Static Memory Episode 1 - "Peril in my skin"

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EXT. JORDAN'S HOUSE - MORNING

Establishing shot.

SUPER: The Year 2023

INT. JORDAN'S HOUSE - MORNING

Jordan, 25-year-old black male, lays asleep in his queen sized bed. He is sprawled out wearing only boxers and looks to be sleeping peacefully.

Suddenly Jordan sucks in a distressed breath as his eyes snap open.

After taking a few panicked breaths, Jordan frantically feels his face - particularly examining his left eye.

TORIOUS

Must be nice having two eyes again.

Jordan snaps up into a sitting position. Torious - 25-year-old white male, goofy, calm and intelligent; nothing ever seems to be problematic to him - stands in the corner of the room.

Still Frame on Torious:

super:

Name: Torious

Species: Elneronian

Powers: Time and Space travel, Telepathy

JORDAN

Torious.

TORIOUS

You look different with hair.

Jordan throws his feet off the bed and fumbles for the cell phone on his night stand.

JORDAN

What year is it?

Jordan looks at the phone, but his vision is blurry.

TORIOUS

Don't worry. You made it. 41 years in the past.

Suddenly Jordan's head pounds and screams in sheer pain. Jordan drops the phone and grabs his head.

JORDAN

Ahh!!

TORIOUS

Time travel's a bitch huh? The pain will pass. You better get your ass goin though, Zalien is on his way.

JORDAN

Yea I know, I know.

Jordan quickly throws on jeans, a t-shirt, shoes and socks, then exits the bedroom.

INT. JORDAN'S HOUSE - LIVING ROOM - MORNING

Jordan enters the living room, where time stands still.

Julie - 24-year-old, sweet and exotic, but a tad on the crazy side - stands motionless in mid stride in the middle of the living room, holding an unopened can of soda.

JORDAN

Julie?

Jordan approaches and walks around her as she stands still in time.

TORIOUS

Ex-girlfriend?

JORDAN

Yea. I forgot about her. Why isn't she moving?

TORIOUS

You haven't fully entered this moment in time yet. You're still adjusting.

JORDAN

Well I can't wait any longer, Zalien might be on his way.

Jordan strides quickly to the front door. As soon as his hand touches the door knob he gets shocked and quickly pulls his hand back.

JORDAN

Ah, damn. What the hell Torious!?

TORIOUS

The moment hasn't been solidified yet. Even if you did open that door there'd be nothing but emptiness on the other side. Which means...

Torious looks thoughtful with his thumb to his chin.

JORDAN

Which means what?

Torious takes the can of soda out of Julie's hand and opens it while deep in thought.

TORIOUS

The portal's still open. Which means...

Torious takes a sip of the soda. Jordan looks annoyed.

TORIOUS

Some one is still inside it... Which means...

Torious takes another sip, in deep contemplation, then sets the can of soda down on top of Julie's head.

Jordan waits impatiently.

TORIOUS

Which means it's most likely Zalien.

JORDAN

Yea that's what I don't get. If I had to jump into my younger self in order to time travel, how can he make it back here? He's not alive now. He hasn't been born yet.

Suddenly jazz music is heard playing in the kitchen.

JULIE

Oh hey babe, didn't know you were awake.

Torious quickly grabs the soda can off Julie's head. Julie, still acting as though she's holding a soda can, goes in for a kiss with Jordan.

Torious slips the can of soda back into Julie's hand while she intimately kisses Jordan.

TORIOUS

Just gonna put this back there...

Jordan's eyes widen - pleasantly shocked and confused by the kiss. Torious looks on curiously.

Julie kisses him deep and passionately. Torious patiently waits.

Torious subtly groves to the jazz, dancing in place.

Julie steps away as she grabs and smacks Jordan's rear. Jordan still seems to be lost in the kiss.

TORIOUS

Mm love that jazz.

Jordan eyes Julie as she enters the kichen.

JORDAN

Yea, so did she. How much crazy is too crazy? Cuz... damn.

TORIOUS

(taps his own head)
Also, remember you're a 66 year old
man kissing a 24 year old.

JORDAN

(shakes out of it)

You're right, the mission. Zalien -

Julie prepares breakfast in the kitchen, swaying to the jazz.

TORIOUS

Zalien doesn't need his own body to jump into. That's why he's an advanced species. He can jump into anyone's body.

Julie walks out with a plate of eggs and bacon and sets the plate down on the coffee table.

JULIE

Here babe.

TORIOUS

Humans aren't the top of the food chain anymore.

Julie walks back toward the kitchen. She suddenly stops - Zalien has entered her body - he is evil and weezle like, yet cunning, clever and smart. He's very aware of his surroundings. He's egotistical and fancies himself the greatest. Julie looks back over her shoulder with evil eyes.

JORDAN

Oh that's just great. How do we know when he's here?

Julie sees a pair of scissors on the counter. She quickly grabs them and flings them at Jordan.

The pair of scissors sticks into Jordan's side.

JORDAN

Ah! Jesus!

TORIOUS

Zalien's here.

JORDAN

Ya think!?

Julie runs toward Jordan and begins throwing punches. Jordan comically and unskillfully swipes away her punches.

Jordan finally throws a right hook and drops Julie to the ground.

Julie looks up from the ground then kicks Jordan in the groin. Jordan bends over and Julie kicks Jordan again in the face.

Jordan stumbles backwards and falls onto the couch.

Julie jumps to her feet.

Sill Frame on Julie:

Super:

Name: Zalien

Species: Lorzaxian

Powers: Time travel, Telekinesis

ZALIEN

(sly)

Hey there Jordy Boy. You look good with hair.

(sneering)

Don't fall behind.

Zalien looks over at Torious then salutes him.

ZALIEN

Torious.

TORIOUS

(nods)

Zalien.

Zalien turns and runs out the front door.

EXT. JORDAN'S HOUSE - DAY

Zalien runs across the lawn to the sidewalk - looks left, looks right and runs off in that direction.

INT. JORDAN'S HOUSE

Jordan still sits on the couch with Torious standing next to him.

JORDAN

I'm starting to remember why I broke up with that girl.

Jordan pulls the scissors out of his side.

TORIOUS

She was a crazy one huh?

Beat.

JORDAN

God, the sex was great though.

Still Frame on Jordan:

Super:

Name: Jordan

Species: Human

Powers: Time travel (beat) ...

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