

EXILE

by Ryan C. Charles



This short story, *Exile*, was originally conceived as the introduction to a novel of the same title. The novel was intended to examine the fate of the *affarite* species met in Ryan C. Charles's fantasy submission entitled *The Gilding*. The novel *Exile*, set fifteen hundred years in the future, would have carried *affarites* to a world free of ghouls, shapechangers, and wizards, revealing the origin of the "angels" of *The Gilding* in a post-Purge world.