Schrödinger Cat <BaseBackground>

Schrödinger Cat is a special sort of background which takes *another* background and swaddles it. It massages in mystery and riddles it through with the horror of an infinite cosmos. Think of this like *generic programming* for D&D.

The mechanical benefits of this are few, edging toward none. If anything being a Schrödinger Cat is a detriment when viewed beneath any reasonable lens. But reasonable lenses are for the shortsighted.

Schrödinger Cat

You are a Schrödinger Cat, a cosmic being pregnant with your own potential, riding your wave form to its imminent collapse.

The traditional size of a cosmic litter of Schrödinger Cats is nine, from which arose a rather common misconception regarding the number of lives a cat may have. Let me set the record straight, here and now: a normal cat has but a single life; and a hard-limit on the number of meows that will punctuate that life.

A Schrödinger Cat on the other hand *does* have nine lives in certain, cosmic sense. Nine potential characters, who can differ in class and background and to some extent, even personality. As a Schrödinger Cat goes through life (or disparate campaigns), versions of it that are not well-equipped to survive may die off, in which case one of the remaining versions may slide into its place. Until only one remains. *A Schrödinger Cat lives its life as an inverted possibility tree.*

However, a Schrödinger Cat doesn't gain power each time one of its versions dies. At best it might absorb some high level knowledge about what went wrong. And this can lead to situations of a somewhat awkward nature.

As a Schrödinger Cat, most often a Tabaxi, you will need to use your infiltration skills to trick your party into thinking you're the same person they had previously known, with no real details to aid your way. This can be particularly tricky if your new version is an entirely different class.

In the end there can be only one Schrödinger Cat. May he be Percy Animé: Cat man; rogue.

Metafeature: Cosmic Abomination

As a cosmic abomination you are not linked to time or space in a traditional way. This version of yourself – be it new or old – may find itself in a time or universe quite different from a prior campaign. This may foster in you a general mistrust in times linearity.

Features, Proficiencies, Languages & Equipment

Taken from the background selected for this version of your Schrödinger Cat.

Suggested Characteristics

Taken from the background selected for this version of your Schrödinger Cat, though you may also choose from the following additions:

Type	Characteristic
Personality Trait	Twins or siblings of similar semblance fill you with a deep unease
Personality Trait	As a cosmic abomination you are filled with an insatiable curiosity about the world around you, and what mysteries it may hold.
Ideal	You don't trust the linearity of time with the same fervency as others.
Ideal	You are the ideal version of yourself, and the only way to prove that is to survive – no matter the cost.
Flaw	You are prone to needless deception
Flaw	As a cosmic abomination you have trouble connecting with regular people

Usage

The Schrödinger Cat mirrors *generic programming*, and so for each version you define you must also supply a base background type as a parameter:

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myCharacter.background = new
SchrödingerCat<Entertainer>(...);
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In the above case the current version of your Schrödinger Cat would be of the background **Entertainer**. Most features, etc. of this version on your Schrödinger Cat will be based on that underlying background.