

# THE BELT

*A world built inside a rock. A ship that shouldn't exist. A light that just started blinking.*



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LOGLINE

In 2185, a clone built to be exactly like everyone else  
and an eccentric scientist determined to stay exactly like she is  
are the only two people standing between humanity  
and a first contact

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that has already assessed their **nutritional value.**



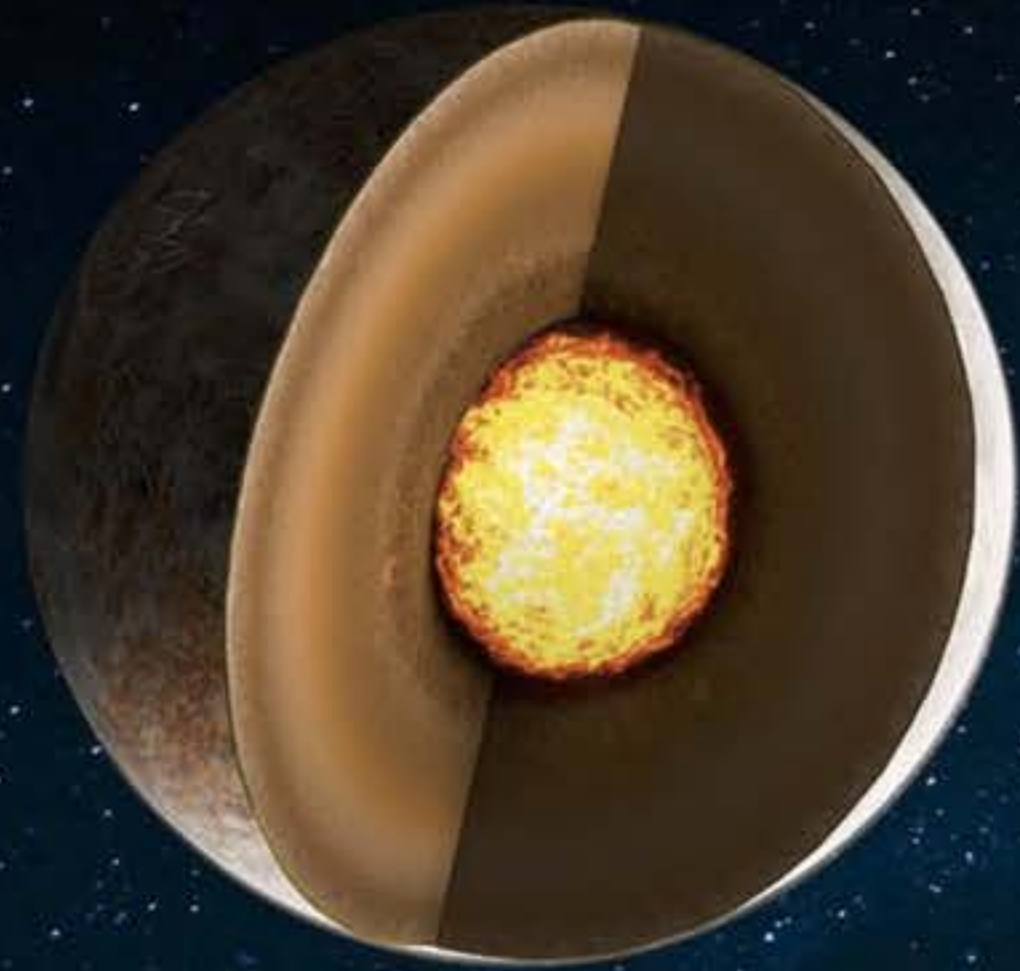
There once was a planet that orbited our sun between Mars and Jupiter.

It had a molten metal core, just like its neighbors; Jupiter, Mars, and Earth.

A catastrophic collision shattered the planet, and left only the metal core.

Four billion years later, SpaceX and NASA launched a survey mission.

## TRUE



## SPECULATIVE



Robotic mining mechs and plasma boring heads drilled into the metal ball.

The metal that they mined set in motion an industrial renaissance of solar expansion.

Sixty years later, they seeded the massive interior space with the ecosystem of Earth.

And now, one hundred years later, millions of people call Psyche home.

# The Earth Ring

THE MOST AMBITIOUS STRUCTURE EVER BUILT · HOME TO A THIRD OF HUMANITY

When Earth became less livable, those who could afford it looked up. What began as a string of mismatched orbital colonies gradually linked together into the structure you see here — three miles wide, encircling the planet, home to nearly a third of humanity.

It is the most ambitious construction project in human history. It was built from metal mined in the Belt.

**By clones.**

*Charlie Miller grew up here. She left anyway.*

WIDTH  
**3 miles**

ALTITUDE  
**400 miles**

CIRCUMFERENCE  
**Encircles Earth**

POPULATION  
**Over 2 billion**

BUILT BY  
**Clones · Psyche Metal**

# Psyche Interior

THE INSIDE-OUT WORLD · HOME TO A THIRD OF HUMANITY

100 miles long. 60 miles wide. Held against the walls by centrifugal force — fields, forests, lakes, and cities curving overhead in every direction. This is not a space station. *This is a world.*

And like every world, it has its own politics, its own class system, and its own restless young people who want more than it's offering. *The itch didn't start with Glenn:236. It started with the world that made him.*

LENGTH

100 miles

DIAMETER

60 miles

GRAVITY

Centrifugal · 0.5g

POPULATION

Over 2 billion

ESTABLISHED

Over a century

Season 01

## The Itch

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*"Can a clone write his own destiny?"*

A clone wrangler, a rogue astrobiologist, and a dead alien's ship. The Belt saves humanity — but the cost is Captain Bob. The Bandu are free. The universe notices.



Season 02

## The Mirror

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*"What does humanity look like from the outside?"*

The Bandu clone Captain Bob — their touchstone for empathy. A second Mind Pool mobilizes. Humanity is not forgiven for what it did. The Belt must answer for its miracle.



Season 03

## The Fold

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*"What happens when the universe stops being linear?"*

The Go-To device and Neutron Helix technology open the quantum frontier. Altered timelines. Parallel states. The itch that started it all echoes across every version of Glenn:236.

## SYNOPSIS · SEASON ONE

### 01 · THE WORLD

The year is **2185**. A third of humanity lives inside a hollowed-out metal asteroid called Psyche — a world of clones, engineered from the DNA of Earth's finest and **numbered like inventory**. It's not easy being a clone. The feeling that your destiny is not your own is *an ever-present itch*.

### 02 · THE DISCOVERY

When a front-line wrangler makes an **illegal discovery** among the asteroids, he enlists the help of the last person anyone would expect — a wildly eccentric Earth-born astrobiologist who has been right about aliens her entire career and **ignored for just as long**. What they find changes everything.

#### YEAR

2185

#### SETTING 01

The Asteroid Belt · Psyche Sector

#### SETTING 02

The Earth Ring

#### SETTING 03

The Bandu World · Betelgeuse · 642 ly

*The Belt has been running a mining operation for over a century. **So has someone else.** And humanity just showed up on their inventory.*



## Dr. Charlie Miller

ASTROBIOLOGIST, PH.D. · FIRST EARTH-BORN MECHOP

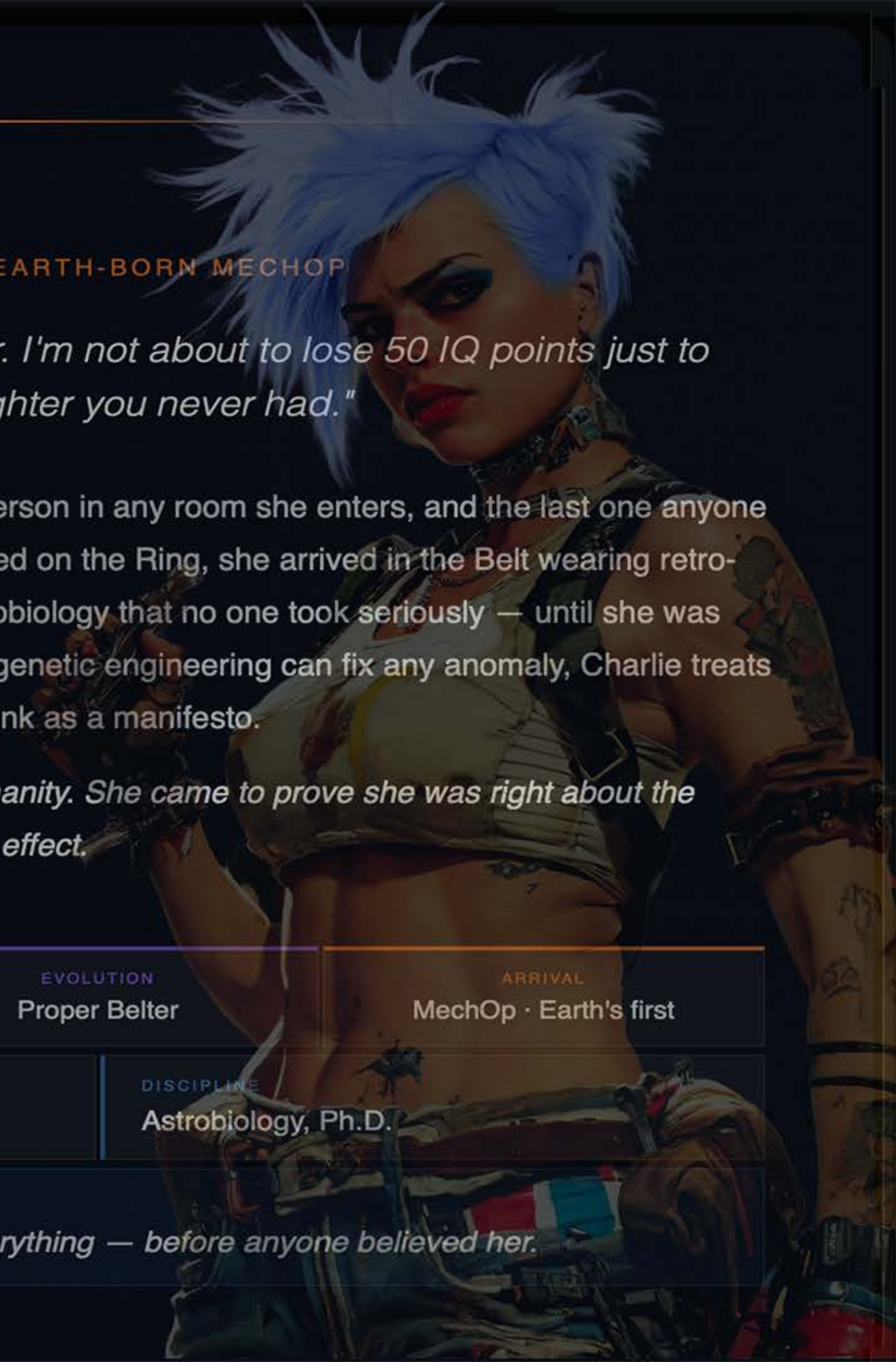
*"My issues are my superpower. I'm not about to lose 50 IQ points just to become the neurotypical daughter you never had."*

Dr. Charlie Miller is the most qualified person in any room she enters, and the last one anyone expects to be there. Born on Earth, raised on the Ring, she arrived in the Belt wearing retro-spacer-punk tattoos and a Ph.D. in astrobiology that no one took seriously — until she was right about everything. In an era where genetic engineering can fix any anomaly, Charlie treats her spectrum as a superpower and her ink as a manifesto.

*She didn't come to the Belt to save humanity. She came to prove she was right about the aliens. Saving humanity was just a side effect.*

ARRIVAL Retro-punk outsider	EVOLUTION Proper Belter	ARRIVAL MechOp · Earth's first
ORIGIN Earth · Earth Ring	DISCIPLINE Astrobiology, Ph.D.	
SEASON 1 ARC <i>The woman who was right about everything — before anyone believed her.</i>		

DR. CHARLIE MILLER





## John Glenn:236

FRONT LINE FOUNDRY PILOT · WRANGLER

*"It's not easy being a clone. The feeling that your destiny is not your own is an ever-present itch."*

John Glenn:236 is the finest pilot in the Psyche Sector — and the 236th person that sentence has been true of. He was engineered for greatness, assigned a number instead of a name, and given a destiny that belonged to someone else before he was born. The itch to forge something genuinely his own is the most human thing about him. It's also the most dangerous.

### DESIGNATION

John Glenn:236

### HOMETOWN

Psyche Sector, Asteroid Belt

### CALLSIGN

Iceman

### STATUS

Clone · Generation 236

### SEASON 1 QUESTION

*Can a clone write his own destiny?*

236

# Nikola Tesla:148

ENGINEER · INVENTOR · MID-FLOW FOUNDRY PILOT

*"They start as dreams. The trick is not to wake up before you finish it."*



Nikola Tesla:148 is the most gifted engineer in the Psyche Sector and the only person in the Belt who can make that claim while his eyebrows are still growing back. A mid-flow pilot by assignment, an inventor by compulsion, and a catastrophe by accident — Nick's creations work exactly as intended, right up until the moment they don't. He wants more than the destiny his DNA mapped out for him. *He just needs to survive long enough to find it.*

DESIGNATION

Nikola Tesla:148

HOMETOWN

Psyche Sector, Belt

GUILD

SpaceX Engineering

KNOWN FOR

*The Claw · The Go-To Device · Various Explosions*

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MIA  
ECKHART

## Mia Eckhart

ASTROPHYSICIST, PH.D. · HEIR TO THE ECKHART INDUSTRIAL EMPIRE

*"It gets a little more interesting when you become a menu item."*

Mia Eckhart has spent her entire life pretending to be less interested than she is. It's a remarkably effective strategy. While everyone else is explaining things to her, she's already solved the problem — she's just waiting for the right moment to mention it. Charlie's oldest friend, her intellectual equal, and the only person in the Belt who can keep up with her without breaking a sweat. When the fate of humanity comes down to a single idea, it's Mia — between a keg party reference and a casual shrug — who thinks of the *Trojan Horse*.

### ORIGIN

Earth Ring · New Zealand

### DISCIPLINE

Astrophysics, Ph.D.

### KNOWN FOR

*Saving the world. Acting like it was obvious. Going back for Jell-O shooters.*



CAPTAIN  
BOB  
HARKER

## Captain Bob

EARTH RING SHUTTLE PILOT · LAST MAN STANDING

*"Just one more adventure, boys."*

Captain Bob Harker flew the Earth Ring shuttle run for twenty years because the frontier he loved had moved on without him. He told himself he was fine with that. He was not fine with that. When a chance encounter with a young inventor puts him at the center of the most important moment in human history, Bob doesn't hesitate, doesn't calculate, and doesn't look for a way out. He just does what needs doing — which turns out to be the one thing no one else in the universe was built for.

*Some people leave a mark on the universe. **Bob leaves his on two.***



## Sally Ride:231

LEAD MECHOP · PSYCHE SECTOR

BELT-BORN

GEN-MOD

*"Not your type Cosmo. She's not inflatable."*

The strongest person in any room she enters — and the first one to notice who else in that room needs looking after. Sally didn't become the Belt's lead MechOp by accident. She became it because someone had to, and she was already better than everyone else by the time anyone thought to ask. Glenn was her ward before he was a legend. Charlie was her project before she was a MechOp. Jaybird is her oldest friend. *She'd die before she'd say any of that out loud.*

KNOWN FOR

*Lifting things. Fixing people. Never asking for credit.*



## Jaybird:228

SENIOR WRANGLER · FRONT LINE

40 YRS SERVICE

NEAR LIMIT

*"Lost too many friends to the flames. Didn't feel like losing any more."*

Senior Wrangler. Forty years on the front line. Knows where every cold beer in the Psyche Sector is, how to fix anything with whatever's at hand, and exactly when to hand a young pilot a violin case without asking questions.

KNOWN FOR

*Surviving everything. Mentoring everyone. Writing a book about it.*



## Cosmo Zelder

MID-FLOW PILOT · BELT-BORN PRIME

NO BELT

NO RING

*"You're so special. Just like every other clone."*

Born in the Belt to a mother who didn't survive the delivery and a father who didn't survive the inconvenience of having a son. Too Earther for the Belt, too Belter for the Ring — Cosmo has spent his entire life being the wrong person in the wrong place. That kind of loneliness either breaks you or it makes you mean. *Cosmo got mean.*

THREAT LEVEL

*Dangerous the way cornered things are dangerous.*



## Paxton Zelder

BUSINESSMAN · EARTH RING

OLD MONEY

NO CONSCIENCE

*"I don't care how much it costs. I want the alien gear — and I want that Belter to suffer."*

Paxton Zelder has never built anything. He acquires things — companies, leverage, people — and deploys them until they're used up. He's been sniffing around alien technology since before Cosmo was born, and he has no intention of letting a clone and an Earth girl stand between him and the most valuable discovery in human history. He won't get his hands dirty. *That's what sons are for.*

THREAT LEVEL

*Dangerous the way money is dangerous. Quietly. At a distance.*

## Yeoman Millet Vrox

HOLOTORIUM ANALYST · ZAGAN MIND POOL · BANDU SLAVE

*"What sort of creature would die for a stranger?"*

Yeoman Millet Vrox has catalogued the end of ten thousand civilizations. He has watched species flower and vanish, logged their coordinates, filed their yields, and moved on. It is the only work the Zagan Mind Pool has ever allowed him. He tells himself he stopped feeling it a long time ago. *The moment a strange insect draws a glyph on a tablet in the Bandu style and holds it out to him, he discovers that was not entirely true.*

*He will be remembered. **On two worlds.***

Bandu

CIVILIZATIONS CATALOGUED

Ten thousand

HOME STAR

Betelgeuse · 642 ly



**Build in UNREAL, populate with METAHUMAN, and shoot with a cinematic eye that brings vibrance back to the genre.**



# The Psyche Foundry

WHERE THE SOLAR SYSTEM GETS BUILT · THE MOST DANGEROUS JOB IN SPACE

Red feeds the flame. Yellow feeds the line. Blue counts the inventory. The color of your ship is the color of your destiny. *Unless you're Glenn:236.*

**FRONT LINE · WRANGLER**

● Lead hull. Feeds the mouth.

**MID FLOW · REGULATOR**

● Feeds material to the line.

**INVENTORY · DOCK CONTROL**

● Counts from a safe distance.

**FURNACE TYPE**

Hollowed Carbon Asteroid

**OUTPUT**

Endless Bar · 2m x 2m

**FRONT LINE HULL**

Solid Lead · Radiation Shield

**DISTANCE TO PSYCHE**

1,000 miles

# Comparables **Landscape**

**3 BODY  
PROBLEM**

Big ideas / existential stakes

**THE  
EXPANSE**

World / realism / scale

**THE BELT**

**ALTERED  
CARBON**

identity / engineered humans

  
**THE  
UMBRELLA  
ACADEMY**

Character dynamics / ensemble tension

The Belt occupies white space no current series owns — hard science fiction with ensemble warmth and a globally resonant, identity-driven core.

EP 01 **HERO**

The most dangerous thing a clone can do is save someone's life. It costs John Glenn:236 everything — *and leads him somewhere no clone has ever been.*

EP 03 **RUMORS**

In the Belt, secrets travel at the speed of light and cost even faster. Someone knows what Glenn found. *And they're willing to kill for it.*

EP 05 **DILEMMA**

Charlie was right about the aliens. *She really wished she wasn't.*

EP 07 **RETALIATION**

They have one engine, one bomb, one plan, and a limo driver who *hasn't felt this alive in twenty years.*

EP 02 **EARTH GIRL**

She arrived in the Belt wearing punk tattoos and a Ph.D. nobody believed. *She's about to make both of them very relevant.*

EP 04 **PIRATES**

Eight months alone in deep space with an antimatter engine, an alien ship, and each other. *The pirates were almost a welcome distraction.*

EP 06 **REUNION**

Old friends arrive just in time. *The aliens arrive just after.*

EP 08 **FIRST CONTACT**

The question isn't whether humanity survives. The question is *who helps them — and what it costs.*

SEASON 2 SETUP



## Scott Billups

WRITER · DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY · VFX SUPERVISOR

Mulholland Drive

Walking With Dinosaurs 3D

Fantastic Four

50+ Motion Pictures

Documentaries

Series



### Matt Codd

PRODUCTION DESIGN

3 Body Problem

Guardians of the Galaxy

Planet of the Apes

Cowboys & Aliens



### Hisako Kawai

VFX CREATOR

Mulholland Drive

Pirates of the Caribbean

Mission: Impossible

Wing Commander



### Curtis Bennett

UNREAL DEVELOPER

Riot Games

Bad Robot

Hasbro

Intel



### Steven D. Smith

PRODUCTION MANAGER

Modern Marvels

Lifeguard!

Combat Zone

American Jungle

# The Belt

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*In a solar system built on cloned labor, one wrangler's illegal discovery forces him to question everything his DNA says he's supposed to be — and ignites a desperate race to save a humanity that has no idea it needs them.*

S1 **The Itch**

*Can a clone write his own destiny?*

S2 **The Mirror**

*What does humanity look like from the outside?*

S3 **The Fold**

*What happens when the universe stops being linear?*

## CORE ENSEMBLE

**John Glenn:236**

*The clone who wants more*

**Dr. Charlie Miller**

*The scientist who was right*

**Nikola Tesla:148**

*The inventor who survives himself*

**Captain Bob**

*The man who saves two worlds*

**Mia Eckhart**

*The smartest one in the room*

**Millet Vrox**

*The alien who chooses humanity*

*The Belt has been running a mining operation for over a century. **So has someone else.** And humanity just showed up on their inventory.*

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