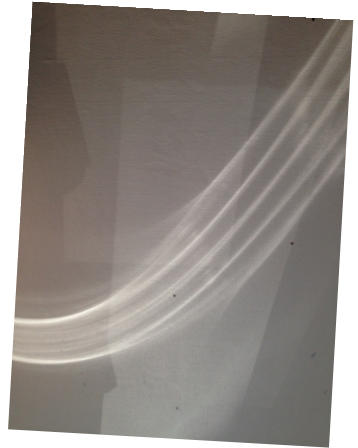
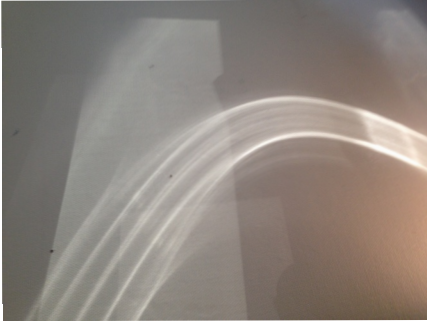


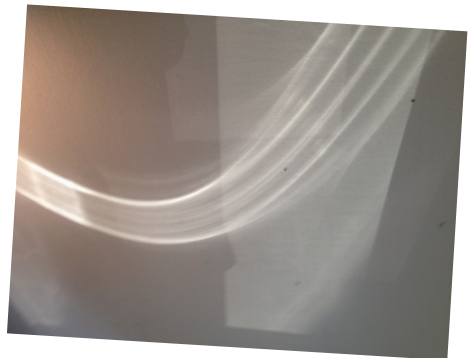
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Characters

Narrator1	Male-voiced narrator.
Narrator2	Female-voiced narrator.
Bird	Arn's fiancée.
Arn	Bird's fiancée.
Haze	Bird's mother.
Buttercup	The girl who performs miracles.
Virgin	Virgin from the sacred planet.
Bert	Buttercup's father, The leader of the grank band and the whole tour.
Valette	Arn's colleague.
Alf Missiora	Arn's colleague.
Henrik	Warehouse foreman.
Fog	Roadie and the stagehand.
Larsson	Head security officer.
Will	Young trainee in the security team.
Commando	The leader of the suicide commando team.
Commando2	Young trainee in the suicide commando team.
Garfer	Outsiders' sword-bearer.
Ollie	Platypus.
Honey	Bird's cousin.
Passengers and crew of the spaceship cruiser, coffee shopkeeper, market vendors, market customers, legendary grank band and concert audience.	

Narrator2

The story is about young people, love, and flirting across space and time. It's about sweet talk reaching light years away.

Narrator1

You know people, right? They're silly creatures with poor thinking skills but vivid imaginations. Unlike computers, they can come up with all sorts of things.

Narrator2

Space-time love, on the other hand, is a rare phenomenon. It only strikes to beings when they are in different points of space-time longing for each other, agonising in their pain, and weeping in their loneliness.

Narrator1

Once upon a time, after the people of Earth had relinquished control of the sacred planet and returned it to its rightful inhabitants, young Bird, a qayes girl from the sacred planet, met young Arn, a boy from Earth. A prison camp set up by zealots on Earth was where they met.

Narrator2

... and instantly fell in love without even realising it.

Narrator1

After their release, they lived with Bird's mother on the sacred planet for a while, until Arn returned to Earth. He wanted to find work and establish a stable life for them both.

Bird didn't want Arn to leave. They argued, but Arn left anyway — and that's where the story begins.

Narrator2

Bird feels abandoned. She cannot understand Arn's decision. Life on the sacred planet is easy, with mild conditions and no fear of insecurity. As a native of the sacred planet, Bird doesn't always understand people from Earth. She isn't concerned with possessions. The most important thing for her is love. She misses Arn.

Narrator1

Arn already regrets leaving. He misses Bird. They both miss each other and are hesitant about the light years between them. Despite their differences and their inability to always understand each other, some strange force still keeps them together.

Narrator2

That force is, of course, space-time love.

The young lovers lie in their separate beds on different planets, both fiddling with their AI phones. Bird lives with her mother. Arn lives in a small studio apartment in the concert troupe's large complex of apartments, storage spaces, and stages next to the spaceport. It is evening for Bird and morning for Arn. Soliloquies and mutterings abound. Bird stretches and wriggles around on her bed while muttering into her phone diary and staring at her phone. Arn is already dressed and sitting on the edge of the bed. After hesitating for a moment, he presses a button on his device.

Bird

(speaking into the phone) Dear AI Phone Diary, I think I should send Arn a message. I wonder what he would think if he received a message from me. Would he get depressed because we're not together? Or would he get angry because he wants to forget me? Or would he feel anxious? He would feel anxious! Bird! You mustn't make Arn feel anxious!

Maybe he doesn't feel anything for me anymore. Does he have a new girlfriend? Someone from Earth who understands him better and knows everything about the world? Does he have someone who understands money and work, wars and camps, pollution and overpopulation, religions and rituals, and herds and hierarchies?

What if he misses me and is waiting for me to send him a message? Maybe he hasn't looked for anyone else because he only loves me?

Maybe he is missing me right now?

Perhaps he's waiting for my message at this very moment?

Maybe... uh. Why isn't he calling me right now?

Why did he have to leave?

Did he want to get away from me? Does he still like me? Does he think I'm beautiful? There are many more beautiful girls than me on Earth. He thought I was the most beautiful girl at camp, but now he has more options! Naturally, girls chase after him, putting on makeup to look pretty and show

The science fiction play Bird Flutters into Space-Time Love is based on the characters and narratives of the science fiction novel Evolution Stories.

This dramatic comedy explores themes of loyalty, human nature, trust, computers, platypuses, ice cream miracles, and of course, the greatest concert in the universe. It is suitable entertainment for humans, humanoids, and other beings.

