times, we also recognise that in times of stress we will be called on by the community we serve, and in such moments of heightened emotions, we would aim to offer a steady, calming influence. In all the highs and the lows together, it would be our privilege to act as both the hand of the Crown and the voice of the populace.

In service in this as in all things,

Brynja Kortsdottir
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Sergeant of Lions Gate

Malyss Makneile
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Courtier of Lions Gate