

EPISODE #245

"THE HAUNTING OF DECK TWELVE"

Neelix recounts the harrowing tale of Voyager's newest uninvited guest.

As Voyager approaches a J-Class nebula, Janeway orders the power cut on all decks. Neelix is put in charge of watching the children, who don't know the reasoning behind the blackout. When pressed for answers, Neelix tells them about the first time Voyager entered the murky nebula. The nebula began to destabilize, and the ship was suddenly hit with an electromagnetic discharge. When Voyager exited, the crew was unaware they had a mysterious stowaway.

Janeway soon realized they were traveling in circles. Besides the navigation system, there were other malfunctions all over the ship. B'Elanna thought she had pinpointed the source of the problem in some burned out gel packs, but when she got there, she saw that the problem was now in the cargo bay. The electromagnetic discharge was jumping power sources throughout the ship. In the cargo bay, Seven suddenly found herself trapped as nebular gas seeped in and began to suffocate her.

As all of Voyager's systems began to fail, even the environmental controls were unresponsive to commands. Electromagnetic discharges began injuring crewmembers, prompting Janeway to surmise that an alien lifeform was taking control of the ship and trying to make a more hospitable environment for itself. An emergency command post was set up in engineering, and the remainder of the ship quickly became eerily dark and deserted.

When the lifeform infiltrated the main computer matrix, Janeway wondered if it was trying to communicate. Reconfiguring the computer so the alien could use its voice, Janeway followed instructions to report to astrometrics. There, she learned that the alien wanted Voyager to return to the nebula, and she realized the alien was just trying to get back home. Once they backtracked, however, the Captain saw that the nebular gases had completely dissipated. This angered the lifeform, which shut off life support throughout Voyager and ordered the crew to abandon ship.

Unable to reason with the alien, Janeway directed her crew to the escape pods. But before she could leave, the alien ordered her to stay behind and fix Voyager's systems. The Captain refused to do so unless control of the ship was back in her hands, so the alien unleashed more of the nebular gas. At the last second, the alien relented, knowing it needed Janeway to survive. The crew returned, and an artificial environment was created on Deck Twelve for the alien. Finishing the story, Neelix tells the children the alien has been living there ever since, and they entered another J-Class nebula so they could return it to its home.





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CHAKOTAY
B'ELANNA TORRES
TOM PARIS
NEELIX
THE DOCTOR
TUVOK
SEVEN OF NINE
HARRY KIM

KATE MULGREW
ROBERT BELTRAN
ROXANN DAWSON
ROBERT DUNCAN MCNEILL
ETHAN PHILLIPS
ROBERT PICARDO
TIM RUSS
JERI RYAN
GARRETT WANG

GUEST STARRING

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