

MYTHOS PREHISTORY

In the earliest times, when the Earth is still cooling, Cthugha and its fire vampire servitors appear. They are the first life on the planet. Earth is covered by warm shallow seas from which continents periodically emerge.



Elder things arrive on Earth, landing in what is now the Atlantic Ocean. They generate their first great undersea city using Ubbo-Sathla, a primal shoggoth mass the Elder things created from organic material found on the ocean floor. Ubbo-Sathla is called the "father of all life" in the Book of Eibon.

The mysterious flying polyps arrive on Earth from outer space. Settling on land that far later becomes Australia, they erect great windowless cities of basalt and feed upon the cone-shaped beings they find living there.

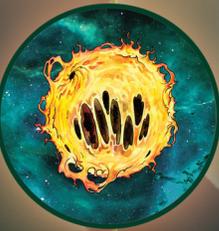
Earliest fossils of aquatic fungi and algae.

Throughout the aeons the elder things have continued their creation and exploitation of primitive life forms. When some of their experiments escape, the elder things deign to allow them to evolve on their own, resulting in the creations of the first vertebrates—fish—and other life forms. By this time the planet's crust has formed major continents in the northern and in the southern hemispheres. The two continents slowly move toward each other.



The minds of the Great Race of Yith travel across time and space to inhabit the bodies of the cone-shaped beings of Australia. The Yithians begin a war of subjugation against the polyps, which are surprised, quickly defeated, and sealed away in subterranean vaults. The Yithians build cities to guard against them.

The two supercontinents collide, forming the supercontinent Pangaea and giving rise to the mountains of Scotland and Scandinavia. This cataclysm also causes new landmasses to form in the Pacific Ocean, among them K'naa Ponape, Yhe and R'lyeh. These places will one day be known as Mu. In the wake of this upheaval Cthulhu and his spawn seep down from the stars of the star-system of Xoth, claiming their own. War begins with the Yithians for dominance of the planet, but a truce is eventually declared between the two alien races.



4.5 Billion BCE

1.8 Billion BCE

1 Billion BCE

750 Million BCE

450 Million BCE

400 Million BCE

350 Million BCE



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Another great cataclysm shakes the Earth, plunging the lands of Mu beneath the waters of the Pacific Ocean. At this time Cthugha and his fire vampires are banished from the Earth, and possibly other Great Old Ones are imprisoned.

The beginning of serpent folk civilization, in Valusia, a land at the center of Pangaea. This is the famed First Empire of the serpent people. A parallel race of tailless reptile men (who may not be related to the serpent people) coexists to the east and build the Nameless City.

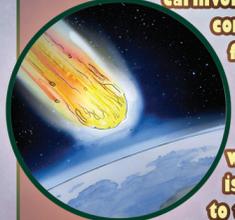
This begins the Age of Reptiles. The dinosaurs reign across Pangaea. The arrival of the dinosaurs causes the downfall of the First Empire of the serpent people. Many serpent people are killed, but others hibernate or go into hiding deep beneath the Earth forming civilizations, such as Yoth.

A great east-west crack appears across Pangaea, separating Laurasia in the north from Gondwanaland in the south. The remnants of Valusia are plunged beneath the waves, into what will one day be the Mediterranean Sea. A separate Antarctic/Australian landmass has drifted free of Gondwanaland toward the South Pole. About this time India breaks loose from it and heads north toward Asia.

The mi-go, the fungi from Yuggoth, arrive and establish their first colony in the Appalachian Mountains. These beings war with the elder things, who are forced to retreat southward. Soon the Earth is divided, with mi-go in the north, elder things in the south, and the Great Race in the lands surrounding Australia.

An asteroid strikes the Yucatan, causing the consequences of the dinosaurs. South America is separated, as have Africa and North America. Europe and Asia are separated, and is heading toward the east. The Atlantic is also freed and later crashes into the Mediterranean. The Carpathians, and the new Atlantic Ocean are clearly visible. Much of central Europe is destroyed. Geologic forces through the world.

The shoggoths revolt against their masters. In a war of survival the elder things are finally victorious. The near-extinction of their slave-beasts signals the beginning of the long decline of the elder things.



300 Million BCE

275 Million BCE

250 Million BCE

225 Million BCE

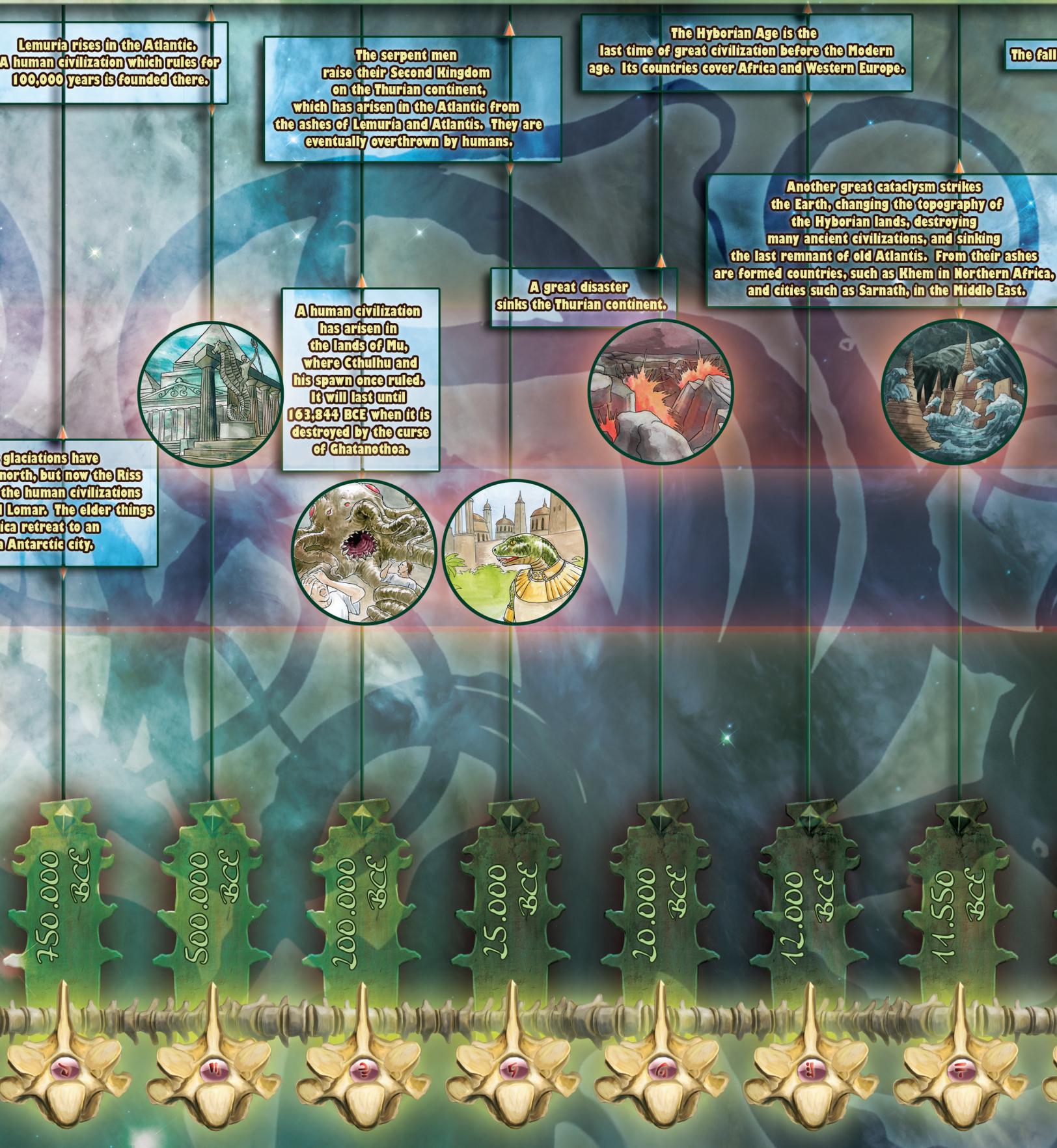
190 Million BCE

160 Million BCE

70 Million BCE



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ECRAFT, THE CALL OF CTHULHU

