

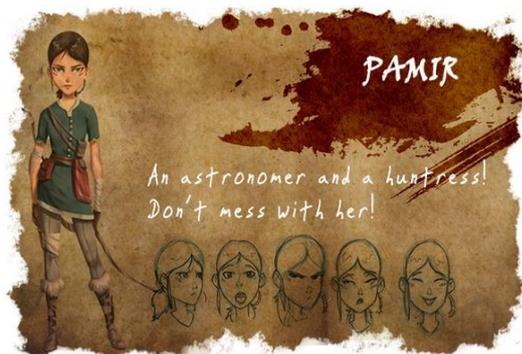


Myths of Central Asia Come to Life!

Maybe you have shoved off the high seas with Vikings, embarked on new, exciting adventures and fought along with them furiously (Vicky the Vikings Cartoon Series). You have climbed Mount Olympus, witnessed many heroic actions and conflicts between Zeus and his siblings (Hercules Disney Movie, Percy Jackson and the Olympians Book Series). You have seen Ramses blessed by Egyptian Gods (Ramses Book Series) or helped the mummy Tutankhamun and tried to prevent him from getting into trouble with his friend Chloe and her cat Luxor (Tuteinstein Cartoon Series). But, really, do you recall watching a cartoon series or reading a fantasy book series based on our own roots and our mythology?

Brace yourselves as it is finally happening! Boerue - Börü in Turkish - needs our support to amaze us with a fantastic universe based on the steppe culture of Middle Asia filled with Shamanism, Tengrism and Animalism.¹ The word “Boerue” means “wolf” but also it was used to describe leaders who had the will power to change the fate of nations.

¹ Retrieved from <https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/boerue/boerue-shamanic-sci-fi-animation-series> on 24 April, 2016.



But it shouldn't be just seen as a simple cartoon or animation series because it also examines the synergy of art, religion and science by asking two important questions: "Who is entitled to possess knowledge?" and "What are the ethical boundaries of science?"

The series is about the conflict between the scientist of Khanete who violated the laws of nature and upset the Gods and the balance of earth and shamans who turned their backs on scientists.

Duman, a schizophrenic element hunter, will try to end all the conflicts between scientists and shamans with the help of apprentice shaman, Bars and his ash bear pet, Koza; the astronomer and hunter Pamir and Kam Ana who is the wisest and the grumpiest shaman of the Nine Shamans Council.

As they say on their Kickstarter page, the show will be in two languages: Turkish and English at the beginning; however, they will try to make subtitles in as many languages as they can. And for the first season they would like to stream their episodes on Youtube only because they want to share their story with everyone.

As they mention on their Kickstarter project page, they are freelance workers who have wanted to take a bigger step by setting up a totally independent project to share with everyone. It is a unique project that we all have been waiting and longing for without even

realizing it. Making it happen is in our hands. The very first backer of the project is Sevin Okyay who is a well-known translator and critic in Turkish Fantasy and Sci-Fi community.

After watching the trailer, you may think that everything - the backgrounds, characters - looks so stable as if they're standing still and wonder whether the animation technique will be the same in the actual series, too. The answer is no. The trailer is made using a technique called animatic; the upcoming series will be a high quality 2D animation!

For further information you can visit their website and profiles on multiple social network sites.



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