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# Capitulum I

## *Sāturnus*

Ego sum  
Sāturnus.



Ecce pictūra. Tū vidēs mē  
in pictūrā?

Ego falcem in manū meā  
habeō. Falx est magica.

Māter mea mihi falcem  
dēdit. Ego mātrem meam  
amō.

**Fortasse**<sup>1</sup> tū putās mē esse  
deum. Rīdiculum! Ego nōn  
sum deus. Ego nōlō esse  
deus!

Deī et deae sunt malī et  
crūdēlēs et . . . sed illa est  
**alia fābula.**<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> fortasse: *maybe*

<sup>2</sup> alia fābula: *another story*

Ego nōn sum deus. Ego  
**Tītānus**<sup>3</sup> sum!

**Fortasse**<sup>4</sup> tū dīcis: “Quid  
 est ‘Tītānus?’”

Nōs Tītānī sumus antīquī.  
 Nōs erāmus **priōrēs**<sup>5</sup> quam  
 hominēs. Nōs erāmus priōrēs  
 quam deī. Nōs erāmus  
 priōrēs quam . . . omnia!

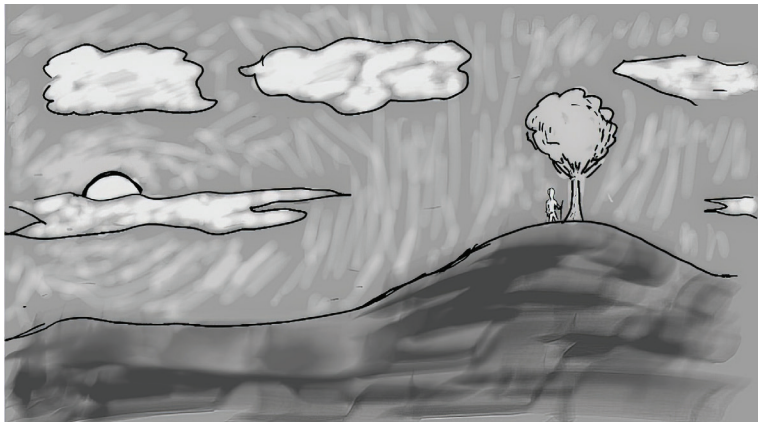
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<sup>3</sup> Tītānus: *a titan*

<sup>4</sup> fortasse: *perhaps*

<sup>5</sup> priōrēs: *earlier*

Ecce pictūra.



In pictūrā est pater meus.

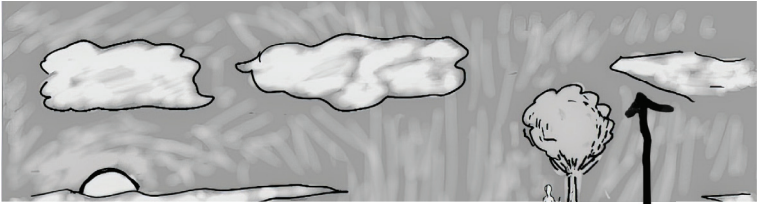


Minimē—pater  
meus *nōn* est  
ille vir parvus in  
terrā.

Vidē **sūrsum**.<sup>6</sup>

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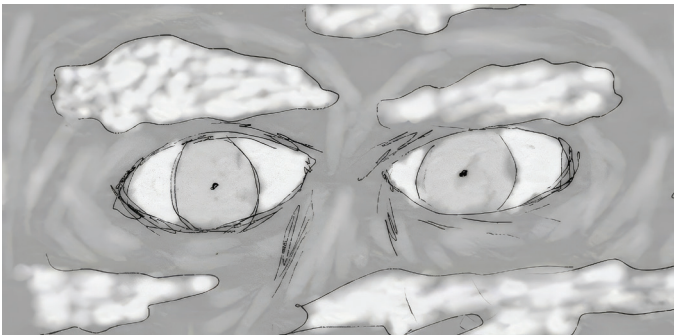
<sup>6</sup> sūrsum: *up, upwards*



Fortasse tū dīcis:  
 “Pater tuus in caelō est.”

Ego: “Minimē, pater meus  
 nōn est in caelō. Pater meus  
 est **Caelum ipsum.**”<sup>7</sup>

Ecce pater meus. Pater  
 meus vocātur “Ūranus.”




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<sup>7</sup> Caelum ipsum: *the Sky itself*





Sed ille erat crūdēlis et  
malus.



Ōlim ego quoque eram  
rēx, sed haec est **alia fābula**.<sup>8</sup>

Fortasse tū dīcis: “Quis  
erat māter tua?”

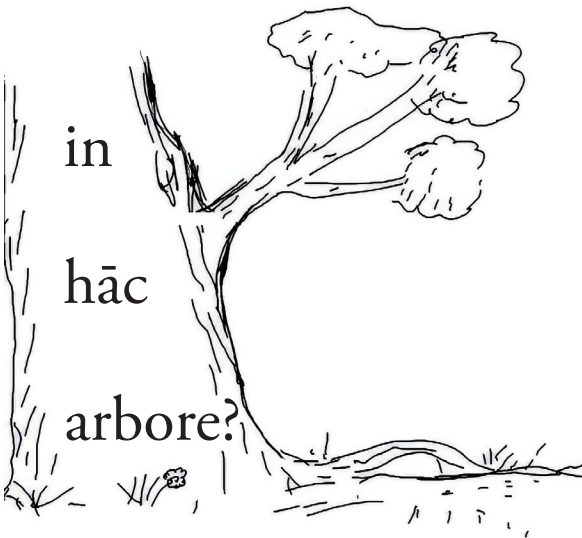
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<sup>8</sup> alia fābula: *another story*

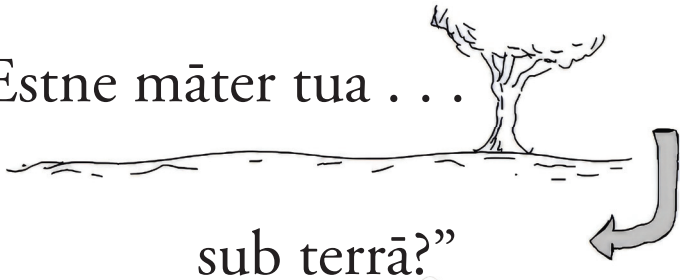
Ego: “Māter mea quoque  
est in pictūrā.”



Tū dīcis: “Est māter tua



Estne māter tua . . .



sub terrā?”

Ego: “Hahahae! Māter  
mea nōn in hāc arbore est.  
Neque ea est sub terrā. Māter  
mea est **Terra ipsa.**”<sup>9</sup>

Māter mea  
vocātur  
“Gāia.”



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<sup>9</sup> Terra ipsa: *the Earth itself*



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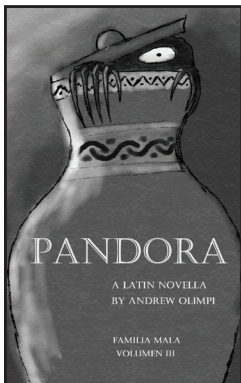
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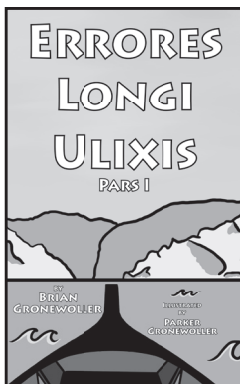
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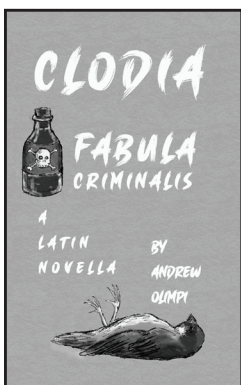
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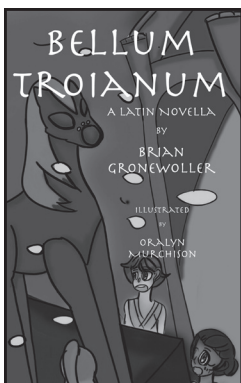
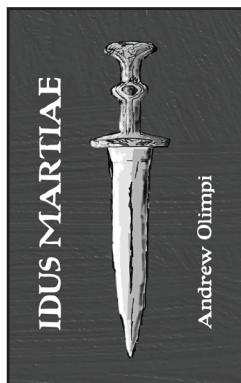
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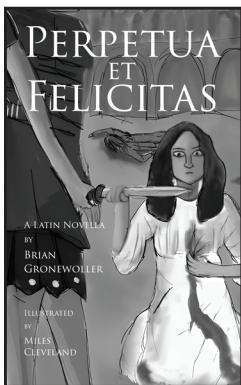
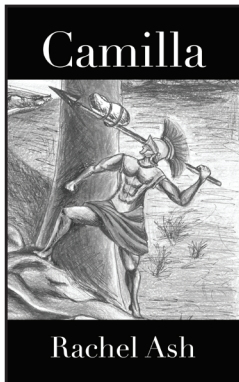
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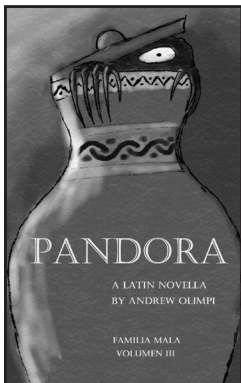
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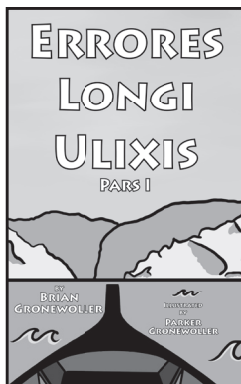
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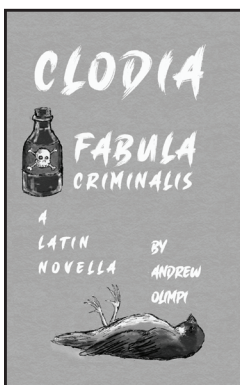
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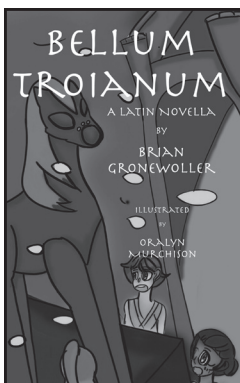
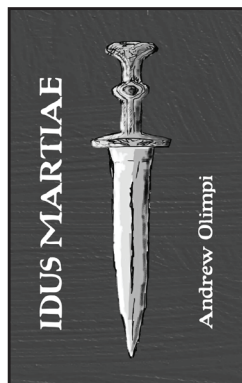
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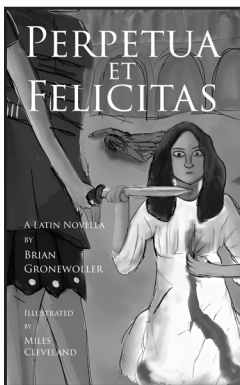
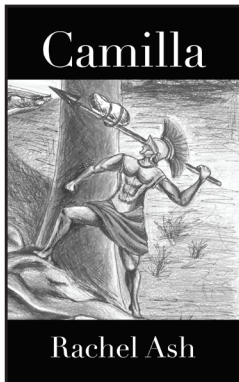
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