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GORDAFRID: THE FEARLESS WARRIOR ADAPTED FROM SHAHNAMEH WRITTEN BY SHAHNAZ SIDHWA

Cast & Back Stage Helpers



The Narrator skillfully captivated the audience, preparing them for the next scene.



Prologue - Celebrating Jidina's birthday. She surprised her parents with her dream. It was about her reincarnation from eons ago as Gordafarid, the renowned archer from Persia



Child Gordafarid pretending to be engaged in archery feats

Mother chastising Gordafarid for her passion for archery



**In search of his horse, Raksh,
Rustum arrived at the Palace of Samangan**



Court Dancer



**Afrasiyab's emissary turned away
by the sentry at the Palace of Samangan**

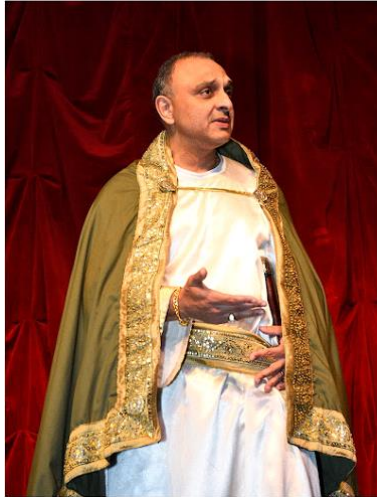


**When the King of Samangan asked Rustum to stay
as a guest in his palace, a clandestine relationship
blossomed between Rustum and Princess Tehmina**



After Rustum's horse, Raksh, was returned to him he left Samangan, and never returned. Tehmina gave birth to Sohrab. She lied to Rustum about the gender of the child. She kept it a tightly guarded secret from her son for a very long time.

Sohrab was devastated when Tehmina Disclosed to him that Rustum was his father



Gordafarid invited Sohrab to cross the boundary to return the bird, she shot over the Turanian side



An irresistible mutual attraction emerged



Gordafarid's mother cautions her to not get involved with Sohrab, a Commander of Turanian Army



Sohrab & Gordafarid Duel



**Sohrab topples Gordafarid's helmet
revealing her face**



Gordafarid Challenges Rustum to fight with Sohrab



Rustum & Sohrab Fight



Sohrab is fatally injured in the fight



**Gordafarid despondent at the
Death of Sohrab.**



**Gordafarid Commits Suicide by drinking
Hemlock and dies in her mother's arms**



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