

“A Psychonaut’s Rebirth”

Black.

Silence.

A heart thumps in the void. Stubbs feels as though he is floating in space. His vision transitions from black and all he can see is darkness with small bright dots all around him. He looks to his left; he spots a planet that looks like two green donuts floating above each other. There’s a purple ring that goes around it. Beyond that, he see’s stars of different colors; some big and blue, others small and red. They seem to be floating so elegantly in a vast field of darkness.

He looks down. He can’t see his body. He doesn’t feel anything. He tries to turn his head and look around, and it just spins without stopping by a neck. He’s nothing but a spectator.

He hears a man’s voice.

“Congratulations; you have a son coming up.”

“Oh!” A woman gasps. “We’re having a son! We’re having a son, can you believe it?” She laughs in bursts of pure happiness and starts to cry with joy.

“A son...” A man starts. “I have a son...” Stubbs imagines him smiling and tears starting to attack his eyes.

Though Stubbs can’t see them, he imagines they’re hugging and crying in each other’s arms excited for the new addition to their family.

He sits in silence as he shifts through space.



Stubbs has no idea of the time or day. He can’t tell where he is.

He can’t sleep, but he is able to count in seconds as high as he wants without getting bored. He can recall movies he’s never seen before but he can remember them down to every detail. He feels limitless.

Stubbs has a guess that he’s been in space about three months.

He keeps himself busy by counting planets and looking at all there is around him.

Time goes on as he continues to travel.



It feels as though it's been a year since Stubbs first opened looked into this new world. He has learned to fly around and visit each planet. He travels and he is able to go through matter like a ghost.

He hears a voice for the first time in months and he's overwhelmed with shock. He listens closely and he's able to make out words and an engine roaring.

"Easy, baby! We're on our way there!" A stressed and nervous man says.

A woman groans and yells in pain. "It's coming!" She gasps.

Stubbs can imagine a couple on their way to the hospital for their new coming baby.

"*Hurry!*" The woman yells loudly and growls. "It's coming *now!*"

"*Fuck!*" A man exclaims. "We're ten minutes away from the hospital!"

"I... I can't wait ten minutes! It's coming *now!*" The woman screams in agony and pants. Stubbs can feel their fear. "You're going to have to do it."

"What?"

"You're going to have to deliver your son!" She screams once more.

"*Fuck,*" The man says under his breath. "Okay." Thinking. "Okay, take off your pants," Stubbs hears a car brake. Stubbs imagines the girl doing what he says. He can hear her grunts and gasps of pain. "Lay back,"

The woman screams in pain. "It's coming," she gasps.

"Okay, uh," He catches his nerves. "Okay, baby. *Push!*"

The woman screams in pain and grunts. She curses and yells up a storm.

Stubbs starts seeing the planets around him moving. They're all going to one point many miles away from him. They start to collide into each other, bursting with color and shapes. Stubbs gets scared as he sees his home get obliterated. He watches in fear as the planets and stars all coming crashing together, exploding.

He can hear the woman yelling as the ball of rock in front of him gets bigger. Every star is getting sucked into this one spot. They grow to giant size.

Just then, they all condense into one spec. Silence for a second. It just looks like a black void with one star in the space. Then, a white explosion; he can see a wave of white approaching him. Once it hits him, he gets launched towards the huge white rip in the space in front of him. Stubbs tries to push back, but the pull is too strong.

He can hear the woman screaming. It's getting louder.

"*Push!*" The man yells.

Stubbs's getting closer to the strip of light. He see's colors all around him. He feels as though he's inside a rainbow of every color ever made.

The woman is screaming immensely. She is in an extreme amount of pain from the way it sounds.

Stubbs can see the crack in space in front of him. It's sucking him in so quickly. He prepares to reach the rip.

He takes one last look around him, he see's every color imaginable, every shape there is, then the white light surrounds him and he's embraces it.