

MOONBASE ALPHA TECHNICAL NOTEBOOK

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1. The Metamorph

(Originally Titled "The Biological Computer" and "The Biological Soul")

Screenplay: JOHNNY BYRNE Director: CHARLES CRICHTON



On a volcanic planet, the lives of the Alphans are threatened by an alien scientist named Mentor. He needs their brains for the psychic energy his biological computer (Psyche) requires to transform the planet's surface back into the paradise it once was. One Alphan, Ray Torens, has already joined the living dead after having his mind fed into Psyche. Koenig refuses Mentor's request for submission and the alien unleashes Psyche's power on Moonbase. Unable to stop Mentor, the Alphans must base their hopes on Maya, Mentor's beautiful daughter. Totally unaware of how fanatical her father has become in pursuit of his dream, Maya is shocked into facing reality. She is forced by Koenig to look in the caves beneath Psychon where the "braindrained" are kept to dig for metal ores by Mentor. She decides to confront her father. In the ensuing struggle, the biological computer is put out of commission. But the destruction of Psyche unleashes the volcanic fury of the planet, bringing death and destruction to the inhabitants of Psychon.

Mentor: BRIAN BLESSED

Annette Fraser: ANOUSHKA HEMPEL

2. The Exiles

Screenplay: DONALD JAMES Director: RAY AUSTIN



Hundreds of tiny capsules lock into orbit around the Moon. Recovering one of the capsules, the Alphans bring it to an isolated security launch pad miles from the base. Inside, they find the body of a young boy. He is carried to Medical Center and revived. Stating that his name is Cantar, he claims his people, who are orbiting the Moon, were exiled from their home world by invaders. Although Koenig allows the capsule containing Cantar's wife Zova to land, he hesitates in retrieving the others. Alpha cannot support the additional people, but Cantar says he can modify the life-support system. Koenig allows the alien to try it, but Cantar really intends to adapt the life-support system into a transporter. Helena and Tony are kidnapped to the alien's home world where they learn that Cantar and Zova are psychotic killers. Cantar plans to invade his home world and resume control.

Cantar: PETER DUNCAN Zova: STACY DORNING Mirella: MARGRET INGLIS