#### **Curtain Fire Contest**

# Unconnected Card Captors

### Sign Up Here!!

Please note: Prior sign up is not required to participate.

When you're finished your script, please post a download link in the sign up sheet.

## **Deadline: July 4th 23:59 GMT**

The market occurs only when rainbows appear.

Late entries will not be accepted.

#### Gensokyo

Though the ability cards created under the lunar rainbow were ultimately deemed harmless novelties, their popularity did not wane.

Indeed, humans, youkai, gods, and even those from other worlds enjoyed using each other's powers in their spell card duels.

The incident has been resolved but the fun has only just begun! Engage in a battle of bullets where endless possibilities overlap!

#### **RULES:**

- Minimum script length: 2 nonspells and 2 spell cards.
- Maximum script length: 6 nonspells and 6 spell cards.
- Each pattern must be themed after an official touhou character other than your chosen boss, while retaining the unique style of your boss. What qualifies as "themed" is up to each creator 's interpretation.
- No more than one nonspell and one spell card may be themed after a specific character. In other words, every nonspell/spell card pair must be based on a different character.
- You are permitted one nonspell and one spell card that may be unthemed and are not counted towards the script's minimum or maximum length. This, however, is not required.
- You must create a boss battle using a character who has appeared in an official touhou game. Characters who have not appeared in an official touhou game are not permitted.
- Stages are allowed. During the stage portion only, all enemies are exempt from the bullet rules. You may make a midboss, but the midboss may not have more than 3 total patterns.
- You are allowed up to 1 survival spell.
- Last Words or Last Spells (that being spells that end the moment you die), as well as any patterns that go over the maximum limit, will be ignored in scoring.

You may use any game engine, not just Danmakufu, for this contest. However, if you are
not using danmakufu, please check with the judges prior to the deadline to make sure
your engine works.

Failure to follow the goddess's rules will result in your cards becoming worthless.

#### JUDGEMENT CRITERIA:

- Creativity, challenge, and fun factor of the danmaku will be the primary focuses of judging.
- Aesthetic appeal will be a minor factor. Good danmaku with zero effects and animation will win out over poor danmaku with amazing graphical effects.
- Remember that quality beats quantity! Don't needlessly pad out your script with patterns you don't put much effort into. Lazy patterns in an otherwise good script can hurt your score. A short and sweet script is better than a long and boring script.
- Game-breaking bugs will result in an automatic zero. Please playtest your scripts before the deadline!
  - Submitting entries early may work to your benefit, as people can test your scripts and provide feedback. In the interest of fairness, the judges won't provide creative feedback until the deadline--but we'll still notify you about potentially problematic bugs or easy fixes (like buggy danmaku or graphical glitches).
- Adherence to the contest's theme will be factored into scoring. Creating a great
  pattern that fails to reflect another character's style defeats the point of the contest, and
  so will be judged poorly.

She who best understands the market will receive the greatest profits!

#### **RESOURCES FOR BEGINNERS:**

Though it is a contest, this is an event for both experienced scripters and beginners alike.

The judges are all experienced scripters who will provide comments on how to improve. In other words, this is a great opportunity to learn about danmaku!

Below are some helpful resources for those looking to get into danmakufu specifically:

- Danmakufu Wiki
- Helepolis's video tutorials (0.12m tutorials) (ph3 tutorials)
- Sparen's ph3 tutorials

The ability cards provide opportunity to both the strong and the weak.

Your past will not define your strength in the present.

### **JUDGES:**

- TresserT
- Tricksticks
- Felyne Catto

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# We look forward to your display of danmaku!