

LUCIUS MAXIMUS

(COLIN CAMPBELL)



Background –

Lucius Maximus's Backstory

Lucius was adopted and raised by a shopkeeper's family. There are hints of some kind of scandal involved with his parentage but Engar is unaware of the details as his parents are sworn to secrecy. Other than this, his upbringing was ordinary for a resident of a mid-sized city.

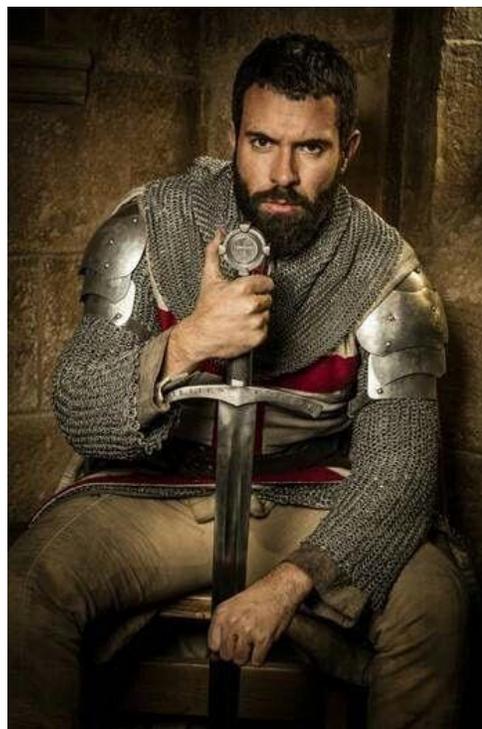
Lucius is generally unconcerned about money as long as he has enough for food, shelter and other necessities. As a result, he sometimes overpays for things instead of haggling. Additionally, he has more than a little vanity about his appearance and will try to be 'presentable' no matter the circumstances. This means that he's going to take time to polish his armor and clean his clothes and himself as much as possible.

He has always been a romantic and an idealist. He joined the city watch with visions of daring rooftop chases and dramatic rescues. He discovered that the job of a junior watchman is to stand around guarding door or a gate. Another common assignment for him was manning the 'drunk wagon' which picked up the drunks thrown out of the taverns and took them to a shed at the watch building so they would not die from exposure, get robbed, murdered, etc.

This is his first actual law enforcement assignment.

Tends to see the good in people and is likely to assume honest or good intentions without information to the contrary. Likes everybody..

JONATHAN BERNARDO
LUCA (“BENNI”)
(DAVE SKI)



Background –

Benni is a member of the church order under the Bishop, detached as an assistant/bodyguard for **Father Dato**. He has been helping the Father with his services in the Bottoms as his assistant while furthering studies as a priest. In addition, he has been filling a role with the Father with medical aid as a neophyte physician in service of the church.

His bodyguard duties have required keeping a level of proficiency with various weapons and becoming familiar with both the City and its notable inhabitants.

Of medium size and body, he strikes most as an affable man.

He is not currently married. He and Eric often conduct discussions of a religious nature in the Guard House and at the Goat’s Head Tavern.

VALIN MANSFORD

(TOM CURRY)



Background –

Valin Mansford is one of the younger sons of **Otto Mansford**, a smith.

Valin was apprenticed at a young age to learn a trade as a foundryman but as things go he was used and treated worse than a slave and was not at all happy (or even close) with what life had laid out for him. The foundry/smithy where he was apprenticed (which is located on the Eastern side of the City) has an “unfavorable” reputation and has been the subject of many complaints, but the money it provides has, to now, largely smoothed things over (but it is widely rumored that bribes have played a part in this).

He is fully muscled and proficient in a number of the weapons that he used to make.

After some years of working in this state, Valin decided to leave. He “liberated” a few weapons and departed into the night.

He made it clear across the City before landing a position with the City Guard in The Bottoms. So far, no one has come looking for him.

He is not current married and often sleeps in the Guard quarters.

VANYA MILLARI – (ROB ANSLOW)



Background –

Vanya is the granddaughter of **Tyco Millari** (a long time member of the City Guard who was mustered out some months ago for what was reported to be reasons of failing health). Vanya's father is **Paulo Millari**, a local cobbler who is (generally) thought well of.

Vanya grew up revering her grandfather and has been around the City Guard quarters for at least 8 years. Veterans have seen her grow up in their company. Known to be honest and resolute, she takes after her grandfather in those respects.

She has now formally joined the Guard, although there is still some thought that she will not “make it” as a member.

She is known to be very bright and quick. She also has some talent at blending in and being the “Eyes and Ears” of the Guard in female circles (which has been helpful more than once). She knows how to read and the basics of math.

She is known to keep a collection of knives and daggers on her person and to be reasonably proficient in their use. She more than holds her own in knife-throwing and archery contests. Her abilities on the practice yard one-on-one with other Guardsmen with the sword or staff put her in the lower rank, but not last.

She has never (to anyone's knowledge) slept in the Guards' quarters, but only in her family home, a few blocks away. She tends to ignore (or at least not respond to) assertions such as “*you're a girl you can't do that...*” She also ignores (until they become physical) romantic/sexual advances. She has never had to resort to violence on that score, but those who know her doubt she would shirk from such if needed.

She also does not have a “lady-like” figure and has been known to go about disguised as a young man when need arises.

ERIC THONIUS

(ROB NORTON)



Background –

Roughly 21 years of age, **Eric** has reached the rank of *ostiarius* within the church. This allowed him to become familiar with some weapons and the wearing of armor. Eric does not currently seem to be in a hurry to reach ordination or higher rank in the church hierarchy. As an *ostiarius*, he still has the option of declining ordination, walking away from the clergy in relative honor, and doing something else with his life. Working with the City Guard of Pumpossa has enabled him to explore his options.

He seems to have learned more than a bit about self-defense earlier in life and holds his own on the practice yard.

He often talks at length with other members of the Guard about their backgrounds, likes and dislikes and other places in the City and the local Empire. He seems to eschew any interest in politics (although he does know a good deal about the operations and political environments of the Church within the City).

He reads more than a bit and, much like Vanya (and a few other members of the Guard), seems interested in mechanical devices.

Of less than average height, he does not seem to let this stand in his way in terms of pursuing his goals.

He is not currently married (that anyone knows about) and sleeps most nights in the City Guard quarters.

BLAZE ZANDER

(DAVE CORCORAN)



Background –

Blaze (if that is even his real given name) arrived some time ago from outside Pompossa. Little is known of his family other than he rarely speaks of them (some have speculated that they are/were disreputably disreputable). He has arrived with number of....skills that would support a prior life that was...not entirely legally conducted.

He has been known to produce items, such as lock picks and such (and knows how to use them), that support this view of his past.

Passable with sword and staff, he rates about the middle of the field in terms of defending himself.