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# Sketches: Timetwister

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Welcome to another edition of [Sketches!](#) This week we'll be taking a look at the work of Mark Tedin.

For the upcoming Type 1 Championship event at Gen Con Indy, Wizards of the Coast commissioned Mark Tedin to do a new version of the art for the Type 1 power card [Timetwister](#). We aren't planning on reprinting this powerhouse anytime soon. Instead, the idea was to let the artist go back and redo the card from today's perspective, ten or so years later. The final piece would then be presented as a unique prize for the event's winner.

For this commission, Tedin wasn't given any specific direction or description. Here's the first sketch he did.



Now we get to the part that makes Tedin unique. As he gets to the final stages of his sketch process he always adds a description at the bottom explaining what direction he's taking the piece. Here's his final sketch for the new [Timetwister](#) art.



**Timetwister (2)**- A woman warrior is being caught in a "time-warping" field. She is becoming elderly in places, as if caught in a photographic blur. The distortion seems to be half-solid; light, dark and colors seem to flow from one region to the next, like a weird magnetic field. *Mark Tedin* 6-04 ©

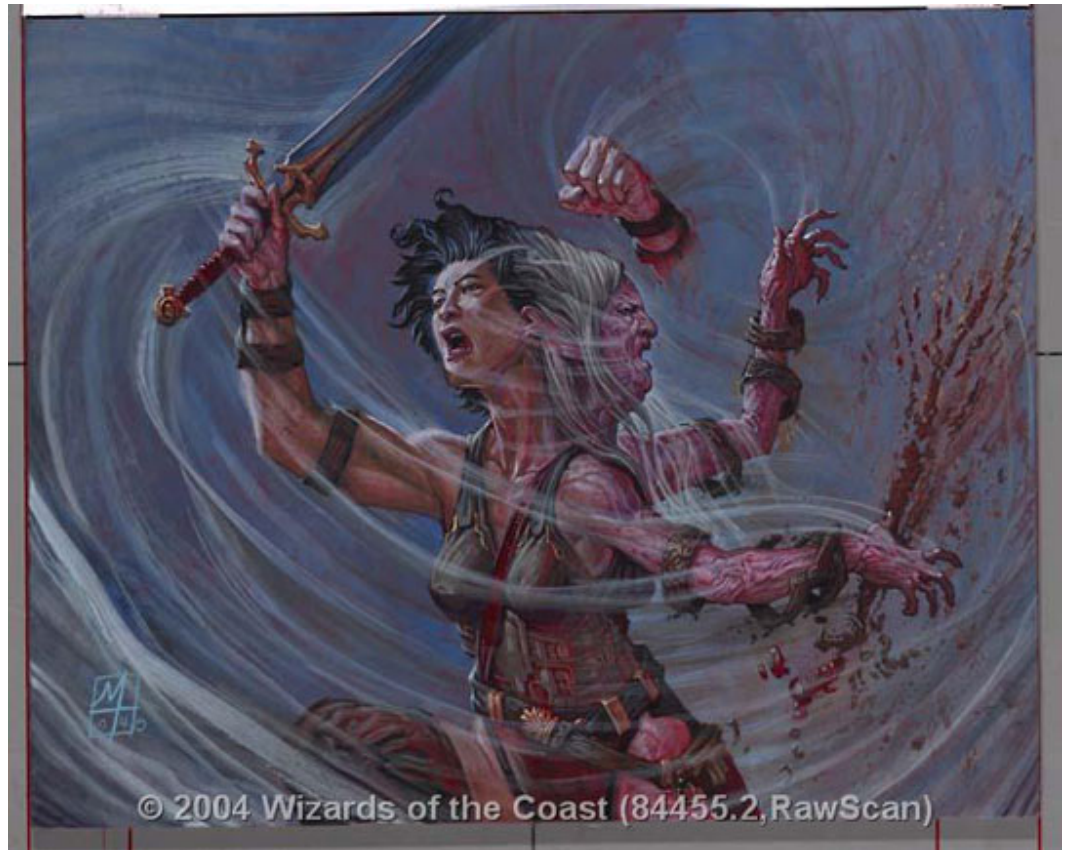
Tedin was also featured recently in our [Selecting Ninth Edition](#) promotion, which featured a sketch of his for new [Zur's Weiriding](#) art. We cropped the original version to remove the description in order to keep the vote fair. Here is the complete sketch, with the trademark Tedin art description.



**#86740 Zur's Weiriding**— A wizard is casting an enchantment that reveals an aspect of his inner self. A golden-white semi-circle of bright light is arcing from his mind to his heart, whose image is manifest. Some of his unconscious is leaking out from the back of his mind, concentrating into a small pellet of cold, dark energy. A ceramic device of possible Thran origin is visible in the background.

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Finally, here's a raw scan (not yet color corrected) of how the final version of the new Timetwister art turned out.



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