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Treatment

Title: Fears from the Sun

Genre: Sci-fi, Horror, Action, TV series screenplay.

Target audience:

Age: 15+

Gender: Both/ Either

Interests: Space travel, future, Sci-fi, Horror

Scope: When making this script idea I thought about making it into a TV series or a Netflix series as the story could be extended between episodes. Therefore I think the series would be a weekly series if on TV or a series on Netflix. Considering TV episode length I was thinking about 30-40 minutes per episode, allowing the story to develop over 15- 20 episodes. So would have CGI/ visual effects so would have to get a company to do that, plus film a series of episodes in a studio as it would be majority of the time on a space station. So a camera crew and studio with green screen would be needed.

Characters:

- Captain Merlin Farris (Captain)
- NOVA (Artificial intelligence)
- Frankie Stewart (Medic)
- Jessica Bradford (Pilot)
- Harrison Young (Engineer)
- Bobby Tross (Stasis pod engineer)

Premise: In the year 3045 when the Earth becomes inhabitable for human life, a nearing supernova threatens to destroy the planet. As the planet is destroyed by the supernova a surviving crew of human aboard a space station takes to the stars with other humans in stasis pods, to find a potential new home away from their now destroyed old home. As fragments fly past the station, the crew tries to escape the explosion but one of the fragments from the Earth's core hits one of the surviving human stasis pods and causes considerable damage. However instead of destroying the pod, the radiation in the fragment causes the human survivor known as Adam Maywether to change into a rock like creature as the radiation is so hot from the core it causes all living tissue to turn to rock. Possessed by the solar energy this creature attempts to infect the whole station. The crew must use their resources to trap and remove the creature from the station before all the human survivors become extinct.

Logline: After Earth is destroyed by a nearing supernova a space station crew of unlikely human survivors take the remaining survivors across the stars, when a unexpected incident on board jeopardises the aim to preserve human life.

Synopsis:

Beginning:

The crew made their way on board the station with many other surviving humans in stasis and travelled into space. Looking back on the Earth the supernova closes in on the planet and burns everything green or blue on the Earth. Burning the surrounding gases the Earth's core becomes so hot that it implodes into a large explosion causing the earth to shatter. As the crew watch the Earth's destruction from a distance they are worried about the effects of the explosion on the station as it attempts to pull away from the explosion. As Jessica, Captain Merlin and NOVA do their best to manoeuvre the station from the fragments the rest of the crew are at their stations, trying to stop any casualties or damage to the station. Being a rather large station it has trouble avoiding the smaller faster fragments, causing the shields to drain rather quickly from the heated fragments of the Earth. Being smashed about from the fragments the Station takes a huge beating before reaching beyond the reach of the fragments. Watching the Earth scatter across the void of space, the crew attempt to clear their heads from their loss by relaxing on the ship.

Middle:

Celebrating their victory of escaping the destruction of Earth and having time to remember their best moments on Earth the crew have some time chilling around the station talking to each other. Bobby and Harrison joke around while Jessica pilots the station. Later that day Jessica exits the pilot seat to go see her girlfriend Frankie in the medical bay. Bobby and Harrison take the mic out of her, joking around until Captain Merlin enters the room asking for them to check over the systems after the incident they barely escaped. As Bobby and Harrison check on the ships engines, Captain Merlin and NOVA check the systems from the control room. Meanwhile Jessica and Frankie have some alone time in the medical bay, but their time is interrupted as an emergency meeting is called in the control room. The captain reports the stasis of the ship and wanted to tell everyone that he might not be able to make the whole journey as he hasn't got long to live, but before telling everyone the alarms go off. Suddenly NOVA detects an anomaly with one of the stasis pods. But they all don't notice that one of the fragments from the Earth's core breached the station and infected one of the stasis pods with extreme heat radiation turning Adam Maywether into a stone creature with solar radiation.

The crew go out to investigate the anomaly in small groups going to corridor B where some of the stasis pods are kept. After a heart to heart Jessica and Frankie are called over by Bobby and Harrison to the stasis pod, where they find a broken stasis pod and no human inside. As Jessica attempts to contact the Captain, NOVA detects an extremely large heat signature in the corridor and Frankie hears a strange noise. Investigating the scene they notice Frankie is missing, they frantically look for her, until they hear a scream and dash down the corridor. Rushing down the station they find Frankie badly injured with a serious burn on her arm. Jessica attempts to help her back to the cabin. But Bobby goes off to check the rest of station alone, when the stone creature once being Adam Maywether finds him and throws Bobby out of the airlock.

End:

Slowly being hunted by the creature, the crew attempt to find a way to freeze the creature. But the creature uses its radiation to infect all the humans in corridor B and try to move on to Corridor A and C. Feeling the pressure of the situation the crew try to detach corridor B but the heat from the creatures radiation is slowly heating the station from the inside, causing the stasis pods to malfunction. Desperate to stop the creatures the captain and Harrison go to the engineering room to build a cooling weapon using the ventilation system. However the gun only works for a short time until the creatures destroy it and move onto the next corridor. Defenceless the crew have no choice but to find a way to open the airlocks manually, as NOVA is damaged by the creature's heat. While Harrison tries to fix NOVA, Frankie realises the burn from earlier is part of the infection so she decides to open the airlocks herself and she sacrifices herself. Feeling like she can't live without her Jessica attempts to save her but Frankie closes the doors blocking her escape and Jessica from rescuing her. As Frankie is sucked into the vacuum of space, NOVA is restored and gets the station back on course to finding a suitable planet. NOVA finds a suitable planet and the station reaches the edge of the planet with everyone in grief as they attempt to land on the planet. When a number of other surviving colonies of human ships arrive, showing they are not the only ones left.

Step outline:

Scene 1: All the crew are chilling after their lucky escape from the Earth's destruction. Bobby and Harrison are joking around talking to each other, when Jessica enters on her way to see her girlfriend Frankie in the med bay. As they joke around Captain Merlin walks in and asks the crew (Bobby and Harrison) to check the stasis pods and the engines.

Scene 2: Meanwhile Jessica goes to the medical bay to talk to Frankie, when their conversation ends up turning into a romantic moment. That is until Harrison walks in and tells them that the captain is looking for them.

Scene 3: Everyone gathers in the command centre as the Captain reports all of the systems are fine. Plus he was going to tell everyone about his medical condition and how he doesn't have long to live, however the station's alarms go off as NOVA reports a system failure in corridor B where some of the stasis pods are. They are all ordered to go investigate the scene.

Scene 4: Jessica and Frankie go off to check remaining stasis pods in that area, while Harrison and Bobby check the broken pod. Jessica and Frankie have a discussion about the stasis pods and about how it reminds them of planet Earth's destruction. Frankie and Jessica rush over to Bobby and Harrison to find a shattered stasis pod. Because the glass is so thick they believe nothing could have broken out from inside. Asking the captain for advice they soon discover another heat signature is in the room with them. As Jessica asks the Captain to advise them Frankie gets taken by the creature and all you hear is her screaming down the corridor.