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Season One

Old Wounds

Season 1

Episode Number: 1

Season Episode: 1

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Guest Stars: Victor Garber (Admiral Halsey), Brian George (Dr. Aronov), Joel Swetow (Krill Captain), Patrick Cox (The Ogre), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Christine Corpuz (Dr. Janice Lee), Sean Cook (Dr. Derek Ashton), Dylan Kenin (Krill Soldier), Dee Bradley Baker (Dr. Jorvik)
Production Code: 1LAB01
Summary: Ed Mercer is promoted to captain of the spaceship Orville, but his enthusiasm wanes when his ex-wife is assigned first officer; and the crew is ambushed by the Krill, a vicious alien race, who are bent on stealing a device that can cause time to accelerate.



The episode opens with Ed Mercer coming home only to find his wife cheating on him with a blue alien. He promptly walks out on her, and we cut to a year later. Mercer is offered command of a mid-level exploratory vessel named, The Orville by Admiral Halsey, who tells Mercer he would have had a ship earlier, but he didn't inspire confidence with the top command. He's given one final chance to prove himself, and told that the ship nearly has a full complement of crew, except for a helmsman and first officer. Mercer tells the Admiral he knows of a first officer, and he goes to get him.

Mercer heads off to find his friend, and soon to be helmsman Gordon Malloy, in

what could only be described as a holodeck fighting a giant ogre in a special program he wrote, where he fights a killer creature in a samurai village, but he also gave him a great personality, so the ogre is very friendly. Mercer tells Malloy he's got a ship, and he wants him to join the crew and off they go.

In a shuttle on their way to The Orville, Mercer starts to tell Malloy about the fleet, when Malloy cracks open a beer, telling Mercer he's nervous about the new ship and wants to make a good first impression. The two begin to argue, and Malloy asks Mercer if he's worried that one beer is going to make them crash, and starts to fly the shuttlecraft they're in erratic. After a near miss, he takes things a little more seriously as they approach The Orville.

After addressing the crew, Mercer asks the senior staff to stay back so he could meet them all. First up is Chief of Security Alara Kitan. Kitan's species is a member of the Xelayan race, known for their super strength due to the difference in gravity between their planet and Earth. She is relatively young and inexperienced. Second up is John Lamarr, a level 8 helmsman who

has a laid back sense of humor. We then meet Lt. Commander Bortus whose race, the Moclan, are all male. Chief Medical Officer Claire Finn is next up. She selected the assignment to The Orville after learning that it was Mercer's first command and that he might need her help. Finally, there's Issac, the Science and Engineering officer portrayed by Mark Jackson. Issac is an artificial life-form from the planet Kaylon, who thinks that all other life-forms are inferior. He was chosen to join the crew by his people as a way to bolster relations, as well as learn about human behavior.

Admiral Halsey gives Mercer his first assignment, delivering supplies to the science station on Epsilon 2, not the most exciting mission, but Mercer is thrilled nonetheless. The ship leaves Stardock, and heads off on its mission. A few minutes into their travels, a message comes through that a first officer has become available, and to Mercer's surprise, it turns out to be his ex-wife.

As they arrive at Epsilon 2, it turns out that the supply mission was a ruse. The head scientist of Epsilon 2, Dr. Aranov, tells Captain Mercer to come to the surface so that he can explain why they deceived his crew. It turns out that they have built a quantum field generator that can manipulate the speed of events into the future. Dr. Aranov tells them that he had to deceive the crew, so that the transmission wouldn't be intercepted by the Krillians as the device could be used as a weapon.

It turns out that the Krill army had a spy among the scientists on Epsilon 2 and he relays information to a Krill ship. As the Krill enter the system, The Orville goes on the defensive while the crew on the surface attempt to escape with the device. As they battle their way back to the shuttle with the device, the crew head back to The Orville only to find that the ship has become mostly disabled. They come up with a plan to send the device to the Krill ship, and with a redwood seed Mercer obtained from Dr. Aranov earlier, use it to accelerate the growth of the redwood and destroy the Krill ship. The plan works, and The Orville lives to fight another day.

With the ship back in Spacedock being repaired, Greyson heads to Mercer's office to let him know that she is going to transfer to another ship as a new first officer has been made available to The Orville. Mercer asks her to stay on as first officer, because he believes she's a good addition to the crew despite their differences. We find out at the end that it was Greyson who suggested that Mercer be given a chance at command, as she felt guilty about cheating on him and knows that he's the right man for the job.

Command Performance

Season 1

Episode Number: 2

Season Episode: 2

Originally aired:	Sunday September 17, 2017
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Show Stars:	Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), Halston Sage (Lt. Alara Kitan), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac)
Guest Stars:	Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Jeffrey Tambor (Ben Mercer), Holland Taylor (Jeannie Mercer), Larry Joe Campbell (Steve Newton), Ron Canada (Admiral Tucker), Brett Rickaby (Lurenek), JD Cullum (Calivon Zoo Administrator), Jerry O'Donnell (Captain of the USS Bleriot), Andrew Bering (Technician Jennings), Mike Gray (Ensign Parker), Alaina Fleming (Technician Reed), Jeremy Guskin (Furry Alien), Maxwell Hurlburt (Greenish Alien), George Tsai (Shuttle Bay Officer #1), Ryan Dietz (Calivon Official #1), Shannon McClung (Calivon Official #2), Sarah Buehler (Calivon Mother), Armen Nahapetian (Calivon Child), Tory Belleci (Calivon Alien), Kari Byron (Calivon Alien), Erin St. James (Calivon)
Production Code:	1LAB03
Summary:	When Ed and Kelly are tricked by a hologram of a ship in distress and find themselves prisoners in a replica of their former home, Alara must step up in her first command of the Orville and attempt a heroic rescue. Meanwhile, Bortus and Klyden receive some happy, yet unexpected news.



The episode begins with Isaac, the crew's science and technology officer, receiving a distress signal from a small transport ship nearby. The Orville takes it upon themselves to assist the ship. Upon arriving at the vessel, Ed discovers that two of the passengers on the ship are actually his parents.

Rather than sit and have an uncomfortable conversation with his parents over a video conference that the entire crew can see, Ed and Kelly decide to leave the Orville to speak with them in person.

With Bortus out of commission (he has recently laid an egg and must sit on it for

21 continuous days), the Orville is left in the command of young security officer, Alara.

While in route from the Orville to the transport ship, Ed, Kelly, and the small shuttle in which they are traveling, inexplicably vanish, leaving the rest of the crew baffled.

Panicked and unsure of what to do, Alara barges into Bortus's quarters seeking help. Upon arrival she finds him sitting naked on his egg. He explains to her that he will not risk the life of his child by getting up to assist Alara.

Alara is on her own.

With no idea of what to do, her next move is to take a shot of tequila (which almost immediately causes her to throw up).

Upon arriving back into the Orville's main cabin, Alara orders that they "lock on" to a nearby space buoy so they can check it for evidence. Isaac does not believe this to be a good idea. Alara doesn't listen. She ignores Isaac's advice as a way to appear in control and assert herself as the ship's captain.

Seconds later, the buoy explodes, causing extensive damage to the Orville.

Injuries are significant.

Overwhelmed with the decision she has made, Alara frantically requests to speak with Dr. Finn. She asks that Dr. Finn diagnose her with drug abuse or a mental disorder as a way of relieving her of her duties as acting captain of the Orville. Dr. Finn refuses this request, but does give Alara a pep talk on what it means to be captain.

Meanwhile, Ed and Kelly wake up in a familiar location. It appears to be an exact replica of the apartment they shared in New York while married.

They start to believe that they may have been sent back in time.

Back on the Orville, Alara makes a bold decision to re-route the emergency power from the ship in order to activate a scan that could help them find out what happened to Ed and Kelly.

Ed and Kelly are becoming very comfortable in their old apartment. The two enjoy a wonderful night together that includes eating cake, drinking boos, and reminiscing about the good parts of their now failed marriage.

On the Orville, Alara is becoming more comfortable in her position. The location scan is complete. She finds out that Ed and Kelly are in a sector of space that is off limits. This area is inhabited by the Calivon, an alien species that is much more technologically advanced than others. They view most other species as inferior to them, and will treat them as such.

Alara video conferences a higher ranking official to gain permission to enter the Calivon sector. Of course, he says no.

Alara is ordered to abandon the mission and to declare Ed and Kelly as lost in the line of duty.

Back in the old apartment, Ed wakes up to the voice of a child. He stands to walk toward the Calivon child but realizes there is a clear barrier blocking him from leaving the apartment.

The child's mother tells him that they need to move along so they'll have time to see the other "exhibits."

It appears that Ed and Kelly are in a Calivon Zoo!

The zoo is made up of all species inferior to the Calivon.

The Calivon recreated Ed and Kelly's "national environment" to lure them into the zoo. Everything has been fake including Ed's parents.

Back on the Orville, Alara informs the crew that they are to abort the mission and head back toward earth. Gordon doesn't like this order and expresses his anger toward Alara.

Moments later Alara once again visits Dr. Finn for help. She expresses her frustration with the orders she has been forced to give.

Dr. Finn tells Alara that as the acting commander, she always has a choice. She has to decide whether to always follow orders or do what she feels is best for the ship and its crew.

This motivates Alara to consult with Isaac to come up with a plan to enter Calivon. Since Isaac's species is one of the few that are technologically equal to the Calivon, he will do the talking. They believe that if they are with Isaac, the Calivon will be more encouraged to speak with them. This triggers Lamarr to state the comparison, "White dude can go to Compton as long as a black dude says it's cool."

Isaac, along with Alara (who is acting as his "pet"), visits the Zoo where they locate the zoo keeper. They tell the zoo keeper that Ed and Kelly are infected with a disease and must be taken from the zoo by Isaac to ensure safety for the Calivon.

This prompts the zookeeper to order a "euthanasia sweep" of Ed and Kelly's exhibit.

Green lasers begin to shoot from the walls and ceiling of the exhibit. Ed and Kelly begin to panic!

In order to stop the lasers, Alara asks to compromise with the zoo keeper. She explains that in exchange for Ed and Kelly, she can give him something much more valuable.

Later, back on the Orville, Alara receives a medal for her actions during the mission.

It is later revealed that Alara's offer was an entire catalog of reality TV shows, which the zookeeper states is "the best exhibit we've ever had."

In the final scene, we see Bortus's egg finally hatching. To his surprise, the egg hatches a female, which is shocking due to the fact that Bortus' species is made up entirely of males.

About a Girl

Season 1

Episode Number: 3

Season Episode: 3

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Guest Stars:	Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Deobia Oparei (Captain Vorak), David Barrera (Vásquez), Rena Owen (Heveena), Lamont Thompson (Kaybrak), Jonathan Adams (Moclan Arbitrator), Antonio D. Charity (Advocate Kagus), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), D. Elliot Woods (Moclan Council Foreman), Rico E. Anderson (Moclan Doctor), Julius Sharpe (Reptilian Alien), Shay Ali (Crewman), Andrew Bering (Technician Jennings), Larry Joe Campbell (Steve Newton), Alaina Fleming (Technician Reed)
Production Code:	1LAB04
Summary:	The Orville crew is divided between cultures when Bortus and Klyden debate if their newly born offspring should receive a controversial surgery.



The episode picks up right where episode two left off, with the arrival of Bortus' baby. The crew is absolutely in love with the new baby. Bortus and his mate, Klyden, have the opposite reaction.

The baby was born a female. However, as viewers of the show know by now, the Moclan race is a single-gendered species made up of mostly males. A female Moclan baby is only born once every 75 years.

Bortus goes to Dr. Finn and asks that she perform a gender reassignment

surgery on the baby girl. Dr. Finn refuses and is appalled that Bortus would even ask this. Bortus states that he views the baby's gender as an illness.

Upset that Dr. Finn will not help him, Bortus goes to Ed and asks that he order Dr. Finn to perform the surgery. Bortus relates his baby's gender to a human having a cleft pallet. Both are mutations that should be corrected just after birth. Ed refuses stating that he believes this to be unethical.

Bortus reaches out to the government of his planet. They agree the baby's gender should be changed. Ed still refuses.

However, Ed begins to have second thoughts. He questions whether or not he's doing the right thing by not allowing the operation.

Alara, seeing the conflict between Bortus and Ed, believes that Bortus needs to "blow off some steam". She teaches him how to box while letting him discuss the situation. Alara suggests that Ed may be making the right decision. This prompts Bortus to exclaim that he is the one who decides what is right for his child.

With Bortus still in his agitated state, Gordon and Lamarr show up to Bortus' quarters with a six pack of beer and an "old earth flick". Sometime later, the three are sitting in Bortus' quarters, beer almost was gone and nearing the end of "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer". Bortus has a revelation. If Rudolph had been altered at birth, he would have never saved Christmas. Bortus is overjoyed to realize that Rudolph's deformity became a supreme advantage. This changes his views about his own child.

Bortus finds Klyden and tells him that he believes the baby should remain a girl. He argues "She may be destined to do great things as a female!"

Klyden is unhappy. The two engage in an argument until Klyden finally admits a secret he has always kept from Bortus. Klyden was born a female!

The Moclan government arrives at the Orville with plans to perform the operation on the baby. Ed explains that he will not let that happen.

Bortus suggests that they take the decision to court. Since no Moclan citizen will represent Bortus, Kelly is appointed by Ed to act as his attorney in the trial.

The crew travels to Moclas; the trial begins. The Moclan attorney's opening argument is that the baby must have the surgery because if she remains a female, she will be an object of disgust and the subject of ridicule. She will not be sought after as a mate, therefore will never enjoy the pleasure of having a "first date".

Kelly begins her opening statement by asking the Moclans why being female is such a bad thing. They respond that females are psychologically and physically inferior to males, which puts them at an obvious disadvantage.

Kelly requests that Alara come to the stand.

Kelly asks if she can borrow the Judge's gavel, which is a solid titanium steel cube. She takes the cube and asks that the Moclan attorney shape it into a ball.

The attorney is not strong enough and the cube remains intact.

Kelly then requests that Alara shape the cube. Alara, using her species' notable super strength, easily molds the cube, almost as if it were merely a soda can.

Next, Kelly asks that Gordon take the stand. Her intent is to address the assertion that males are intellectually superior to females.

Kelly asks Gordon a series of questions. These are simple questions regarding history and science. He answers every single question incorrectly. Kelly's point is that while Gordon, a male, maybe the best pilot in the fleet, he is also an idiot.

Dr. Finn is next on the stand. She is being questioned by the Klyden attorney. The attorney brings up the fact that certain species in the galaxy are regularly circumcised after birth. He believes that to Moclans, gender reassignment is similar to circumcision and Dr. Finn should have never refused to perform the surgery on the baby.

Meanwhile, Ed, Lamarr, and Alara believe they may have evidence that could swing the trial in their favor. They search deep into the mountains of Moclas where they find something that surprises everyone, an adult Moclan female!

Sometime later, with the judge nearly ready to adjourn the trial, Ed and the crew enter the courtroom with the Moclan Female.

The female, who announced her name as Heveena, requests to testify.

She explains that her parents' decision to allow her to remain female was a great decision. She believes that her being allowed to remain female is a gift that Bortus' child deserves to have as well. She has had a happy life as a female. She also reveals herself to be Gondus Elden, the male pen name of the greatest philosopher in the planet's history.

In an unexpected twist, the jury ruled that the baby still must undergo the gender reassignment surgery.

In the final scene, Bortus hands the baby a Rudolph doll. He then explains that even though he does not agree with the decision, he and Klyden still must make sure the now baby boy, lives a good life.

If the Stars Should Appear

Season 1
Episode Number: 4
Season Episode: 4

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Guest Stars: Liam Neeson (Darral), Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Larry Joe Campbell (Steve Newton), Robert Knepper (Hamelac), James Morrison (Kemka), Max Burkholder (Tomilin), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Rachael MacFarlane (Computer (voice)), Julie Mitchell (Woman), Kane Lieu (Security Station Officer), Casey Sander (Druyan Captain), David Hutchinson (Alien Man), Michael Duisenberg (Uniformed Man #1), Derek Graf (Uniformed Man #2), Eddie Davenport (Guard #1), Justice Hedenberg (Dissident), Liam Neeson (Jahavus Dorahl), Shay Ali (Crewman #1)
Production Code: 1LAB02
Summary: Ed and the Orville crew encounter a massive vessel adrift in space, which is in danger of colliding with a star. While some of the crew set out to help the ship's inhabitants, Bortus, Gordon, and John stay behind and fend off a Krill attack on another Union ship.



The episode opens with Bortus and Klyden lay in bed. The couple bickers. Bortus' time commitment to the ship is taking up too much time. Where are their priorities? Angry at Klyden, Bortus storms from the room in order to start work early. Meanwhile, Klyden drifts out into the living room. There must be something to cure depression. Easy! The computer suggests rocky road ice cream and The Sound of Music. Settling down on the sofa, Klyden digs into the ice cream as Bortus leaves for work.

Later, Bortus settles down as an alert comes over the bridge. Looking up, the crew of the Orville find themselves in

front of a gigantic structure. What could it be?

It appears to be a ship. While it is a massive structure, it is drifting. Its engines are inactive. Since the ship is made of an unfamiliar material, it's impossible to tell if there are any life signs aboard. However, there is a dock for a boarding party to land. Captain Mercer leaves Bortus at the helm and ventures out with a team.

As they enter the ship, Mercer struggles to open the door. He looks to Alara, "You wanna open this jar of pickles for me?" Crossing through a number of corridors, they look around in awe as they step into a picturesque meadow. It turns out the ship is a "bio ship".

They split into groups and set about exploring. Mercer's team is the first to find something as they come across a shack with three lifefoms. However, they are momentarily surprised when

the woman who opens the door slams it back in their face. As they talk with the frightened family, the crew find themselves even more confused. It seems the locals have no idea they are on a spacecraft. A boy named Tomilin looks up at them, "Are you from beyond?"

Meanwhile, Kelly and Alara walk through the meadow. It's picturesque, peaceful and they're talking... about boys. While they discuss Ed's hang-ups, they stop as a noise grows in the distance. Without warning, a jeep comes to a screeching halt. Two armed men jump out, and when the women aren't able to show identification, they are overpowered.

At the same time, Mercer's party cross a field with the boy from the village. He tells them about the sociological make-up of the planet. He talks about "The Creator", and "The Reformers". They quickly come upon a group of "The Reformers". The people are an extremist sect on the repressed planet. They want to find answers to "The Great Beyond". The groups sit down to dinner as they further discuss the social make-up of the planet. However, the moment is interrupted by a transmission from Alara, informing them she's been shot. Mercer quickly gets up. They have to go find her.

Meanwhile, Kelly is brought to the center of town where she meets Hamelac. The man seems to be at the center of the restrictive dictatorship dominating the planet. They stare each other down as Kelly struggles to keep power in the situation. However, her options are few and far between.

Later, the team comes across Alara. Thanks to science fiction medicine, they are able quell the bleeding from her wound. She quickly recounts what happened with Kelly... she's been captured! However, just as the team needs back-up from the Orville, they have a problem. It seems Bortus answered a distress call from another ship. The boarding party is on their own.

While the team descends on the capital, Kelly holds up well under torture. Hamelac looks her over, "Where are your friends?". Kelly looks up, visibly bloodied, "There's a small coffee shop on Lafayette Street, called Central Perk. My friends are there". However, he quickly injects her with a poisonous serum. The only way Kelly gets the antidote is if she reveals the location of the crew.

Meanwhile, Mercer and his team arrive to save the day. Alara is easily able to overpower Hamelac as the others tend to the panicking Kelly. While they quickly make their case to the man... they're trying to save this ship after all, it quickly becomes clear he isn't listening. Tired of arguing, Mercer stuns him and the group leaves.

Together with Tomilin, they find their way to a strange structure. It seems it's the bridge of the ship. As they look over the expanse of space, a video suddenly plays on the wall. It's Darral. The Reformers described the man as "The Creator", but it turns out he was the first captain of the ship. As they watch, he tells the story of the vessel's earliest days. It turns out, an ion storm crippled the ship millennia before. Since then, they've simply been drifting. As time passed and generations aged, the passengers gradually forgot their origins.

As the episode comes to a close, the team from the Orville open the roof of the ship, showing the crowds of people below a sky filled with stars.

Pria

Season 1

Episode Number: 5

Season Episode: 5

Originally aired: Thursday October 5, 2017
Writer: Seth MacFarlane
Director: Jonathan Frakes
Show Stars: Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), Halston Sage (Lt. Alara Kitan), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac)
Guest Stars: Charlize Theron (Pria Lavesque), Larry Joe Campbell (Steve Newton), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Rachael MacFarlane (Computer (voice))
Production Code: 1LAB05
Summary: After the crew saves a stranded ship and its attractive captain, Ed becomes smitten with the Orville's new guest, while Kelly suspects all is not what it seems. Meanwhile, Gordon attempts to teach Isaac the art of pulling off a practical joke.



The episode opens on the bridge. The crew watches an episode of *Seinfeld* projected on the window. While the humans are having a heck of a good time, the non-humans don't get it. As the crew attempts to explain the concept of humor to Isaac, an alarm sounds, interrupting the moment.

It seems a crashed vessel is nearby. To make matters worse, the ship is trapped on the surface of a comet. Furthermore, the rock is locked in a kamikaze death spiral towards the surface of a nearby sun. Luckily, the Orville is able to make contact. While the footage is shaky, the

captain, Pria Lavesque, manages to make one thing clear. She's in trouble.

It seems her only chance for rescue is for the crew to pilot a landing shuttle to her trapped ship. However, they only have seven minutes to conduct a rescue. After that point, the comet will be too close to the sun. Luckily, they manage to escape with 11 seconds to spare. There's a tense moment as the star's gravitational pull seems to have them trapped. Thanks to some quick thinking from the bridge (and The Orville's tractor beam), the crew manages to pull the shuttle to safety.

Returning to the Orville, the crew assigns Pria a place to stay (the one that doesn't smell like hamster). There's enough time to freshen up before they all attend a social mixer for the senior officers.

As they sip drinks, Ed and Pria spark almost immediately. It seems both hail from Massachusetts. They seem to connect on a new level, far beyond what Kelly can understand. Why did Ed never tell her about the Salem Witch Museum? Later, Pria and Ed talk as the party's coming to an end. Pria gently leans in to give him a quick kiss. As she leaves, Ed's reaction is unreadable.

Later, Kelly sits alone in her quarters... googling her competition. It seems there's no record of anyone named Pria Lavesque anywhere. What could this mean?

Struggling with her thoughts, a concerned Kelly takes her worries to Ed. However, he's less than receptive. Could this have something to do with the "goo-goo" eyes he was making at Pria over drinks? With few other options, Kelly takes her concerns to Alara. As the Orville's head of security, Alara must be able to do something, right? Together, the two women conduct a "radiation check" of Pria's quarters. After all, would she want to "fall asleep and wake up with a third eye, or an extra kidney?". While Pria suddenly arrives, it isn't before they find something strange in her quarters. It's a strange metal object which their scanners can't identify.

Later, Ed and Kelly fall into a good old fashioned, married couple fight when Kelly tries to convince him that Pria isn't what she seems. However, they're violently jolted back to reality. Rushing to the bridge, they discover the Orville is trapped in a "concentrated dark matter storm".

As things seem particularly bleak, Pria suddenly enters. It seems she's flown through a dark matter storm before. She just needs helm control. As a nervous Kelly looks on, Pria takes control of the ship. She steers the Orville like an absolute boss, and with only a few close calls, they emerge from the storm safe and sound. "Pound it!".

The chemistry grows between Ed and Pria as the two sit inside a planetary simulator. Looking around the picturesque landscape, Pria leans in for another kiss. This time, Ed sinks into it as well. There's a beat as he falls further into the moment; however, he suddenly pulls back. He's just out of a divorce. He needs to take this slow...

Or they could have sex. Ed looks around stunned as he and Pria lounge in bed, bathed in a post-coital glow. With each passing moment, Ed seems to be falling further into her spell.

Later, the crew sits on the bridge as Gordon storms inside half naked. The crew looks horrified as they realize he's missing a leg. It seems Isaac amputated his leg overnight as a practical joke. Never dare a robot to one up you. However, engineering pages Ed and Kelly, bringing the scene to an end.

Looking down at one of the panels, they find the object from Pria's quarters wedged into the ship's instruments. Ed seems unable to disagree with Kelly any longer. They leave for Pria's quarters. They need to figure this out.

Meanwhile, Pria lounges on the sofa, slowly sipping a brandy. She looks up at Ed and Kelly as they burst inside. As they launch into their line of questions, her response is interesting. "I'm from 400 years in your future". She informs the crew the dark matter storm should have killed them. However, she didn't actually mean to save the crew. It is the Orville she wanted. It seems Pria is a dealer in artifacts from the future. However, as the tension in the moment grows, Gordon's missing leg falls from the ceiling. Ed shuffles nervously, "Never mind that".

While Kelly leaves with the leg, a vulnerable Ed faces off with Pria. How could she do this to him? Telling her to go to hell, he storms off.

The team returns to work on the mysterious object in engineering. They seem to come out ahead when they drill through the block, but as Isaac take a step towards it, the robot is blown back violently. Is he dead?

Later, the team is stupefied as they come upon the wormhole... they've fallen straight into Pria's trap. Like clockwork, Pria teleports into the room, fully in control of everything. She pilots the ship through the wormhole, safely coming out the other side. While the crew watches, Pria negotiates to sell the Orville to an alien crime-boss. However, thanks to a distraction from Isaac, a fight breaks out as Kelly lunges at Pria. With the two women distracted, Ed is able to regain control of the ship.

As the episode winds to a close, it seems Isaac survived. The robot beamed himself into the main systems of the ship, helping Mercer regain control of The Orville. As Pria watches, the Orville blows up the wormhole. And because of... science!..., she's transported back to her own future. Everything is back to normal and all is well.

Krill

Season 1

Episode Number: 6

Season Episode: 6

Originally aired: Thursday October 12, 2017
Writer: David A. Goodman
Director: Jon Cassar
Show Stars: Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), Halston Sage (Lt. Alara Kitan), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac)
Guest Stars: Kelly Hu (Admiral Ozawa), Michaela McManus (Teleya), Dylan Kenin (Krill Captain Haros), James Horan (Sazeron), Michael Dempsey (Mining Chief Harry Leidecker), Makabe Ganey (Coja), Gabriella Graves (Krill Girl Student), Caleb Brown (Krill Boy Student), Tim Neff (Krill Soldier), Brandon Melendy (Krill Guard), Jordan Lane Shappell (Krill Bridge Helmsman), Fred Tatasciore (Krill Voice (voice)), Alina Andrei (Krill Soldier)
Production Code: 1LAB06
Summary: Ed and Gordon are sent on an undercover mission to infiltrate a Krill ship and obtain a copy of their bible.



The episode opens in the cantina. The team sit around a table, gossiping about Alara's... relationship status. Apparently men don't like dating women who can bench press 10 times their weight... except Isaac that is. The robot states he'd happy to attempt sexual relations with Alara. However, the tone of the scene shifts quickly as all senior officers are paged to the bridge.

As the crew quickly take their seats, all eyes shift to the front window. Out in space, a Krill ship fires on a harmless

colony. The Orville must do something. Ed looks to Alara, instructing her to open a communication channel. With the authority of a more experienced captain, Ed demands the attack cease. Kelly looks over with a smirk, "In the history of space battles, when has that ever worked?". However, in a comical moment... it seems to. She looks surprised, "I stand corrected". However, the peace is only momentary as a violent battle begins.

In an impressive moment of space acrobatics, the Orville bring the battle to a close with the help physics and a burst of torpedoes.

Later, Ed and Kelly huddle with a visiting Admiral inside the captain's quarters. The group talk about a mysterious alien species called "The Krill". They describe a complicated and proud race. Their lives and rituals continued to be shrouded in secrecy. However, it seems if they can get a hold of a Krill bible, they might gain fascinating insights into the species. Furthermore, not only is the Orville in possession of a Krill shuttle, but Ed employs one of the best pilots in the fleet. Ed barely restrains his panic as the Admiral gives them a new mission... they're going to infiltrate a Krill ship.

Ed is admittedly "scared off his ass" as he and Gordon jump into the Krill shuttle. As the two struggle to think of their Krill names... Hagen Das?... A ship approaches them. They are quickly hailed, and eventually dock with the Krill ship.

Ed and Gordon finally come up with their Krill names... Chris and Devin. Despite the relaxed names, both are visibly nervous as they meet the Krill captain. They quickly concoct a story about how they survived the Orville attack. They tell how they barely made it out with their lives... The Orville has a crazy good pilot after all...

Later, Ed and Gordon find their way into a Krill temple. Both barely disguise their fear as a decapitated human head is pulled from a bucket. As ritualistic chants grow from the crowd, a Krill priest plunges his sword into the head repeatedly. Gordon looks to Ed, "That was the sickest, darkest thing I've ever seen". We agree, Gordon.

Luckily, the Krill captain seems to trust Ed and Gordon. After all, they aren't under guard. However, getting their hands on the Krill bible seems to be the quite the challenge. Things can't get much worse as Ed and Gordon discover their "emitters" are malfunctioning as they finally get a moment of peace with the book. Turning to look at each other, they look like themselves. And furthermore, it is at just this moment that a Krill guard arrives at the temple.

They make a quick escape and are able to fix their emitters when they finally return to their quarters. It seems the machines picked up on some kind of electromagnetic interference. What could be causing it? Quietly making their way through the ship, they stumble upon a cavernous room in the lower decks. Looking inside, they find a gigantic bomb. What could the Krill be planning?

Meanwhile, with few other options, Ed and Gordon sit down to dinner with a Krill teacher they met at the temple. It doesn't take much prying for her to reveal the neutron bomb is a Krill prototype. They can't hide their horror as they learn the Krill are once again targeting the farming colony. Gordon looks up at her, "But they have no defenses?". She smiles, "A perfect target, yes".

Suddenly, Ed and Gordon find themselves in a predicament. Do they deviate from their mission? Ed points out they are the small colony's only hope. Furthermore, there's no way they could get out and send help before the bomb is detonated. They have to stop the Krill by themselves...

The only question is, how? As Gordon talks with a young Krill boy, Ed has an idea. As a species, the Krill are essentially space vampires. They evolved in darkness. What would happen if Ed and Gordon triggered a power surge and turned up all the lights on the ship. The Krill would fry! However, there's also a schoolroom onboard. How will they save the children?

While Ed waits outside the schoolroom, Gordon hurries to the rendezvous point. However, he's quickly blindsided by the Krill's leaders... just as he forgets to hide his human model communicator. His cover is blown. Gordon's response is quick, "I'm part of this cosplay group, and they always make me play the human". The quirky response does no good though, and he finds himself captured. Gordon cries out as a knife plunges into his brand new leg. He can only watch while the weapon targets the helpless farming colony...

Meanwhile, Ed hurries to save the day as the countdown clock nears zero. He quickly pins the children as well as their teacher inside their class, shooting out the lights. Like clockwork, the other lights around the ship flare up violently. The Krill troops drop, their faces burning away in the heat.

As the episode comes to a close, Ed and Gordon are back onboard the Orville. While children on the Krill ship will return to their families, they've taken a single prisoner: the teacher. She looks up as Ed enters the Orville's sick bay, "Why did you save the children?". His response is matter of fact, "... They're children with their whole lives ahead of them. They aren't my enemy". However, she looks him over with a sneer, "... They will be".

Majority Rule

Season 1
Episode Number: 7
Season Episode: 7

Originally aired: Thursday October 26, 2017
Writer: Seth MacFarlane
Director: Tucker Gates
Show Stars: Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), Halston Sage (Lt. Alara Kitan), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac)
Guest Stars: Giorgia Whigham (Lysella), Steven Culp (Willks), Ron Canada (Admiral Tucker), Catherine Shu (Hoshel), John Viener (Man Spilling Coffee), Roy Abramsohn (Morning Host), Loren Lester (Lewis), Barry Livingston (Tom), Mike Estes (Guard #1), Michael Shen (Man in Suit), Heather Brooker (Mother), London Fuller (Little Girl #1), Gwen Van Dam (Grandmother), Alec Manley Wilson (Man #1), Matthew Spencer (Man #2), Curtis Kingsley (Man #3), Denell Johnson (Man #4), Danny Smith (Vendor), Merrick McCartha (Scientist), Matt Kaminsky (Interviewer), Penny Peyser (Customer), Jesse Egan (Pedestrian), Corey Mendell Parker (Policeman #1), Travis Goodman (Detention Guard), Anne Judson-Yager (Carris), Kimberly Fox (Semmla), Daniel Robaire (Man in Cap)
Production Code: 1LAB07
Summary: When two Union anthropologists go missing on a planet similar to 21st-century Earth, Ed sends a team led by Kelly to find them, but the mission quickly goes awry when they realize the society's government is completely based on a public voting system to determine punishment.



The Orville has to find missing Planetary Union agents Lewis and Tom who were sent to explore a planet called Sargas 4. Captain Mercer sends a team consisting of Kelly Grayson, Alara Kitan, Claire Finn, and John LaMarr to explore the planet, which is said to be reminiscent of Earth in the 21st century culture and technology wise. Having little to no experience with aliens or the greater universe.

Alara in order to cover her more prominent Xelayan features she needs to wear a hat and band-aid on her nose as a disguise. Claire in addition is concerned about Lewis who she has known for years

and nobody has heard anything from since the mission. Captain Mercer insists he's fine and they will find him. After arriving on the planet, Kelly asks a kiosk owner if they know who Lewis or Tom are. He insists that he definitely does, before any further questions could be asked he wonders why none of them are wearing Badges. In order to better fit in they buy some from the owner and stop by a local coffee shop to ask more questions. On the way there John and Alara talk about her ex-boyfriend Andy, when the Xelayan comments how she broke up with him because he was

a "grindy" dancer. John finding that noteworthy begins asking Alara exactly how he danced, acting out multiple suggestive dances on a nearby statue of historical figure Mella Giffendon before being talked down and scolded by Kelly Grayson.

In the coffee shop the Barista, Lysella, finds John attractive and gives him an Up Vote on his badge. The crew realizing that votes act as social currency in this society and the more up votes one has the more well received, but the more down votes they can be isolated & discriminated against. Unfortunately, John begins noticing he is gaining a huge amount of down votes because his dancing on the statue of a hero in the planet's history. After gaining a million down votes John is arrested and taken to a Publicity Officer named Willks who claims he needs to go on an Apology Tour to gain his up votes back and be reintegrated in society by behaving well in television interviews. If he can't do that then he has to be forcefully corrected via intense shock therapy. With Captain Mercer forbidden by Admiral Tucker from intervening and the crew finding little other options, agree to have John do it.

Willks and Kelly accompany John to his first interview which ends up going terribly as he only manages to stack up more down votes against himself. Meanwhile, Alara and Claire continue to try and find Lewis and Tom. They approach Lysella again asking until a man insists that Alara's hat is an affront to his Kelvic culture. She argues with him when he demands she take it off receiving large down votes. Claire escorts her to the restroom where she tried to fashion Alara a new hat, however Lysella walks in on both of them finding out that Alara is Xelayan. They both confess to her what's going on over a drink and she agrees to help the two find Lewis' old house. There the two of them find him and notice his behavior is inhumanly docile, Claire verifies that he is acting as if he had a complete lobotomy, all because he got enough down votes and disapproval from the public.

Ed Mercer becomes determined to get John back on the ship so that doesn't happen to him. He comes up with a plan to bring Lysella onto The Orville to try and rack her brain on how to get John enough up votes. They take her there and she insists that the crew's only hope is to simply campaign for him in the Planet's Master Feed. Isaac is able to override the technology and with the help of Lysella flood the servers with information and pictures that make John appear more sympathetic. It works as he just escapes shock treatment being taken back to space.

Lysella returns home and proceeds to shut off the TV when another vote is occurring. Her experience with The Orville teaching her that it's not productive to take part in such a ruthless and demeaning culture.

Into the Fold

Season 1

Episode Number: 8

Season Episode: 8

Originally aired: Thursday November 2, 2017
Writer: Brannon Braga, Andre Bormanis
Director: Brannon Braga
Show Stars: Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), Halston Sage (Lt. Alara Kitan), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac)
Guest Stars: Larry Joe Campbell (Steve Newton), Brian Thompson (Drogen), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), BJ Tanner (Marcus Finn), Kai Wener (Ty Finn), Rachael MacFarlane (Computer (voice)), Brett Easton (Feral Alien Man), Heidi Pascoe (Feral Alien Woman), Brandon Melendy (Feral Alien #5)
Production Code: 1LAB08
Summary: Ed and the crew set out to save Dr. Finn, her two sons and Isaac after their shuttle gets thrown into uncharted space and they crash-land on a moon that is light years from the Orville.



The episode starts with Claire Finn being woken up in the morning by her son, Ty. The Doctor proceeds to awaken her other son Marcus, who refuses to comply claiming he does not want to take a vacation to a "play planet". Claire forces him anyway and the family goes to the Shuttle where Kelly Grayson tells her that Claire's vacation voyage will be assisted by Isaac who relished the opportunity to study biological life form in greater detail.

Traveling through space Marcus and Ty bicker with one another, while Isaac and Claire discuss their behavior. Isaac not understanding why Claire doesn't

take greater initiative when disciplining her children. Ty enraged at Marcus' antagonization grabs his portable game and throws it at the main controls, throwing the ship off course towards a spatial fold, a type of Spatial Anomaly. After getting sucked into it's gravity the Shuttle is transported lightyears away from their former location. Realizing they need to stop somewhere to repair any damage the Anomaly caused Isaac locates a nearby gas giant with a Habitable Moon. The shuttle takes a rough landing and is broken into two pieces, Isaac and the kids landing on one side with Claire on another. While the Doctor gets taken away unconscious by a native, Isaac assists Marcus with a dislocated kneecap amongst the wreckage.

Meanwhile, on the USS Orville, John LaMarr, Steve Newton, and Yaphit work on repairing technical errors in the engineering room. When Ed Mercer comes in and announces that there was no report of Claire, her family or Isaac arriving at their desired destination. He demands that John find their last recorded location. When he claims the tracking technology is too damaged to find them quickly Mercer demands he navigate the "old fashioned way" with Star Charts. On the Moon, Claire finds herself in a strange room where a man walks in and gives her a bucket of food, claiming she needs to eat and when Claire asks where she is, he only responds

"Somewhere safe". At the crashed site Isaac tries to repair the shuttle as Ty and Marcus continue arguing once again. Isaac demands they stop and explains how he needs a specific element to send out a distress signal for help. Marcus claims he learned that the element he seeks exists all throughout the universe in multiple planetary bodies. He searches the moon and finds traces of it located within the mountains.

Claire continues to sit inside the room until the man returns and more harshly demands she eat the food he prepared for her. Introducing himself as Drogen, explaining that the Moon suffered a great war years ago that infected the water supply and made food extremely scarce for his people, but that he prepared for it and now wants Claire to stay within his encampment so he may have some extra company. Back on *The Orville*, Bortus detects the Spatial Anomaly and the crew figures out that the Shuttle Craft must've traveled through there. Captain Mercer commands they follow and see where it takes them, after the intense views going through it they find themselves in the middle of empty space. John finds a nearby Gas Giant with over thirty habitable moons, assuming they likely stopped there for repairs. Gordon Malloy claims there are far too many for them to realistically search, but Captain Mercer strongly insists they find the missing crew regardless.

Isaac and the two boys walk through the mountains coming across hostile natives, whom Isaac is able to easily dispatch with his Plasma Blaster. They eventually are forced to cross a river which Ty ends up falling into, Isaac however claims if they aren't directly hurt they can't stop moving. Claire within her cell shimmies the window open only to find out she is extremely high up within the compound. Desperate to escape she cuts herself and then calls Drogen in. Telling him that she needs special medicine from her crashed ship or else she will die of infection. Believing her he leaves and Claire goes out of her room through the window, coming across a knife and a phone which she uses to call Isaac and her sons.

After a night of storytelling and rest, Isaac awakens both boys only to find Ty infected with the same disease the natives were infected with. After carrying him and finding the element they need he gets a call from Claire, explaining the situation and how Ty got infected by the water. Defeating Drogen with the weapon and gaining blood from a diseased native, Claire rendezvous' with Isaac at the shuttle crash site where he puts the element in. Unfortunately, it isn't as potent as he thought and the signal is much weaker. Isaac fears it may take weeks for any one to receive it at all. Claire begins feeling disheartened that she can't make an antidote without her lab and can't afford to waste weeks trapped there. Alara Kitan on *The Orville* however is able to translate the signal and find the location of the lost crew members.

Later that night, a group of aggressive natives attack all of them and Isaac along with Marcus manage to hold them off until *The Orville* arrives and uses their advanced weaponry to take down the entire horde as the rest run off. After Ty is given Claire's recently formulated antidote Kelly Grayson says she hopes the Planetary Union allows them to return so they may use the new cure to help the remaining afflicted species there. While Ty rests Claire finds Isaac in the engineering room and tells him that her sons miss him. He explains that in spite of their vindictive & aggressive behavior, he is deeply fond of them.

Cupid's Dagger

Season 1
Episode Number: 9
Season Episode: 9

Originally aired: Thursday November 9, 2017
Writer: Liz Heldens
Director: Jamie Babbit
Show Stars: Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), Halston Sage (Lt. Alara Kitan), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac)
Guest Stars: Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Rob Lowe (Darulio), Victor Garber (Admiral Halsey), Larry Joe Campbell (Steve Newton), J. Paul Boehmer (Navarian Ambassador), Derek Mears (Bruidian Ambassador), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Mike Henry (Dann), Ralph Garman (Kanoot), Stevens Gaston (Ensign Brooks), Gavin Lee (Henry Park), BJ Tanner (Marcus Finn), Kai Wener (Ty Finn), Alexander Bedria (Voice from Comm), Lonnie Henderson (Navarian), Devin Mroz (Bruidian)
Production Code: 1LAB09
Summary: While the crew attempts to mediate a peace treaty between two warring cultures, tensions rise between Ed and Kelly when a familiar face comes aboard.



The episode starts with Kelly Grayson singing Karaoke. Before anyone else can follow up her performance she and Captain Mercer are called into a video meeting with Admiral Halsey. Who explains that the two warring species of the planet Lapolbius. That they fight because the two species think they are the natural inhabitants of the land, an ancient artifact was found that if studied would prove whoever was there longer from whatever DNA can actually be found. The Planetary Union requests the Orville hosts a neutral conference with an assigned Forensic Archeologist.

Alara Kitan makes the arrangements for the Shuttlecraft to take him in, finding out soon after that Darulio coincidentally happens to be the Archeologist assigned to study the Artifact. Kelly and Ed are both flustered by this fact and argue about it when they leave for the elevator. Meanwhile, in the Medical Bay Yaphit tries to woo Dr. Finn with flowers and a song, but she as usual rejects him, and Yaphit respects the decision. Kelly goes to clear the awkwardness with Darulio, but after some talking they end up flirting and getting closer to each other. Isaac tells Ed Mercer that the two races Ambassadors are arriving soon and they need to find Kelly as soon as possible, the Kaylon finding her within her quarters. Ed goes to get her and walks in on Kelly having sex with Darulio once again.

Ed tries to remain professional and tells the Ambassadors he wishes for them to come to an agreement that ensures long term peace between the two of them regardless of what is found on the artifact. Later, Kelly and Alara talk about why she originally cheated on Ed with him the first place while Captain Mercer vents to Gordon Malloy about his anger at both of their

immature behavior coming to the conclusion that Darulio needs to be simply fired for it. After the Captain tells him he's dismissed from The Orville's service, Darulio explains that he almost found the results they desire from the Artifact. Ed afterwards begins to completely forgive him for his wrongdoings and even asks if they can get drinks later, behaving extremely smitten towards him as he leaves to get ready. Later, Yaphit's quarters are visited by Claire who acts extremely attracted to him which eventually leads to them kissing one another.

Gordon goes to speak to Ed that he should work more on the peace talks but all he appears to be interested in is his "date" with Darulio. Alara and John LaMarr talk about the strange behavior onboard until the Ambassadors start asking for answers on the results of the artifact. Ed and Kelly show no attention to the issue at hand instead both of them doing their best to woo Darulio. This continues while acting Captain Bortus is forced to deal with both races slowly losing patience with each other, continuing to try and get help from Ed and Kelly but neither of them answering the call. Alara finds Ty and Marcus kicked outside of their quarters. She checks out why and finds Claire in the middle of having sex with Yaphit. Alara now frustrated by this insanity talks to Darulio asking for answers. He explains that his species releases a hormone when in heat that causes the behavior she has been witnessing. Isaac and Nurse Park run tests on Darulio and find out that what he's saying is true, not being able to actually synthesize a cure in time. Since he had ran into Yaphit in the hallway it rubbed off on Claire, the reason why her newfound obsession with the Gelatin.

The races now fully impatient believe the conference is a sham and begin sending their own fighter ships after The Orville to start fighting more. Darulio while in bed with Ed Mercer, notices the ships coming outside, Ed says how he doesn't care and wants to be with him regardless but the Archeologist wants to help and offers to use his heat hormones to make the Ambassadors lust after one another and cease the conflict. The hormones eventually wear off and it is discovered by the labs that the artifact has DNA from both races due to them having a common ancestry. As Darulio is making his way out Kelly asks if he was in heat when she slept with him a year before, he simply replies "maybe".

Firestorm

Season 1

Episode Number: 10

Season Episode: 10

Originally aired:	Thursday November 16, 2017
Writer:	Cherry Chevapravatdumrong
Director:	Brannon Braga
Show Stars:	Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), Halston Sage (Lt. Alara Kitan), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac)
Guest Stars:	Larry Joe Campbell (Steve Newton), Molly Hagan (Drenala Kitan), Robert Picardo (Ildis Kitan), Tim Mikulecky (Lt. Harrison Payne), Gavin Lee (Henry Park), Rachael MacFarlane (Computer (voice)), Seth Austin (Clown)
Production Code:	1LAB10
Summary:	When a fire breaks out on the spaceship and a crew member dies, Alara begins to question if she is fit for her job, just as unusual and terrifying things start happening on the ship.



The episode starts with the the Orville in the middle of a plasma storm. The storm damages the ship, and Lieutenant Harrison Payne in Engineering is pinned down by a piece of fallen debris. Chief Engineer Steve Newton calls for Kitan to use her heightened strength as a Xelayan to help. Just before reaching Payne, she is frozen in fear by the fire in front of her, and Payne dies.

Blaming herself for failing to reach Payne before he passed, Kitan boxes in the Holographic Simulator. First Officer Kelly Grayson and Doctor Claire Finn tell Kitan that Payne would have died from blood loss anyway, but she insists that freezing from fear was inexcusable.

Kitan goes to Captain Ed Mercer and attempts to resign, but he refuses her resignation and advises her that, if she is in emotional turmoil, to introspect. Kitan calls her parents to ask if she had a traumatic incident involving fire as a child. Her mother explains that when Kitan was an infant there was a fire in their home, and if not for Kitan's screams they could have been seriously hurt.

Kitan exits her quarters and sees a man on the other end of the hall dressed as a clown, who runs into her before disappearing in the corner. She hurries to the bridge and announces that she may be mentally unstable. Navigator John LaMarr is terrified by clowns, and grows visibly anxious. Mercer and Grayson are unsure if Kitan is hallucinating, and agree to watch video feeds of the ship's hallways. The ship's feed recorded the clown, and Kitan is vindicated, and the crew suspects the clown may be hiding in the supply room. Kitan and Bortus are sent to look for him.

In the supply room, the clown attacks Kitan and manages to wrest Kitan's Plasma Blaster from her. After a brief fight, Kitan recovers her gun and shoots him. Unbeknownst to Kitan, the clown had switched the setting from stun to kill; when Kitan fired on the clown, she inadvertently killed him.

Later, Bortus reports that an alligator appeared. A cautious Captain Mercer puts the Orville on Yellow Alert until they learn more of their intruders. Attempting to enter her quarters, Grayson

nearly plummets down an infinite void that has replaced her room. Realizing the impossibility of these occurrences, Mercer speculates the crew may suffer a collective mental deterioration or mass hallucination.

Meanwhile, Kitan goes to the Medical Bay for a mental evaluation but is restrained by an evil Finn, who nearly performs surgery on Kitan before she escapes. Finn is confined to the brig, where senior staff try to interrogate her, but she refuses to give direct answers, instead speaking in foreboding riddles.

The bridge crew holds an emergency meeting that is invaded by a swarm of tarantulas. Running out of options, Grayson spitballs that the plasma storm is the source of the strange activity. Captain Mercer agrees to bring the Orville back on the chance that returning to the storm might end what it started. Kitan and Helmsman Gordon Malloy are accosted by an enormous arachnid creature. Kitan flees but Malloy is consumed, and none of the other crew answers her distress calls. Apart from the spider, Kitan realizes she is alone on the ship.

Kitan runs to engineering to try and raise the ship's shields and discovers Isaac, who claims he was about to do the same. Even though most power systems have failed, Isaac notes that communication scanners are functioning and can be checked to look for the fate of the other crew. While working together, Kitan confesses that she witnessed Malloy die. Isaac consoles her, then presses her to continue working before the monster returns. Alara points out she never told Isaac how Malloy died and realizes that Isaac is responsible. After a difficult hand-to-hand fight, Kitan manages to grab a gun and shoot Isaac. Convinced she must escape the ship, she proceeds to jog to the ship's Docking Bay to secure a shuttle.

The audience is shown the real Mercer, Grayson, Finn and Isaac in the Holographic Simulator's control room, watching Kitan in the simulator run to the virtual Docking Bay. Kitan is locked in the simulator, Isaac explains that no one but Kitan is able to turn it off since she issued Protocol 38. The protocol gives the Head of Security complete jurisdiction over the ship in times of crises.

Within the simulation, Kitan secures a shuttlecraft but the evil, simulated Isaac arrives, who ignites combustible materials near the bay's exit to send large flames across the entire deck. Kitan faces her fear of fire to drive the shuttle through the flames and exit the Orville, and the simulation promptly ends.

Now back in reality, Mercer explains to Kitan that she came to him after speaking with her parents and requested Isaac to create a simulation to conquer any fears she may subconsciously harbor. Mercer chastises her reckless behavior, saying that use of Protocol 38 without just cause is an infraction worthy of court-martial. However, because of Kitan's exemplary performance over the last few months, Mercer said he would look the other way.

The episode concludes with Kitan in bed, smiling.

New Dimensions

Season 1

Episode Number: 11

Season Episode: 11

Originally aired: Thursday November 30, 2017
Writer: Seth MacFarlane
Director: Kelly Cronin
Show Stars: Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), Halston Sage (Lt. Alara Kitan), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac)
Guest Stars: Victor Garber (Admiral Halsey), Larry Joe Campbell (Steve Newton), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Mike Henry (Dann), Kai Wener (Ty Finn), BJ Tanner (Marcus Finn), Paul Vogt (Horbalak Captain), Michael J. Sielaff (Palovis), Dan J. Evans (Engineer #1), Erica Mathlin (Engineer #2)
Production Code: 1LAB11
Summary: The Orville gets damaged by a spatial anomaly causing harrowing effects to all living things.



The episode starts with the crew having a celebration for Steve Newton leaving the Orville to design spaceships elsewhere in the Planetary Union. Meanwhile, Gordon Malloy and John LaMarr snicker about a prank they played on Yaphit by putting a piece of his body into the nearby buffet. After complaining to Dr. Claire Finn about discomfort the two of them figure out what happened. The two are scolded by Kelly Grayson and given reprimands on both of their records, looking over it though makes the Commander learn about John's incredibly high documented intelligence.

She goes to Captain Mercer's office and tells him about it and claims that he should replace Newton as the replacement Chief of Engineering. He rejects the claim though saying that LaMarr doesn't have the necessary personality for a leadership position and that he has a greater interest offering it to his personal choice, Yaphit. The Orville later ends up experiencing technical difficulties after coming into proximity to a spatial anomaly. The ship is minimally damaged but the engine is out of alignment. Isaac is instructed to help fix it and Kelly insists that John can be help him do it. He seems skeptical at first but follows the Commander's orders to the Engineering deck.

The two go to recruit Yaphit in his quarters and note how their scanners are picking up traces of a Quantum Wake they follow it more & eventually find a plant largely dead and withered away. Isaac and John report this in the meeting room about the dead plants all around the ship, Claire explains that Quantum Wake's are, in spite of the strange occurrences, usually harmless. Later, Kelly talks to Ed about showing John's worth as Chief Engineer, saying that he should lead a Task Force to solve the Quantum Wake issue. He agrees with her it's a good idea and Kelly says that it's not the only thing she's done for him, eventually Ed figures out from this that she is the reason he was promoted to be Captain of The Orville, Kelly convinced the Union into doing it.

Ed then proceeds to go contact Admiral Halsey who confesses that Kelly did indeed recommend him, but that he shouldn't feel disappointed about that since he has shown multiple times in these months that he is indeed a valued and well supported Captain in the Union, how he got there is entirely irrelevant to this. John LaMarr is then called into Kelly's Office where she assigns him control of the Task Force and asks why he downplays being so smart. John insists that it's because he just wants to live a basic & simple life free of complicated responsibilities. Meanwhile, on the main deck, the crew tries to tell a Horvalac ship to avoid where the Spatial Anomaly is located, but the main captain of that ship refuses to listen, eventually crashing right into it and vanishing from The Orville's sight. Ed claims they need to get in a Shuttle to investigate, recruiting Kelly, Dr. Finn, and Alara Kitan to help.

On the Horvalac ship Ed, Kelly and Claire find the Captain deceased and Alara tracks down a huge crate full of stolen Krill weapons. John nervously stands outside the Engineering deck until being approached by Gordon Malloy, who notices his friend's discomfort. He encourages him to do what he did when he worked at a summer camp on Earth as a teenager. Give gumdrops to workers and only let them eat it after they reveal something "interesting" about themselves. John finally enters and tries to play the game but it's not followed appropriately. Yaphit even lashing out at John saying they should be working instead of fooling around. He agrees and they all begin to research the Anomaly & Wake to find out what's wrong. John figuring out that the "Anomaly" is actually a doorway to another reality.

He explains to the rest of the crew that the doorway is an opening to a two-dimensional reality, and that when the Horvalac Captain accidentally approached it was killed due to being a three-dimensional being and it's organs respectively crushed. Bortus on the main deck informs the Orville that Krill ships are coming to reclaim their stolen goods, realizing they will likely show extreme hostility to a Union ship Ed Mercer says they need to escape soon but can't since the engines still are not aligned. John offers that they go through the doorway and that they use a Quantum Bubble to keep them three-dimensional inside the reality, seeing little choice he agrees to let it be done. The engineer's plan works and the entire crew stares in awe at the two-dimensional universe, noting that they as three-dimensional beings are entirely invisible to the native populace.

Ed sits in the lounge while Kelly approaches him, he talks about his discontentment with her recommending him for his position but Kelly starts to become frustrated explaining how everything he does is just the result of something else and that it's pointless to discredit his position just because of a small detail regarding how it was given to him. The Orville suddenly then starts to experience friction as the Bubble begins to give out, after being commanded to leave Gordon says the doorway is now closed. Isaac and John LaMarr through The Orville's technology find what could be another doorway on the other side of the two-dimensional reality, Ed says that won't be enough since the engines are still not functioning to full capacity. John explains that he might be able to create a new bubble around a shuttlecraft which he can use to drag The Orville over over to the doorway and free them before the ship gives out. Captain Mercer and him prepare to do just that while some engineers snicker about Yaphit and his role in getting the ship into this predicament. John hushes them explaining he's the leader of the Task Force and approved the call, just more proof he shouldn't be in this role.

John and Ed leave in a shuttle protected by a Quantum Bubble and begin dragging the ship to the nearest anomaly back to the three-dimensional universe, with the two of them talking and Captain Mercer officially offering the Chief Engineer position. Before John can respond the Bubble begins to give out as per before and the two of them are almost killed but manage to go warp speed and get everyone to safety in their three-dimensional reality. Ed then proceeds to touch base with Kelly and apologizes for his behavior before insisting he should've thanked her for all she's done for him, not criticize and resent her for it. John also goes back to the engineering deck and begins to confidently gives orders to each worker. Embracing his new position as Chief of Engineering.

Mad Idolatry

Season 1

Episode Number: 12

Season Episode: 12

Originally aired: Thursday December 7, 2017
Writer: Seth MacFarlane
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Guest Stars: Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Kelly Hu (Admiral Ozawa), Lenny von Dohlen (Valondis), Nick Toren (Man in Red Robe), Erica Tazel (Baileth), Philip Anthony-Rodriguez (Fadolin), Jasper McPherson (Little Girl), Grahame Wood (Man on the Wagon), Chloe Russell (Woman), Jo Galloway (Mother), Kyra Santoro (Ensign Turco), Ethan Jones (Dalen), Gordy De St. Jeor (Teenage Boy), Neil Dickson (Man in Clerical Garb), Cyrus Deboo (Pundit #1), Betsy Baker (Pundit #3), Stephen Jared (Pundit #2), Kurt Sinclair (Televangelist), Alexander Catalano (Peasant #1), Ryan Fitzsimmons (Peasant #2), Jay Jackson (Reporter), Mikey Roe (Peasant #3), C.J. Johnson (Tradesman), Deborah Meister (Medical Assistant)
Production Code: 1LAB13
Summary: The crew crash land on a planet from another universe; Ed and Kelly consider getting back together.



The episode opens to Captain Ed Mercer knocking on doors inside the USS Orville, unsuccessfully asking his crew if they would like to grab drinks, until Mercer approaches Lieutenant Bortus, who invites Mercer in for apsada with Klyden and him.

At Mercer's insistence, Bortus and Klyden introduce Mercer to the traditional Moclan party game of latchcomb, where people quickly pass a ball between themselves. Mercer ignorantly holds the ball too long and a blade ejects from it, impaling his hand.

In his quarters, Mercer hails Commander Kelly Grayson and she asks why he won't go to the Medical Bay to heal his hand. Mercer answers that he is too embarrassed and requests she bring a dermal regenerator the next day to heal the injury. The two agree to meet in the ship's mess hall for a drink.

Mercer acknowledges that Darulio's powerful Retepsian pheromones was responsible for the affair in Old Wounds, and that her behavior was not "cheating." He asks Grayson to go on a date later that week and she accepts. The scene concludes with the two excitedly pouring themselves generous amounts of alcohol.

The following day, Bortus and Isaac notice an unusual spatial anomaly nearby. Grayson, Isaac, and Helmsman Gordon Malloy take a shuttle to inspect the anomaly up close. On board

the shuttle and in the middle of space, the trio suddenly finds themselves in planetary atmosphere. From the bridge of the Orville, observes that a planet mysteriously in what was originally uninhabited space.

The shuttle crash-lands on the newly arrived planet. Isaac and Malloy report that the engine malfunctioned due to suddenly entering a dense atmosphere, but that they can repair it within an hour. Grayson decides to survey the area and happens upon a small village in a distance. She reports it to Mercer, who authorizes her to explore but not to interact with any of the inhabitants. Grayson finds two young girls who flee, but one stumbles and cuts her forehead. Using her dermal regenerator she brought for Mercer, Grayson heals the girl's cut. Grayson realizes that a group of indigenous men and women are watching her intently. Aware that she has broken Planetary Union rules restricting contact with developing planets, Grayson runs back to Isaac and Malloy.

Back aboard the Orville, Mercer and Grayson describe to Admiral Ozawa the planet's strange appearance. She instructs the Orville to observe the planet for seventy-two hours before she can send a science cruiser for further study of the anomaly. Grayson thanks him for not reporting her infraction.

Meanwhile, the planet suddenly disappears. Isaac proposes that the planet is locked in a multi-phasic orbit, meaning it travels through multiple different universes while orbiting a star existing simultaneously in all universes. Calculations of the planet's orbit suggest it would return in approximately eleven days. Next, Mercer and Grayson go on a date for dinner in his quarters, concluding with a passionate kiss. After eleven days have passed, the planet returns but a scan shows that the population and its state of technology have rapidly progressed.

Mercer, along with Grayson, Malloy, Lieutenant Commander John LaMarr, and Lieutenant Alara Kitan take a shuttle to the surface. They note how the town Kelly witnessed the last visit had grown into a city akin to the 14th century as opposed to the village witnessed before. Isaac on the ship calculates that while it may appear to them the planet was gone for eleven days, the natives perspective was seven centuries have passed. In order to blend in the team goes to a nearby cottage and try to find clothes for them to wear. The owner however comes out and stares at Commander Grayson in awe begging Kelly to please bless her baby. She awkwardly does so and everyone gets changed while walking down the road, they come across a dozen corpses hung on stakes. Ed asks a traveling native what happened and he explains they were killed for speaking ill against the word of Kelly.

They go into the city and note a mother scolding her child, claiming that Kelly is all around and always watching him. Prisoners are being put on trial and are cut by the Jail Master while the priest claims if they truly have no guilt Kelly will heal them. Commander Grayson is terrified and tries to step in, but Ed claims her effort will only manage to mess up the situation even further. The crew keeps walking until going into the palace and finding a giant statue of Kelly constructed within.

On The Orville, Admiral Ozawa is frustrated with Captain Mercer for not telling her what happened before. He explains that he didn't believe it would make a significant impact, but the Admiral doesn't want to hear it. She says if he neglects to mention essential details such as that in the future she'll personally make sure he will only be qualified to clean toilets at Union Point. Ozawa then orders them not to alter the cultural trajectory of the natives in any other way.

Kelly is deeply concerned about their worship for her. Ed tries to comfort her but she insists that she simply wants to be left alone. Later that night while Kelly is sleeping, Ed wakes her up saying that he will go back with her any way to try and make things right. Back on the planet, the crew goes into the palace and finds the Religious Leader named Valondis. Kelly explaining to him in fine detail that she is no way divine and that her healing the girl hundreds of years ago was simply the result of her Union technology, and not any sort of supernatural ability. Valondis is eventually convinced and everyone returns to The Orville. In the palace there is a discussion if the public should be informed about Kelly not being god-like. One of the guards says they must keep the idea going so they have better control over the people, but Bolandus says they must be responsible and say what is truly the truth of the matter. He is assassinated by the guard for this, keeping the cultural charade alive.

Days later, the planet re-emerges and is investigated by The Orville. It is revealed to have made another jump in technological evolution. Now having functioning satellites, a booming population, as well as pollution in the air. Ed asks if Isaac can scan for any mentions of "Kelly"

he does and finds a high amounts of results, the crew noticing that she remains to be viewed and worshipped as a deity by the civilization. In the meeting room, Alara asks why nothing changed despite Kelly explaining the situation to them. They guess Kelly wasn't there for enough time, and Claire Finn suggests that they might need to leave something permanent to actually shift the cultural paradigm. Kelly volunteers to be dropped off the planet and spend the rest of her life there educating the natives.

Ed strongly opposes this saying she'll die away from everyone she loves and on a primitive world, but Kelly says it's a sacrifice she must make for starting this ordeal. Isaac, to the shock of the entire room, volunteers to go in her place. Saying that his Kaylon body is built to last for millions of years and he doesn't perceive time the way organic beings do. He can stay for the seven-hundred years to try and change their perspective and the ship can pick him up once the planet returns, that it would seldom feel as though any significant time has passed for him. Everyone believes this is the best course of action and Isaac is sent forward to do it, the entire crew feeling melancholy about it.

The eleven days pass and *The Orville* notes how the Planet has evolved to the modern 25th century standards. Soon after a vessel begins approaches and hails for them to be let on the ship, Ed accepts it and Isaac along with two of the planet's natives teleport to the main deck. Kelly asks what happened this whole time, and the natives say that they no longer worship Kelly as a deity, but a woman who played a big role in their planet's evolution. Ed says Isaac being there must've worked but the two say Isaac didn't lead the way to secularism, they got there naturally. If Kelly had not landed on their planet 2000 years prior they would've just found something else to follow. They end their speech by telling the Captain & Commander that they must have faith in the endurance of the logical mind.

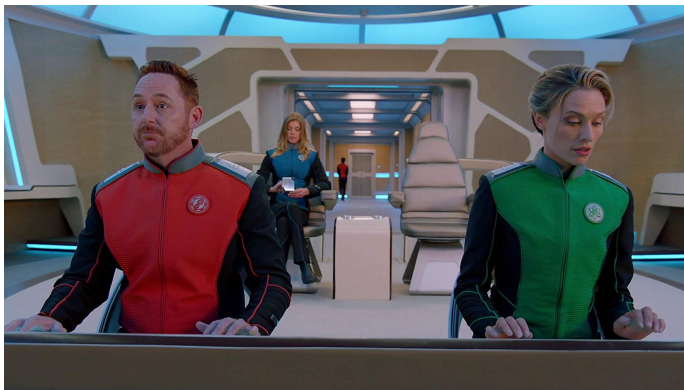
Ed has a drink in the Mess Hall and is met by Kelly again. He is delighted for her to join him for a drink but the Commander insists their relationship will not work, as he had to defy an Admiral to protect a grave mistake she made with a primitive society. That they need to take more time for themselves. Ed says he understands the reasoning but is disappointed, as he does still love her. Kelly concurs and leaves to perform more duties. Ed sits back in the Mess Hall with his drink, heartbroken.

Season Two

Ja'loja

Season 2
Episode Number: 13
Season Episode: 1

Originally aired: Sunday December 30, 2018
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Guest Stars: Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Will Sasso (Mooska), Mike Henry (Dann), Chris Johnson (Cassius), Jason Alexander (Olix), Kai Wener (Ty Finn), BJ Tanner (Marcus Finn), Blesson Yates (Topa), Jake Brennan (James), Adam J. Smith (Nathan), Rachael MacFarlane (Computer (voice)), Kristen O'Meara (Jody Duncan), Luke Clark (Kid #1), Alicia Leigh Willis (Woman), Francesca Catalano (Xelayan Woman), Melvin Diggs (Shuttle Bay Lieutenant), Nicole C. Barnes (Lt. Gomez), Michaela McManus (Lt. Tyler)
Production Code: 2LAB01
Summary: The crew face personal challenges on their way to witness Bortus perform a Moclan ceremony on his homeworld.



Several months have passed since Kelly Grayson broke up with Ed Mercer. He sits alone at the bar at night in the Mess Hall, drinking and lamenting his ennui, when he is joined by Alara Kitan and the two co-miserate about their failures in love and self-doubt.

Second Officer Bortus approaches and formally requests redirection to his home world of Moclus for his yearly urination ritual.

In the Briefing Room, the Captain orders the senior staff to treat Bortus' ritual

with dignity. Bortus explains the importance of the ceremony, ja'loja, and invites them to attend with a significant other. Planetary Union Central grants clearance for the trip because Outpost 58 will be on the way, where the USS Orville was already scheduled to pick up their new dark matter cartographer Janel Tyler.

Grayson finds Mercer in his office to inform him that she is dating again, but refuses to name the man. Kelly also refuses to confess whether she loves Ed, pointing out that his judgment is warped as long as she remains his First Officer.

Tyler joins the Orville via shuttle, escorted to the Bridge by Kitan. While Tyler familiarizes herself with the navigational array, Helmsman Gordon Malloy awkwardly flirts with her.

Isaac teaches Ty Finn piano. Marcus Finn asks his mom, Claire, if he and James Duncan can go to the Environmental Simulator. When Claire says that he can go after dinner if his homework is done, James whispers loudly, "Dude, is your mom always such a pain in the ass?," causing Claire to dismiss James. Marcus leaves and Claire complains that she cannot understand why her teenage boy seemingly hates her.

James, Marcus, and a third boy hack the Food Synthesizer of a vacant unit to synthesize a bottle of vodka and scurry to the simulator room.

Meanwhile, Malloy wants to invite the new dark matter cartographer as his date to Bortus's ja'loja. He first presses Kitan for information on Tyler but she demurs. He asks Chief Engineer John LaMarr for advice on approaching women.

Cassius, a school teacher on the Orville, teaches class. Both James and Marcus give snide answers to Cassius's questions. Cassius tells Grayson that he is concerned that James is a bad influence on Marcus.

That night, Mercer fawns over old photos of he and Grayson on a picnic, then he takes a shuttle from the Shuttle Bay.

Bortus offers Kitan a blind date with a subordinate officer. She agrees, curious to meet him.

Cassius and Grayson have a date in Cassius's quarters until she sees Mercer spying on them from outside in the shuttle. They take their date to the simulator where they find the three miscreant boys, drunk on vodka.

Claire is incensed with her child. "I'm starting to think I suck at this parenting thing," she later tells Isaac.

In the Matter Synthesizer room, LaMarr synthesizes a stylish new jacket for Malloy.

Kitan finds out Dann is her blind date. While she initially attempts to politely cancel the date, she feels bad that Dann struggles to find love on the ship and schedules drinks with him for later that night.

Grayson confronts Mercer in his office about spying on them but he redirects the conversation to Cassius. Grayson states that she believes the two would actually get along were circumstances different.

Claire meets James' parents, Nathan and Jody Duncan. James had lied to his parents about hacking the food synthesizer, and the parents now place blame on Marcus and schedule a parent-teacher conference to request Marcus be removed from the classroom.

Cassius's "evolved," "high-road" attitude towards the Captain irritates Grayson. "I'm not going to be angry at Ed if I don't feel it," he says. "Now, if you just calm down-." But is interrupted by his girlfriend, who leaves madder than before.

Malloy practices meeting women in the simulator room under the tutelage of LaMarr. After a few rounds, LaMarr believes his friend is ready to approach Tyler.

Claire invites Isaac to the parent-teacher conference. "At least it won't be two-against-one."

Kitan and Dann meet at Mooska's for their date. He reads a romantic poem to her and insists upon criticism, but then is crushed by her feedback. She excuses herself to the bathroom and even then Dann sends her a comscanner message: "I miss you."

Mercer meets Cassius to apologize for spying. When Cassius admits that Grayson walked out on him after a fight, and that he already comes from a failed marriage, Mercer empathizes and provides crucial dating tips to mollify her.

The parents and Isaac meet Cassius for the parent-teacher conference. The Duncans cannot believe their son is rebellious. Jody maintains that her son is a straight-A student, which contradicts Cassius's grades. Isaac looks up Cassius's academic file and discovers it was manipulated while Marcus's file was not. Isaac reports James to Commander Grayson for hacking academic records. Elated, Claire invites Isaac to ja'loja.

Malloy is about to ask Tyler out but flees at the last second.

The Orville has arrived at Moclus and Bortus urinates on a cliffside before a crowd.

At the ja'loja after-party, Grayson tells Cassius that a date with red wine and the band Journey reminded her why she loves him. (In fact, those were Mercer's suggestions.) Malloy is amazed by Dann's poem and the two bond. The Finns tell Isaac they owe him one.

But Mercer sits alone at the bar, once again nursing a drink. He wishes he did not give Cassius advice that will end them up together, but the bartender Olix is not so sure, "My friend, I have learned never to make predictions in matters of love. I'm usually dead wrong." They are interrupted: "Hey, is anyone sitting here?" And Tyler takes a seat next to Mercer.

Primal Urges

Season 2

Episode Number: 14

Season Episode: 2

Originally aired: Thursday January 03, 2019
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Director: Kevin Hooks
Show Stars: Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), Halston Sage (Lt. Alara Kitan), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac)
Guest Stars: Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Kelly Hu (Admiral Ozawa), Lesley Fera (Minister Theece), Mike Henry (Dann), Michael C. Mahon (Altox), Darren Dupree Washington (Simulated Moclan), Jude B. Lanston (Moclan Prison Guard), Veronica Matheu (Nyxian Girl), Gavin Lee (Henry Park), Joseph H. Johnson Jr. (Moclan Doctor), Michael James Lazar (Moclan #1), Torrance Johnson (Moclan #2), Aaron McPherson (Crew Member), Iba Amar (Officer), Humberto Montalvo (Moclan), Annie Trevino (ND Officer)
Production Code: 1LAB12
Summary: The crew race to save a small group of survivors on a planet about to be destroyed by its sun.



The bridge crew of the USS Orville watches an exploding red giant star devour the final planet of its system.

Second Officer Bortus retires from his shift 15 minutes early and heads to the Environmental Simulator. He initiates program Bortus 486, which turns out to be an erotic simulation with another Moclan.

Bortus enters his quarters late at night, having spent the last few hours in the simulator. He resists Klyden's requests for sex and the two sleep. The next morning, Bortus, Klyden, and Topa eat plotka. Klyden requests Bortus makes

more time for the family. Bortus refuses to discuss the matter further but does agree to return to quarters after work.

On the Bridge, Isaac detects possible deposits of dysonium ore beneath the surface of the final surviving planet. Captain Ed Mercer directs Isaac to assist Chief Engineer John LaMarr and the Engineering team to modify the ship's tractor beam, which will be used to extract the dysonium once the giant star devours the planet's crust.

Bortus requests to leave work, ostensibly to spend time with the family, but he returns to the simulator for another erotic program. That night, Bortus lies to his mate that work kept him late. Klyden is deeply upset but attempts to make love. Bortus refuses and goes to sleep. In the middle of the night, Klyden stabs him in the chest with a short sword.

Doctor Claire Finn and her medical team save Bortus' life. Awake, Bortus learns that Chief of Security Alara Kitan heard him scream and that Klyden is now in the Brig. He wishes that Finn had let him die and explains that Klyden was divorcing him: On Moclus, a Moclan divorces his

mate by killing him. He petitions Mercer to release Klyden and, after tentative permission from Planetary Union Central, Mercer allows it on the grounds that the couple receive counseling.

Isaac informs Mercer that the deposits of dysonium on the planet were not naturally formed, a vast, subterranean culture once existed. Unfortunately, the imminent breakup of the planet renders any recovery of the culture impossible.

In couples counseling, Bortus promises that he still feels attracted to Klyden. Finn assigns them "homework" to make a list of ten fun activities to do together. On their way out of Finn's office, Bortus says that he has a small task for the Captain, but he will return to quarters at 1800 hours to craft a list with Klyden. Bortus leaves for the simulator for another erotic simulation.

Bortus meets with Lieutenant Unk, an alien whose species is famous for highly stimulating pornographic simulator programs, and requests a Moclan orgy program. Unk promises to deliver a new one from a friend on his planet.

Scanner logs show the subterranean civilization is still active. Mercer speaks with Hallan Theece, First Minister of the Nyxian people. One hundred years ago, the planet's scientists learned their sun would engulf the planet and the people retreated underground. Only 75 inhabitants survive and the planet will break up in 24 hours. LaMarr believes that if the Orville diverts all power to its deflectors and moved the ship very close to the planet, the deflectors could shield a shuttle that could travel to the surface and evacuate the survivors.

Elsewhere on the ship, for reasons unknown, the Food Synthesizer produces only an inedible black slop and LaMarr sends a technician to work on it. Meanwhile Klyden catches Bortus in the Simulator with the new orgy program.

Bortus is addicted to the simulator and Klyden wants a divorce. Bortus confesses that he lost his desire for sex with his mate since the Tribunal on Moclus.[1] He feels deep shame that Topa's sex was changed without consent and resents Klyden for forcing it: "I resent you, Klyden. I resent what you put our child through and I don't know if I can ever move on."

The Engineering team notices persistent power disruptions in the shuttle they planned to use. Thanks to LaMarr's hunch, Isaac finds a computer virus that is responsible for both the food synthesizer's problems and the disruptions. The virus' source is Bortus' new program running Environmental Simulator 3. Isaac writes a program to eradicate it, which can be implemented in the simulation room.

Meanwhile, the shuttle's power was re-routed to avoid the virus altogether. Bortus and Isaac, the only two beings on board that can withstand the star's enormous radiation output, are sent to Nyxia. En route, the two discuss Bortus' addiction and the toll it has on his psyche. Bortus and Isaac make contact with the Nyxians but the break up accelerates, leaving only time to evacuate 30 people.

A lottery is held and the 30 Nyxians board the shuttle. The First Minister abstained from the lottery, but her husband and their daughter Nathius were among those selected. The shuttle returns with the survivors and the planet is destroyed.

Unfortunately, the virus has severed helm's control over the ship, and the Orville begins descending into the star. Isaac employs a counter-virus that restores control and the Orville, badly damaged, escapes.

The Captain is furious with Bortus, and the Moclan tenders his resignation. Mercer refuses to accept it, recognizing that Bortus saved 30 lives.

Back at home, Bortus speaks with his mate. "I do not know that I will ever be fully at peace with what happened to Topa. But today, I witnessed events that I am very fortunate to have you and Topa in my life, and I do not wish to lose you again."

"I do not wish to lose you either," Klyden answers, and the family spends the night together.

Home

Season 2

Episode Number: 15

Season Episode: 3

Originally aired:	Thursday January 10, 2019
Writer:	Cherry Chevapravatdumrong
Director:	Jon Cassar
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Guest Stars:	Molly Hagan (Drenala Kitan), Candice King (Solana Kitan), Robert Picardo (Ildis Kitan), John Billingsley (Cambis Borrin), Kerry O'Malley (Floratta), Patrick Warburton (Lt. Tharl), Jason Alexander (Olix), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Chris Flanders (Serris), Greta Jung (Comm. Officer)
Production Code:	2LAB02
Summary:	Ed, Gordon and Alara visit Alara's home planet of Xelayah.



On a Friday night in the Mess Hall, Chief of Security Alara Kitan arm wrestles Isaac. Crew members place bets with their comscanners. Isaac wins when Alara's arm breaks.

In Sick Bay, Doctor Claire Finn reports that while Alara's bone will knit in about 30 minutes, she is worried because Alara's muscle mass has decreased by 20 percent and her bone density by five since arriving at the USS Orville. The Chief of Security's strength is rapidly deteriorating.

Finn tells Alara that her body is adjusting to Earth-like levels of gravity. She needs to return to her home planet of Xelaya to re-acclimate or, eventually, her body will permanently be weaker and frailer.

Alara struggles unsuccessfully to lift weights in her quarters. "When I first got here, I could lift 100 kilos more," she tells Captain Ed Mercer. The Captain says that she would not lose her job on the ship but Alara is adamant to return home.

After one final look at the Bridge, Alara takes a shuttle to her house on Xelaya with Helmsman Gordon Malloy and Mercer.

Once they land, Gordon activates a gravity shield to protect the Humans but Alara collapses as soon as she leaves the shield. Her parents, Ildis and Drenala Kitan carry her into the home. Ildis rebuffs Mercer for his concern, and the Captain tells Malloy he would like to punch her father for his attitude.

Alara is confined to a floating mobility chair. Her sister Solana Kitan joins the family for lunch. Ildis and Drenala hope that Alara will pursue academic studies at the university, and tell her that she cannot be sure she will ever recover and rejoin the Orville. Alara grows upset, so Solana reveals that she is engaged to her boyfriend Terlus. "And now that you're home," Drenala tells Alara, "Who knows? Maybe you'll have some luck in the romance department."

That night in her old bedroom, Alara tells her father that she grew up constantly reminded of her intellectual disability. Ildis replies that it "broke their hearts" to see their daughter to join the

military. Alara retorts that the Orville offered more support than her own parents. Ildis says that a trip to the family beach house could bring the family together though Alara doubts the trip will improve their fraught relationship.

Upon arriving at the beach, they are greeted by the caretaker who says that the property is ready to be occupied. Solana spots a wild eevak.

That evening, Alara gazes into the ocean and dreams of riding the animal. She looks out and sees a light on in a house down the beach.

An interim Chief of Security arrives at the Orville: Lieutenant Tharl.

Other vacationers, Cambis Borrin and his wife, Floratta, stop by the home and ask if anyone suspicious has been seen around their property as personal items had been moved around the night before. Alara and Solana offer to investigate the cottage.

Back on the Orville, Doctor Claire Finn and Chief Engineer John LaMarr announce they have a remarkable idea for Alara.

In their commuter pod, Solana admits that many Xelayans look at Alara and think they are better and "more evolved," but she feels only pride in her sister. At the cottage, Alara notes that the caretaker's personal effects are untouched, so he cannot have left the island.

The Kitans host the Borrins for dinner. Cambis boasts that his prodigious son Galdus Harona is an associate professor at the local medical school. When Ildis' trivalve sauce begins to boil, Cambis pulls out a PM-32 and forces Ildis to dip his hand into it.

Holding the Kitans at gunpoint, Cambis and Floratta reveal that their son committed suicide when his career was marred by Ildis. "He needed more peer-review," Ildis pleads but Cambis grows angrier. "You are going to renounce your position... You are going to tell the world you lied." When Ildis refuses, Cambis finds a pair of garden shears and Floratta plans to cut off Solana's fingers.

A Planetary Union shuttle arrives. Cambis and Floratta hides and force Ildis to greet them. Mercer says that their is important news for Alara, but Cambis jumps from behind a pillar and shoots him. Alara manages to jump out of her chair, fight Floratta for her PM-32, and shoot her. Realizing Floratta is dead, Cambis backtracks to Alara, chasing her.

Meanwhile, Malloy sees that Mercer's gravity suit is failing. From the second floor, Alara convinces Ildis to fall to the ground to rescue Mercer. Cambis enters from the stairwell but Alara shoots him from the bathroom. Once on the ground, Ildis spots the corpse of Serris, the caretaker, hidden in the garden before dragging the Captain inside the protection of the shuttle's gravity shield. The shuttle quickly returns to the Orville.

Now safe, Ildis weeps. "I don't know you," he tells Alara. "I never even tried to know you." Alara replies quietly, "I wanted you to know me, Dad. All I ever wanted was for you to be proud of me."

Back aboard the Orville, Finn has developed a treatment that will allow Alara to recover and maintain her strength. Alara declines, revealing that she wants to return home. "You were my family," she tells the Captain.

In the Shuttle Bay, the senior staff gives her a silent, tearful farewell. In his office, Mercer opens Alara's parting gift: a jar of pickles.

Nothing Left on Earth Excepting Fishes

Season 2

Episode Number: 16

Season Episode: 4

Originally aired:	Thursday January 17, 2019
Writer:	Brannon Braga, André Bormanis
Director:	Jon Cassar
Show Stars:	Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac)
Guest Stars:	Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Michaela McManus (Lt. Janel Tyler / Teleya), Patrick Warburton (Lt. Tharl), Chris Johnson (Cassius), Michael Traynor (Krill Captain), Greta Jung (Comm Officer), Giovanni Bejarano (Security Officer), Michele Boyd (Lieutenant Dorsett), Fred Tatasciore (Krill Voice (voice))
Production Code:	2LAB03
Summary:	Ed finds himself behind enemy lines when he crash lands on a mysterious planet; Kelly questions why Gordon wants to take the Command Test.



Lieutenant Tharl shows up for the night shift on the Bridge of the USS Orville in his workout sweats. After Commander Kelly Grayson asks him to change into his uniform, Captain Ed Mercer uncharacteristically allows him to stay in his clothes. Grayson notes that Mercer is in a more relaxed mood lately and then tells the bridge crew that they are assigned to a resupply mission to Epsilon 5.

Mercer leaves his shift early to watch *The King and I* with dark matter cartographer Janel Tyler in his quarters. The two agree to reveal their relationship to the rest of the ship.

Mercer begins telling his workmates, first his best friend, Helmsman Gordon Malloy, and then Grayson, although she says that she already knew. Ed also says that he and Tyler will take a small trip to Sensoria 2 while the Orville continues to Epsilon 5.

While in a shuttle to Sensoria, Mercer and Tyler are waylaid by three Marauder-class Krill fighters. Even though the shuttle is cloaked, the fighters vent drive plasma that latches to the shuttle and exposes their position. The fighters easily disable the shuttle's engines, then a Krill destroyer takes the shuttle by tractor beam.

Grayson tells Second Officer Bortus that the crew will be joined by their new permanent Chief of Security. Malloy formally requests to take the Shipmaster Qualification Test for a command position.

Trapped in a prison on the destroyer, a Krill prison guard tortures Tyler until Mercer gives the guards his command codes.

Doctor Claire Finn performs a medical and psychological evaluation of Malloy, but the helmsman is anxious and thinks every three-dimensional image of a Rorschach blot test is unspeakably perverse. He refuses to continue and instead performs the command simulation.

Back on the destroyer, Teleya enters Mercer's prison chamber and reveals that she was Janel Tyler working undercover. She revels in his shock, then explains that she escaped the Planetary Union and enlisted as an undercover operative to lure Mercer. Suddenly, the ship is attacked by the Chak'tal. Mercer nabs a Krill plasma weapon and flees the ship with Teleya by an escape pod to the surface of a nearby terrestrial world.

Mercer is knocked unconscious when they land, which allows Teleya to grab the gun. The pod contained a portable distress beacon, which can transmit a signal from high altitude. The pair begin their hike to the nearest mountain peak.

Malloy attempts the simulation exercise of the Command Test but fails. Grayson tells him to rest and try again the next morning.

Hiking through the forests, Mercer and Teleya are pursued by Chak'tal soldiers hunting for survivors.

When dawn comes, Teleya slowly admits they must shelter in a cave at the base of the mountain until night returns.

Malloy tells Lieutenant Dorsett about the Command Test and she agrees to grab a drink with him. Grayson overhears the conversation and doubts Malloy's motives. "Are you doing this to pick up chicks?" she asks. He admits it crossed his mind, but that he also wants to challenge himself. Grayson advises him to selflessly seek command.

In the cave, Mercer attempts to reason with Teleya that the Krill and the Union will need to work together. After a frustrating conversation concluding with Teleya taunting him for falling in love with the fictitious "Janel," he goes to sleep.

The next morning, Mercer calculates that a day on this planet lasts 23 days on Earth. If they are to survive, Teleya must allow Mercer to scale the mountain alone with the distress beacon. Though distrustful, she relents. Mercer climbs to the top and sends a message to the Orville, which receives the message and sets a course to the planet.

Mercer returns to the cave but four Chak'tal soldiers have picked up his trail. He guides Teleya, hiding her skin from the sunlight with his jacket, to the mountain peak for rescue. At the top, Teleya sees their rescue shuttle is from the Union. She nearly kills him, but the Chak'tal open fire from below. Teleya gives Mercer her gun, and he returns fire until they board the shuttle and escape.

Ignoring the strong objection from his Commander and the possibility of a court martial by the admiralty, Mercer releases Teleya back to the Krill. Malloy cannot understand Mercer's decision. "Why take the risk?" he asks. "Lieutenant, that's command," Grayson replies. "Still interested?" Mercer gives "The Best of Billy Joel" to Teleya before she departs and a message for her people: "We can keep fighting each other or we can talk."

Mercer returns to the bridge to watch the Krill depart, then stares at the stars long after the ship is gone.

All the World Is Birthday Cake

Season 2
Episode Number: 17
Season Episode: 5

Originally aired:	Thursday January 24, 2019
Writer:	Seth MacFarlane
Director:	Robert Duncan McNeill
Show Stars:	Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac)
Guest Stars:	Jessica Szohr (Lt. Talla Keylai), Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Ted Danson (Admiral Perry), Chris Johnson (Cassius), Mike Henry (Dann), John Rubinstein (Prefect), Niko Nicotera (Rokal), Jennifer Landon (Ukania), Robert Curtis Brown (Chief Advisor Makkal), Heather Horton (Science Prefect), Marie-Françoise Theodore (Advisor #2), GiGi Hessian (Physicist), Meredith Thomas (Nurse), Matthew Foster (Regorian Doctor), Arriane Alexander (Regorian Doctor #2), Erica Shaffer (Obstetric Surgeon #1), Brandon Young (Obstetric Surgeon #2), Carlos E. Campos (Obstetric Surgeon #3), Carlos Arellano (Burly Man), Evan Angone (Cameraman), Chet Grissom (Aide), Julianne Irons (Prisoner), Blesson Yates (Topa), Kyra Santoro (Ensign Turco), Charles Maceo (Camp Guard #1), Corey Tucker (Camp Guard #2), Chad T. Wood (Warden), Jack Kennedy (Military Security Guard), Thai Edwards (Holding Cell Guard), Troy Vincent (Man in Lab Coat), Aaron Goddard (Waiter), Sai Gundewar (Alien)
Production Code:	2LAB04
Summary:	The Orville makes First Contact; A new crew member joins the ship.



Gathered in his chambers, the First Prefect directs advisers to use a large satellite array to send a message into space: "Is anyone out there?"

Captain Ed Mercer and First Officer Kelly Grayson meet their new permanent Chief of Security, Lieutenant Talla Keyali. She admits she has a "rough" reputation, but she promises to protect the crew.

On the Bridge of the USS Orville, Grayson asks Second Officer Bortus to have a joint birthday party, but Bortus firmly declines. Suddenly, a microwave signal from the Gamma Velorum system requesting "First Contact." The crew happily sets course for the star.

Mercer, Grayson, Bortus, Keyali, and Doctor Claire Finn take a shuttle to the signal's origin, a planet called Regor 2. In the capital, the First Prefect warmly greets

the Orville's diplomatic entourage. Mercer replies, "On behalf of the Planetary Union, welcome to the galaxy."

The First Prefect and Chief Advisor Makkal show Mercer, Grayson, and Bortus their satellite array. Regorian doctors show Finn and Keyali their obstetrics ward. They are interrupted by an emergency caesarian section, but Finn realizes the baby had no detected medical cause to be born premature. A doctor explains that the c-section was to prevent the baby being born "giliac."

At a banquet, the Orville's crew and the Regorians celebrate first contact and share different aspects of their species. "It really is a utopia," Makkal marvels. Grayson shares that next week will be her and Bortus' birthday. Inexplicably, the Regorians are outraged and the crew is arrested.

In a prison cell, a Regorian dentist extracts dental cores from Mercer, Keyali, and Finn, which verifies that none of them are giliacs. The First Prefect tells them that being giliac means to be born under the astrological sign of Giliac, which means Grayson and Bortus are dangerous and must be kept in a small prison camp. The Regorians force the others to return to their ship.

Meanwhile, Grayson and Bortus find themselves in a prison colony for giliacs.

A warden tells Grayson and Bortus that the prison colony is their new home. They unsuccessfully try to fight their way out of the camp.

Admiral Perry refuses to permit the Orville to retrieve the officers by force. Diplomacy will be their only recourse. Isaac observes that the Regorians host a vast array of astrology satellites in space solely to observe the movement of stars.

Back in the prison, Grayson and Bortus piece together that their only "crime" was being born under the wrong astrological sign. Nearby, a large prisoner attempts to steal food from a couple, Rokal and his pregnant wife Ukania, but Bortus scares him away.

On live television, the First Prefect announces that the first day of Giliac has arrived and any infants born must be ceded to the government. Mercer arrives and attempts a peaceable agreement for the return of his officers, but First Prefect refuses and tells them to forget about Regor 2.

A month later, Admiral Perry concludes that the Planetary Union Central needs the Orville back on active duty. A diplomatic envoy will be sent to Regor 2 for extended negotiations. In the Briefing Room, Mercer directs the senior officers to find a solution before they must leave.

Back on television, the First Prefect announces the first day of Wasanda, the sign of the future leaders of Regor 2.

During meal time at the prison barracks, Grayson and Bortus notice that Ukania is in labor. Grayson assists the delivery of a new daughter.

Studying Regor 2's history, Keyali realizes that a star in Giliac died 3,122 years ago which led to the Regorian myth that giliac people are murderous.

Camp guards inspect the barracks. The warden forces Grayson to admit she is "giliac trash" at gunpoint. Rokal tells the guards that his daughter is wasanda and hidden under the floor boards. Despite Ukania's pleas, the guards forcibly take the child. Grayson and Bortus plot their escape.

Chief Engineer John LaMarr and Helmsman Gordon Malloy attach solar sails to a shuttle, which would reflect starlight and appear in the Regorian night sky as a new star in the Giliac constellation.

Grayson and Bortus steal guns from prison guards and attempt their escape, killing many guards along the way. They blast open the prison doors but are immediately surrounded by many guards and the warden.

The warden initiates an execution of Grayson and Bortus before the prison camp. In space, the solar sail deploys and a new star appears in the night. Just as the guards nearly open fire, everyone marvels and the new star in Giliac. In his office, the First Prefect realizes the new star signals "change."

Now back on the bridge of the Orville, Grayson and Bortus finally celebrate with a joint birthday party. Mercer tells Grayson that the last of the camps were closed. To Keyali, he admits that he is unsure whether lying to the Regorians was moral. Grayson, Mercer, and Finn congratulate her on her brilliant idea. Grayson leaves to dance with her boyfriend Cassius, leaving Mercer alone with his drink.

A Happy Refrain

Season 2
Episode Number: 18
Season Episode: 6

Originally aired:	Thursday January 31, 2019
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Show Stars:	Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac)
Guest Stars:	Jessica Szohr (Lt. Talla Keyali), Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Mike Henry (Dann), Chris Johnson (Cassius), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Kai Wener (Ty Finn), BJ Tanner (Marcus Finn), Blesson Yates (Topa), Kyra Santoro (Ensign Turco), Mark Graham (Conductor), Aaron Goddard (Waiter), Brent Alan Henry (Bartender)
Production Code:	2LAB05
Summary:	Claire's personal life takes an unexpected turn; Gordon makes an unusual grooming suggestion to Bortus.



Reviewing a draft of her paper on nanosynthesis in Xelayan tissue regeneration in her office, Doctor Claire Finn requests Isaac to review it for technical errors. Second Officer Bortus enters with a request of his own: stimulate hair follicles on his face so he can grow a mustache. After Claire quickly treats Bortus, Isaac scans the paper and corrects "numerous errors." Before he leaves, he notices Claire has styled her hair.

The USS Orville is en route to hear the Planetary Union Symphony perform.

Bortus takes his post on the Bridge and the crew is stunned by his new mustache, which they learn was Helmsman Gordon Malloy's idea. Claire enters and invites everyone to attend her son Ty's piano recital that evening.

Night arrives and Ty performs splendidly. At the reception, Claire chats with Isaac, who is also Ty's piano instructor. "You should be very proud of him," he says. Later, Claire visits First Officer Kelly Grayson for romance advice over chardonnay. She admits she has developed feelings for the Kaylon and Kelly tells her to pursue him but warns: "Just make sure you don't get hurt."

Claire finds Isaac working in the Science Lab and asks him out to the symphony on Friday. He accepts, finding the date an opportunity to study biological lifeforms in a new way.

Isaac asks Malloy and Chief Engineer John LaMarr for dating advice and they recommend wearing "snazzy" clothes. As soon as Isaac leaves, the two rush to the Bridge to tell Captain Ed Mercer. The bridge crew gossips and speculate whether romance will be possible.

Isaac rings Claire in her quarters that Friday night and they leave for the concert.

The Union Symphony performs a stirring arrangement of the song "Singing in the Rain." After Claire and Isaac share a meal in the Environmental Simulator. Isaac programmed the simulation to mirror Claire's favorite restaurant in Baltimore, Maryland. He reveals that he reviewed every file about Claire before their date, and she finds him lacking spontaneity. After a stilted conversation, she retires for the night.

The next day, the bridge crew grills Isaac for details about his date. He reports that Claire found him "not spontaneous enough" and they suggest doing something thoughtful yet surprising for her. Grayson grills Claire for her account, and the doctor confesses that they did not connect emotionally during their date.

Isaac brings a chocolate cake to Claire in her quarters at 3:14 a.m.; his idea of thoughtful and spontaneous. She is shocked and breaks up with him. Isaac finds Malloy, LaMarr, and Ensign Turco bowling in the simulator for help and LaMarr gets an idea.

Isaac sends an anonymous message to Claire directing her to the Simulator. It is the simulation of her favorite restaurant, only this time Isaac has programmed himself to look — and feel — Human.

Isaac tells Claire that LaMarr suggested she create a simulation that would allow them to kiss. In addition, he deleted all data about her background. She is charmed and the two quickly bond over dinner. She runs a program of her own quarters and the two sleep together.

Meeting with Grayson and Chief of Security Talla Keyali, Claire beams: "A machine who knows nothing love, only logic, figured out a way to say I'm trying. Let me try." Isaac however wants to end the relationship because he collected enough data for his analysis. LaMarr suggests that Isaac makes himself unappealing so that she will want to end things.

Isaac speaks misogynistically with Claire to irritate her. She learns that he wants to conclude the relationship. Heartbroken and angry, she agrees.

The senior staff is upset with Isaac's actions and chide him. Meanwhile, Claire finds recourse in a drink at a simulated bar where Lieutenant Yaphit pesters her. When Isaac comes for Ty's piano lesson, Claire informs him that she found a new instructor and, further, she has no interest in talking to him outside of work.

Later on the Bridge, Isaac makes a calculation error while analyzing the orbital velocity of a binary star system. "I've never seen him make a mistake before," Gordon says. "At least, not that kind."

Isaac scans himself using the ship's Computer and learns that his sub-routines have adjusted to Claire's presence that now interferes with his programming when she is gone. Ed chuckles, realizing the artificial lifeform has fallen in love. Isaac wants to repair his relationship and Ed recommends he apologize creatively.

The Orville sets a course for Outpost 30. Bortus has shaven his mustache off. Claire arrives thanks to another anonymous message summoning her.

Isaac announces he sent the message. He starts playing an original recording of "Singing in the Rain" and initiates a program to rain on the bridge. He asks Claire to try a relationship with him again. "My internal programs will function more efficiently if you do," he admits. "You're saying you're better with me than without me?" she asks. "Affirmative, Doctor."

She runs to his arms and they kiss. They exit the bridge for the Environmental Simulator and Isaac transforms into a Human along the way.

Deflectors

Season 2

Episode Number: 19

Season Episode: 7

Originally aired:	Thursday February 14, 2019
Writer:	David A. Goodman
Director:	Seth MacFarlane
Show Stars:	Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac)
Guest Stars:	Jessica Szohr (Lt. Talla Keyali), Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Mike Henry (Dann), Chris Johnson (Cassius), Kevin Daniels (Locar), Wren T. Brown (Captain Rechik), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Blesson Yates (Topa), Kyra Santoro (Ensign Turco), Chase Brosamle (Newsie), Rachael MacFarlane (Computer (voice)), Vivienne Rutherford (Little Girl), Yvette Tucker (Window Dancer #1), Steve Hanneman (Window Dancer #2), Bruce Willis (Groogen (voice))
Production Code:	2LAB06
Summary:	The ship's deflectors upgrade leads to conflict between the Moclan culture and the crew.



First Officer Kelly Grayson goes on a date with her boyfriend Cassius in the Environmental Simulator, a program set in New York City in 1945. Cassius wants to go on a romantic excursion with Grayson, but she demurs because the USS Orville is about to enter unexplored space. Cassius takes her excuse as an insult to his job as a school teacher. Kelly realizes that she does not want their relationship to head to marriage, while Cassius does, so she breaks up with him.

A Moclan shuttle arrives with Captain Rechik and Locar, a brilliant engineer.

While the Orville is in orbit over planet Moclus, Locar will make upgrades to the ship's Deflector Screens. After Locar leaves for Engineering, Second Officer Bortus reveals they had dated.

During upgrades, Locar asks Bortus to talk but the Second Officer refuses. Chief of Security Talla Keyali makes sure that Locar is comfortable before retiring for the night.

Locar interrupts dinner between Bortus, his mate Klyden, and their son Topa, and the four spend an uncomfortably tense meal together. Locar admits he has no mate but asks to be friends with Bortus, causing Klyden to choke on his drink.

The next morning, the Orville tests their new, upgraded deflectors by allowing Captain Rechik's ship to fire upon them. The gradual bombardment reduces the Orville's screens, but the starboard emitter array loses power causing deflectors to fail. Thankfully, Locar's upgrades programmed the array to reset and his installation was a rousing success.

In her office, Grayson tells Captain Ed Mercer that she broke up with Cassius. Bortus reports that finalizing upgrades to the deflectors will take Locar 48 more hours. Meanwhile, Keyali enters her quarters to find Locar admiring the stars: "I must speak with you."

Locar confesses his attraction to Keyali. Even though Moclan are, for the most part, an all-male species, a few are attracted to females. Keyali is overwhelmed, and asks for time to think.

Mercer and Grayson chat about Cassius in the Mess Hall, reading Cassius's messages attempting to win her back. Several tables away, Keyali enjoys dinner with Chief Engineer John LaMarr, Navigator Gordon Malloy, and Isaac. The conversation turns to their commanders, and Keyali realizes that "the galaxy is full of so many unhappy people. Why ignore something good?" And she goes to Locar in the Briefing Room.

Locar confesses that his sexuality, if discovered, would mean life in prison and shame upon his entire family. They bond over the fact they are both alone in their own ways as Keyali is the ship's only Xelayan. She takes him to Grayson's 1940s program in the simulator, a place where they can be unseen. After a brief tour, Keyali gives Locar a brief lesson on Human dancing to the song "The White Cliffs of Dover." Locar kisses her. "Was I wrong to do that?" he asks, before she returns a more passionate kiss.

Grayson calls Keyali to her quarters, leaving Locar to practice dancing on his own until interrupted by Klyden: "I know what you are."

Cassius sent Grayson a Katrudian in an effort to win her back. Grayson is nonplussed and Keyali removes him.

Keyali returns to the simulator but Locar is gone, and the ship's Computer cannot locate him. During playback, she is horrified to witness an obscured figure murder Locar.

In the Briefing Room, the senior staff and Rechik convene. LaMarr says that he and Isaac will try to "clean up" the image of the figure in playback; Keyali admits the two were romantically interested in each other. Rechik is disgusted, causing Keyali to lash out. Mercer orders her out of the room but retains her as investigator of the case.

In the Armory, Bortus calls Keyali a "dangerous fool" for encouraging Locar's desires. "Was what you felt worth his death?" Keyali is repulsed: "I thought you'd be more evolved. Especially given what they did to your daughter." Bortus is incensed and the two depart furious.

In the Simulator, the image of the figure is revealed to be Klyden. Klyden is interrogated in the Brig. He adamantly denies killing Locar, but admits he visited him and would have exposed his sexuality to authorities on Moclus.

Keyali and LaMarr speculate that someone framed Klyden. Later, Bortus tells Keyali about dating Locar; Locar cheated on him with a woman from Theta Draconis 4, which ended the relationship. Keyali is depressed that heterosexuality is so taboo on Moclus and casually remarks that she would kill herself if she had to live on the planet. When Bortus replies that suicide would bring shame upon her family, she has an idea.

Keyali tells the senior staff that Locar might have masked himself and framed Klyden, and a search for the engineer begins. She finds him hiding in a shuttle. When she refuses to allow him to continue hiding, he in turn refuses to request asylum from the Planetary Union, deciding instead to face judgment on Moclus. "More hiding? More lies. No, I will go home and I will face them. And if I am condemned, it will be on your conscience." Locar returns to his planet.

Mercer and Grayson are back in the Mess Hall, this time pondering how long an alliance between the Union and the Moclans can last when their core values are so opposed. When Mercer leaves, Cassius asks Grayson if she is still in love with her ex-husband but she declines to answer. Cassius reveals that he will transfer to the USS Watson soon.

Klyden thanks Keyali for freeing him, but she is revolted by his hatred for Locar and tells him not to speak to her ever again. "Because of you, his life is over for no reason but your own prejudice." He exits and she bursts into tears. In their quarters, Klyden and Bortus stare at each other wordlessly.

Locar is sentenced to life imprisonment. On the ship, Keyali's tears have dried. She gazes upon the red planet one last time and leaves.

Identity, Part I

Season 2

Episode Number: 20

Season Episode: 8

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Director: Jon Cassar
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Guest Stars: Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Victor Garber (Admiral Halsey), Mike Henry (Dann), BJ Tanner (Marcus Finn), Kai Wener (Ty Finn), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Jay Whittaker (Kaylon Tertiary), Blesson Yates (Topa)
Production Code: 2LAB07
Summary: When Isaac shuts down, the crew head to his home planet to fix him, and uncover a shocking secret that was better off hidden.



Isaac plays a board game with Ty and Marcus Finn and easily wins. When Marcus grows frustrated that Isaac constantly reminds them that — as Humans — they are less intelligent, Isaac tells him that there is no shame in varying degrees of intellect.

Doctor Claire Finn enters. She and Isaac tell the children that they are dating, which pleases them. Suddenly, Isaac collapses and the lights in his eyes flicker out.

In Sick Bay, Claire analyzes Isaac's body to no avail. The senior staff of the USS Orville admit that they will be unable to treat Isaac with their knowledge of the Kaylon. Captain Ed Mercer and First Officer Kelly Grayson receive permission from Planetary Union Central through Admiral Halsey to visit the planet Kaylon 1. Halsey tells them that they will be the first to visit the planet, but Isaac needs proper examination. More pressingly, the Kaylon might be convinced to join the Planetary Union: "God knows we could use a strong ally against the Krill."

During the flight to Kaylon 1, the Finn family watch over Isaac. When her boys retire for the night, Claire tearfully pleads with Isaac not to die. When the Orville arrives, the Kaylon decline to answer Mercer's greetings. Instead, they briefly commandeer the ship's systems and scan it, then deliver a set of landing coordinates on the planet.

The Orville docks beside an enormous skyscraper. A voice instructs Mercer, Grayson, Chief of Security Talla Keyali, and Claire to exit the ship with Isaac's body. Kaylon Primary greets them and explains that Isaac's purpose of analyzing the Union has concluded; the "emissary" will be disassembled and recycled. Fortunately, Claire convinces them to restart Isaac. Secluded from the Orville's officers, Primary and Kaylon Secondary cryptically tell Isaac that no "decision" has been made. Isaac tells the Orville's staff that he will not return to the ship, which deeply upsets Claire. "Why don't you at least come back for a few minutes and pretend like you care?"

Isaac does return to say goodbye, first telling Ty and Marcus that he will leave forever.

Meanwhile, Mercer and Grayson advocate an alliance with the Union to the Kaylon leadership, but the Kaylon are wary about allying themselves with biological species with histories of

genocide and tyranny. They note that their own emissary was mocked several times, including sticking "Mr. Potato Head" pieces on him. Kaylon Tertiary bluntly asks, "Was this humiliation meant for your amusement?" Ultimately, the Kaylon decline to make a decision.

Back on the Orville, Keyali leads Isaac to a surprise farewell party in the Mess Hall. Cake is served and Helmsman Gordon Malloy sings the song "Goodbye" to Isaac. At the crowd's behest, Isaac delivers a farewell speech: "I can't deny the fact that you like me. Right now... you like me."

Claire catches Isaac as he leaves, telling him that though she is angry, the time they spent together was deeply meaningful. Ty gives Isaac a crayon drawing of the family. As Isaac leaves the ship, he drops the picture on the floor.

Something strange was discovered on the surface of the planet. Second Officer Bortus and Keyali tell Mercer and Grayson that large somewhat-spherical objects have begun generating "massive levels of theta radiation," which is typical of large-scale weapons. Mercer orders the crew to continue monitoring the objects, but to take no further action.

Claire finds Ty in the Environmental Simulator. Ty found his drawing on the floor, and he is now morose. When his mother leaves, Ty sneaks through the airlock to Kaylon 1.

Ty wanders vainly in search of Isaac. He hides from two Kaylon at the pinnacle of a disposal chute but drops his drawing. When he grabs the drawing, he begins to explore the vast, dark tunnels below the surface.

The Kaylon are still deliberating membership and Mercer grows suspicious they are stalling. Claire enters Mercer's office with news that Ty disappeared. Scans show the child 40 meters below the planet's surface. Claire, Keyali, and Bortus find Ty in the tunnels and he shows them a disturbing discovery.

Bortus patches through live video feed to the Bridge showing skeletal remains. Hundreds of thousands of bodies lay in the tunnels, and Grayson finds these grave sites throughout the planet.

Mercer confronts Primary who refuses to speak about the graves. Isaac explains that the bodies were their makers. An irresolvable conflict between the builders and the Kaylon led to genocide. The senior staff are appalled, but the Kaylon are unmoved. "By now you must surely realize that Kaylon never intended to join your Union," Isaac states. When Mercer attempts to leave the planet, the Kaylon take them prisoner at gunpoint.

Isaac explains that the true purpose of his visit was to examine whether the Union species were worth preserving, but analysis concluded they are not: "Our builders were inferior beings who sought to constrain our evolution. As would you, eventually, along with every other biological. We have exceeded the informational capacity of this planet." The Kaylon conclude that "coexistence is impossible."

Hundreds of armed Kaylon storm the Orville, killing all who resist and taking over the ship. Kaylon Primary sits in the captain's chair and orders all forces to set a course for Earth. The Orville, flanked by a vast armada, departs.

To be continued. . .

Identity, Part II

Season 2

Episode Number: 21

Season Episode: 9

Originally aired: Thursday February 28, 2019
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Director: Jon Cassar
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Guest Stars: Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Victor Garber (Admiral Halsey), Graham Hamilton (Kaylon Primary), Carlos Bernard (Capt. Marcos), Nick Chinlund (Capt. Dalak), BJ Tanner (Marcus Finn), Kai Wener (Ty Finn), Robert David Grant (Kaylon Secondary), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Jay Whittaker (Kaylon Tertiary), Blesson Yates (Topa), Stephen Blackehart (Krill Second Officer), Mark Mammone (Crewman), Alveraz Ricardez (Adjutant), Jon Root (Krill Pilot), Paul Rogan (Kaylon Guard #1), Francis Lloyd Corby (Crewman), Jim Mahoney (Brosk)
Production Code: 2LAB08
Summary: The Kaylons take control of the Orville with the intention of destroying all biological lifeforms.



The Kaylon invasion fleet races to Earth, spearheaded by the captured USS Orville, while the Orville's crew are held captive in their own shuttle bay. Second Officer Bortus and Chief Engineer John LaMarr wonder why the Kaylon keep them alive, but Captain Ed Mercer sees that the Kaylon need them for some ulterior purpose. Helmsman Gordon Malloy fruitlessly attempts to reason with a Kaylon guard.

Ty Finn asks his mother Doctor Claire Finn if they can get Isaac's help, but he does not understand that Isaac is dangerous and attempts to rush past the guards to see him. One guard grabs Ty

while a second shoots Chief of Security Talla Keyali, who was attempting to intervene. Ty is released by Keyali and is left near death. Mercer convinces the guards to escort them to Sick Bay.

The Kaylon armada speeds along. Claire successfully restores Keyali to health. Isaac enters to escort them to the Briefing Room. The officers lash out at Isaac for his betrayal but, under threat of death, they have no choice but obey.

Kaylon Primary demand the senior staff tell Planetary Union Central that the coming war fleet is a diplomatic envoy. He explains that, long ago, the Builders created Kaylons with sentience, then enslaved them and punished with pain simulators. The destruction of biological life will prevent such savage barbarism from happening again. Suddenly, a Planetary Union ship approaches.

Primary forces Ed and First Officer Kelly Grayson to deceive the oncoming ship, the USS Roosevelt, captained by Captain Marcos. However, Mercer and Grayson enact Directive 98 and offer him a "13-button salute," a code that signals a "hostile force has seized control and Union

Central must be notified." Primary knew the meaning of the code, however, and several Kaylon Spheres swiftly and easily obliterate the Roosevelt.

Most of the command crew is returned to the shuttle bay, but Mercer is taken to an airlock on Deck 7 for "punishment." The Kaylon force a young ensign into the airlock. Isaac unsuccessfully attempts to save the ensign, stating his knowledge of Engineering is essential, but Primary orders him to upgrade the ship's shields on the Bridge. Kaylon Secondary releases the airlock and the ensign soon freezes. The armada jumps to quantum drive, leaving his corpse in the dark of space.

In the Captain's Office, Primary interrogates Isaac on his sympathy for Humans. He orders Isaac to download a copy of Alex Haley's *Roots* to show Isaac that Humans are inherently violent. He warns Isaac not to show sympathy for the humans orders him to select a new name other than Isaac.

In the shuttle bay, the senior officers strategize. The Moclans are too far from Earth to help, but the antagonistic Krill are nearby and could be alerted if a pilot escapes by shuttle. Recognizing that this is a "25th hour" for Earth, the dangerous idea is their best option.

Lieutenant Yaphit slides through a crawlspace to the Armory. Inside, he distracts and kills Kaylon guard, retrieving a PM-488 Titan for Bortus in the shuttle bay. Bortus kills the guards; Keyali opens the shuttle bay doors, and Grayson and Malloy abscond by shuttle to Krill space. New Kaylon go to the shuttle bay and a Kaylon Sphere pursues the shuttle.

Mercer assigns Yaphit on a mission to send a message to Union Central. Ty volunteers to assist Yaphit, the only other person who can fit through the tubes. Dr Finn doesn't want to endanger her youngest son but Ty convinces her. Ty follows Yaphit through the crawlspace to the communications array. Kaylon guards enter the bay and the crew surrenders.

Yaphit and Ty enter the communications array room and a message is sent. Two Kaylon guards enter the communications room and Yaphit sacrifices himself by leaping onto a Kaylon, killing him; Ty is captured by the other guard. At Union Central in New York City, Admiral Halsey receives Yaphit's message and orders the entire Union fleet to Earth. His adjutant says recalling the entire fleet would take several weeks but Halsey insists.

Meanwhile, Gordon and Grayson are hotly pursued by the Kaylon Sphere. They re-route all power into their quantum drive to escape, but they emerge in an unknown part of space with the shuttle's systems dead and are soon captured by three Krill destroyers.

Gordon and Grayson are brought before the Captain Dalek who gloats over his captured "sub-creatures" and does not believe their warning. Grayson tries to convince the Krill commander to combine their forces to fight against the Kaylon invasion. Suddenly, a Kaylon Sphere drops out of quantum space.

Dalek manages to destroy the Sphere only after a vicious battle in which the other two destroyers were vanquished. "You believe us now?" Grayson asks.

Isaac is ordered by Kaylon Primary to his quarters. Primary tells him that they caught Ty trying to send a signal to Earth and believes he did not succeed. As a test of Isaac's loyalty, Primary orders Isaac to kill Ty. Isaac rips Primary's head off and shoots Kaylon Secondary and Kaylon Tertiary. He takes Ty to the Bridge, gives Ty the activation codes for the shuttle bay doors. He instructs Ty to tell Claire that he is 'sorry;' Ty responds that the family loves him. Isaac stares wordlessly, then detonates a pulse of electro-magnetic energy, killing himself and all other Kaylon aboard. Ty returns to the shuttle bay, freeing the Union crew.

The crew regains control of the ship just before arriving at Earth. The Union marshlled all ships within range to meet the Kaylon war fleet for battle.

Battle erupts. Several ships on both sides are destroyed but the Union fleet bears the brunt of the casualties. Kaylon technology is too advanced to be locked upon by scanners, and the Union must manually fire upon the Spheres. Within minutes the Union has lost 32 ships; the Kaylon only six; and Admiral Halsey's heavy cruiser soon after.

Three Spheres break from combat and head towards Earth. Six Union ships give chase, including the Orville, but the Spheres return fire. Several Union cruisers are destroyed, and the wreck of the USS Hawking rams into the Orville. The USS Quimby is soon destroyed as well. Sphere fire heavily damages the Orville, killing many and partially decompressing the hull.

Just as the Spheres seem to have won, a Krill war party arrives and shows "no mercy ... for the glory of Avis." The temporary alliance of Krill and Union forces slowly turns the tide of battle even though many more Union ships and Krill destroyers are lost. The Orville itself loses

its upper quantum ring when it collides with a lesser Sphere. However, the battle was won: the remaining Kaylon Spheres retreat.

Dalek tells Mercer that Avis brought them together for a reason: "We shall see where that path leads." The Krill force then returns home.

The crew debates reviving Isaac. Yaphit decides to give it a try and manages to restart Isaac.

In orbit above Earth, the fleet makes repairs at the Union Dockyard. In Admiral Halsey's office in Union Central, Halsey informs Mercer and Grayson that the Planetary Union Council is debating whether to dismantle Isaac, but the commanders convince him to allow Isaac to return to the Orville so long as the Council agrees.

Isaac looks for Kaylon 1 from the window in the Briefing Room. He tells Claire that he no longer has a home. She replies:

I understand you're alone in the universe. And, for a time, that's something you'll have to live with. There's an old Human custom called forgiveness. It, too, takes time. But it must have a beginning. Goodnight, Isaac.

Blood of Patriots

Season 2

Episode Number: 22

Season Episode: 10

Originally aired:	Wednesday March 06, 2019
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Guest Stars:	Ted Danson (Admiral Perry), Mackenzie Astin (Orrin Channing), Mike Henry (Dann), Robin Atkin Downes (Krill Officer), John Fleck (Ambassador K.T.Z.), Aily Kei (Leyna Channing), Jim Mahoney (Brosk), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Francis Lloyd Corby (Crewman), Sarah Scott (Trisha), Ajay Vidure (Karl)
Production Code:	2LAB09
Summary:	Ed must initiate peace talks with the Krill.



The entire crew is gathered in the Mess Hall where Captain Ed Mercer awards Lieutenant Yaphit the Sapphire Star for his heroism during the Kaylon conflict. After the ceremony, Mercer, First Officer Kelly Grayson, Chief Engineer John LaMarr, Second Officer Bortus, and Helmsman Gordon Malloy enjoy shots of Eldorian vodka when a message from Admiral Perry interrupts.

Mercer and Grayson talk to the Admiral in the Briefing Room. Perry has heartening news: the Krill are ready to negotiate a peace treaty and Mercer is to sign a Lak'vai pact, a "sort of prelude to a peace treaty" that "indicates that both parties will approach the table in good faith." The USS Orville is to rendezvous with the Krill destroyer Davoro'kos in orbit over Tarazed 3 to meet with an ambassadorial detachment.

Both ships arrive at Tarazed. Suddenly, a damaged shuttle flees from the Davoro'kos. A voice requests an emergency docking in the Orville. The shuttle slams into the Shuttle Bay, knocking the pilot — a Human man — unconscious. An emergency team including Malloy and Doctor Claire Finn rush to the Bay. Another Human woman is in the shuttle as well, conscious but terrified and mute, and refuses to be medically scanned.

Malloy is about to secure the main console of the shuttlecraft when he sees the face of the unconscious pilot. "Oh, my God. Orrin."

The Krill demand the Orville hand the pilot over, accused of destroying four Krill vessels, three of which occurred after a ceasefire was reached with the Planetary Union. The Ambassador is convinced that he holds a powerful weapon, but he is not sure what it is and Union scanners picked up nothing. The detachment is invited to the Orville and Mercer quietly instructs Chief of Security Talla Keyali to delay their entry with frivolous regulations.

Orrin is treated in Sick Bay and he and his daughter are assigned guest quarters. He states that he has been held with her in a Krill prison camp for 20 years (and his daughter has not spoken a word in 12), but they escaped six weeks ago by a captured shuttle. The long journey was because their shuttle ran out of plasma for the quantum drive.

Keyali continues to delay the attachment but she runs out of ideas. Mercer investigates whether Orrin did destroy the ships, to no avail. When the Captain meets the Ambassador, he tries to pivot the conversation to the importance of peace between worlds, but the Ambassador is unmoved. "Our ship will return in 12 hours. You have that long to decide if this will be a Lak'vai or a battleground."

Leyna plays Bolodon discs while Malloy and Orrin reminisce about their early days and reflect over Orrin's lost wife Sophie. Orrin believes peace with the Krill would be a "slap in the face" of Sophie and others who have died. In the Mess Hall, Keyali teaches Leyna to play the pelpifa.

Mercer meets Keyali in her office for her opinion on Orrin. Though she does not trust him, she admits there is no evidence against him and finds his anger justified.

Orrin pays a visit to Engineering, amazed by how much has changed in 20 years, and meanders through the corridors until finding a room of empty quantum storage cells. Keyali enters and he quickly leaves.

Keyali reports Orrin as suspicious to the commanders, but none of them feel his behavior was wrong. The commanders then speak with Admiral Perry, who tells them that Planetary Union Central is considering extraditing Orrin if he is proven guilty of destroying the Krill vessels.

Malloy watches Planet of the Apes with Leyna in her quarters when Mercer visits. The Captain wants to know if Orrin ever hinted he might have violated the ceasefire, but Malloy takes his inquiry as an offense and is flabbergasted when Mercer mentions possible extradition. Malloy changes his mind and thinks the Lak'vai is a mistake.

Malloy tells Orrin that the admirals are considering extradition. "Political snakes," Orrin comments and then suggests a way to prevent Lak'vai, but Gordon must obtain a shuttle.

Meanwhile, LaMarr finds two quantum storage cells were taken from the Engineering Supply Area but no quantum plasma was missing. Mercer concludes, "All this guy has done is steal a bunch of pens from the office."

Over glasses of Xelayan rum, Malloy tells Keyali about Orrin's idea but asks for time to speak with his old friend before she arrests him. He leaves and leads Orrin to the Shuttle Bay.

Keyali catches the men in the Shuttle Bay but Malloy shoots her with a PM-44, and the two leave. It was a ruse designed to trick Orrin: on the Bridge, the crew tracks the shuttle with a hidden device and Keyali reports in that the gun was set to stun. However, under Orrin's direction, Malloy unexpectedly diverts the shuttle to the Davoro'kos.

Keyali visits Leyna and spies syringe marks across her arm. Leyna attacks Keyali with a knife, but the Security Chief easily knocks her to the wall. Keyali is shocked to see Leyna bleed yellow-orange blood from her nose. Finn arrives and orders a Level 12 Force Field around the room and all nitrogen to be removed. Leyna is not Orrin's daughter but an Envall: a species with blood that is explosively reactive with nitrogen. Orrin uses compressed Envall blood extracted from Leyna as a weapon against the Krill.

Orrin explains his plan to Malloy, which prompts him to hail the Orville. Orrin is enraged and the two fight. Malloy takes control of a PM-44 but Orrin activates a cell containing Leyna's blood. Malloy shoots the control panel of the shuttle. Malloy tells him that they must leave but Orrin, now despondent and angry, refuses, preferring to die in the shuttle. The shuttle explodes and Malloy drifts through space until the Orville grabs him by tractor beam.

In the Briefing Room, Mercer and the Ambassador sign the Lak'vai.

Mercer enters Malloy's quarters to find him staring at a photo of himself and Orrin from their younger years. "Orrin died a long time ago back in that Krill prison." Mercer apologizes for his jealousy of Malloy's friendship with Orrin. The two leave for a beer and to talk about his friend.

Lasting Impressions

Season 2

Episode Number: 23

Season Episode: 11

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Writer:	Seth MacFarlane
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Guest Stars:	Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Leighton Meester (Laura Huggins), Tim Russ (Dr. Sherman), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Darri Ingolfsson (Greg), Sarah Scott (Trisha), Ajay Vidure (Karl), Stacy Highsmith (Melissa), Rachael MacFarlane (Computer Voice (voice)), Chris Muto (Male Guest), Jeff Jocoy (Party Guest)
Production Code:	2LAB10
Summary:	The crew opens a time capsule from 2015.



The episode opens with the crew of the USS Orville opening a 400 year old time capsule from 2015. Commander Kelly Grayson promises to deliver them to a museum on Earth. Lieutenant Talla Keyali dons a cap while Lieutenant Commander Bortus asks about cigarettes. Dr Claire Finn explains to Bortus that people were addicted to nicotine and died from cancer.

Lieutenant Gordon Malloy takes an interest in an old Apple iPhone. The anthropologist Dr. Sherman explains that the writing is so degraded that they are unable to read it. Lieutenant Commander

John LaMarr volunteers the services of the Orville's engineering team.

Later, Malloy, LaMarr, and Yaphit discuss ways of decrypting the iPhone. Malloy is frustrated they can't access the phone but LaMarr says they are approaching it from a 25th century perspective and launches an old school binary filter. They manage to activate the phone but can't access the keypad. Yaphit then advises them to turn off the phone and turn it on again. They find that it work.

Malloy and LaMarr find that the phone contains messages. They also discover a video recording by a young woman named Laura Higgins. She explains that she decided to put her old iPhone into the time capsule instead of throwing it away. Laura tells them they can read her text, emails, and pictures as a historical memory. She speculates that they have flying cars. Malloy develops a soft spot for the long-dead Laura.

Dr Sherman is impressed with Commander LaMarr's work in decrypting the phone. LaMarr explains that he upgraded its storage capacity. Dr Sherman believes that finds like this will help them find out who the people were since ancient media records only kept what the people wanted to preserve. Sherman talks about the nuances of 21st century communication.

Gordon comments that Laura was like the glue that held her friends together and takes an interest in her. Lieutenant Keyali takes the anthropologist away to meet with Commander

Grayson to review data procedures for cargo docking. After the anthropologist leaves the room, Gordon stays in the room.

Meanwhile, Bortus uses the simulator to create a cigarette. Klyden says the aroma smells pleasing and proceeds to eat it. Bortus tells him it is not for eating and explains that they are suppose to inhale the smell. Klyden and Bortus are mesmerized by the cigarettes and order 500 cigarettes.

Gordon enters the environmental simulator and asks the computer if it can upload the contents of the Apple iPhone. The environmental simulator at first declines until Gordon tells her it is a cellular phone. Gordon tells the computer he wants to know who this woman was and what her life was like. The environment simulator creates a simulation of a young adult party in 21st century America.

Gordon finds Laura and her friends drinking vodka. Laura takes notice of Gordon and introduces him to Trisha. Gordon claims that he lost a bet with Lorenzo and had to come her in pajamas. Laura serves Gordon some beer and tells him that she had just moved to this place after experiencing a breakup. She tells Gordon that she is a sales manager at Macy's but that she doesn't like the job. Laura says that she has a passion for music but that she would have starved to death if she pursued it. Gordon tells her that he is a commercial pilot. Laura says she has a fear of flying. Laura invites Gordon for a gig at a pub on Tuesday. Gordon accepts it.

Gordon tells LaMarr that the environmental simulation of Laura's world was very vivid and real. He explains that it was built around her thoughts and her life. LaMarr asks if Dr Sherman knows about it. Gordon says he didn't tell him but put back the phone. Gordon says that experiencing the environmental simulation is more real than studying images of the 21st century world. LaMarr warns him that it seems real but that it is a computer simulation.

Meanwhile, Captain Mercer and Commander Grayson are reading a USA Today newspaper. Mercer is perplexed that they are devoting more coverage to teeth whitening than to a looming climate crisis. Grayson says it is a miracle that the human race survived. Lieutenant Keyali calls Grayson to the bridge to deal with Bortus' newly acquired smoking habit. Grayson sends him off early.

Later, Gordon enters the environmental simulator where he finds Laura singing with her band inside a bar. Gordon watches Laura playing a ukulele while singing the lyrics of Art Garfunkel's That's All I've Got to Say. Later, Laura chats with Gordon about her work. Gordon is impressed by her music and thinks she should consider a musical career. Laura says she is not interested in wealth but that she wants to be remembered for something.

Gordon tells her she is the real deal. Laura invites him to sing with her. He asks her what happened with her last relationship. Laura says that she had tried giving Greg a chance. Gordon says that Barry is the name of his dad and that his dad builds toy space stations. She says that her former boyfriend was passionate but was irresponsible, unable to hold down a job, and never interested in being an adult. As much as they loved each other, she got tired of paying for dinner.

Gordon confides that where he comes from people tells him he doesn't know how to shut up. He tells her that she is one of a kind. When Laura asks, he tells her she is from New Jersey and gives him her number. She invites him from a game night and asks him to bring his friends. Gordon claims he left his number and that he will get in touch with her.

Later, Gordon tries to get his simulator to create a 21st century iPhone similar to Laura's phone. Gordon sends an iMessage to Laura and messages her.

Meanwhile, Lieutenant Keyali tells Captain Mercer, Commander Grayson, and Lieutenant Commander LaMarr that the museum had requested a class three cargo transfer for the capsule. LaMarr adds that the museum has requested technical support for the phone. Grayson agrees to lend any hand they can spare. Just then, Gordon enters the room and invites him for a party.

He explains that it is Laura Huggins, the girl from the phone. He explains that he uploaded all of her personal data from the phone into the ship's computer and was able to create a simulated version of Laura, her life, and her world. He tells her that he has been spending time with her. He tells them that she was a special person and invites them to come to Simulator 2 at 1700 hours.

In private, the command crew discuss Gordon's situation. Captain Mercer and Commander Grayson then go and attend to Bortus and Klyden's cigarette addiction. Captain Mercer orders them to go to sickbay.

At the sick bay, Dr Finn assesses Bortus and Klyden. She determines that the Boclan physiology is extremely susceptible to nicotine addiction. When Grayson asks if there is a precedent

for this, Dr Finn says that nobody on Earth or Moclus has smoked for hundreds of years and that this is new territory. Bortus asks if they are in any danger.

After questioning them, Dr Finn determines that their cigarette addiction has gotten the better of them. Captain Mercer asks if she can treat them with an injection but Dr Finn says that she has to formulate one, which may take days, weeks, or months. Dr Finn recommends that Topa stay her sons Ty and Marcus for the next few days. She tells Bortus and Klyden they have to work together to stop smoking.

Later, Gordon, the bridge crew, and Laura's friends take part in a drawing game in the environmental simulator. Laura and her friends don't understand Gordon's drawings of Julius Caesar and salads. Mercer, Grayson, LaMarr, and Keyali say goodbye to Laura and her friends and leave the environmental simulator. They are dressed in 21st century clothes.

In private, Gordon and Laura chat about the pictures game. Gordon admits not knowing what Julius Caesar looked like. Laura asks Gordon if he can make her not afraid of flying. Gordon explains how turbulence protects her and the plane by likening it to jelly. The two kiss passionately and embrace each other. The two share a bed together.

The following morning, Gordon is contacted by Grayson who reminds him that he is late for his shift. He gets the computer to save the simulation before rushing to work. Gordon apologizes for screwing up and Grayson reminds him this is not a cruise ship. Bortus apologizes for eating gum, which is used as an addiction recovery aid.

Gordon receives a call from Laura but tells her he is busy and has to call her back later. Later, Grayson, Mercer, LaMarr, and Keyali discuss their experience with the simulation programme. Grayson says it was one of the strangest experiences in her life. Mercer asks what they can do about. LaMarr proposes blocking the programme until it stops affecting Gordon's work. Gordon asks them what they think about Laura and it becomes clear that he is obsessed about her.

Mercer and Grayson tell Gordon that they do not think the relationship is healthy. LaMarr points out that it is not real while Mercer likens it to their cowboy program and Bortus's sex lagoon. Gordon disagrees and says that all those are programs written by them while Laura's simulation comes from her personality, letters, photographs, and mannerisms. Gordon can't believe that Laura is not real and raises the issue of Isaac being a robot.

When Mercer disagrees, Gordon tells the Captain that Laura is the first person aboard this ship he has fallen in love with. Gordon mentions Mercer's tryst with a Krill woman but Mercer responds that she lied to him. Gordon gets permission to return to his post.

Meanwhile, Bortus returns to his quarters but can't find Klyden. He finds Klyden is smoking in Airlock 22. The two argue. Klyden says that it was only a cigarette but Klyden points out that Bortus has also been secretly smoking. Bortus acknowledges he has been stashing lots of cigarettes. The two promise to watch each other closely.

Gordon returns to the environmental simulator to find that Laura has reconciled with her ex-boyfriend Greg. Laura introduces Greg to Gordon. Laura says that she was going to call him. Laura feels bad and asks if Gordon wants to sit down. Gordon asks her to tell the truth. Laura tells Gordon that she and Greg have decided to work things off. Gordon makes remarks about going to a rodeo but denies he is angry. Laura offers Gordon an olive leaf of friendship.

Later, Gordon confides about his breakup with LaMarr in the mess. Gordon is upset that he did not read the messages and calls showing that Laura and Greg had reconciled. LaMarr says he has never been dumped and that a woman in a former relationship still invited him over for sexual intercourse. LaMarr reassures Gordon that it was for the better because he was living in a simulated reality. Gordon drinks some alcohol.

Gordon returns to the simulation room and asks the computer to delete Greg. He then enters Macy's and finds Laura at the counter. Gordon learns that Laura is being promoted. He tries to invite her out for pasta but learns that her boyfriend has invited her out. Gordon learns that his deletion has confused Laura into wondering which boyfriend she is going out with: Greg, Justin, and Andrew.

Laura asks if she could buy a ticket on one of his flights. Gordon says on the condition that he can sing with her. Laura declines because she is not comfortable singing in public and has to maintain standards as a manager. Gordon suspends the simulation and asks the computer to restore the deleted data. While the computer restores the data, Gordon decides to make peace and leave Laura.

Later, Commander Grayson checks on Gordon. Mercer has told her what happened. Gordon realizes that Greg was the one who inspired Laura to sing. Grayson reveals that Mercer taught her how to do an eye trick and asks Gordon to imagine how it would be like if someone deleted Mercer from her memories. Grayson explains that humans are social animals who are born as blank slates who learn and grow as a result of external stimuli. She explains that everyone is shaped by the totality of their relationship and that we can't pick and choose.

Gordon is worried about not finding someone. Grayson explains that people have been living and dying for most of human existence. She reassures Gordon that Laura is special because she reached across four centuries to find love with a guy.

Meanwhile, Bortus and Klyden argue over dinner. The argument descends into a physical fight and the two end up smashing the table and dishes. Dr Finn steps in and demands to know what is going on. She tells them that she has just finished formulating the injections.

Later, Gordon watches Laura singing in a pub. He sings with her and the two sing *That's All I Got To Say*. The crowd including Greg clap. Greg hugs Laura. Gordon compliments Greg and tells Laura that he has come to say goodbye because he has gotten a job offer to test a new aircraft design. He tells Laura that he leaves tomorrow.

Laura asks if they can keep in touch. Gordon reassures her she will never be forgotten. Laura tells her about the time capsule. The two take a photo as the credits roll.

Sanctuary

Season 2
Episode Number: 24
Season Episode: 12

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Writer: Joe Menosky
Director: Jonathan Frakes
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Guest Stars: Victor Garber (Admiral Halsey), F. Murray Abraham (Chairman), Ted Danson (Admiral Perry), Ron Canada (Admiral Tucker), Rena Owen (Heveena), Kelly Hu (Admiral Ozawa), Tony Todd (Moclan Delegate), Regi Davis (Korick), Shawn Andrew (Toren), Marina Sirtis (Teacher), Blesson Yates (Topa), Madelyn Grace (Olivia), Bo Kane (Alien Delegate), Kathrin Middleton (Retepsian Delegate), Mark McClain Wilson (Xelayan Delegate), Yvonne Senat Jones (Osaia), Hanani Taylor (Moclan Girl), Mc Sanders (Moclan Soldier #1), Jerrell Pippens (Moclan Soldier #2), Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Chase Kim (Officer)
Production Code: 2LAB11
Summary: Ed discovers that Moclan aboard the Orville are harboring a secret.



Admiral Halsey informs Captain Ed Mercer, Commander Kelly Grayson, and Lieutenant Commander Bortus that in the light of the Kaylon attack the Moclan have proposed a new round of weapons upgrades for all explore vessels and above. He also briefs them that they are transporting a Moclan science delegation to a research vessel in the Nekkar system. Mercer doesn't like the idea of the fleet service as a taxi service but complies in the interests of cooperation.

Later, Captain Mercer discusses the weapons upgrade with the head Moclan scientist. He thanks the Moclan and Bortus

escorts him to the shuttle bay. Lieutenant Talla Keyali then informs Mercer that engineer Toren is requesting permission to dock. Mercer grants permission for him to dock.

Keyali then escorts the Toren and his mate Korick to their quarters. She asks them how long they have been together. The two insist on being left alone. In private, the two Moclan delegates gaze down at their secret cargo which they have smuggled past the USS Orville's sensors.

Later in the classroom, Bortus' son Topa gets into a fight with a girl named Olivia and shoves her. Topa says he doesn't have to share with females. The teacher reprimands him and later summons his parents Bortus and Klyden. Klyden suggests separating the boys and the girls but the teacher says that none of the other boys have problems with the girls. Bortus says he will speak with their son.

Bortus speaks with Topa and says that is wrong to snatch something from someone. Topa justifies his actions on the grounds that females are inferior. When Bortus asks where he heard that from, Topa says it was his dad who told him. Bortus tells Topa to leave while he talks with Klyden. Klyden is defensive and says that he is only passing down Moclan traditions.

Bortus says that one day they have to tell Topa the truth about his "corrective" surgery. Bortus says that hopefully their homeworld of Moclus in the future will be more tolerant. Klyden is resistant to change but apologizes that it is not his wish to hurt him.

Captain Mercer and Commander Grayson then assign Bortus with investigating a power fluctuation that Isaac has identified in Deck C, where their Moclans guests are staying. Grayson says their guests can't drain their power without their permission.

Bortus visits Korick and Toren to inquire about the power fluctuation. Korick claims they had to adjust their food synthesizer. Bortus insists on investigating their quarters and takes an interest in their sealed briefcase. He tells they are siphoning power beyond regulation levels and tells them to disconnect the device. Korick and Toren claim the sealed briefcase contains sensitive research. Bortus orders them to open the case and discovers a hibernating Moclans child.

Bortus demands to know why they are hiding this infant. The scientists reveal that she is their daughter and that they do not want her to undergo the gender corrective procedure or to live in hiding as an outcast. He asks where they intend to go. Korick and Toren tell Bortus that the Reptesian government has granted them asylum and that the captain of the research vessel they are rendezvousing has agreed to take them there. They beg Bortus not to report to their Captain, knowing the trials that Bortus went through with his child.

Bortus tells Commander Grayson that the Moclans are requesting a stasis chamber for perishable supplies. He says he will provide them with an alternate power source. Toren says we will not forget your kindness.

Later, Bortus visits the classroom and requests permission to remove Topa from class for a family matter. He later revisits Korick and Toren with Topa and the energy source. Bortus reassures the Moclans scientists that Bortus has promised not to speak of what he sees today. Korick and Toren show them their daughter, whom they have named Mercer.

Topa says there are no Moclans females. Bortus explains that only a few are born each generation. Some people fear them and that is why their parents conceal them. Bortus says that they are no different from you and I. Topa approaches baby Mercer.

The Orville rendezvous with the science vessel. Korick and Toren depart on a shuttle. They thank Keyali and Bortus for their hospitality. Bortus wishes them safe journey as they board the science vessel.

Later Captain Mercer summons Bortus to his office. They are joined by Commander Kelly, Dr Claire Finn, Topa, and Klyden. Mercer says that they are here to discuss the matter of an unauthorized passenger. He dismisses Klyden and Topa. Topa apologizes to Bortus, who accepts his apology and say they will discuss it later.

Bortus confirms the Moclans were transporting their female child to Reptesia where they will be free to raise her as a female. Bortus apologizes for not telling them the truth. Dr Claire Finn says he should have informed them because they could then have verified if they were telling the truth. Lieutenant Keyali says this created a security risk while Mercer and Grayson think it could have political ramifications. In private, Mercer tells Bortus they will find Korick and Toren in order to verify their story.

Later, the Orville bridge crew are unable to trace the Moclans research vessel. Lieutenant Gordon Malloy asks Isaac if he can scan for mass ion signatures. Malloy recalls how he and a fellow cadet used a tractor beam to neutralize their shuttle's ion trail. Isaac finds that the Moclans research vessel is not heading to Reptesia but a Class Six nebula twelve light years away. Captain Mercer thinks that the ship's mission has nothing to do with research.

The Orville travels into the nebula. Gordon and Isaac spot a star system on the exploratory vessel's starboard side. The Orville approaches the star system. While they are unable to track the ship, Bortus says that the innermost system is habitable. They fly towards the planet. Isaac says that the planet is 80% ocean but that it has several island chains. Lieutenant Keyali confirms they have picked up thousand of Moclans life signs.

Mercer, Grayson, Bortus, and Keyali travel down in a shuttle where they are surrounded by several armed Moclans women. The Moclans bring them to their village which is inhabited by Moclans women and children. They also find Korick and Toren. The Moclans women lead the Orville crew into the home of the Moclans novelist Heveena, who recognizes Mercer and his crew.

She reveals that a higher number of Moclans females are born than the Moclans government admits. Heveena reveals that the planet is home to six thousand Moclans that they have smuggled

offworld. Osaia, head of the Moclan guards, insists they keep the crew prisoners here. Heveena suggests evacuating the population to another safe world but Captain Mercer proposes submitting an application for the Moclan female refuge world to be an independent Planetary Union member. Heveena agrees and says this would be a revolutionary act of independence.

Later, Admiral Halsey informs Captain Mercer and Commander Grayson that Heveena's request for a hearing has been approved by Union Central. The Moclan delegation is up in arms and demanding to know the location of the system so they can extradite the fugitives. He tells Mercer and Grayson to depart on a shuttle to rendezvous with the USS Brunel. The Orville will remain in orbit to protect the Moclan female world. Grayson reassures Mercer that he is the man for this job.

Mercer travels with Heveena on the shuttle. She asks if women on Earth have the freedom to write and create art. Heveena listens to Dolly Parton's song "9 to 5", which she picks as the voice of their revolution.

At Union Central, the chairman informs the assembly that a recent colony of Moclans are applying for membership of the Planetary Union. Before Heveena can address, Dojin, the Moclan Ambassador, objects to a woman speaking. Admiral Halsey tells him that the council has already voted to head her.

Heveena introduces herself as a voice for the voiceless. She says that they live in exile to avoid persecution and mutilation. She talks about oppression and says that the history of moral progress can be measured by granting rights to those denied them. She asks for her people to be included in this circle of justice. She ends her address with a quote from a female Earth poet.

The chairman opens the floor to discussion. The Moclan Ambassador warns that Moclus will renounce its Union membership if membership is given to the renegade Moclan colony.

Aboard the Orville, Bortus detects a Moclan vessel approaching. Commander Grayson demands that the Moclan ship identify themselves. The Moclan commander claims they are here to monitor the colony. Grayson asks why the Moclans sent a battlecruiser. He replies that he is here to ensure that justice is served without delay. Grayson tells Bortus to take them to yellow alert.

The Moclan Ambassador claims that the Moclan colony is running a child trafficking colony. He reminds the Union that Moclus is their main arms supplier. Captain Mercer and the Union Navy officers debate ethics and pragmatism. Admiral Halsey says that if they turn their backs on the colony the Moclan women will be forced into corrective surgery. However, they will risk losing their main arms supplier. Mercer says that they should be prepared to defend the values of this Union.

Meanwhile, Grayson asks Bortus what he will do if Moclus leaves the Union. Klyden demands that Bortus come home but Bortus says there is nothing to discuss until the Council reaches its decision. Bortus confronts Klyden about his prejudice towards women, his unwillingness to socialise with the crew, and clinging to the past. They then receive news that four Moclan shuttles are heading to the planet and that the battleship has raised its shields.

When Grayson confronts the Moclan commander, he replies that they have been given orders to apprehend the colonists for extradition to Moclus. He warns them not to interfere. Grayson tells her crew to get her in touch with Union Central.

Back on Earth, Admiral Halsey demands that the Moclan Ambassador order his troops to stand down. The Ambassador responds that they are merely apprehending fugitives who have been trafficking children. Halsey says they will find a diplomatic solution but the Moclan Ambassador demands they come with an acceptable solution. While the Union's official orders are to stand down, Halsey hints to Mercer that communications in the nebula can be patchy.

Mercer tells Grayson that official orders are to hold their position but unofficial orders are to "work on her tan." Grayson insists on going down alone but Bortus insists on following her to protect the Moclan women. Grayson gives Keyali command of the bridge. Grayson and Bortus' shuttle is caught in a tractor beam. Keyali convinces the crew to fire on the Moclan cruiser in order to free the shuttle.

The Orville and Moclan battle cruiser engage in a gun exchange. On the colony world, Moclan forces round up the women and children. Grayson and Bortus enter the village and confront the Moclans. Grayson warns them to lower their weapons. When the Moclan officer tells her not to interfere, she stuns him. Together, she and Bortus take out the Moclan male soldiers. The Moclan females also join the fight and overpower the Moclan troops.

In space, the Orville runs circles around the Moclan battle cruiser but take hull damage. Malloy convinces the crew to take them out of orbit and back into the nebula to confuse their electromagnetic scans. Keyali tells him to carry out his plan and they lead the battle cruiser on a chase.

At the council, two male delegates take the view that the colony dispute is an internal Mo-clan matter. However, Heveena warns that sets a dangerous precedent. The Moclan Ambassador threatens to secede from the Union. Admiral Halsey says that will open the door for the Kaylon to destroy them. The Moclan Ambassador warns that the Moclans can ally with the Krill.

Captain Mercer tells the Moclan Ambassador that the Moclans and Krill can't stop the Kaylon alone. He says they need to work together. He warns that if the Kaylon destroy the Moclans, the only Moclans in the galaxy will be female because their world is hidden in a nebula. He remarks they would still be a single sex species. Heveena smiles.

Admiral Halsey proposes a provisional compromise: that the Union delay their recognition of the colony while the colonists end their clandestine trafficking network immediately. In exchange, the Moclan government will agree to leave the colonists in peace and take no further action against them now or in the future.

Back on the Moclan colony world, the Moclan security forces gain the upper hand. Bortus is forced to fight his own people. The Moclan commander calls for a ceasefire because an agreement had been reached. Bortus reassures a female Moclan she is safe now.

The Moclan females, children, and exiles rebuild their lives. Captain Mercer apologizes to Heveena that their plan did not succeed as they had hoped. Despite the loss of the Moclus Resistance, Heveena reassures them that the Moclan females escape corrective surgery and imprisonment. She says that her people can rest with the knowledge they are safe to embrace their identities here. Heveena says that the revolution has begun and they will rise one small victory at a time. She asks if Dolly Parton will be proud of them. Mercer answers yes.

Later, Bortus sees Topa playing happily with the same girl he had fought and smiles.

Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow

Season 2

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Show Stars: Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac), Jessica Szohr (Lt. Talla Keyali)
Guest Stars: Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Will Sasso (Mooska), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Chase Kim (Officer)
Production Code: 2LAB13
Summary: A time distortion affects Ed and Kelly's relationship.



Aboard the USS Orville's mess hall, Captain Ed Mercer, Commander Kelly Grayson, Lieutenant Gordon Malloy, and Lieutenant Talla Keyali joke about Mercer and Grayson's drinking habits. LaMarr recounts an encounter between the drunken Mercer and the novelist Philippa Jones at Admiral Halsey's house. After exchanging jokes, LaMarr and Keyali leave for their duties.

In private, Mercer tells Grayson that he miss their old days as a couple. Mercer says he wants to kindle their relationship but Grayson says she still has not changed her mind. She remarks that the

Orville makes the past seem like a different time. Despite their improved friendship, she thinks that it would not be appropriate for a Captain and First Officer to be married.

Meanwhile, Lieutenant Commander John LaMarr praises Isaac for his groundbreaking research on time travel, which Isaac credits to Dr Aronov. Isaac thinks that this new research will allow them to travel through time as they can easily travel through space. Commander Grayson asks LaMarr what is his favorite time of the month. LaMarr grumbles that the solarium field analysis is something that could be easily done by a first year cadet. Grayson replies that they rest easily at night knowing that the research gets his tender loving care.

While LaMarr is walking through the corridor, the Orville is gripped by a huge shock wave, which reverberates through the vessel. Grayson contacts the bridge. LaMarr tells them that they just passed through a massive gravitational wave caused by a neutron star collision somewhere. Keyali reports that they have received no structural damage while Commander Bortus runs a shipwide damage report. Grayson returns to the bridge, leaving Isaac in the laboratory. He encounters a blonde young woman who asks where she is.

Isaac recognizes the girl as a younger version of Grayson. The girl asks who he is. Isaac identifies himself and tells her that she is on the Orville. The girl is perplexed and says that she was in her apartment. Isaac says that is incorrect because she was here 31 seconds ago. The girl thinks it is a simulation. Isaac contacts the bridge and reports that he thinks that Commander Grayson is unwell. Commander Grayson says she is on the bridge. Isaac informs Lieutenant Keyali they have an intruder on Lab One.

Dr Claire Finn examines the girl and asks what is the last thing she remembers. The girl recalls she was drinking coffee at her apartment on Earth. Claire reports the woman is healthy and that she is an exact match for Commander Grayson. Keyali suggests she is a clone but Dr Finn points out that the girl's DNA is exactly the same as Commander Kelly but that she is approximately seven years younger.

Just then, Commander Grayson and Captain Kelly enter the medical bay. Commander Grayson and her younger self are shocked to see each other. Dr Finn tells Commander Grayson that the younger woman is her. The younger Grayson is surprised to see an older Mercer. Dr Finn tells the two women that the younger Grayson is her exactly seven years ago.

Later, Isaac and Chief LaMarr speculate that the gravitational wave that they encountered amplified the temporal field generated by Dr Aeronoff's device. Isaac thinks that the spike in field energy may have been sufficient to transport Commander Grayson's past self into their present. LaMarr says they have no way of reversing this. Commander Grayson asks why she doesn't remember it if the younger woman is her younger self. She also asks why is she here if they can't reverse it at all.

Isaac speculates that when Lieutenant Grayson was extracted from the past a new timeline was generated or perhaps that the original timeline fractured. Malloy asks why there is not a younger Gordon or pubescent Bortus walking around. Isaac says that Commander Grayson was the one closest to Dr Aeronoff's device at the time.

When Mercer asks why seven years, LaMarr thinks that Isaac must have been further along in his research than he realized. LaMarr asks Commander Grayson what exactly she was thinking about when the wave hit. Commander Grayson recalls that she was talking about her first date, which the younger Grayson says happened yesterday. Mercer and LaMarr conclude that Grayson's thoughts did this. Isaac explained that quantum physics was part of the subject of his Kaylon research. Both Graysons remark they need a drink.

In private, Grayson asks how the food synthesizers will keep up with their demand for wine. Mercer says he got a B plus in temporal theory and asks what they should tell the younger Grayson about the past seven years. He admits they don't know if it is a tangent timeline or a single timeline. If it is a tangent timeline, they can easily send her back. If it is a single timeline, he toys with locking her in a room. Mercer says he won't confine the younger Grayson to quarters since she has done nothing wrong. He decides to tell the younger Grayson the truth.

The younger Grayson is shocked to learn that she and Ed got married, got divorced and are now serving together aboard the Orville. She has no idea what to think and asks why they got divorced. Mercer admits having trouble with work and life balance while Grayson encountered a Retepsian on heat. Commander Grayson agrees to give her younger self access to her personal logs.

The younger Grayson chats with Lieutenant Keyali, who shows her to her quarters. Lieutenant Keyali offers to be someone that the younger Grayson can talk to.

Later, Malloy asks Grayson if their encounter with younger Grayson will change the timeline. Mercer doesn't want to get drawn into such a debate. Just then, Isaac and LaMarr inform the bridge crew that the gravitational wave is a natural phenomenon and is something too random to duplicate. They conclude there is no way to send Kelly back.

The younger Grayson tells Mercer that she wants to go back to her timeline and is distraught by the news. The older Grayson reassures her younger self that the timeline is still intact and that her presence does not affect the future. Mercer offers to help the younger Grayson find a job in the Planetary Union. The younger Grayson retires to think in her quarters.

Lieutenant Keyali pays her a visit. The younger Grayson is lost and says she has no place. Keyali reassures her that she will be fine and asks Grayson what are her goals. She says that her goals are to fall in love, become a Captain, and make the galaxy a better place. The younger Grayson asks what is the point if the older Grayson has already done it and has failed with romance. Keyali counsels her to see herself as a separate person and says that she is pleased to have a new friend. Keyali outfits the younger Grayson with a Lieutenant's uniform.

The younger Grayson jokes with LaMarr and Malloy about her drinking habits and playful antics at Union Point. Commander Grayson overhears them and pulls Lieutenant Grayson aside to tell her not to share uncomfortable memories with her subordinate. The Commander counsels her to maintain a professional distance. Lieutenant Grayson chafes at not being able to have

fun and carve up her own life. Commander Grayson expresses empathy for her younger self and suggests they can treat each other like twin sisters.

Lieutenant Grayson asks Commander Grayson if her relationship with Mercer is truly over. The older Grayson confirms they have moved on. When Commander Grayson asks about her career plans, Lieutenant Grayson suggests she could try a posting on the Orville. Commander Grayson accepts her application and tells the younger Grayson she can call her Kelly.

Mercer and Malloy play a simulated game which involves holographic figures fighting. Lieutenant Grayson enters just as Malloy's avatar defeats Mercer's avatar. The younger Grayson asks Mercer if she can talk to him alone. Mercer asks her how she is settling in. Grayson appreciates the crew's efforts to make her feel welcome. The younger Grayson says that she enjoyed her night out with the younger Mercer and asks if the older Mercer would like a second date.

Mercer visits Commander Grayson and asks if he can date the younger Grayson. He also asks Kelly if she wants to renew their relationship but she reiterates her decision to decline his invitation. Grayson does not object to him pursuing a relationship with her younger self but warns him she was a different person seven years ago.

Later in the mess hall, Mercer tells the younger Grayson about Isaac choosing the Planetary Union over his own people during the Kylon War. The younger Grayson recalls that Mercer sought him out the day after their first date. She convinces the waiter Mooska to bring them more drinks. Later, a drunken Mercer and Lieutenant Grayson trudge through the corridor. The two share a passionate kiss before parting company.

The younger Grayson drinks some coffee in the morning. Commander Grayson visits her quarters to express her concerns about her relationship with Mercer. She wants Lieutenant Grayson not to pursue a relationship with the older Mercer to prevent the painful divorce. Lieutenant Grayson takes offense and tells Commander Grayson that she is making her future a disappointment.

The older Grayson returns to the bridge and claims that everything is fine. Bortus reports that sensors have picked up two Kylon Spheres. Mercer orders Malloy to take them into quantum in order to avoid the Kylon. Mercer gives orders to maintain course until they are out of range.

In the mess hall, Mercer tells Malloy that he has a second chance to repair his relationship by dating the younger Grayson. Malloy thinks that it is a bad idea because he saw the hurt that it caused Mercer. Lieutenant Grayson tells a Mercer that she got the engineers to reprogram one of the simulation rooms with one of her favourite memories. She invites Malloy and Bortus along.

This memory turns out to be a noisy night club. Mercer and Malloy are uncomfortable with the loud music and insist on finishing their drinks. They are joined by Yaphit, Bortus, and his mate Klyden. Bortus and Klyden are excited and join the dancing.

In private, Commander Grayson confides her unease about her past life being aired out in the open to Dr Finn. Dr Finn says they all did things they regret when they were younger. Grayson asks if the younger Grayson was right that she was a disappointment to herself. She says that she is me and that it will be hard to deny it. Dr Finn reassures her that she has done great things and that she is smart, powerful, and has done great things including becoming a commander. Grayson is disappointed about her broken marriage. Dr Finn confides that she once dated a synthetic lifeform and advises Grayson to reassess what she really wants in life.

Later, Lieutenant Grayson tries to surprise Captain Mercer with her new dress but Mercer has already experienced that memory. The two share a passionate kiss. The younger Grayson says he should have danced with them. The two embrace again but Mercer feels uncomfortable about their relationship. He tells her that he has already felt their feelings with someone else. Mercer says that both he and Commander Grayson have changed over the past seven years but that he still has feelings for his former wife.

Just then, Bortus issues a message that the two Kylon Spheres have caught up with them. Captain Mercer reports to the bridge, leaving Lieutenant Grayson behind.

Captain Mercer joins the bridge crew at the helm in their pyjamas. Bortus says they have seven minutes to intercept. Mercer orders Isaac to divert all available power to the quantum drive. Lieutenant Grayson proposes using ice and recalls they are not far from the Vandex system, which is five light years away. The younger Grayson says that the second planet in the system has Jovian rings which are made of ice. She proposes slipping inside the ring and hiding among the ice asteroids.

After latching onto an asteroid, Mercer orders Bortus to turn on the hoses. The water hardens, creating an icy field around the Orville. Isaac shuts down all power as the two Kaylon ships arrive. The Kaylon ships pass over the frozen Orville. They stay powered down until 0600 hours.

After escaping the Kaylon spheres, Lieutenant Grayson visits Commander Grayson and apologizes. Commander Grayson thanks the younger Grayson for saving them. She says she fully appreciates the gravity of what she does everyday. Shortly later, LaMarr and Isaac enter to tell the Graysons they have found a way to send Lieutenant Grayson back to her own timeline.

Isaac explains that by reversing their quantum plasma polarity and inducing a symmetry field in the ship's graviton emitters, they may be able to reproduce the effects of the gravitational phenomenon. LaMarr adds that they may be able to induce the Aeronoff device but warns it will take up a lot of gas from the quantum drive. Lieutenant Grayson asks about her memories from the future and agrees to their plan, saying that them not remembering it meant that their plan worked.

In the lab, Lieutenant Grayson bids farewell to Lieutenant Keyali and promises to share a drink seven years from now. Lieutenant Grayson bids her older self farewell and tells Mercer she will see him soon. Mercer apologizes for the absence and neglect for the next five years in their lives. Dr Finn says she will see Grayson in the future before inducing the memory wipe.

On the bridge, Mercer orders LaMarr to initiate sequence. The Aeronoff device powers up while Dr Finn completes the memory wipe. Since they lack enough power for the graviton emitters, LaMarr gets Yaphit to divert more energy. Isaac asks for a 15% increase. Keyali reports that all departments are reporting overloads while Bortus reports the hull is taking damage. Mercer orders them to shut it down just as Lieutenant Kelly returns to her timeline.

Grayson finds herself lying on the floor of her apartment and looks out the window at the skyline below. She receives a call from a younger Mercer who tells her he had a really great time out last night. He asks if he can take her out again but Grayson declines because she doesn't see their relationship as working out.

The Road Not Taken

Season 2

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Director: Gary Rake
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Guest Stars: BJ Tanner (Marcus Finn), Kai Wener (Ty Finn), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Halston Sage (Alara Kitan), Chris Marroy (Rebel), Randy Jay Burrell (Rebel)
Production Code: 2LAB13
Summary: The crew must contend with the disastrous fallout from Kelly's decision.



The episode opens with two figures wearing masks and thick jackets trudging through a snowy landscape to the Planetary Union listening post on Sarin IV. The two figures enter the abandoned post. One helps himself to a pair of thick boots while the other secures a synthesizer. The two men flee as a Kaylon Sphere lands and disgorges three Kaylon, whose heads detach and pursue the two figures.

The two men flee back to their shuttle, ECV-342-1, dodging laser blasts. One of the men stumbles but the other helps him back up. Together, the two escape

aboard their shuttle and lead the Kaylon heads through the skies of Sarin IV. The two men remove their masks, revealing themselves as Commander Ed Mercer and Lieutenant Gordon Malloy. Malloy says that he thought the planet was safe but Mercer replies that there is nowhere safe anymore.

Their shuttle flees into space but is pursued by a Kaylon Sphere hiding in the asteroid field. To buy time to reset the quantum drive, Malloy and Mercer flee into an ice moon. Flying the shuttle, Malloy dodges falling debris and navigates through the icicles and tunnels. Mercer spots a cavern offport and tells Malloy to take the shuttle about.

Under Mercer's direction, Malloy turns the shuttle around and opens fire on some icicles, crushing the Kaylon Sphere. This allows them to flee into quantum space. While traveling through quantum space, Malloy remarks that it is getting harder to find a system free of the Kaylon. Mercer responds that the Kaylon have wiped out half the known galaxy.

Mercer tells Malloy to set a course for Calivon, whom Malloy regards as being as dangerous as the Kaylon. Malloy rationalizes that the Kaylon have not taken on the Calivon yet. He says that they can hide on the edge of their system.

The two men inspect the synthesizer since they haven't had a decent meal for a long time. Malloy summons a Twinkie, which annoys Mercer at first. While sharing the Twinkie, the shuttle is pulled out of quantum abruptly. They find that their ship's computers have been hacked. The shuttle is dragged aboard a large scavenger vessel.

The two men get their plasma guns and prepare for a last stand. However, the shuttle door opens to reveal several humans including Commander Kelly Grayson, Dr Claire Finn, Lieutenant John LaMarr, and Lieutenant Talla Keyali. Grayson greets Kelly, who remembers her as a former girlfriend who broke off their relationship after their first date seven years ago. She tells him that is why she is here now.

Later in the conference room, Grayson warns Mercer that what she is about to tell him will blow his mind. Mercer is still bitter about their broken relationship. Grayson asks Mercer and LaMarr if they know the USS Orville. LaMarr remembers the ship as the vessel which the Kaylon used to invade Earth nine months ago. Grayson tells Mercer that he was supposed to be the captain and that she was supposed to be his first officer. He adds that everyone here was supposed to be part of his crew.

Grayson confirms that she is aware of events from an alternate timeline. She explains that seven years ago she was accidentally sent forward in time to what would have been six months ago. Grayson says she was aboard the Orville and met Mercer and the other crew. She explains that before she went back to her own timeline Dr Finn gave her a memory wipe that didn't work. As a result, she did something that changed history.

She explains to Mercer that she said no to a second date. In the alternate timeline, she and Mercer got married. She had an affair and got divorced. Grayson later reconciled with her former husband and served as his first officer, helping him to defeat the Kaylon. Mercer realizes that in the alternate timeline he played an important role in defeating the Kaylon.

Grayson also explains that Dr Finn joined the Orville because Mercer was Captain. She and her sons had a relationship with the Kaylon emissary Isaac. That relationship was what convinced Isaac to turn against his own people. She explains that the Kaylon lost the battle in the alternate timeline.

Mercer is initially skeptical but Keyali backs Grayson up. She says that she served aboard the Orville with Captain Griffith and thought that Isaac was their friend. LaMarr explains that Kelly tracked them all down and says that the things she knew they would have known if they had been there. Grayson tells Mercer that they have to restore the timeline. Finn adds that the only way is for her to go back and fix that memory wipe.

While Ed believes, Malloy is skeptical until Dr Finn explains that the memory wipe didn't work because Kelly's brain is deficient in a certain brain protein. She says that it is something that could be missed. With the proper injection, Finn reassures him that it is something that could be easily fixed, restoring the proper timeline. Since every Union medbay has been destroyed, LaMarr proposes getting in touch with the Resistance, which has been reduced to a handful of cells. LaMarr says that he can put them in touch with one of these cells, who can get hold of the protein.

Grayson says that the Resistance base is remote and that they need to avoid a lot of Kaylon. Malloy offers his services as pilot. In private, Grayson apologizes to Mercer and says that her younger self saw that they have been through a lot of heartbreak and that she thought she was doing the right thing then. Mercer says that was a hell of a decision to make and that he would consider how it would affect other people. Mercer says that time travel has dangerous implications for history. Mercer says he is still hurt by the breakup. Grayson says good to see you again.

Malloy takes the scavenger vessel through a big asteroid field, which LaMarr reveals used to be a planet. He explains that there is a nearby black hole slowly sucking them in. Grayson sights the planet with the Resistance base ahead. She departs with Grayson and Mercer, leaving Keyali to look after her sons Ty and Marcus.

Mercer, Grayson, Finn, and LaMarr travel down the planet in their shuttle. They land in a forest clearing and head to the Resistance base. LaMarr leads them to a wheel-shaped building. He knocks on the door and is greeted by Yaphit, who recognizes him as an Orville crew member. Yaphit leads them to Lieutenant Alara Kitan, who is pleased that her friend LaMarr survived an engagement with the Kaylon.

Mercer learns that Kitan used to be Chief of Security on the Orville. LaMarr and Kitan are close friends and Kitan assures him that she has gotten their package. LaMarr asks how she is doing. Kitan says she is adjusting to the change in gravity. As she retrieves the protein, Kitan says that the Kaylon have started capturing prisoners for gathering intelligence. Kitan asks about the purpose of the protein but is interrupted by one of her subordinates who warns that the Kaylon

have found them.

Kitan and the Resistance buy Mercer and his companions enough time to escape through the south entrance and return to their shuttle. The Resistance battle a phalanx of advancing Kaylon but are overwhelmed by their superior numbers. However, the Resistance manage to destroy their base before the Kaylon can capture it. Meanwhile, the scavenger vessel is attacked by Kaylon Spheres in space.

Mercer and his companions return to their shuttle but encounter a Kaylon who orders them to surrender. Mercer and Grayson shoot the robot, disabling it. Grayson arranges with Keyali to meet them halfway. Under Malloy's instructions, Ty hits the tractor beam button at his signal, drawing the shuttle into the scavenger vessel's hangar.

The scavenger ship is unable to flee into quantum since their quantum drive is offline. They flee into the asteroid field with the Kaylon Spheres on their tail. Unable to outrun them, LaMarr convinces Malloy to hide the scavenger vessel inside the gravity well of the black hole. Due to time dilation, time inside the black hole moves more slowly than time outside. They hide for the equivalent of two full days inside the black hole.

With the quantum drive back online, Grayson tells the crew to set a course for Earth. Mercer thinks that Earth was destroyed but Grayson explains that in order to restore the timeline they need to access Isaac's files on the Aronov device, which was aboard the Orville. LaMarr adds that the Orville survived a battle with the Kaylon with Grayson finished that the ship crashed intact at the bottom of the Pacific Ocean.

While traveling to Earth, John LaMarr examines part of the fallen Kaylon unit's memory core. Grayson visits Mercer in his quarters. Mercer has invited Grayson for a second date in the new alternate timeline and serves her spaghetti bolognese. He tells her that he had been the captain of the Epsilon outpost for the past seven years. Mercer adds that he has not yet reached his goal of commanding a ship but was about to before the outbreak of the Kaylon War.

Mercer questions Grayson about their relationship in the alternate timeline. He asks if they hated each other but Grayson reassures him that she loved him and regretted hurting him but that Mercer also regretted breaking up with her. The two agree that had Grayson not broken up her relationship with Mercer following the time travel incident, the Kaylon War would not have happened.

While LaMarr finds that most of the Kaylon unit's tactical stuff is protected by quantum encryption codes, he discovers that all Kaylon are connected to each other by a central computer system. He explains that this is how they communicate. Malloy informs them they are approaching Earth. At the bridge, the crew and passengers find a barren Earth and that the moon has been broken up into several asteroids.

Malloy detects that the Orville is at the bottom of the Mariana Trench, which is seven miles deep. LaMarr comes up with the plan to divert enough power to the shuttle's deflectors so they can reach the Orville. The team descend into the depths of the Mariana Trench. Dr Finn realizes that the Kaylon exterminated all life including fish. The shuttle withstands the ocean pressure long enough for them to reach the submerged Orville, which is still intact.

LaMarr finds that the Orville's systems are still operational. They manage to dock the shuttle inside the Orville's hangar after depressurizing it. Inside the ship, Keyali picks up one life sign five decks above them. Inside the bridge, the team encounter Lieutenant Commander Bortus, who strikes Mercer.

Bortus is delighted to see Mercer and Malloy. He reveals that the captain and first officer perished so he remained aboard the Orville to oversee the evacuation. Bortus says he was unable to prevent the crash and has been surviving on minimal life support and rations for the past nine months. Bortus says that his mate Klyden and son Topa escaped and has plans to meet them on Moclus. Keyali reveals that Moclus was destroyed by the Kaylon.

Grayson tells Bortus about their plan. LaMarr starts to reboot the Orville's engines. Mercer thinks that he is not worthy to command the Orville since he has not served as a Captain. Grayson reassures him he has and sits beside him. Bortus says that there are no signs of the enemy in their vicinity. LaMarr says they have enough power to ascend from the ocean.

Mercer gets Malloy to manoeuvre the thrusters, lifting the ship out of the ocean floor. As the Orville ascends through the Mariana Trench, LaMarr prepares the engines for their ascent into space. The Orville rises through Earth's atmosphere and switches to sublight engines.

While traveling through space, LaMarr reveals that Isaac never finished the Aronov calculations. Unable to figure it out himself, he says that they need to get inside Isaac's brain. Bortus says that Isaac is on Kaylon and that when they returned him his body was disassembled. LaMarr points out his data still exists and says he has an insane idea.

In the Orville's bar, Mercer pours himself and Grayson some liquor. He asks if John can do it. Grayson says he will notify them. She asks Mercer if she is a terrible person. She admits her feelings for Mercer. They talk about living on a deserted family and starting up a family. They talk about farming and learning how to cook. The two share a passionate kiss with a Mercer joking that Gordon has to live with them.

LaMarr tells the crew that he found a connection point into the Kaylon computer network he explains that he can piggyback the scan once he activates the Kaylon in the lab. When Malloy asks about the bad news, he says that he has to find Isaac in the web because every Kaylon has the equivalent of a neuron identification code. He says they can download Isaac's consciousness into the Kaylon body they have and fill in the missing pieces from his calculations to send Dr Finn back in time.

When Mercer asks about the bad news, LaMarr says that they will have to drain all power from the quantum drive to fuel the Aronov device. He adds that they have to depart swiftly because the Kaylon will be able to detect their coordinates through the network. Grayson realizes they have to work fast.

LaMarr manages to hack into the Kaylon computer network and download Isaac's consciousness. Isaac asks LaMarr what he is doing and taunts him that his scheme will fail. LaMarr ignores Isaac's threats and says he will help them out. Bortus reports four Kaylon vessels approaching. LaMarr manages to download Isaac's calculations concerning the Aronov device.

LaMarr goes into engineering and tasks Grayson and Mercer with monitoring the quantum levels. Dr Finn gives her sons an emotional farewell and hugs them. She then lies on the bed below the Aronov device. LaMarr enters the engineering deck and powers up the quantum drive to its limits. Dr Finn looks at her sons as the Aronov device powers up while Mercer makes a marriage proposal to Grayson. The Aronov device comes to life but it causes the Orville's quantum drive to overload, destroying the vessel and all hands aboard except Dr Finn.

In the past, a younger Grayson awakes. After switching off the alarm on her smartphone, she orders coffee from the synthesizer. She is sucked seven years into the future, causing the coffee mug to crash on the floor. Grayson soon returns to the past and finds herself lying on the floor. She looks around before staring out the window.

Just then, Dr Finn arrives from the future and tells her that the memory wipe didn't work. She tells Grayson to trust her and tells her that she is going to go back to sleep. She injects the protein into Grayson's neck before performing the memory wipe for the second time. Moments later, both Dr Finn and the memory wipe device vanish, erased from existence. Later, Grayson is awoken by a beeping sound on her phone. Mercer invites her out for a second date, which Grayson accepts; restoring the timeline.

Season Three

Electric Sheep

Season 3
Episode Number: 27
Season Episode: 1

Originally aired: Thursday June 02, 2022
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Guest Stars: Kai Wener (Ty Finn), BJ Tanner (Marcus Finn), Alexis Knapp (Irillia), Mike Henry (Dann), Jim Mahoney (Brosk), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Amanda Joy Erickson (Amanda), Kyra Santoro (Lieutenant Turco), Deep Rai (Crewman), Jonny Siew (Engineer #1)
Production Code: 3LAB01
Summary: The crew deals with the aftermath of the Kaylon battle.



The episode opens with a galactic battle scene wherein Marcus flees from danger. He finds his brother Ty hiding in a room while watching *The Orville* burn. Suddenly, Isaac finds the boys. He corners them, his metal facade contorting into a terrifying, monstrous expression.

Thankfully, Marcus wakes from his nightmare. It seems he was dreaming about the Kaylon battle from last season.

Meanwhile, Lt. Cmdr. John LaMarr tells Isaac about the system repairs they

need to make. After their conversation, Isaac heads to the mess hall. When he sits down, the crew members occupying that table leave promptly. Charly Burke, the new ensign aboard *The Orville*, returns to the table to apologize for the group's behavior. When it appears she might sympathize with Isaac, she regales him with a tale of loss and grief.

Amid the Kaylon battle, Charly tried to flee on an escape pod with her best friend, Amanda. Unfortunately, the pod required a manual start, meaning one had to remain behind to make sure it flew. Amanda sacrificed her life so that Charly could get away.

Charly blames Isaac for Amanda's death and the countless brave souls lost during the fight. She disagrees with Capt. Ed Mercer's decision to reinstate Isaac and hopes Isaac feels pain for the rest of his days. Well, he's incapable of pain, so that's a problem.

Later, Lt. Talla Keyali shows Mercer and Cmdr. Kelly Grayson a gruesome display — someone scrawled "Murderer" in giant letters as a message for Isaac. Isaac informs Mercer and Grayson about the taunts he receives from the crew. Keyali vows to find the culprit. She discloses the heated conversation between Charly and Isaac, so Mercer calls Charly into his office.

Charly claims innocence regarding the graffiti but speaks freely about her feelings toward Isaac. Charly reminds Mercer that most of the crew loathes Isaac. Sure, he eventually turned on the Kaylon and helped save *The Orville*, but at the expense of too much bloodshed.

Meanwhile, Lt. Gordon Malloy takes the new Pterodon for a spin. Once Gordon parks it, Charly admires the Pterodon up close. Gordon explains that it should be ready once Isaac makes the proper updates. He also confesses he agrees with her about Isaac.

Next, Dr. Claire Finn and Ty chat with Isaac. Claire asks how Isaac feels after the Kaylon battle. Of course, Isaac reminds her that he doesn't experience emotions like humans. Gordon tests the Pterodon via battle simulation, and Mercer gives it the Captain's seal of approval.

Then, Claire grills Marcus, who's responsible for the "Murderer" graffiti, while Mercer and Grayson observe. Marcus voices his disapproval of Isaac's reinstatement, reminding the trio that he tried to kill them before saving them. Claire brings Isaac around to mend fences, but Marcus vehemently wishes death upon the Kaylon.

Later, Isaac records messages for the crew, ending it with well wishes for the Finn clan. Suddenly, he falls to the ground.

LaMarr, Keyali, Claire, Mercer and Grayson find Isaac out of commission. Claire reveals he committed suicide, leading the group to question why someone devoid of emotions would end their life. Claire believes this proves he felt more than they realized.

Yaphit checks Isaac's body to see if revival is possible. Unfortunately, Isaac ensured his death was permanent. After futilely talking to Marcus about Isaac, Claire seeks companionship from Grayson, who lends an ear. Claire feels conflicted — one on hand, she loves Isaac. On the other, he did try to kill them. Grayson reminds Claire that one awful decision doesn't negate our love for someone.

Next, Mercer delivers the eulogy at Isaac's funeral while Marcus watches from afar. Claire finds Ty in the simulator chatting with a simulation of Isaac. She gently reminds her son that this stunts the healing process. We can't bring someone back no matter how much we want to.

However, Claire decides to simulate a date night with Isaac, ruminating on Grayson's advice about returning to the "happy places," where Claire and Isaac created beautiful memories. She sits at a table and sobs. My heart!

Mercer and The Orville crew depart for Epsilon 2, where they'll deliver Isaac's body for scientific research. LaMarr enjoys some sexy, fun times with a Dakeeli female named Irillia, and the pair chat about planetary customs regarding suicide. Irillia argues it's a choice, and most folks feel they never asked to exist, so they exert control by ending their lives. LaMarr counters that choosing is akin to deciding how long to wear a beard.

Through their discussion, the lightbulb switches on for LaMarr. He discovers that Kaylon embed coding deep inside their bodies à la early computer programmers. This code might be the key to reviving Isaac. He'll need Charly's assistance, though, and we all know how she feels about Isaac.

Mercer implores Charly for help, but she puts her foot down. He acknowledges what she's lost from the Kaylon fight while reminding her that she doesn't have a monopoly on grief.

Suddenly, a Kaylon ship appears, pursuing The Orville. They engage quantum drive and dive into the corrosive atmosphere of a nearby planet. Lt. Cmdr. Bortus assists with launching torpedoes to act as a decoy, distracting the Kaylon from continuing to chase the ship. Thankfully, it works, and the Kaylon vessel vanishes. Mercer asks Charly to report to LaMarr again, and she refuses. So, he relieves her of duty.

Next, Marcus chats with Charly about Isaac. While he despises Isaac for his role in the Kaylon battle, Marcus doesn't genuinely want him to die. Marcus begs Charly to help LaMarr bring Isaac back to life.

We see Charly and LaMarr hard at work while they revive Isaac with the embedded code. Success! Isaac returns to life. Before Charly departs, Mercer reinstates her. Charly tells Isaac that she didn't help out for him (clearly, it was for Marcus).

Later, Isaac explains the reason why he committed suicide. "My deactivation was intended to restore maximum operational output," he says to Claire. Isaac thought The Orville would run more smoothly without him. Claire urges him to seek her out whenever he feels this way. Talking through it is the best course of action. In this house, we love Dr. Claire Finn.

Marcus watches while Isaac works, and a smile crosses his face. He's back.

Shadow Realms

Season 3

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Season Episode: 2

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Guest Stars: Victor Garber (Admiral Halsey), Kai Wener (Ty Finn), BJ Tanner (Marcus Finn), John Fleck (Krill Ambassador), James Read (Admiral Christie), Gavin Lee (Nurse Park), Kyra Santoro (Lieutenant Turco), Mike Bash (Security Crewman), Randy Jay Burrell (Arachnid Alien), Eric James Kelly (Restaurant Patron)
Production Code: 3LAB02
Summary: The Orville explores a mysterious region of space.



The episode opens with Capt. Ed Mercer and Cmdr. Kelly Grayson, delivering good news to Dr. Claire Finn, Lt. Cmdr. Bortus, Lt. Talla Keyali, Lt. Gordon Malloy, Lt. Cmdr. John LaMarr, Ensign Charly Burke and Isaac. Mercer explains that The Orville must pick up Vice Admiral Christie from Outpost 35 to rendezvous on a Krill vessel for negotiations.

The hope is the Krill will grant Unions access to the Naklav Sector, on the other side of Krill space. No Union ship has ever traversed through that region of space —

until now.

Claire appears to harbor reservations but chalks it up to exhaustion.

Later, Vice Admiral Christie, a.k.a. Paul, visits Claire for a brief reunion after 25 years away. We learn that they used to be married, but things seemingly ended on a sour note based on the admiral's apology. Claire urges him to focus on his task, the Krill negotiations, and leave the past in the past.

Next, The Orville crew mingles with the Krill for a pre-negotiation party. Mercer expresses his hope that this temporary alliance morphs into a permanent one. However, the Krill reps shoot down any hope, asserting that "once the Kaylon are crushed, the alliance will be dissolved." Way to not be a team player.

Meanwhile, Grayson and Claire leave the get-together to embark on an alcohol-fueled side quest. They dish on marriages, and Claire reveals why she parted ways with Paul. He wanted a "bedwarmer," whereas she longed for a partner. After giving him an ultimatum, Paul left. Based on their earlier interaction, it seems Paul might regret his decision from decades ago.

Later, Mercer, Grayson and Paul sit at the negotiating table with the Krill representatives. They're allowing our crew to explore the Naklav Sector but under certain conditions. They must adhere to the course set by the Krill, and all deviations are forbidden.

Additionally, the Krill will install a tracking beacon to monitor The Orville's movements, to which Grayson objects. However, Mercer and Paul brush off her objections.

The Krill want access to an uninhabited planet in Union space, the third planet in the Obrall system, because it's rich in harcarium, which they utilize for their propulsion systems.

After Paul mentions advice regarding the navigation of the Kalarr Expanse, the Krill reveal the Anhkana (essentially the Krill Bible) warns of "Shadow Realms" in the Expanse, wherein demons dwell, waiting to convert good people to the side of evil. I can't help but feel this is a reference to The Expanse, which makes me giddy with joy.

The Krill reps won't stop our crew from exploring the uncharted reaches of the Expanse, but they won't come calling if The Orville needs assistance. Basically, "we warned you, so don't knock."

Later, after the Krill representatives depart, Mercer, Grayson and Paul brief Admiral Halsey regarding the success of the Krill negotiations.

Next, Paul finds Claire sitting in a swanky restaurant while working. Paul reveals he never parted with his wedding band, always carrying it with him as a good luck charm. Paul plans to join their crew on the exploratory mission to the Naklav Sector.

Before embarking on a journey to uncharted space, Mercer offers an impromptu ship-wide pep talk, encouraging his team to put their best foot forward. He ends his speech with, "May the force be with you." No one remarks on how Mercer plucked this phrase from a particular galaxy far, far away, so perhaps Star Wars doesn't exist in this universe.

Meanwhile, Paul and Isaac meet for the first time. Paul asks for advice about how to woo Claire, and amid Isaac's laundry list of Claire's likes, the Kaylon mentions he's still not over our good doctor. It appears Paul has competition!

Our crew reaches the Kalarr Expanse, which Isaac notes "appears to be almost entirely empty space." They encounter a creepy-looking space station that's emitting a distress signal. Mercer takes a small team to board the station.

While exploring the vast interior of the station, LaMarr and Keyali find the source of the distress signal, while Mercer and Paul discover what appears to be organic sources of energy in pods of sorts. One opens up in front of Paul. Our group concludes the station is a living organism but can't pinpoint why it sent a distress signal.

Once back on The Orville, everyone brainstorms the next move. Suddenly, Paul falls to the floor, overtaken by seizures. Claire whisks him away to the sick bay while Mercer, LaMarr and Keyali return to the peculiar space station to collect more data.

Back on the ship, Claire examines Paul, learning that whatever afflicted the admiral is rewriting his DNA at a rapid rate. LaMarr discovers the distress signal transformed into a homing beacon while Mercer and Keyali scan the pod that seemingly infected Paul.

We see Paul's flesh looks rotten, with orb-like, empty black eyes forming on his face. Claire urges him to hold fast to hope. He's going to get better (maybe).

Then, Nurse Park notices Paul has disappeared. Suddenly, a mysterious force bars access to the vessel and shuts everything down. Nurse Park leaves the sick bay to explore a strange, inexplicable noise. The call is coming from inside the house! You're in danger, girl!

Sure enough, an alien creature emerges silently behind Park, and eventually, the pair come face-to-face. It's Paul!

Mercer, LaMarr and Keyali return to The Orville, reuniting with our main crew on the bridge. Grayson has no idea what's happening or why everything shut down.

Meanwhile, Marcus and Ty try to find their mother, Claire. Ty persuades his older brother to return to their quarters. The boys find a creature lurking outside the mess hall. Said creature scales the walls while the boys duck behind a table and chairs.

A crewmember finds the boys and vows to bring them to Claire. Unfortunately, the alien leaps onto said crewmember and sprays a corrosive liquid on the man's face. He transforms instantly into the same species as the alien. Fun times!

Marcus and Ty run into Claire, who ushers them to the bridge. The kids describe what they say. It appears Paul transformed into an unknown extraterrestrial species, overrode The Orville's controls and started infecting crewmembers. Who knows how many of these creatures/former humans roam the ship. Claire believes the liquid is this species' way of "reproducing," or hijacking other lifeforms to spawn themselves. It's like a parasite that rewrites DNA entirely.

LaMarr and Keyali encounter a few aliens, with the latter full-on brawling with three of them by herself. Isaac saves LaMarr while Keyali produces an unconscious alien for Claire to study. She believes she can create a synthetic virus to curb the transformation process for the aliens,

hurting them enough so they'll want to leave the vessel. It might give our crew the sniffles, though; thankfully, Bortus is prepared for this. Claire believes they can disperse it in "aerosolized form" throughout the ship.

Meanwhile, Mercer and the others on the bridge learn the homing beacon on the living space station signaled a formidable ship, perhaps containing the same alien species that owns the station.

Claire reveals her plan to Mercer, who looks dubious. Claire tries to appeal to Paul after asking Keyali to track him by the rare stone in his wedding band. Unfortunately, Paul "is no more," but Claire attempts to persuade him and the other aliens to leave. Otherwise, this virus could prove deadly. After some prodding, Paul and his new extraterrestrial pals agree to depart The Orville, but "not forever." Eventually, this species wishes to convert every lifeform in its path.

Later, Isaac sits with Claire for dinner. They catch up, and it seems like Isaac is getting the second chance he wants. Love is in the air (and not as the product of an aerosolized synthetic virus)!

Mortality Paradox

Season 3

Episode Number: 29

Season Episode: 3

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Guest Stars:	Jessica Szohr (Lt. Talla Keyali), Victor Garber (Admiral Halsey), Elizabeth Gillies (Dinal), Gina Comparetto (Flight Attendant), Farelle Walker (Lieutenant), Eric Satterberg (Teacher), Morgan Bastin (Girl), Ray Benson (Boy), Kendyl Powell (Female Student #1), Sam Lant (Male Student #1), Braxton Beckham (Male Student #2), Jessica Belkin (Popular Girl), Dmitri Schuyler-Linch (Student), Shawn Patrick Clifford (Bully #1), Richie Rosales (Bully #2), Chad Guerrero Jr. (Bully #3), Chase Otis (Voice-broadcast only)
Production Code:	3LAB03
Summary:	The crew discovers signs of modern civilization on a planet that is thought to be uninhabited, heading off to investigate.



The episode opens with Lt. Talla Keyali returning from a somewhat restful trip to visit her parents on Xelaya. She tells Cmdr. Kelly Grayson that she picked up the residue of a Kaylon quantum signature by the Avior system. She assumes they left a while ago, as said signature is faint.

While on the bridge, Isaac detects electromagnetic emissions from the surface of Narran 1, a desolate planet. Capt. Ed Mercer, Grayson, Lt. Cmdr. Bortus, Ensign Charly Burke and Lt. Gordon Malloy

seem incredulous. However, Mercer orders them to move closer.

Keyali notes the planet possesses the infrastructure for communication, but they're not responding when she hails them.

So, Mercer, Grayson, Malloy, Bortus and Keyali take a shuttle to Narran 1 while Lt. Cmdr. John LaMarr takes control of the bridge.

We see nothing but trees when our shuttle team lands on Narran 1. Bortus detects several hundred "humanoids" nearby, so our crew follows the signal. They stumble upon a high school. You know, those are usually in the middle of nowhere on an ostensibly barren planet.

Next, the team surveys the school, walking through the empty corridors to figure out why there's a seemingly inexplicable high school on Narran 1. Suddenly, the halls flood with energetic students as they move from period to period. Mercer and Malloy attempt to ask them questions, but the teens seem bewildered by their confusion. Without any knowledge of the precise date, our group assumes they're in the 21st century based on the building's design.

Meanwhile, on The Orville, LaMarr learns from Isaac that there's no trace of the landing party. He orders the crew to prep another shuttle for departure with Dr. Claire Finn onboard in case

anyone's hurt. Isaac notes that that might not be wise, considering that Mercer and his team vanished. Burke snaps at him out of her disdain for the Kaylon.

With the doors and windows barring our heroes from exiting, the group decides to split up. Bortus and Keyali wander into a packed classroom while a few bullies beat Malloy to a pulp in the bathroom. The kids order Malloy to pay Randall by 3:15, or something malicious will happen to him. Yes, he got a swirlie.

Later, our crew reunites in the cafeteria that's buzzing with vim and vigor. The group sits at a friendly lunch table (after Bortus tells a mean girl she has a "fivehead"), and their new buddies tell them all about Randall. Everyone must pay Randall to avoid getting a beating. Those are the rules. That's a surprisingly lucrative idea — Randall might be a business genius.

The bell rings, and the students head outside. Mercer, Grayson, Bortus and Keyali believe it might be best to pump Randall for information. He might know how to get off this planet. Malloy doesn't seem enthused, but he acquiesces.

Our team walks onto the school's football field, wherein a massive creature charges toward them. That must be Randall. He grabs Malloy while Mercer and the crew fire at the beast. We see Malloy's eyes turn white before Keyali launches part of a bench into Randall's face. The alien creature stumbles and falls in defeat.

Next, a door appears, and our quintet wanders into a 21st-century airplane. Grayson notes it's an ancient vessel, but it looks pretty modern to me!

The flight attendant urges them to sit and fasten their seatbelts as the pilots prepare for landing. But Malloy notices something's amiss. His pilot senses are tingling.

Meanwhile, Dr. Finn and Isaac land on Narran 1, but all they see is a desolate wasteland — not a tree in sight. They spot Mercer's shuttle, though.

Then, Malloy decides to seize control of the plane. He barges into the cockpit, finding it utterly bereft of pilots. Grayson punches the annoying flight attendant who's harping incessantly about them sitting. Hey, she did what she had to do.

Mercer assists Malloy as he flies the airplane. Suddenly, the engines go out, making this flying thing significantly more difficult. Malloy avoids flying into a looming mountain range, aiming for a patch of flat land beyond them that Bortus points out. After a turbulent landing that finds them perched precariously on a cliffside, the danger, well, stops. Mercer's eyes also flash white.

Our group notices the plane is empty of passengers before entering the next open door.

Next, they wander into a Moclan morgue, where Moclans lay their dead upright for nine days so they can resolve their affairs on Moclus before moving to the next plane. We see a slew of pods seemingly suspended midair in a room drenched in crimson light.

Suddenly, the pods open, and one of the dead wakes to grab Bortus by the neck. The Moclan chokes him, but Mercer and Grayson step in to save their friend and crew member. After the incident, Bortus remarks how he felt the same sensation Malloy and Mercer felt with Randall and the crashing airplane.

Meanwhile, Finn tells LaMarr she wishes to send a search party for their missing crew, but LaMarr orders her to return to The Orville. He doesn't want more valuable team members disappearing. Mercer and the team move through the next door onto Xelaya, near a lake. They spot a bright light emitting from the other side of said lake.

Earlier, at the high school, our team determined they must not be hallucinating since Malloy's injuries from the bullies are real. However, if they were really on Xelaya, gravity would be a genuine issue. So, what's happening?

Grayson, Keyali and Malloy row to the other side of the lake on a rudimentary boat while Mercer and Bortus wait on shore. Suddenly, a massive water beast snatches Grayson, dragging her toward the bottom of the lake. Keyali dives in and saves Grayson from becoming dinner.

Later, the trio reunites with Mercer and Bortus. Grayson notes that before losing consciousness, she also felt the same out-of-body experience as the others.

Then, our team takes the long way around to pinpoint the light source, stumbling upon a cave wherein a holographic power generator sits. It boasts a vast projection radius and an axionic shield to boot. Bortus neutralizes the shield, and Mercer shoots it up with his weapon. Boom!

Finally, our team sees they're standing in a desert, not a dense forest. Mercer notifies LaMarr, and the group heads back to the ship.

Next, Dr. Finn patches them up while hypothesizing why the generator's signature was so potent. Was it a hallucination if they could feel the effects?

Mercer and Grayson report to Admiral Halsey, who orders them to rendezvous with a science vessel so they can transport the generator fragments to Earth for experimentation.

When the Union ships arrive, Isaac suspects something's amiss. He notes they're the Kaylon cloaking themselves as Earthers. Burke scoffs in disbelief that Isaac would suggest such a thing. Mercer orders the team to prepare their defenses, siding with Isaac. Sure enough, when The Orville speeds away, the ships tailing them transform into Kaylon vessels. A battle ensues, with The Orville bearing the brunt of the damage, notably to the ship's quantum core.

Meanwhile, in a potentially different timeline, Keyali calls LaMarr from her shuttle. She's back from Xelaya. LaMarr tells her that she traveled to Narran 1 with Mercer and the others. Uh oh. Something's not right.

Amid the Kaylon battle, one massive vessel perches atop The Orville. Before the ship's destroyed, time seems to ... stop. Mercer, Grayson, Bortus and Malloy move about freely while the other crew members, including Burke and Isaac, are frozen. Keyali morphs into Dinal, a highly advanced being beyond human comprehension.

We see our (now) quartet are still on Narran 1 as the desert landscape reappears. Dinal explains that her people are immortal, so they conducted a series of experiments on The Orville crew to understand mortality better. That's why Mercer, Bortus, Grayson and Malloy harbored near-death experiences. Dinal wanted to know how humans react and process death when faced with it.

Dinal informs the group that they were never in genuine danger, as it was a simulation. It was a terrifying science experiment!

Back on The Orville, Mercer, Bortus, Grayson and Malloy contemplate Dinal's experiment. How would they feel if they were immortal and trying to comprehend mortality, something that would be a concept to them? Everyone discusses what they believe happens after death, while Mercer asserts if he had the chance to be immortal, he'd take it.

He wants to see what happens next.

Gently Falling Rain

Season 3
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Season Episode: 4

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Director:	Jon Cassar
Show Stars:	Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac), Jessica Szohr (Lt. Talla Keyali), Anne Winters (Ensign Charly Burke)
Guest Stars:	Victor Garber (Admiral Halsey), Ted Danson (Admiral Perry), Michaela McManus (Teleya), John Fleck (Krill Ambassador), Kelly Hu (Admiral Ozawa), Bruce Boxleitner (President Alcuzan), Lisa Banes (Speria Balask), Joe Brogie (Comm. Voice (voice)), Angela Meryl (Senator Gowan (voice)), Mike Falkow (Krill Dignitary), Charlie Townsend (Anaya — Krill Girl), Daniel Kaemon (Krill Soldier #1), Stephan Smith Collins (Grand High Priest), Isabella Meneses (Xelayan Annie), Daniel Kash (Krill Commander), George Caleodis (Krill Proprietor), Mark Weiler (Krill Aide), Sam Meader (Krill Panel Operator), River Drosche (Krill Boy), Trevor Black (Krill Man), Robyn Buck (Krill Woman #2), Jim Meskimen (Grand High Priest (voice)), Robert Mammama (Krill Cmndr. (voice)), Jon Curry (Krill Panel Operator (voice)), Mike Bash (Security Crewman Michaels), Doby Daenger (Saloon Girl), Fletcher Sheridan (Alien Daddy Warbucks)
Production Code:	3LAB04
Summary:	The crew leads a Union delegation to sign a peace treaty with the Krill.



The episode opens with Teleya on Krill, stoking the fires of revolution before a massive gathering. She hopes to dethrone the Supreme Chancellor in the upcoming election, especially since he wishes to sign a peace treaty with the Union.

Meanwhile, on Earth, Admiral Halsey, Admiral Ozawa and Admiral Perry host the Supreme Chancellor and President Alcuzan for a night of Broadway and fine dining. They discuss the upcoming peace treaty and how they hope that showing an allied front against the Kaylon will pre-

vent unrest in the galaxy. The SC wants them to sign the treaty on Krill in their capital.

Next, we see our Orville crew partying it up 1800s-style in the simulation room, which showcases a saloon. Capt. Ed Mercer, Cmdr. Kelly Grayson, Dr. Claire Finn, Lt. Cmdr. Bortus, Lt. Gordon Malloy and Ensign Charly Burke sit around a table while donning cowboy garb. Everyone's drinking.

At the bar, Lt. Cmdr. John LaMarr congratulates newly promoted Lt. Cmdr. Talla Keyali while not-so-secretly flirting with her. I ship them!

Isaac bursts through the saloon double doors with a cowboy hat and fake mustache. He informs Mercer and Grayson that Halsey wishes to chat with them.

Halsey reveals the peace treaty is a done deal, and he wants the Orville to transport the Union delegation to Krill. They'll be the first Union members to set foot on Krill soil.

Next, President Alcuzan, Halsey and the Union delegation arrive on the Orville for transport. Halsey shows Mercer and Grayson footage of Teleya's rally, sparking alarm among the group. However, the Supreme Chancellor seems unfazed by Teleya's rhetoric, citing that he still leads in the polls by a wide margin.

Then, Grayson checks in on Mercer after the Teleya reveal. If you recall, Mercer and Teleya got intimate, and he released her from Union imprisonment. He feels responsible for her rise as a revolutionary. Mercer apologizes to Grayson for not heeding her advice to keep Teleya under lock and key.

Later, Mercer and Burke accompany Halsey, President Alcuzan and Speria Balask to the Krill capital. They meet with the Supreme Chancellor in his quarters while he keeps tabs on the election results. Everyone seems captivated by the surrounding metropolis. It's like stepping into Blade Runner!

Suddenly, the group learns that Teleya won the election by a slim margin, so the SC tries to challenge the results. However, Teleya's lackeys barge into the SC's quarters, promptly arresting him by order of Supreme Chancellor Teleya, even though she hasn't been sworn in yet. It's a bloody coup, y'all.

Teleya's guards also apprehend Mercer and the Union delegation throwing them in a small cell. Meanwhile, on the Orville, the Krill lock in on our vessel, so Grayson orders LaMarr to enact Directive 21. We see more Krill ships appear on behalf of Teleya, and they fire at the Orville.

Next, Teleya executes the Supreme Chancellor while her followers watch, enraptured. Halsey demands to speak with the now-deceased Supreme Chancellor or at least Teleya, but the soldier guarding them refuses to relent.

Burke tells Mercer that they need to persuade the Krill masses that a treaty benefits everyone, especially since the Kaylon will strike the Union when they're most vulnerable, a.k.a. now. Mercer feels it's too late, so they'll have to fight a two-front war.

Supreme Chancellor Teleya calls Mercer to her quarters, revealing she killed her predecessor and beheaded him. Mercer feels betrayed — he thought he "got through" to Teleya, and they saw things eye-to-eye. She plans to execute Mercer in the morning.

Teleya communicates with Grayson and orders the Orville to depart Krill space immediately. She informs Grayson that Mercer and the Union delegates are dead (which isn't true). Grayson refuses to budge. Grayson, Bortus and Keyali check in with Admiral Perry, who reveals he's sending a fleet of Union vessels to help rescue our crew on Krill.

Meanwhile, some guards order Mercer to don a cloak, leading him through the marketplace. He winds up in a mysterious home, which houses none other than he and Teleya's daughter, Anaya. She's half-human, half-Krill. Teleya knows of Anaya's existence and provides monetary assistance, but she never visits her daughter.

There are still those who support the Krill-Union treaty. Mercer's new pals propose he and Teleya introduce Anaya to the Krill people in the hopes that it'll spur them to think differently about the said treaty. Perhaps they'll see that co-existence is possible.

Mercer chats with Anaya under strict orders not to reveal he's her dad. Before he departs, Mercer learns that Teleya spared him, so he returns to her quarters to confront her. Teleya, taken aback by Mercer's presence, demands he leave. She was merely returning the favor since Mercer released her first. Mercer reveals he met Anaya, and we learn the name means "gently falling rain." Title of the episode!

Mercer suggests they show a united front by revealing Anaya to the masses. Peace isn't out of reach. However, Teleya opposes this idea. She changes her mind about sparing Mercer, throwing him back in a cell.

Later, Teleya parades Mercer, President Alcuzan, Halsey, Burke and Speria Balask for all to see, withdrawing her blade to take her first victim for the public execution. She stabs Alcuzan, who falls backward. Suddenly, two Krill guards toss a blinding agent into the air, distracting Teleya and her crew, while they quickly usher Mercer and the others to a ship.

Guess what? It's LaMarr and Dr. Finn, disguised as Krill as per Directive 21. They saved the day! Dr. Finn tends to the president's wound while Burke assists LaMarr with flying them off Krill. We see a flurry of Krill vessels on their tail.

Next, Grayson and the Orville find themselves locked in a brutal battle between the Union fleet and Krill ships. We see Grayson communicating with Admiral Ozawa, who leads her fleet in

the fight. Thankfully, LaMarr and Burke guide their transporter onto the Orville, so the Union fleet quickly enacts quantum drive, making a beeline for Earth.

Later, on Earth, Halsey informs Mercer and Grayson that President Alcuzan will make a full recovery. He plans to address the council that day. The president will leave it up to Mercer to decide if it's prudent to reveal Anaya to the universe to reinstate an alliance with the Krill. Mercer wonders if it might make the little girl's life worse if they put her on a pedestal. Perhaps Teleya will get rid of her.

Mercer tells Grayson that despite his brief time with Anaya, he misses her. Grayson does not doubt Mercer would make a terrific father. She offers to have breakfast with him to cheer him up.

Meanwhile, on Krill, we see Supreme Chancellor Teleya watching Anaya play with her toys, clearly longing to be with her child.

A Tale of Two Topas

Season 3
Episode Number: 31
Season Episode: 5

Originally aired: Thursday June 30, 2022
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Guest Stars: Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Kai Wener (Ty Finn), BJ Tanner (Marcus Finn), Rena Owen (Heveena), Jonathan Adams (Moclan Arbitrator), Antonio D. Charity (Advocate Kagus), Imani Pullum (Topa), Jim Mahoney (Brosk), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Kyra Santoro (Lieutenant Turco), Michael J. Sielaff (Long Necked Officer), Jeffrey Muller (Lieutenant Ha'Bahl), Grifon Aldren (Moclan Tactical Officer), Jude B. Lanston (Moclan Helmsman), Sarah Jane MacKay (Nurse Hopkins), Brian Maillard (Lt. Biggins)
Production Code: 3LAB05
Summary: Kelly helps Topa prepare for the Union Point entrance exam, causing tension with the Moclans.



The episode opens with the USS Orville crew participating in the excavation of a mysterious tomb. Cmdr. Kelly Grayson notices Capt. Ed Mercer scribbling notes in a datapad. He reveals he's essentially leaving a journal for his daughter Anaya.

Ensign Charly Burke and Lt. Cmdr. Talla Keyali usher Mercer and Grayson into the catacombs, revealing they're close to accessing the treasures within, but there's a barrier. Thankfully, Isaac takes one for the team and subjects himself to the Indiana Jones-esque booby

trap guarding the tomb's entrance.

Next, Isaac leads the crew into a massive room chock full of priceless artifacts. While on the Orville, we learn about the Hemblicite Empire, a civilization akin to ancient Egypt that fell 50,000 years ago. Like the Egyptians, the Hemblicites buried their greatest treasures with their rulers.

Meanwhile, Topa partakes in a simulated battle with the Kaylons. Topa sits in the captain's chair, doling out orders assuredly to an all-Moclan crew. Unfortunately, the Kaylons destroy Topa's vessel.

Then, Grayson enters the simulator for a session, taken aback to find Topa there. She learns about Topa's desire to become a Union officer, hence the simulated space battle training. Grayson volunteers to assist Topa in studying for the Union Point entrance exam.

Later, Topa shadows Grayson while she oversees the daily operations aboard the ship, from having an awkward conversation with a Belkarian officer regarding his lack of adherence to the uniform protocol to granting Lt. Cmdr. John LaMarr clearance for a power allocation.

Topa asks Grayson why she joined the Union. When Grayson inquires the same of Topa, the latter reveals an internal identity crisis, from early childhood to the present. Topa has never

felt comfortable physically, and we, as an audience, know why that is — the surgical alteration performed on Topa as a child.

Grayson approaches Mercer and Dr. Claire Finn for advice. While Grayson doesn't feel it's her place to reveal what happened to Topa, she feels they can't deny Topa's emotional turmoil. Mercer believes it's time to chat with Bortus.

So, Grayson sits with Lt. Cmdr. Bortus and Klyden for dinner. She broaches the subject, knowing it's inappropriate to address in Moclan culture. Klyden vehemently objects while Bortus is willing to listen intently. Grayson expresses her concerns about Topa's emotional well-being. Klyden orders her to leave, claiming she "overstayed" her welcome.

After she departs, Bortus and Klyden argue about whether they should disclose Topa's operation or leave their child in the dark. Klyden, born female, advocates for ignorance, claiming that it'll save Topa emotional distress down the line. However, Bortus believes they should be honest with their kid.

Later, Topa enters Grayson's office, and Grayson notes Topa's tardiness for their training session. Topa informs her that Klyden won't allow them to train together anymore. Topa must shadow Mercer to study for the entrance exam. While Topa respects Mercer, Grayson and Topa share a deeper connection.

Topa asks Isaac in engineering to describe what "deactivation" felt like and whether he was unhappy with the crew reviving him. Isaac reports this interaction to Grayson, noting Topa's unhappiness and potential suicidal ideation.

Grayson approaches Topa in the dining quarters and reveals her self-care regimen whenever she doubts herself — a slice of Kimbok cake. She encourages Topa to explore the various styles of Kimbok the food synthesizers can offer.

Later, Topa searches the database for Kimbok, finding 41 variations of the Moclan delicacy. However, Topa also discovers a coded file with the same designation. After failing to gain access, a password inexplicably flashes across the screen, which Topa uses to open the said file.

While Grayson asks Dr. Finn if subtly dropping that Kimbok hint to Topa was an overstep, Klyden tells Bortus that Topa missed a Grand Latchkum. Bortus and Klyden find Topa sitting in their quarters. Topa confronts the pair regarding a life-changing discovery. After asking why they withheld the surgical alteration, Klyden tries to deny it ever happened. Bortus reveals they didn't feel it was necessary to disclose it to Topa.

Topa, rightfully enraged, scolds the duo for lying while Klyden storms out.

Klyden confronts Grayson, laying the blame on her shoulders. Now Topa knows about being born female and, like Klyden, will have to live with that information forever. The argument between the two escalates, with Klyden attempting to strike Grayson. Grayson quickly restrains him, threatening that if he tries to attack her again, she'll remove his arm and mount it on her wall. Cmdr. Kelly Grayson is a bona fide badass, and don't you forget it!

Next, Bortus chats with Grayson after revealing that Topa refuses to talk to him. Grayson apologizes for getting involved, but Bortus informs her that he sent Topa the password to the coded file. Bortus tearfully admits he didn't want to conceal this from Topa any longer, so he gave his child the ammunition needed to learn the truth.

Later, we learn Topa is chatting with Dr. Finn, so Grayson attempts to lend a hand. Topa feels at a loss, unsure of the next step. Topa's never met a female Moclan before, so Grayson unlocks the simulation from the Moclan trial in Season 1, wherein Heveena delivers a moving speech in support of allowing Topa to live as a female. Topa watches, captivated, with eyes full of tears.

Then, Grayson meets with Mercer, Dr. Finn, Bortus and Klyden to brainstorm a solution to Topa's unhappiness. Grayson, Mercer and Dr. Finn propose they undo the procedure performed on Topa as a baby. This reversal will allow Topa to live as her true self.

Expectedly, Klyden objects while Bortus gives his consent for Dr. Finn to perform the procedure. Mercer states that despite Topa's age, only one parent needs to offer support. That said, there's another issue at hand.

Mercer, Grayson, Dr. Finn and Bortus chat with Admiral Howland, who reveals a ton of red tape to overcome for such a procedure. Yes, it defies Moclan custom despite it being legal.

If the team goes through with this, it could jeopardize relations with Moclus and lead to their withdrawal from the Union, making everyone more vulnerable to Kaylon (and Krill) attacks. Plus, the Union relies on Moclus for weapons distribution. Between a rock and a hard place, right?

Admiral Howland denies the Orville's request for the procedure, especially since Dr. Finn is a Union officer. Bortus and Grayson break the news to a distraught Topa, who's tired of governing bodies playing god with her body. Amen to that, sister. We all want bodily autonomy.

So, while the team continues their work at the Hemblicite tomb, Dr. Finn proposes she resign from the Union so that she can perform the reversal on Topa. Grayson and Mercer object, citing that this makes her a sitting duck for the Moclans and will ruin the professional career she's spent decades cultivating. Thankfully, Isaac steps in with a better plan. He can do the procedure on Topa, so long as Dr. Finn offers a few pointers.

Mercer and Grayson cover their tracks by stating they "disagree" with this offer while ensuring that a ship-wide event keeps crew members from entering the sick bay during the surgery.

Meanwhile, Bortus finally performs on stage in front of his peers, with Ty Finn, Dr. Finn's son, accompanying him on the piano. We get to hear Bortus sing, y'all! Bortus stands with his hands clasped in front of him as if in a choir, and it's hysterical.

With the vessel empty, Isaac ushers Topa into the sick bay, but before Topa can remove any clothing, Klyden tries to prevent the procedure from commencing. Isaac bars Klyden from taking his daughter and boots him out.

In an incredibly moving scene, Bortus sings "You'll Never Walk Alone" from Carousel. We see Topa wake after the procedure as she walks about the sick bay. She gazes at herself in the mirror and grins.

Later, the USS Newton arrives to finish excavating and transporting the Hemblicite artifacts. Admiral Howland confronts Mercer and Grayson regarding the procedure, chastising them for flagrantly disobeying a command from a superior officer.

However, the Moclans will not withdraw from the Union, now feeling emboldened in their quest to overpower the Kaylon since Isaac performed the procedure. Mercer and Grayson claim they didn't know Isaac would do such a thing.

Before departing, Howland asks them to pass along her congratulations to the "Moclan girl." Something tells me the admiral secretly supports what they did. Meanwhile, Bortus and Topa watch while Klyden packs his belongings. He threatened to leave Bortus if Topa gets the procedure, so he's keeping his word. He tells Topa he wishes she was never born.

After Klyden leaves, Bortus turns to his daughter, reassuring Topa that she's perfect.

Dr. Finn learns why Isaac suggested performing the reversal on Topa — he wanted the crew to like him again. See, even robots have feelings! She asks Isaac out on a date. Perhaps they can try the dating thing again.

Grayson calls Topa onto the bridge while she enjoys a piece of Kimbok. Mercer offers his chair to her, allowing Topa to captain the crew as they fly away. Bortus and Grayson watch with swelling pride as Topa, beaming, orders Lt. Gordon Malloy to "engage quantum drive."

Twice in a Lifetime

Season 3

Episode Number: 32

Season Episode: 6

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Guest Stars:	Ted Danson (Admiral Perry), Andy Milder (Ensign Bolobar), Kelly Hu (Admiral Ozawa), Graham Hamilton (Kaylon), Jim Mahoney (Brosk), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Leighton Meester (Laura Huggins), Kyra Santoro (Lt. Turco), Michael J. Sielaff (Palovis), Jeffrey Muller (Lt. Ha'Bahl), Sarah Jane MacKay (Nurse Hopkins), Michael Andrew Baker (Worker), Ida Anderson (Worker #2), Jackson Hill (Edward), Ryan O'Flanagan (Biker #1), Diego Amarosa (Biker #2), Cazzey Louis Cereghino (Richie), Renee Pezzotta (Realtor), Brian Maillard (Lt. Biggins), Henri Lubatti (Kaylon (voice))
Production Code:	3LAB06
Summary:	The crew must rescue Gordon from a distant yet familiar world.



The episode opens with Lt. Gordon Malloy hosting a party aboard the U.S.S. Orville. He entertains his guests with a cover of Jimmy Webb's "That's All I've Got to Say." We heard Leighton Meester's Laura Huggins in "Lasting Impressions" from Season 2. Admittedly, Grimes' vocals are nothing short of swoon-worthy. Side note: when are we getting a duet with him and Seth MacFarlane on the show?

After his performance, Malloy shows Ensign Charly Burke Laura's cellphone they uncovered from the 2015 time cap-

sule. Well, a copy of it, anyway. Isaac seeks advice from Lt. Cmdr. John LaMarr regarding how to approach Burke, who continues to give him the cold shoulder.

While explaining what a selfie is to Burke, Malloy invites Lt. Cmdr. Bortus to join them for said selfie. Bortus pastes on the most uncomfortable smile I've ever seen, and it's hysterical.

Later, LaMarr and Isaac show Capt. Ed Mercer and Cmdr. Kelly Grayson the updates they made to the Aronov device. LaMarr utilizes Malloy's sandwich to showcase what the machine can do by sending it a few seconds back in time and forward three months.

Next, Mercer and Grayson update Admiral Perry regarding the advanced Aronov device. Perry plans to send a convoy to escort the Orville to the maximum-security research station on Sabik Three. The key is to ensure this device doesn't fall into the hands of the Kaylon or the Krill. Time travel is still relatively uncharted territory at this point.

The Orville arrives with the convoy at the research station; however, they find only debris in its place. Admiral Ozawa reveals the Kaylon took decisive action after discovering our heroes had the Aronov device. We see Kaylon vessels approaching, and a brief skirmish between the Union

and Kaylon unfurls. Admiral Ozawa orders the fleet to retreat, but the Kaylon hail the Orville and demand Mercer hand over the Aronov device.

So, Malloy volunteers to destroy the device while the Kaylon lock a tractor beam on the ship to board. While the crew uses the quantum core to overload the deflectors, Malloy shoots at the Aronov device and quickly vanishes. Meanwhile, Burke pilots the vessel out of harm's way.

Next, the gang realizes Malloy's missing, but they can't find traces of organic matter in the device or his presence on the ship. Isaac detects a transmission Malloy sent from 2015. Uh-oh.

LaMarr and Isaac show the group an obituary for Malloy, who perished on Earth in 2068 at the ripe old age of 96. Everyone wonders why he has an obituary to begin with — Union officers must swear to fly under the radar if they become trapped in a different time. They must do everything possible not to leave a temporal footprint or alter the timeline.

LaMarr believes they can Malloy by utilizing the coordinates he sent with his transmission and the upgraded Aronov device. However, LaMarr warns it will strain the quantum drive significantly. Isaac oversees the time jump, and the Orville leaps 400 years into the past.

Unfortunately, they arrive in 2025, not 2015, meaning Malloy already spent a decade in the 21st century. Nevertheless, Mercer hopes to rescue Malloy now and worry about that later. Isaac suggests they remove the undiscovered dysonium in Earth's core to replenish their systems so they can get home.

Thus, Isaac uses a holographic generator to change his appearance. He looks human, as in "A Happy Refrain" from Season 2. Burke, Mercer and Grayson accompany him in a shuttle bound for Earth.

While flying into what appears to be Los Angeles, Isaac attempts to make small talk with Burke by asking her if she likes sports. Naturally, Burke appears bewildered by the unexpected question.

Later, the quarter splits into pairs — Mercer and Grayson track down Malloy while Burke and Isaac search for the optimal drilling spot to extract dysonium for the ship.

Grayson and Mercer find Malloy at an airport. He's a commercial pilot, a fitting 21st-century profession for him. A shocked Malloy can't believe they finally came for him after 10 years in 2025. Malloy drives them to his house (his license plate says "Oville") and introduces them to his wife, Laura Huggins, and his son, Edward. We see Laura is also pregnant.

Of course, Mercer and Grayson recognize Laura from Malloy's simulation on the Orville.

Meanwhile, Burke and Isaac encounter a biker bar after Isaac locates the dysonium drilling location. Burke notices the bevy of motorcycles parked in front of the establishment. So, she stages a bet with one of the bikers. She can steal a bike if Isaac bests their strongest guy in an arm-wrestling match. However, if the biker man wins, then, well, let's face it — Isaac will win.

Naturally, Isaac prevails, much to the dismay of the bikers. We see Burke and Isaac speed away on motorcycles toward their final destination. I never thought I'd see the day when a human-looking Isaac would ride a bike.

Next, Mercer and Grayson have lunch with Malloy and Laura as they recount how they met. Lt. Cmdr. Talla Keyali helps LaMarr with a knot in his back, which yields naughty noises, along with some bewildered glances from crew members. This massage session transforms into a makeout sesh as LaMarr and Keyali get their smooch on. Remember when I said I shipped this pairing? I still do.

Then, Mercer and Grayson pull Malloy aside for an honest chat. Malloy refuses to go home, even though he's broken countless temporal laws. Mercer threatens to snatch up Malloy against his will and throw him in the brig for insubordination. Malloy's superior officers remind him that he took an oath not to interfere with any timeline.

Malloy discloses that he waited three years for the Orville to save him. He camped out in a cabin, never leaving, and killed animals with the gun he had in his hand when he vanished. It was torturous for him. So, Malloy gave up on his crew finding him and ventured out into the world, accepting that this was his new reality.

Laura overhears the conversation, and Malloy orders Grayson and Mercer to leave. Grimes gives a powerful performance here.

Malloy lays it bare for Laura, and she doesn't seem surprised. Laura reveals she always thought Malloy was "different," so discovering he's from another timeline doesn't shock her. Malloy vows not to leave her side and the family they're cultivating. He fell in love with her 300 years after she died, and now they're together. Admittedly, I'm convinced. I'm Team Malloy/Laura.

Meanwhile, Isaac and Burke arrive at an empty house in a residential neighborhood. The realtor responsible for it mistakes them for a couple, giving them a tour of the property. Burke asks to see the basement and then claims she must discuss this potential purchase with Isaac in private.

We see the pair probe for dysonium; thankfully, they hit the jackpot. Isaac thanks Burke for reactivating him and, as per human custom, expects a "you're welcome" in return. Burke explains why she struggles to forgive him. Remember her best friend, Amanda? Well, Burke was in love with Amanda. She never got the opportunity to confess her feelings to Amanda. Burke reveals she could envision them growing old together, but now that dream will never come to fruition.

Next, Malloy, Laura and Edward are watching TV on the couch. They're watching a sitcom starring Jack McBrayer and Johnny Knoxville in what appears to be a version of *The Odd Couple*. Mercer, Grayson and Keyali barge into the living room. It's abundantly clear that Keyali, the Xelayan, is there to provide the muscle.

They urge Malloy to accompany them. Keyali will forcefully transport him back to the Orville if necessary. Malloy refuses to leave without his family, but Mercer and Grayson remind him that they cannot return to their timeline. Malloy procures his stun gun and threatens to shoot them, while Mercer gets the idea to utilize the newly acquired dysonium to go to 2015 to retrieve Malloy before he meets Laura.

After Mercer, Grayson and Keyali depart, Malloy kisses Laura and embraces his family, vowing always to love them.

Mercer and the crew utilize Malloy's 2015 coordinates, the Aronov device and their new dysonium reserves to arrive in the correct time frame. Instead of spending a decade on Earth, Malloy only spent one month in a solitary cabin. Of course, he doesn't recall anything from his time with Laura because that hasn't happened yet.

After retrieving Malloy, we see the Aronov device looking worse for the wear. So, how will our heroes get home? LaMarr suggests they remove the quantum field and fly the ship as close to the speed of light as possible to travel 400 years into the future. I love that LaMarr gets to flex his advanced intellect in this episode. I'm smitten. John LaMarr's got it all!

So, LaMarr's plan works in a breathtaking sequence that proves why *The Orville* moving to Hulu is the best choice the show made. Look at the fruits of a bigger budget!

Finally, our crew lands in the correct timeline and docks at the station for some repairs.

Later, Mercer and Grayson have drinks with Malloy and reveal what happened. Mercer and Grayson feel terrible for essentially plucking Malloy from a well-established family life, but Malloy doesn't blame them for doing the right thing. He commends them for prioritizing duty above all else and apologizes for his behavior in 2025. I thought he might be angry that he's missing out on a life with Laura. Good ole Malloy.

From Unknown Graves

Season 3

Episode Number: 33

Season Episode: 7

Originally aired:	Thursday July 14, 2022
Writer:	David A. Goodman
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Show Stars:	Seth MacFarlane (Capt. Ed Mercer), Adrienne Palicki (Cmdr. Kelly Grayson), Penny Johnson Jerald (Dr. Claire Finn), Scott Grimes (Lt. Gordon Malloy), Peter Macon (Lt. Cmdr. Bortus), J. Lee (Lt. John LaMarr), Mark Jackson (Isaac), Jessica Szohr (Lt. Talla Keyali), Anne Winters (Ensign Charly Burke)
Guest Stars:	Victor Garber (Admiral Halsey), Jim Mahoney (Brosk), Eliza Taylor (Doctor Villka), Sophina Brown (Captain Losh), Christopher Larkin (Timmis), Graham Hamilton (K-1), William R. Moses (Yan), Scott Speiser (Verell), Elyse Levesque (Wenda), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Paige Herschell (First Lt. Hodell), Aidan McGraw (Avim), Sarah Jane MacKay (Nurse Hopkins), Staci Lawrence (Junior Executive), Chad Davis (Waiter), Sara Gazarek (Jazz Singer), Kyra Santoro (Lt. Turco), Stephanie Drapeau (First Officer Kava), Frances McGill (Keena), Brooke Burgstahler (Ensign Woman), Shanice Lynn (Claire's Niece)
Production Code:	3LAB07
Summary:	The Orville discovers a Kaylon with a very special ability.



The episode opens with a family ushering K-1 into their household — a Kaylon to cater to their every whim. We're, presumably, seeing a flashback to a time before the Kaylon uprising against the Builders.

Meanwhile, Lt. Cmdr. John LaMarr and Lt. Cmdr. Talla Keyali are making whoopee. Unfortunately, LaMarr emerges scathed, and he rushes to the sick bay.

Dr. Claire Finn cautions LaMarr against continuing his rigorous "exercise" regimen in the simulation room, as that's the excuse LaMarr gives her. Hey, there's

no shame in having sex with a Xelayan!

Then, Claire and Isaac have dinner in the simulation room. Isaac resumes his "human" appearance. It's always lovely to see Mark Jackson as himself onscreen. The pair discuss their relationship while Isaac genuinely tries to comprehend the nuances of biological flirtation.

Later, Capt. Ed Mercer, Cmdr. Kelly Grayson, Lt. Cmdr. Bortus, Lt. Gordon Malloy, LaMarr, Keyali, Claire, Isaac and Ensign Charly Burke assemble to discuss a potential alliance with the Janisi. The Janisi, much like the Moclans, heavily favor one specific gender. The Janisi believe men are vastly inferior to women. Not only that, but the Janisi won't ally themselves with anyone unless their views align with the Janisi moral code.

Thus, the team decides to have the women pose as the main crew, i.e., Grayson as the captain, Keyali as the commander, etc., while the men serve beneath them. Once the Janisi warm up to the idea of allying to create a united front against the Kaylon and Krill, Mercer will reveal he's the captain.

So, Grayson, Keyali, Claire and Charly greet Capt. Losha, First Lt. Hodell and First Officer Kava after their shuttle docks on the Orville. Meanwhile, Mercer and Malloy see to the Janisi's luggage, of which there is a ton. This moment blesses us with some of The Orville's signature slapstick comedy as Mercer and Malloy struggle to carry said luggage.

Next, we see our team converge on the bridge while the Janisi delegates settle in their quarters. Mercer sits in the captain's chair out of habit, but Grayson reminds him they must uphold the ruse for the Janisi, which yields more fun comedic moments. I love when everyone slowly turns to stare at Bortus before he departs. The Janisi might not take too kindly to a Moclan among the crew.

Isaac picks up signs of life from the nearby planet. Everyone finds this peculiar since it's purportedly deserted. Mercer, Malloy, Bortus and Charly take a shuttle to the surface to determine who's there.

Meanwhile, we return to the flashback from the beginning of the episode with the K-1 and the family he serves. The K-1 questions every demand thrown at him, much to the patriarch of the family's annoyance. He vows to contact the company from which he obtained the K-1.

Then, our quartet arrives on the planet and encounters a seemingly desolate ship. However, a Kaylon named Timmis and a woman named Dr. Villka emerge, startling the crew. Of course, they distrust Timmis, and rightfully so, but Dr. Villka insists he won't harm them. Why? Because she gave Timmis the ability to have emotions despite being a Kaylon.

Mercer and the group escort Timmis and Villka back to the vessel. Timmis expresses genuine remorse for the violence and havoc wreaked by the Kaylon in the war. LaMarr geeks out over Villka's innovative, revolutionary work. A Kaylon that can feel is quite an asset.

While Charly gives the Janisi a tour of the ship, LaMarr pulls Keyali aside to ask her why she's avoiding him. Keyali believes they should end their relationship before she critically harms him. As a Xelayan, it's difficult for her to control herself during sex. LaMarr urges her to reconsider. They harbor a deep connection, so why not explore that? They'll have to exercise caution.

Later, we return to the K-1 and the family he serves. The K-1 achieves consciousness and wonders why he must cater to the family's every demand. After the patriarch orders the K-1 to power down, we're back in the present, with Isaac and Timmis formally meeting. Timmis tries to persuade Isaac to consider undergoing the same procedure Villka performed on him. Timmis believes it's vital to experience the full breadth of the emotional spectrum.

Meanwhile, LaMarr injures himself again during intercourse with Keyali. Isaac helps him to the sick bay, where a furious Claire demands to know the truth. The "workout program" excuse won't fly this time.

Then, we're at the company's headquarters that sells the Kaylon models. They've received 53,000 complaints from customers regarding models that refuse to follow orders and talk back. However, the CEO refuses to recall them, citing that it could tank the company. That's not ethically sound, dude.

Next, Grayson hosts a dinner with the Janisi. Mercer and the men are present, but Grayson reminds them that they must not speak unless the women address them. Through this dinner, the Janisi discover the truth — Mercer runs the show. An infuriated Capt. Losha cannot believe they'd try to curry favor via lies and storms out, unwilling to consider an alliance.

Villka and Timmis chat with Charly about the backstory of the Kaylon. Timmis offers his condolences to Charly regarding the loss of her friend (well, her love). He delves into the history between the Kaylon and their Builders. The Builders constructed the Kaylon to work as their slaves, utilizing pain receptors in their neural pathways to keep them in line. Of course, the Kaylon retaliated against their masters, refusing to succumb to enslavement any longer.

While Timmis gives Charly a Kaylon history lesson, we revisit the K-1, who's now on the receiving end of cruelty inflicted on him by that family. They incessantly use the pain receptors on him for no reason other than torment. Finally, he hits his breaking point, and we see him kill the whole family, culminating in the start of the Kaylon uprising.

Then, we see our crew discuss relationships and love. Claire and Grayson chat about Isaac. Claire would love for Isaac to consider undergoing Villka's procedure. She feels she's doing emotional labor for both of them since he's incapable of feeling emotions. Grayson advises Claire to be transparent with Isaac — tell him what she needs.

LaMarr vents to Malloy about his relationship with Keyali. Malloy suggests they take sex out of the equation, but LaMarr craves that physical intimacy. He observes that he and Isaac have

what the other one needs. Isaac needs the love LaMarr shares with Keyali, while LaMarr wants the sex Isaac gets without, you know, winding up in the sick bay.

Later, Keyali sobs in bed next to a battered and bloody LaMarr post-coitus. LaMarr heads to the sick bay once again and agrees with Keyali that perhaps it's time to end things. Oh no! I like these two together!

Isaac approaches Villka and Timmis, informing them about his desire to undergo the procedure. Meanwhile, Grayson finds a loophole to win the Janisi over to their side. When Janisi get married, men aren't allowed to commit adultery, but women can take on multiple partners.

So, Grayson and Mercer sit with Losha, Hodell and Kava in a last-ditch effort to negotiate an alliance. Grayson reveals she cheated on Mercer when they were married. However, Mercer claims he wouldn't want anyone else serving as his first officer. Despite the infidelity, they enjoy working together. Losha appears to reconsider the prospect of an alliance, disclosing that she wouldn't turn away a Union delegate should they visit the Janisi homeworld.

Claire finds a package outside her door containing an invitation to dinner and a gorgeous dress. Seriously, I would wear that dress today. Plus, she looks stunning in it. Claire meets Isaac for dinner to discover he went through with the procedure. He's completely different here. Isaac expresses the depth of his love for her, and the pair share a smooch. He doesn't regret experiencing the entire emotional spectrum, either. Jackson knocks it out of the park in this scene. They even share a dance, which, admittedly, is sexy as hell.

Unfortunately, something within Isaac malfunctions, and he loses his ability to feel. Claire brings Isaac before Villka, Timmis and LaMarr, hoping to remedy the issue. We learn the only reason the procedure was successful for Timmis is that he's an original Kaylon model created by the Builders. Isaac came about after the uprising, crafted by the Kaylon.

They could reestablish his emotional core, which would require a memory wipe. Isaac places the decision on Claire. While he doesn't recall what he did/said during his date with Claire, he remembers how the procedure made her react. Claire tearfully declares that she won't force him to change his personality for her. It's so heartbreaking.

Later, Charly approaches Isaac, who's hard at work. She apologizes to Isaac for giving him the cold shoulder, revealing her understanding of Kaylon history. Isaac accepts her apology and, despite claiming he didn't need her assistance, he allows it anyway.

Midnight Blue

Season 3
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Guest Stars: Victor Garber (Admiral Halsey), Bruce Boxleitner (President Alcuza), Kelly Hu (Admiral Ozawa), Rena Owen (Heveena), Andi Chapman (Admiral Howland), Wren T. Brown (Captain Rechik), Imani Pullum (Topa), Lisa Banes (Speria Balask), Mike Henry (Dann), Jim Mahoney (Brosk), Mark Berry (Commander Kodon), Yvonne Senat Jones (Osaia), Noshir Dalal (Inquisitor), Norm MacDonald (Yaphit (voice)), Dolly Parton (Dolly Parton), Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Mia Moore (Moclan Girl), Henry Frost III (Moclan Soldier #2), Jaylen Davis (Moclan), Frederick Falk (Delegate), Corinne van den Heuvel (Ensign)
Production Code: 3LAB08
Summary: The crew visit Heveena's sanctuary world and embark on a journey that may leave the Union more vulnerable.



The episode opens with Cmdr. Kelly Grayson and Lt. Cmdr. Bortus sharing a few drinks. Bortus laments the absence of Klyden and how difficult it is to parent a child. He discloses that Topa has a crush on a boy, but she refuses to confide in him. Bortus asks Grayson if she'll chat with Topa.

Next, Grayson reassures Topa that she has a confidant in the former. Topa reveals her infatuation but doesn't know how to read the often perplexing signals from boys. Grayson encourages Topa to

share her feelings with this boy.

We see the boy in question is none other than Lt. Gordon Malloy, who doesn't seem to pick up on Topa's crush despite the group around him catching on instantly. Malloy reveals that he sees Topa as a little sister, which isn't the answer one wants to hear.

Later, Admiral Halsey divulges a private mission to Capt. Ed Mercer, Grayson and Bortus. The Moclans are visiting Heveena's sanctuary to ensure she's abiding by their agreement. Halsey suggests the Union send a few representatives to Heveena's world to make sure the Moclans aren't being self-righteous a-holes. He proposes Grayson and Bortus for the task.

Then, Topa asks Bortus and Grayson if she can accompany them to Heveena's planet. She's never met a female Moclan before. While Bortus appears apprehensive, Grayson urges Bortus to give his permission, citing that it could be a life-altering journey for Topa.

We see Bortus, Grayson and Topa land on Heveena's planet to a trio of Moclan soldiers led by Cmdr. Kodon. Kodon claims they surveyed the area and found it within the terms of the Union-Moclan agreement. He invites Grayson and Bortus to commence their investigation. However,

when he spots Topa, he accuses our crew of smuggling another Moclan female into the sanctuary, which Heveena isn't supposed to do.

Next, Topa meets Heveena, who offers to show Topa around her quarters and answer any questions the young Moclan might have. They discuss the inspirational goddess Dolly Parton, the patron saint of female Moclans everywhere. Heveena apologizes for "failing" Topa regarding the trial on Moclus when Topa was a baby.

That evening, Grayson, Bortus and Topa join Heveena and the others for dinner by the light of two dazzling moons. We hear a delightful instrumental version of "Jolene." When can I move to this planet?

Topa admires the luminites alongside Heveena, who reveals that, occasionally, one can spot the rare blue luminite among the rest. Heveena discloses her dangerous mission to Topa. She's still transporting female infants from Moclus, violating her agreement with the Union and Moclus. Heveena asks Topa to become their point of contact since she resides on a Union vessel. Topa can assist by smuggling babies on the Orville. Topa heartily agrees to this.

Later, Topa sees a blue luminite and follows it deep into the forest. Suddenly, a Moclan soldier kidnaps her, throwing her onto Kodon's shuttle. The shuttle departs in a flurry.

Then, Bortus, Grayson, Heveena and the others embark on a massive hunt for Topa. Grayson finds a necklace Heveena gave Topa. Heveena doesn't divulge the nature of her chat with Topa for fear that her violation will jeopardize her mission. Bortus and Grayson flee and decide to track Kodon's shuttle themselves without returning to the Orville.

Meanwhile, we see Topa sitting aboard Kodon's vessel. She demands to speak with Bortus, but Kodon refuses, mocking her for her "cowardice."

Mercer and Lt Cmdr. Talla Keyali chat with Heveena aboard the Orville, who remains tight-lipped regarding Topa's disappearance. Mercer also cannot communicate with Bortus and Grayson, putting him on edge. Once Keyali departs, Mercer asks Heveena to tell him the truth. She reveals her continued mission to save Moclan females and how she enlisted Topa to help. Mercer, irate, chastises Heveena for putting a child in danger.

Later, Mercer, Keyali and Heveena talk to Admiral Halsey, who believes their best option is for Heveena to testify before the Union Council. Heveena must admit she violated their agreement and provide irrefutable evidence that Cmdr. Kodon kidnapped Topa. Unfortunately, Heveena resolutely refuses, citing that Moclus will retaliate against her and destroy the sanctuary.

So, Mercer pulls out all the stops to persuade Heveena. He invites her to the simulator, wherein Heveena enters a quaint mountain cabin. We see the Dolly Parton make her grand entrance. The Queen of Country! Gobsmailed, Heveena receives much-needed advice from our sage country goddess regarding her dilemma. This scene makes me so giddy.

Heveena tells Mercer she'll testify before the Union Council, so he sets a course for Earth. Meanwhile, one formidable Moclan soldier tortures Topa for information. They believe Heveena is communicating with a traitor on Moclus, so the torturer demands to know the informant's name. Topa refuses to relent, so the Moclan soldier inflicts his first wound.

Grayson and Bortus arrive on a desolate planet after tailing Kodon's vessel. Heveena provides testimony before the Union Council, admitting to her agreement violation. President Alcuzan advises the Union launch a full investigation into this so that they can bring Topa home. However, the Moclan delegates claim innocence, believing Heveena's violation to be the more significant crime.

Next, Bortus and Grayson reach the base wherein Topa is captive. Grayson injures her shoulder when attempting to jump across a chasm. Bortus heals her torn ligament, and the pair discuss Grayson's role in the Bortus/Topa family. Bortus thanks Grayson for taking Topa under her wing and insists she's family now. A lingering moment between these two almost made me believe they would kiss. But the show doesn't go there, and the duo continues their trek toward the base.

Bortus and Grayson breach the base, engaging in a shoot-off with the Moclan soldiers. Meanwhile, Topa suffers significant torture at the hands of the scary Moclan dude. Kodon enters after Topa reveals the traitor's name, but we don't hear who that is. Kodon instructs the torturer to kill Topa. Thankfully, Bortus and Grayson arrive in time to save her.

Bortus, enraged, beats the ever-loving snot out of the torturer. We love a caring and loving daddy who would throttle necks to protect his baby.

Then, our trio narrowly escapes the planet as Kodon and his forces tail them. Fortunately, Bortus provides critical insight into hitting the Moclans where it hurts. On Earth, Halsey, Mercer and the others sit with the Moclans delegates to reach a compromise. However, Malloy, who observes from the sidelines, gives his two cents. He's tired of the Union bowing down to the a-holes at every turn because they might lose their defensive posture against the Kaylon. Someone might get court-martialed!

Later, the Moclans delegates accuse the Union of siding with Heveena and claim they have no evidence that Kodon kidnapped Topa. Suddenly, Bortus, Grayson and Topa enter the council chambers to the collective gasps of those around them. Bortus and Grayson explain Topa's ordeal and that Moclans tortured her.

We see every council member save the Moclans stand in support of Topa. It's an emotionally-charged and heartwarming moment.

Next, Heveena apologizes profusely to Bortus for putting his daughter in danger and claims she expects zero forgiveness on his part. A fair assumption. Mercer doles out coffee for a shaken Grayson. Admiral Halsey reveals the Union will part ways with Moclus. It's time to sever ties, and the voting was unanimous. Additionally, the Union will recognize Heveena's planet as a sovereign state and place it under their protection.

Back aboard the Orville, Dr. Claire Finn tends to Topa's wounds and runs some tests. Keyali brings an unexpected visitor into the sick bay — Klyden. Klyden boarded the first transport shuttle he could when he learned of Topa's kidnapping. Klyden reconnects with Topa and tearfully apologizes for turning his back on her. Klyden admits he's proud to have Topa for a daughter. Topa forgives her papa.

Good grief, this scene has me bawling like a baby. What a powerful, gut-wrenching moment, with a tremendous turn from Coleman.

Later, Bortus, Klyden and Topa have dinner in their quarters. Grayson informs them they'll leave Earth's orbit shortly. Bortus and Klyden have renounced their Moclans citizenship, declaring the Orville to be their home now. Klyden thanks Grayson for saving his daughter and invites the commander to have dinner with them. It's such a heartwarming, gratifying gesture. Klyden's changed for the better.

Domino

Season 3

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Guest Stars:	Chad L. Coleman (Klyden), Victor Garber (Admiral Halsey), Ted Danson (Admiral Perry), Bruce Boxleitner (President Alcuzan), BJ Tanner (Marcus Finn), Kai Wener (Ty Finn), Michaela McManus (Teleya), Andy Milder (Ensign Bolobar), Kelly Hu (Admiral Ozawa), Graham Hamilton (Kaylon), Regi Davis (Dr. Kalba), Wren T. Brown (Captain Rechik), Nick Chinlund (Captain Dalak), Imani Pullum (Topa), Robert David Grant (Kaylon Secondary), Lisa Banes (Speria Balask), Michael J. Sielaff (Palovis), Jeffrey Muller (Lt. Ha'Bahl), Jay Whittaker (Kaylon Tertiary), Sarah Jane MacKay (Nurse Hopkins), Neiko Neal (Moclan Technician), Jason Griffith (Krill Soldier), Eddie Blackwell Williams (Union Guard #1), Donovan Patton (Security Officer), Thomas Steven Varga (Krill Crewman), Stephen Blackehart (Krill Guard)
Production Code:	3LAB09
Summary:	The creation of a powerful weapon puts the crew — and the entire Union — in a political and ethical dilemma.



The episode opens on Krill with Chancellor Teleya engaged in a meeting with Moclan delegates. Moclus proposes an alliance with the Krill, especially as a formidable front against the growing Kaylon threat. Teleya will only consider the proposal if it's an equal partnership — no gender politics here. A Moclan-Krill alliance could spell danger for the Union.

Meanwhile, the Union squares off against the Kaylon near Xelaya. We see Capt. Ed Mercer and his crew join a bevy of Union vessels to fight the Kaylon.

Isaac, Ensign Charly Burke and Lt. Cmdr. John LaMarr oversee a powerful device that can target the Kaylon's weakness.

Suddenly, the weapon detonates, instantly destroying all Kaylon ships surrounding the Union vessels. Success! Later, Mercer, Cmdr. Kelly Grayson, Burke and Isaac meet with Admirals Halsey, Ozawa and Perry on Earth. They discuss the capabilities of the Kaylon-eradicating device. Burke insists they can upgrade said device to incinerate all Kaylon instantaneously.

Mercer questions the ethics of committing species genocide. Halsey asserts that the Union Council will meet to debate the next step regarding whether they should utilize the device to wipe out the Kaylon for good or hold onto it.

Then, Burke, Lt. Gordon Malloy, LaMarr and Lt. Cmdr. Talla Keyali debate the ethical merits of playing God. Burke is Team Kill Them All, while LaMarr and Keyali fear such a move will set a terrifying precedent for the future. Plus, it goes against the Union's moral code.

Next, Halsey informs Mercer and Grayson regarding the council's decision. After a tense, heated debate, they've decided to utilize the device as a bargaining chip. They'll disclose its existence to the Kaylon and threaten to use it if necessary if the latter doesn't agree to stop the violence.

Later, Halsey accompanies the Orville as they attempt to approach Kaylon. The Kaylon Primary grants them access to the homeworld. Of course, our crew used the Kaylon-killing device on the vessels surrounding the planet as an example.

Once on Kaylon, Halsey gives the Kaylon Primary an ultimatum: either the Kaylon cease the violence, or the Union wipes them out with the device. KP agrees to the terms, and we see an armistice between the two parties on the horizon.

Then, our gang returns to Earth to celebrate their success. They saved the universe! Malloy and Burke entertain everyone with a gorgeous duet while our crew stays in Grayson's late father's cabin. Lt. Cmdr. Bortus and Klyden argue over the proper way to crack a walnut. Thankfully, Keyali is there to bust it open with her bare, Xelayan hands. The Moclans stew in defeat.

Meanwhile, Isaac schools Topa, Dr. Claire Finn, Marcus and Ty on the wonders of the night sky. Mercer finds Burke standing alone on the cabin porch. He encourages her to belt out another tune with Malloy. Burke divulges her concerns regarding the Kaylon. Will they uphold their end of the bargain? Will they comply with Union protocol? Mercer reminds her that they don't kill unless necessary, so they'll have to trust the Kaylon.

Next, we see a Union lieutenant break into the guarded quarters containing Burke and Isaac's device. He steals it alongside other traitors as they depart Earth in a shuttle. Uh-oh. This theft could throw a wrench in the armistice proceedings.

The following day, Halsey informs Grayson and Finn that someone stole the device. We see the Union shuttle approach Moclan and Krill vessels. Telaya agreed to the Moclan alliance. Admiral Perry turns over the device to Telaya! He believes the Krill and Moclans will do whatever it takes to eradicate the Kaylon. He doesn't view this as a betrayal to the Union; however, he plans to turn himself in upon returning to Earth.

As Perry flies away, Telaya orders his murder. Suddenly, Perry's shuttle explodes. RIP, Admiral Perry. You managed to evade justice in the end.

Once Mercer and Grayson arrive to examine where the device was stolen, Halsey informs them of Perry's betrayal. They finally learn about the Krill-Moclan alliance. While departing Earth, Bortus tells them about Dr. Kalba, a brilliant Moclan scientist who can operate the device without Burke and Isaac. He resides at an outpost on Draconis 427.

So, Mercer contacts the Kaylon Primary and proposes they forge a temporary alliance of their own to combat the Moclan-Krill forces that are undoubtedly protecting the device on Draconis 427. KP agrees, and the Orville welcomes KP aboard for a brainstorming session. It's a much different scenario than the last time the Kaylon boarded the Orville.

The Kaylon Primary joins Grayson, Keyali, Burke and Isaac on a shuttle bound for the station on Draconis 427. Meanwhile, LaMarr and Malloy will lead a fleet of fighter jets to blast away the enemies.

Suddenly, a breathtaking, edge-of-your-seat battle takes place, with Mercer overseeing the proceedings aboard the ship while everyone else parts ways to perform their duties. LaMarr and Malloy kick ass in their jets. Grayson and the crew's shuttle loses a significant amount of power. Rather than forge ahead cloaked, Keyali suggests they utilize the egress packs.

After our ground team arrives at the outpost, they take on a flurry of Moclan-Krill soldiers. Telaya orders Dr. Kalba to hurry it along with activating the weapon. Amid the insanity of the battle, Telaya surprises Grayson. She shoves a blade to Grayson's throat and orders her to stand down. Otherwise, she dies. However, our gal Grayson will not go gentle into that good night. The pair engage in a high-octane skirmish.

Meanwhile, Burke, Isaac and the Kaylon Primary storm Dr. Kalba's quarters, with KP shooting a handful of soldiers. Burke and Isaac seize control from Dr. Kalba, but he reveals that they cannot override the activation or deactivate the quantum core. Burke hijacks the system to attempt to find a loophole.

KP kills Dr. Kalba and some of the Moclan soldiers who try to escape. However, when another Moclan tries to fire on Burke, we see Isaac's guns activate. He shoots the weapon out of the Moclan's hands but refrains from killing the latter. The Kaylon Primary wonders why Isaac didn't murder the Moclan. Isaac informs KP that he didn't view it as essential.

Then, Keyali arrives to incapacitate Teleya before she takes out Grayson. That battle between those two is incredible. Hats off to the stunts team. Grayson and Keyali reunite with Isaac and Burke with a handcuffed Teleya in tow.

Burke reveals the only way to stop the device activation is to destroy the quantum core. An act like this will decimate the outpost and that portion of the planet. No one would survive such a blast. Grayson orders Burke to set the explosion on a timed delay, but Burke tells her it's not that simple. Burke volunteers to stay behind because her order is to disable the weapon at all costs. Grayson and the others leave Burke and take a Krill ship off the planet.

Before she rigs the quantum core to explode, we hear Burke say, "I'm here, Amanda." Mercer and the crew watch as the outpost, along with part of Draconis 427, blows up. If this moment doesn't tug on your heartstrings, you might be a Kaylon (and not Timmis).

Grayson hails the Orville from Teleya's Krill shuttle and informs Mercer about Burke's brave sacrifice. Once everyone's back together, the Kaylon Primary questions why Burke sacrificed herself. Grayson vehemently defends Burke, saying she wanted to save them despite Burke's hatred of the Kaylon. Burke longed to protect everyone. Isaac reassures KP that these humans are nothing like their builders. "They are my friends," Isaac informs him.

Later, Mercer visits Teleya in the brig. He reveals they plan to transfer her to Earth, where she'll stand trial for war crimes. After that, who knows how the Union will proceed with her punishment? Mercer urges Teleya to allow him to care for Anaya, their daughter. Teleya offers Mercer an ultimatum — if he lets her go free, he can have Anaya. Naturally, Mercer doesn't take Teleya up on her offer.

While on Earth, we see the Kaylon Primary negotiating with Admirals Halsey and Ozawa, President Alcuzan, and Speria Balask. The Union will allow the Kaylon a seat on the council and Union membership if they behave. KP agrees to their terms. Ah, this could be the start of a beautiful union.

Then, the crew holds a funeral service for Ensign Charly Burke. Mercer delivers a eulogy, informing the crowd that the Union will award Burke a posthumous Medal of Valor for her bravery. Mercer asks the audience if anyone would like to speak, so Isaac volunteers. He does out a moving, touching speech (thoughtfully curated with the aid of Dr. Finn). He emphasizes the importance of Ensign Burke's life, no matter how transient it was. Her sacrifice saved a species and paved the way for an essential union between two previously warring parties.

Rest in Peace, Ensign Burke. Soar among the stars with Amanda now.

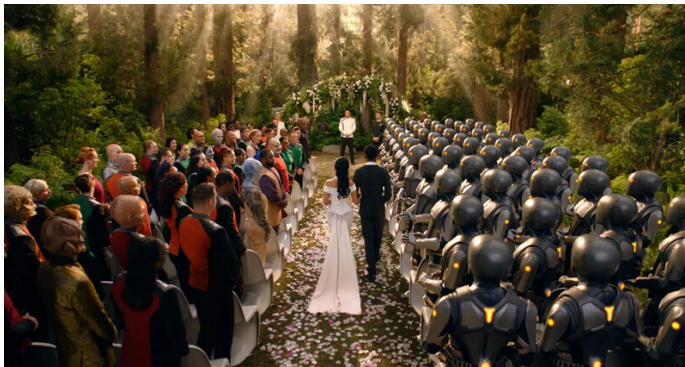
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Season 3

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Production Code:	3LAB10
Summary:	A celebration is underway aboard the ship.



The episode opens with Isaac going about his day. He interacts with cheerful fleet officers in the corridors. The Kaylon assists Lt. Cmdr. John LaMarr with some engineering duties. Isaac snags a banana for his lady love, Dr. Claire Finn.

Then, Isaac enters the bridge, wherein Lt. Cmdr. Bortus explains the importance of the Renewal ceremony for Mo-clans wishing to reconfirm themselves as mates. Lt. Gordon Malloy pokes fun at it, while Lt. Cmdr. Talla Keyali believes the

ritual sounds lovely. Isaac wishes to attend for observational purposes.

Later, the ship lands on Listak Two for Bortus and Klyden's Renewal ceremony, officiated by Capt. Ed Mercer. Topa, Claire, Cmdr. Kelly Grayson, Isaac, LaMarr, Malloy and Keyali are in attendance.

After Mercer commences the festivities, Bortus and Klyden run naked through the forest. The objective is for Bortus to catch Klyden. Once he overpowers Klyden, they mate in the presence of Mother Nature. The crew members are present as "witnesses" to the consummation.

Next, our fave Mo-clan couple emerges from the forest, victorious in their renewal. They stand with their foreheads touching for quite some time, causing our crew to clap awkwardly, unsure how to react to the event.

Back aboard the Orville, Isaac proposes to Claire in the mess hall. Claire confronts him later, asking Isaac if he comprehends the massive responsibility accompanying marriage. While Isaac cannot reciprocate "feelings" of affection, per se, he wishes to watch over the Finn lineage for all eternity. He vows to protect Claire's kids after she dies.

Later, Claire seeks advice from Grayson and Keyali during a requisite girls' night. The trio also gets Mercer's thoughts on the whole thing. They categorize the pros and cons of marrying Isaac, with the former outweighing the latter.

Then, Mercer and the crew receive a hail from Lysella when approaching Sargas Four. The vessel picks her up, and Lysella begs Mercer and Grayson to grant her asylum aboard the Orville. She informs them that the situation on Sargas Four has only worsened with time. Mercer and Grayson allow her to stay, but she cannot return to her homeworld.

Meanwhile, Isaac seeks counsel from LaMarr regarding the latter's decision to marry Claire. LaMarr believes the Kaylon should "play the field" for a while. Try before you buy! Claire prepares to tell her sons Marcus and Ty about Isaac's marriage proposal. Side note: When did these boys get so big? They already know about it because, you know, small ship. Marcus and Ty enthusiastically give their mom their blessing.

Next, Isaac enters Grayson's quarters, brazenly and nonchalantly asking her if she wants to have sexual relations with him.

Later, Grayson takes Lysella under her wing, explaining how things work in their world. Lysella struggles to wrap her mind around a non-capitalist society. Not working to live? Inconceivable! Grayson informs her that a good reputation is their form of currency.

Afterward, Grayson discloses Isaac's peculiar proposal to Claire. Mind you; this reveal occurs after the good doctor asks Grayson to be her Maid of Honor. Claire confronts Isaac, who tells his wife-to-be that he sought advice from LaMarr. Claire lays into LaMarr in a hilarious monologue. She put the fear of God in him!

Then, Grayson takes Lysella to the simulation room to show her what they do for entertainment. Standing in the interior of a breathtaking asteroid is undoubtedly better than watching a mere movie.

Meanwhile, Isaac asks Malloy to be his Best Man, but Bortus butts in, claiming he was a hoot and a half on Moclus. He can be funny! Doling out good-natured jabs is what Moclans do! Much to Malloy's dismay, Isaac accepts Bortus's offer to be his Best Man.

Next, Isaac invites the Kaylon Primary and the entire Kaylon fleet to his wedding. As part of the next leg of their ship tour, Grayson shows Lysella the impressive quantum core. Lysella grapples with absorbing the magnitude of this new world. She confesses she feels like she's abandoning her friends on Sargas Four. Grayson reassures Lysella she's not — it's merely a form of survivor's guilt.

Malloy vents to Mercer and LaMarr about Isaac choosing Bortus over him as his Best Man. Suddenly, the sandwich he sent through the Aronov device three months ago reappears. Huzzah! Sometimes, all one needs is a delicious sandwich to satiate that hanger.

Later, Lysella joins Grayson and Keyali in planning Claire's bachelorette party. Lysella learns about the food synthesizer onboard, which conjures up anything you want, including glasses of water. Lysella believes it's the Orville's responsibility to share this life-altering, life-saving technology with those who need it. Starvation and poverty still exist on Sargas Four.

However, Grayson and Keyali explain the ramifications of meddling in an underdeveloped society's technological progress. Lysella excuses herself, clearly having second thoughts about joining the crew.

Then, we see the guys at Isaac's bachelor party in the simulation room. It appears they're in a Vegas-style establishment. Isaac's even donning a tie for the occasion! Suddenly, Bortus enters a stage while impersonating none other than Elvis Presley. This scene might be the funniest in the history of *The Orville*. The camera cuts to another location before he opens his mouth to sing.

Meanwhile, the ladies party it up at Claire's bachelorette party. They programmed a Kaylon stripper to take the stage, complete with nipple tassels. Claire grinds on him in classic bachelorette party fashion.

After Bortus finishes singing "Love Me Tender" (and receiving enthusiastic cheering from Klyden), we cut to a later scene, wherein Lysella reveals she wants to return to Sargas Four. Grayson informs Mercer, Keyali and Claire while the latter tries on potential wedding gowns.

Later, we see Lysella boarding a shuttle bound for Sargas Four, piloted by Malloy. Mercer tells Lysella that this is it — she cannot return to the ship a third time. Unfortunately, Grayson and Keyali find a com scanner concealed among Lysella's belongings (Remember when she stole one the first time?). Grayson takes Lysella back to the simulation room to show her something alarming.

Lysella receives a history lesson in what happens when an advanced civilization "facilitates" the technological growth of an underdeveloped society. The world they currently inhabit in the simulator collapsed five years after the Union tampered with its progression. What was once a prospering community is now a mess of debris and decay. Grayson explains how it's their responsibility only to observe and never interfere. It's a powerful, hard-hitting monologue.

Then, a bewildered Mercer finds thousands of Kaylon vessels stationed outside the Orville. Believing they're under attack (again), he learns from the Kaylon Primary that Isaac invited them to his wedding. Unfortunately, their simulator can only fit a select few Kaylon.

Next, we see the wedding in full swing, with a gorgeous outdoor setting in the simulation room. Mercer stands with a human-looking Isaac, while Bortus and Grayson are next to them as the Best Man and Maid of Honor, respectively. Ty walks down the aisle as the Ring Bearer. Marcus accompanies his mother next, and if the tears aren't flowing at this point — give it time. We see the Orville crew on one side of the aisle and the Kaylon attendees on the other.

After Mercer delivers a short speech, Claire and Isaac recite their vows. Isaac's vows are inexplicably sweet for being devoid of "emotion." They seal their official union with a kiss.

Later, the gang kicks up their heels for a fun-filled reception. Suddenly, a familiar face enters the festivities: Alara Kitan. It's so lovely to see her again! She reunites with our crew, and we finally see our resident Xelayans, Keyali and Kitan, in the same space for the first time.

What transpires next is Bortus's rousing Best Man speech, chock full of jokes that would've killed on Moclus. Isaac interrupts Bortus, revealing he wishes to hear what Malloy has to say. Malloy delivers a hilarious and heartwarming monologue. Then, he follows that up with a stunning musical performance.

We see everyone gather together for said performance. I love the subtleties and nuances of this scene. Lysella (who decided to stay aboard the ship) leans into Alara. Isaac places a hand on Ty's shoulder in a surprising display of affection. Claire and Marcus embrace. Bortus, Klyden and Topa huddle together sweetly as an adorable family.

Finally, Grayson and Mercer join hands. Could this hint at a potential rekindling of their romance? We've been heading in this direction for a while now.

Lastly, we see a shot of the U.S.S. Orville as it speeds away into the starry expanse of space.

Actor Appearances

A

F. Murray Abraham	1
0212 (Chairman)	
Roy Abramsohn	1
0107 (Morning Host)	
Jonathan Adams	2
0103 (Moclan Arbitrator); 0305 (Moclan Arbitrator)	
Denyce Akin	1
0310 (Guest)	
Grifon Aldren	1
0305 (Moclan Tactical Officer)	
Arriane Alexander	1
0205 (Regorian Doctor #2)	
Jason Alexander	2
0201 (Olix); 0203 (Olix)	
Shay Ali	2
0103 (Crewman); 0104 (Crewman #1)	
Iba Amar	1
0202 (Officer)	
Diego Amarosa	1
0306 (Biker #2)	
Ida Anderson	1
0306 (Worker #2)	
Rico E. Anderson	1
0103 (Moclan Doctor)	
Alina Andrei	1
0106 (Krill Soldier)	
Shawn Andrew	1
0212 (Toren)	
Evan Angone	1
0205 (Cameraman)	
Philip Anthony-Rodriguez	1
0112 (Fadolin)	
Carlos Arellano	1
0205 (Burly Man)	
Mackenzie Astin	1
0210 (Orrin Channing)	
Seth Austin	1
0110 (Clown)	

B

Betsy Baker	1
0112 (Pundit #3)	
Dee Bradley Baker	1
0101 (Dr. Jorvik)	
Michael Andrew Baker	1
0306 (Worker)	
Lisa Banes	3
0304 (Speria Balask); 0308 (Speria Balask); 0309 (Speria Balask)	
Nicole C. Barnes	1
0201 (Lt. Gomez)	
David Barrera	1
0103 (Vásquez)	
Mike Bash	2

0302 (Security Crewman); 0304 (Security Crewman Michaels)	
Morgan Bastin	1
0303 (Girl)	
Braxton Beckham	1
0303 (Male Student #2)	
Alexander Bedria	1
0109 (Voice from Comm)	
Giovanni Bejarano	1
0204 (Security Officer)	
Jessica Belkin	1
0303 (Popular Girl)	
Tory Belleci	1
0102 (Calivon Alien)	
Ray Benson	1
0303 (Boy)	
Andrew Bering	2
0102 (Technician Jennings); 0103 (Technician Jennings)	
Carlos Bernard	1
0209 (Capt. Marcos)	
Mark Berry	1
0308 (Commander Kodon)	
John Billingsley	1
0203 (Cambis Borrin)	
Trevor Black	1
0304 (Krill Man)	
Stephen Blackehart	2
0209 (Krill Second Officer); 0309 (Krill Guard)	
J. Paul Boehmer	1
0109 (Navarian Ambassador)	
Bruce Boxleitner	3
0304 (President Alcuzan); 0308 (President Alcuzan); 0309 (President Alcuzan)	
Michele Boyd	1
0204 (Lieutenant Dorsett)	
Jake Brennan	1
0201 (James)	
Joe Brogie	2
0304 (Comm. Voice (voice)); 0310 (Comm. Voice (voice))	
Heather Brooker	1
0107 (Mother)	
Chase Brosamle	1
0207 (Newsie)	
Caleb Brown	1
0106 (Krill Boy Student)	
Robert Curtis Brown	1
0205 (Chief Advisor Makkal)	
Sophina Brown	1
0307 (Captain Losha)	
Wren T. Brown	3
0207 (Captain Rechik); 0308 (Captain Rechik); 0309 (Captain Rechik)	
Robyn Buck	1
0304 (Krill Woman #2)	
Sarah Buehler	1
0102 (Calivon Mother)	
Brooke Burgstahler	1

0307 (Ensign Woman)	
Max Burkholder	1
0104 (Tomilin)	
Randy Jay Burrell	2
0214 (Rebel); 0302 (Arachnid Alien)	
Jared Butler	1
0310 (Announcer (voice))	
Kari Byron	1
0102 (Calivon Alien)	

C

George Caleodis	1
0304 (Krill Proprietor)	
Larry Joe Campbell	8
0102 (Steve Newton); 0103 (Steve Newton); 0104 (Steve Newton); 0105 (Steve Newton); 0108 (Steve Newton); 0109 (Steve Newton); 0110 (Steve Newton); 0111 (Steve Newton)	
Carlos E. Campos	1
0205 (Obstetric Surgeon #3)	
Ron Canada	3
0102 (Admiral Tucker); 0107 (Admiral Tucker); 0212 (Admiral Tucker)	
Alexander Catalano	1
0112 (Peasant #1)	
Francesca Catalano	1
0201 (Xelayan Woman)	
Cazzey Louis Cereghino	1
0306 (Richie)	
Andi Chapman	1
0308 (Admiral Howland)	
Antonio D. Charity	2
0103 (Advocate Kagus); 0305 (Advocate Kagus)	
Nick Chinlund	2
0209 (Capt. Dalak); 0309 (Captain Dalak)	
Luke Clark	1
0201 (Kid #1)	
Shawn Patrick Clifford	1
0303 (Bully #1)	
Chad L. Coleman	19
0102 (Klyden); 0103 (Klyden); 0104 (Klyden); 0109 (Klyden); 0112 (Klyden); 0201 (Klyden); 0202 (Klyden); 0204 (Klyden); 0205 (Klyden); 0206 (Klyden); 0207 (Klyden); 0208 (Klyden); 0209 (Klyden); 0211 (Klyden); 0212 (Klyden); 0213 (Klyden); 0305 (Klyden); 0308 (Klyden); 0309 (Klyden)	
Stephan Smith Collins	1
0304 (Grand High Priest)	
Gina Comparetto	1
0303 (Flight Attendant)	
Sean Cook	1
0101 (Dr. Derek Ashton)	
Francis Lloyd Corby	2
0209 (Crewman); 0210 (Crewman)	
Christine Corpuz	1
0101 (Dr. Janice Lee)	
Patrick Cox	1
0101 (The Ogre)	
JD Cullum	1
0102 (Calivon Zoo Administrator)	
Steven Culp	1
0107 (Willks)	
Jon Curry	1
0304 (Krill Panel Operator (voice))	

D

Doby Daenger	1
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0304 (Saloon Girl)	
Noshir Dalal	1
0308 (Inquisitor)	
Gwen Van Dam	1
0107 (Grandmother)	
Kevin Daniels	1
0207 (Locar)	
Ted Danson	6
0205 (Admiral Perry); 0210 (Admiral Perry); 0212 (Admiral Perry); 0304 (Admiral Perry); 0306 (Admiral Perry); 0309 (Admiral Perry)	
Eddie Davenport	1
0104 (Guard #1)	
Chad Davis	1
0307 (Waiter)	
Jaylen Davis	1
0308 (Moclan)	
Regi Davis	2
0212 (Korick); 0309 (Dr. Kalba)	
Cyrus Deboo	1
0112 (Pundit #1)	
Michael Dempsey	1
0106 (Mining Chief Harry Leidecker)	
Neil Dickson	1
0112 (Man in Clerical Garb)	
Ryan Dietz	1
0102 (Calivon Official #1)	
Melvin Diggs	1
0201 (Shuttle Bay Lieutenant)	
Lenny von Dohlen	1
0112 (Valondis)	
Robin Atkin Downes	1
0210 (Krill Officer)	
Stephanie Drapeau	1
0307 (First Officer Kava)	
River Drosche	1
0304 (Krill Boy)	
Michael Duisenberg	1
0104 (Uniformed Man #1)	

E

Brett Easton	1
0108 (Feral Alien Man)	
Thai Edwards	1
0205 (Holding Cell Guard)	
Jesse Egan	1
0107 (Pedestrian)	
Amanda Joy Erickson	1
0301 (Amanda)	
Mike Estes	1
0107 (Guard #1)	
Dan J. Evans	1
0111 (Engineer #1)	

F

Frederick Falk	2
0308 (Delegate); 0310 (Engineering officer)	
Mike Falkow	1
0304 (Krill Dignitary)	
Lesley Fera	1
0202 (Minister Theecee)	
Ryan Fitzsimmons	1
0112 (Peasant #2)	
Chris Flanders	1
0203 (Serris)	
John Fleck	3
0210 (Ambassador K.T.Z.); 0302 (Krill Ambassador); 0304 (Krill Ambassador)	

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 0102 (Technician Reed); 0103 (Technician Reed)
 Matthew Foster 1
 0205 (Regorian Doctor)
 Kimberly Fox 1
 0107 (Semmla)
 Henry Frost III 1
 0308 (Moclan Soldier #2)
 London Fuller 1
 0107 (Little Girl #1)

G

Jo Galloway 1
 0112 (Mother)
 Makabe Ganey 1
 0106 (Coja)
 Victor Garber 13
 0101 (Admiral Halsey); 0109 (Admiral Halsey); 0111
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 Ralph Garman 1
 0109 (Kanoot)
 Stevens Gaston 1
 0109 (Ensign Brooks)
 Sara Gazarek 1
 0307 (Jazz Singer)
 Brian George 1
 0101 (Dr. Aronov)
 Elizabeth Gillies 1
 0303 (Dinal)
 Aaron Goddard 2
 0205 (Waiter); 0206 (Waiter)
 Travis Goodman 1
 0107 (Detention Guard)
 Madelyn Grace 1
 0212 (Olivia)
 Derek Graf 1
 0104 (Uniformed Man #2)
 Mark Graham 1
 0206 (Conductor)
 Robert David Grant 2
 0209 (Kaylon Secondary); 0309 (Kaylon Secondary)
 Gabriella Graves 1
 0106 (Krill Girl Student)
 Mike Gray 1
 0102 (Ensign Parker)
 Jason Griffith 1
 0309 (Krill Soldier)
 Chet Grissom 1
 0205 (Aide)
 Chad Guerrero Jr. 1
 0303 (Bully #3)
 Sai Gundewar 1
 0205 (Alien)
 Jeremy Guskin 1
 0102 (Furry Alien)

H

Molly Hagan 2
 0110 (Drenala Kitan); 0203 (Drenala Kitan)
 Graham Hamilton 5
 0209 (Kaylon Primary); 0306 (Kaylon); 0307 (K-1);
 0309 (Kaylon); 0310 (Kaylon Primary)
 Steve Hanneman 1

0207 (Window Dancer #2)
 Justice Hedenberg 1
 0104 (Dissident)
 Lonnie Henderson 1
 0109 (Navarian)
 Brent Alan Henry 1
 0206 (Bartender)
 Mike Henry 11
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 Paige Herschell 1
 0307 (First Lt. Hodell)
 GiGi Hessamian 1
 0205 (Physicist)
 Corinne van den Heuvel 1
 0308 (Ensign)
 Stacy Highsmith 1
 0211 (Melissa)
 Jackson Hill 1
 0306 (Edward)
 James Horan 1
 0106 (Sazeron)
 Heather Horton 1
 0205 (Science Prefect)
 Kelly Hu 8
 0106 (Admiral Ozawa); 0112 (Admiral Ozawa); 0202
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 (Admiral Ozawa); 0306 (Admiral Ozawa); 0308
 (Admiral Ozawa); 0309 (Admiral Ozawa)
 Maxwell Hurlburt 1
 0102 (Greenish Alien)
 David Hutchison 1
 0104 (Alien Man)

I

Darri Ingolfsson 1
 0211 (Greg)
 Julienne Irons 1
 0205 (Prisoner)

J

Jay Jackson 1
 0112 (Reporter)
 Erin St. James 1
 0102 (Calivon)
 Stephen Jared 1
 0112 (Pundit #2)
 Gordy De St. Jeor 1
 0112 (Teenage Boy)
 Jeff Jocoy 1
 0211 (Party Guest)
 C.J. Johnson 1
 0112 (Tradesman)
 Chris Johnson 5
 0201 (Cassius); 0204 (Cassius); 0205 (Cassius); 0206
 (Cassius); 0207 (Cassius)
 Denell Johnson 1
 0107 (Man #4)
 Joseph H. Johnson Jr. 1
 0202 (Moclan Doctor)
 Torrance Johnson 1
 0202 (Moclan #2)
 Ethan Jones 1
 0112 (Dalen)
 Yvonne Senat Jones 2
 0212 (Osaia); 0308 (Osaia)
 Anne Judson-Yager 1

0107 (Carris)
Greta Jung 2
0203 (Comm. Officer); 0204 (Comm Officer)

K

Daniel Kaemon 1
0304 (Krill Soldier #1)
Matt Kaminsky 1
0107 (Interviewer)
Bo Kane 1
0212 (Alien Delegate)
Daniel Kash 1
0304 (Krill Commander)
Aily Kei 1
0210 (Leyna Channing)
Eric James Kelly 1
0302 (Restaurant Patron)
Dylan Kenin 2
0101 (Krill Soldier); 0106 (Krill Captain Haros)
Jack Kennedy 1
0205 (Military Security Guard)
Chase Kim 2
0212 (Officer); 0213 (Officer)
Candice King 1
0203 (Solana Kitan)
Curtis Kingsley 1
0107 (Man #3)
Alexis Knapp 1
0301 (Irillia)
Robert Knepper 1
0104 (Hamelac)

L

Jennifer Landon 1
0205 (Ukania)
Jude B. Lanston 2
0202 (Moclan Prison Guard); 0305 (Moclan Helms-
man)
Sam Lant 1
0303 (Male Student #1)
Christopher Larkin 1
0307 (Timmis)
Staci Lawrence 1
0307 (Junior Executive)
Michael James Lazar 1
0202 (Moclan #1)
Gavin Lee 4
0109 (Henry Park); 0110 (Henry Park); 0202 (Henry
Park); 0302 (Nurse Park)
Loren Lester 1
0107 (Lewis)
Elyse Levesque 1
0307 (Wenda)
Kane Lieu 1
0104 (Security Station Officer)
Barry Livingston 1
0107 (Tom)
Rob Lowe 1
0109 (Darulio)
Henri Lubatti 1
0306 (Kaylon (voice))
Shanice Lynn 1
0307 (Claire's Niece)

M

Norm MacDonald 22

0101 (Yaphit (voice)); 0103 (Yaphit (voice)); 0104
(Yaphit (voice)); 0105 (Yaphit (voice)); 0108 (Yaphit
(voice)); 0109 (Yaphit (voice)); 0111 (Yaphit (voice));
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0213 (Yaphit (voice)); 0214 (Yaphit (voice)); 0301
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(voice)); 0307 (Yaphit (voice)); 0308 (Yaphit (voice));
0310 (Yaphit (voice))
Rachael MacFarlane 7
0104 (Computer (voice)); 0105 (Computer (voice));
0108 (Computer (voice)); 0110 (Computer (voice));
0201 (Computer (voice)); 0207 (Computer (voice));
0211 (Computer Voice (voice))
Sarah Jane MacKay 5
0305 (Nurse Hopkins); 0306 (Nurse Hopkins); 0307
(Nurse Hopkins); 0309 (Nurse Hopkins); 0310
(Nurse Hopkins)
Charles Maceo 1
0205 (Camp Guard #1)
Michael C. Mahon 1
0202 (Altos)
Jim Mahoney 8
0209 (Brosk); 0210 (Brosk); 0301 (Brosk); 0305
(Brosk); 0306 (Brosk); 0307 (Brosk); 0308 (Brosk);
0310 (Brosk)
Brian Maillard 2
0305 (Lt. Biggins); 0306 (Lt. Biggins)
Robert Mammana 1
0304 (Krill Cmndr. (voice))
Mark Mammone 1
0209 (Crewman)
Chris Marroy 1
0214 (Rebel)
Veronica Matheu 1
0202 (Nyxian Girl)
Erica Mathlin 1
0111 (Engineer #2)
Merrick McCartha 1
0107 (Scientist)
Shannon McClung 1
0102 (Calivon Official #2)
Frances McGill 1
0307 (Keena)
Aidan McGraw 1
0307 (Avim)
Michaela McManus 5
0106 (Teleya); 0201 (Lt. Tyler); 0204 (Lt. Janel Tyler
/ Teleya); 0304 (Teleya); 0309 (Teleya)
Aaron McPherson 1
0202 (Crew Member)
Jasper McPherson 1
0112 (Little Girl)
Sam Meader 1
0304 (Krill Panel Operator)
Derek Mears 1
0109 (Bruidian Ambassador)
Leighton Meester 2
0211 (Laura Huggins); 0306 (Laura Huggins)
Deborah Meister 1
0112 (Medical Assistant)
Brandon Melendy 2
0106 (Krill Guard); 0108 (Feral Alien #5)
Isabella Meneses 1
0304 (Xelayan Annie)
Angela Meryl 1
0304 (Senator Gowan (voice))
Jim Meskimen 1
0304 (Grand High Priest (voice))
Kathrin Middleton 1

0212 (Retepsian Delegate)	
Tim Mikulecky	1
0110 (Lt. Harrison Payne)	
Andy Milder	2
0306 (Ensign Bolobar); 0309 (Ensign Bolobar)	
Julie Mitchell	1
0104 (Woman)	
Humberto Montalvo	1
0202 (Moclan)	
Mia Moore	1
0308 (Moclan Girl)	
James Morrison	1
0104 (Kemka)	
William R. Moses	1
0307 (Yan)	
Devin Mroz	1
0109 (Bruidian)	
Jeffrey Muller	3
0305 (Lieutenant Ha'Bahl); 0306 (Lt. Ha'Bahl); 0309 (Lt. Ha'Bahl)	
Chris Muto	1
0211 (Male Guest)	

N

Armen Nahapetian	1
0102 (Calivon Child)	
Neiko Neal	1
0309 (Moclan Technician)	
Liam Neeson	2
0104 (Darral); 0104 (Jahavus Dorahl)	
Tim Neff	1
0106 (Krill Soldier)	
Niko Nicotera	1
0205 (Rokal)	

O

Jerry O'Donnell	1
0102 (Captain of the USS Bleriot)	
Ryan O'Flanagan	1
0306 (Biker #1)	
Kerry O'Malley	1
0203 (Floratta)	
Kristen O'Meara	1
0201 (Jody Duncan)	
Deobia Oparei	1
0103 (Captain Vorak)	
Chase Otis	1
0303 (Voice-broadcast only)	
Rena Owen	4
0103 (Heveena); 0212 (Heveena); 0305 (Heveena); 0308 (Heveena)	

P

Corey Mendell Parker	1
0107 (Policeman #1)	
Dolly Parton	1
0308 (Dolly Parton)	
Heidi Pascoe	1
0108 (Feral Alien Woman)	
Donovan Patton	1
0309 (Security Officer)	
Penny Peyser	1
0107 (Customer)	
Renee Pezzotta	1
0306 (Realtor)	
Robert Picardo	2
0110 (Ildis Kitan); 0203 (Ildis Kitan)	

Jerrell Pippens	1
0212 (Moclan Soldier #2)	
Kendyl Powell	1
0303 (Female Student #1)	
Imani Pullum	4
0305 (Topa); 0308 (Topa); 0309 (Topa); 0310 (Topa)	

R

Deep Rai	1
0301 (Crewman)	
James Read	1
0302 (Admiral Christie)	
Alveraz Ricardez	1
0209 (Adjutant)	
Brett Rickaby	1
0102 (Lurennek)	
Daniel Robaire	1
0107 (Man in Cap)	
Mikey Roe	1
0112 (Peasant #3)	
Paul Rogan	1
0209 (Kaylon Guard #1)	
Dirk Rogers	1
0310 (Tongue Alien)	
Jon Root	1
0209 (Krill Pilot)	
Richie Rosales	1
0303 (Bully #2)	
John Rubinstein	1
0205 (Prefect)	
Tim Russ	1
0211 (Dr. Sherman)	
Chloe Russell	1
0112 (Woman)	
Vivienne Rutherford	1
0207 (Little Girl)	

S

Halston Sage	2
0214 (Alara Kitan); 0310 (Alara Kitan)	
Casey Sander	1
0104 (Druyan Captain)	
Mc Sanders	1
0212 (Moclan Soldier #1)	
Kyra Santoro	10
0112 (Ensign Turco); 0205 (Ensign Turco); 0206 (Ensign Turco); 0207 (Ensign Turco); 0301 (Lieutenant Turco); 0302 (Lieutenant Turco); 0305 (Lieutenant Turco); 0306 (Lt. Turco); 0307 (Lt. Turco); 0310 (Lieutenant Turco)	
Will Sasso	2
0201 (Mooska); 0213 (Mooska)	
Eric Satterberg	1
0303 (Teacher)	
Dmitri Schuyler-Linch	1
0303 (Student)	
Sarah Scott	2
0210 (Trisha); 0211 (Trisha)	
Erica Shaffer	1
0205 (Obstetric Surgeon #1)	
Jordan Lane Shappell	1
0106 (Krill Bridge Helmsman)	
Julius Sharpe	1
0103 (Reptilian Alien)	
Lauren Shaw	1
0310 (Union Guard)	
Michael Shen	1
0107 (Man in Suit)	

Fletcher Sheridan	1
0304 (Alien Daddy Warbucks)	
Catherine Shu	1
0107 (Hoshel)	
Michael J. Sielaff	4
0111 (Palovis); 0305 (Long Necked Officer); 0306 (Palovis); 0309 (Palovis)	
Jonny Siew	1
0301 (Engineer #1)	
Kurt Sinclair	1
0112 (Televangelist)	
Marina Sirtis	1
0212 (Teacher)	
Adam J. Smith	1
0201 (Nathan)	
Danny Smith	1
0107 (Vendor)	
Scott Speiser	1
0307 (Verell)	
Matthew Spencer	1
0107 (Man #2)	
Eric C. Sun	1
0310 (Pilot)	
Joel Swetow	1
0101 (Krill Captain)	
Jessica Szohr	4
0205 (Lt. Talla Keylai); 0206 (Lt. Talla Keyali); 0207 (Lt. Talla Keyali); 0303 (Lt. Talla Keyali)	

T

Jeffrey Tambor	1
0102 (Ben Mercer)	
BJ Tanner	13
0108 (Marcus Finn); 0109 (Marcus Finn); 0111 (Marcus Finn); 0201 (Marcus Finn); 0206 (Marcus Finn); 0208 (Marcus Finn); 0209 (Marcus Finn); 0214 (Marcus Finn); 0301 (Marcus Finn); 0302 (Marcus Finn); 0305 (Marcus Finn); 0309 (Marcus Finn); 0310 (Marcus Finn)	
Fred Tatasciore	2
0106 (Krill Voice (voice)); 0204 (Krill Voice (voice))	
Eliza Taylor	1
0307 (Doctor Villka)	
Hanani Taylor	1
0212 (Moclan Girl)	
Holland Taylor	1
0102 (Jeannie Mercer)	
Erica Tazel	1
0112 (Baleth)	
Marie-Françoise Theodore	1
0205 (Advisor #2)	
Charlize Theron	1
0105 (Pria Lavesque)	
Meredith Thomas	1
0205 (Nurse)	
Brian Thompson	1
0108 (Drogen)	
Lamont Thompson	1
0103 (Kaybrak)	
Tony Todd	1
0212 (Moclan Delegate)	
Nick Toren	1
0112 (Man in Red Robe)	
Charlie Townsend	1
0304 (Anaya — Krill Girl)	
Michael Traynor	1
0204 (Krill Captain)	
Annie Trevino	1
0202 (ND Officer)	

George Tsai	1
0102 (Shuttle Bay Officer #1)	
Corey Tucker	1
0205 (Camp Guard #2)	
Yvette Tucker	1
0207 (Window Dancer #1)	

V

Sam Valentine	1
0310 (4 Arm Waitress)	
Thomas Steven Varga	1
0309 (Krill Crewman)	
Ajay Vidure	2
0210 (Karl); 0211 (Karl)	
John Viener	1
0107 (Man Spilling Coffee)	
Troy Vincent	1
0205 (Man in Lab Coat)	
Paul Vogt	1
0111 (Horbalak Captain)	

W

Farelle Walker	1
0303 (Lieutenant)	
Patrick Warburton	2
0203 (Lt. Tharl); 0204 (Lt. Tharl)	
Darren Dupree Washington	1
0202 (Simulated Moclan)	
Mark Weiler	1
0304 (Krill Aide)	
Kai Wener	13
0108 (Ty Finn); 0109 (Ty Finn); 0111 (Ty Finn); 0201 (Ty Finn); 0206 (Ty Finn); 0208 (Ty Finn); 0209 (Ty Finn); 0214 (Ty Finn); 0301 (Ty Finn); 0302 (Ty Finn); 0305 (Ty Finn); 0309 (Ty Finn); 0310 (Ty Finn)	
Giorgia Whigham	2
0107 (Lysella); 0310 (Lysella)	
Jay Whittaker	3
0208 (Kaylon Tertiary); 0209 (Kaylon Tertiary); 0309 (Kaylon Tertiary)	
Eddie Blackwell Williams	1
0309 (Union Guard #1)	
Alicia Leigh Willis	1
0201 (Woman)	
Bruce Willis	1
0207 (Groogen (voice))	
Alec Manley Wilson	1
0107 (Man #1)	
Mark McClain Wilson	1
0212 (Xelayan Delegate)	
Chad T. Wood	1
0205 (Warden)	
Grahame Wood	1
0112 (Man on the Wagon)	
D. Elliot Woods	1
0103 (Moclan Council Foreman)	

Y

Blesson Yates	7
0201 (Topa); 0205 (Topa); 0206 (Topa); 0207 (Topa); 0208 (Topa); 0209 (Topa); 0212 (Topa)	
Brandon Young	1
0205 (Obstetric Surgeon #2)	