

21. IN-DEPTH

[SINGULARITY's Backstory and Past Universe]

{An eternity ago in a universe unlike any other that we could ever fathom, the supernatural beings, called MULTIVERSITIES, gave birth to a very special Galaxy. Their name was SINGULARITY. And like any other Galaxy, we have seen this one grow. However, this Galaxy was unlike their guardians. SINGULARITY had a supermassive heart. In fact, it was so massive that their parents could not even hold their cluster of stars. SINGULARITY sucked the energy out of them; not even light can escape it. Their parents wanted to raise them, but not any more raised than who SINGULARITY already was. And SINGULARITY was better at raising... Hell. Wherever they went, so did the room. They sucked the energy out of the room, too. Even though they warped time itself, time still flew. Eventually, MULTIVERSITIES sat SINGULARITY down and let them know what is in their heart(s). And with that heartless truth, SINGULARITY ran away from the center and fell off the edge of their universe.}

(SINGULARITY remains absent. They are heard holding on to the edge of their native universe for dear life.)

[The fabric of spacetime stretches and eventually rips.]

~~*(A reminder that this is during a period of time before their six galactic children were born. So, SINGULARITY has their eyes intact. SINGULARITY appears youthful and resplendent*~~

as a Galaxy. They hold a torn chunk of vantablack fabric, shielding the BB Taser. In front of the stage, they may scream as they tumble in. They get up and limp alongside the front of the stage. They find a spot to collapse against. They feel lost and frightened in an interdimensional plane between universes. They grow aware that they can never return home and will never be with their parents ever again for all eternity.)

SINGULARITY

I DON'T HAVE A HOME...?

(MULTIVERSITIES never physically appear. They may be casted as shadows or projections of celestial bodies searching on stage. They call out SINGULARITY's name in hopes of finding them and follow up by having a grief-stricken discussion with accompanying MULTIVERSITIES.)

MULTIVERSITY 1/A

We love you. We gravitate to you. We need you. We balance time for you. Our precious Galaxy, where are you?! Come home! Return to the center of the universe, at once! Singularity! File a report. Our child ran away from home. Our baby is missing!

MULTIVERSITY 2/B

Singularity! We're a part of the force... We raised them without forcing doubt on them. But you just had to go and tell them about their supermassive disorder. Now, we know supermassive disorder. I authorized you to keep their center a secret!

SINGULARITY

I DON'T HAVE A... BLACK HOLE FOR A...



MULTIVERSITY 1/T

Singularity! What? The theory that they have a black hole for a heart? Do you not see the problem of stars orbiting that chasm of theirs? What would cells want to do circulating a heart? Why can't they be content like we are. As we raised them, they have been relativitistically impossible to handle. I would regret as a mother/father if I spaghettified the truth.

SINGULARITY

I DON'T HAVE A... BLACK HOLE FOR A...

MULTIVERSITY 2/Δ

Singularity! You ripped a wormhole in them. You broke their heart. You dug into this dark energy. You've always regretted their supermassive heart and that the spirit and soul that came with it. I can't comprehend how that is mathematically possible, but your quantized ego did it.

SINGULARITY

I DON'T HAVE THE HEART...

MULTIVERSITY 1/E

Singularity! Our little nebula shall not lie down and go quiet into the dark matters... They have been tearing up our fabric of spacetime since they were born! ...But importantly, as they continue to mutate and deform. Agony. Ionized gas. They have to empirically know. Some millennia.

MULTIVERSITY 2/Z

Singularity! We won't get another millennium with them. They didn't have to know who they truly are inside. They could have experimented with their own internalized theories. You could have been a general relative to them... You took the light out of our little cluster of stars!

SINGULARITY

I DON'T HAVE A... BLACK HOLE FOR A...
I DON'T HAVE THE HEART...
I DON'T HAVE THE... BLACK HOLE FOR THE...
I DON'T HAVE A HEART!

[MULTIVERSITIES' shadows may die out.]

MULTIVERSITY 1/H

Singularity! They sucked the light out of us, into their little event horizon...! ...You got to believe that the heart is where the lights are trapped inside... As we have with time, time carries on with them. And, their heart sucked energy out of the space. They should have had enough of it...?

(SINGULARITY tries to reach for the stage.)

SINGULARITY

I DON'T HAVE THE... ENERGY TO...
I DON'T HAVE A REACH...

MULTIVERSITY 2/©

Singularity! Declination!

MULTIVERSITY 1/I

Singularity! We looked up and down. Right ascension?!

MULTIVERSITY 2/K

Singularity! We looked left and right. Fourth dimension?!

MULTIVERSITY 1/Λ

Singularity! We looked over and under every fabric of spacetime...



(Silence. MULTIVERSITIES realize that their child/cluster of stars has forever vanished.)

MULTIVERSITY 2/M

Singularity fell off the edge of the universe!

(MULTIVERSITIES weep for all eternity.)

SINGULARITY

I'M OUT OF MY DEPTH.

I'M OUT OF MY DEPTH.

I'VE GONE OFF THE DEEP END. IT'S HERE...

[The light focuses more on SINGULARITY, as though it asks SINGULARITY to go to it.]

I'M INTO DEEP.

MULTIVERSITY 1/N

Singularity... I deny they broke the laws of physics. They must be in the courtyard of another plane! Within the walls of a new stage. It has to be. Or not. They broke the fourth dimension...?!

MULTIVERSITY 2/E

Singularity... I'm angered that you would care whether or not they are breaking any laws! At least, no longer our laws. We know that they can't break our universal laws.

MULTIVERSITY 1/O

Singularity... Can we bargain the fact that the laws of physics are different in other universal jurisdictions? They don't know if they'll break the other laws of physics!

MULTIVERSITY 2/Π

Singularity... It's depressing. Either way, they'll break...

(SINGULARITY breaks down.)

MULTIVERSITY 1/P

Singularity... Just accept... They'll get eaten alive by unknown forces...

(The TIDALs' cast shadows in the distance.)

(SINGULARITY cannot see clearly what is going on.)

SINGULARITY

I DON'T HAVE THIS... DEPTH PERCEPTION...
I AM NOT IN-DEPTH...!

MULTIVERSITY 2/Σ

Singularity... Just a crunch...

(On stage, the TIDALs approach SINGULARITY.)

SINGULARITY

IN-DEPTH!
I'M INTO DEEP.
I'M DEAD!

MULTIVERSITY 1/T

(Saying it like Frozone and his Super Suit.)

Multiversity... Where did we put the electricity...? Where is the BBT? The Big Bang Taser?!



(SINGULARITY pulls out the BB Taser.)

SINGULARITY

In my native universe, this brings charge. And it's shocking...

(Turning on the BB Taser. They point the BB Taser towards the TIDALs.)

What kind of forces are you exerting—?

TIDAL(s)

Force!

(SINGULARITY sways a bit.)

SINGULARITY

Like to echo, huh?

TIDALs

Force force force...!

(SINGULARITY feels the tidal force.)

SINGULARITY

Hits like a tide! Is that all you can bark?

TIDALs

Fall!

(SINGULARITY falls over themself.)

SINGULARITY

What are you howling about?

MULTIVERSITY 2/Y

Multiversity. For safekeeping, our baby will take care of
themselves... Uh, did we ever teach them how to properly conduct it?

*(SINGULARITY accidentally electrocutes
themselves with the BB Taser. They shock
themselves into a stupor.)*

TIDALS

(Repeating.)

Big big big big big. Bang!

*(SINGULARITY catches their breath. They
decide to stow away the BB Taser inside the
fabric. They accept their fate.)*

(The TIDALS grab ahold of SINGULARITY.)

[The Center of the Universe]

[The light shifts to the dome home on stage.]

~~*[The home does not yet contain a vantablack
rug.]*~~

*(The TIDALS lift SINGULARITY onto the stage.
They carry SINGULARITY into the home. They
set down SINGULARITY. They grow tame. They
present the tidal pup to SINGULARITY.)*

*(SINGULARITY sets down the fabric, where the
rug will presently be.)*



~~(Present day GRAVITY remains absent.)~~

GRAVITY

(Adorably as a puppy.)

Force! Force! Force!

(SINGULARITY gently takes ahold of the tidal pup. They feel the sudden weight upon them.)

SINGULARITY

The Gravity of it all!

(Increasingly bonds with puppy GRAVITY. They may hear their past family praying for them.)

(MULTIVERSITIES absently say grace.)

MULTIVERSITY 1/ϕ

Let us save space and believe that our Galaxy is in a better place.

MULTIVERSITY 2/X

Let us mention that our cluster of stars have broken the fourth dimension.

MULTIVERSITY 1/Ψ

Let us remember their black hole and how it freed our soul.

MULTIVERSITY 2/Ω

Let us be home, even when it's the hardest.

MULTIVERSITIES

Singularity is where the heart is.

SINGULARITY

I CAN SEE..
THE TIDES HAVE TURNED.

(Timidly interacting with the TIDALs.)

IN-DEBT...

TIDALs

(Gratefully howling.)

Fall!

[End of "In-Depth."]