



NEW EARTH BANDITS



A VISUAL GUIDE
TO THE
VERDANT MACHINE

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Macaulay Point Park
ləkʷəŋən Traditional Territory

The year, by your count, is 7023 and the world has seen its fair share of calamities.

The Earth has burned and healed and burned and healed again.

Shifted. Changed landscapes. Transformed.



A long time ago, this island was a machine...

The Verdant Machine.

They say that if you give the Machine a gift, it will grant you a wish.

But it has been broken for a long time now.

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THE CROWS

Chris Austin, Loreto Espinoza, Stan Lloyd, Jeni Luther & Regina Rios

A Murder of Immortal Crows guards the Library at the centre of the Verdant Machine.

The Library contains the life story of every living being on this New Earth and all who came before.



THE TRAVELLER

Finn Kelly

In one night, The Traveller lives a lifetime from beginning to end.

Carrying a much-coveted key, they walk in circles searching for some recollection of purpose.





KENT & JEAMS

Tony Adams & Dove MacPherson

Some humans escaped the dark years
to live in black and white
on a DictatorSHIP.

They produced clones of themselves.
Or are they clowns?

Clone clowns that dream of the still-blue
planet they can see from their window.



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KEVIN

Atticus Cohen-Yelle

Kevin is a chipmunk-human hybrid who lost his parents when he was a chip-kid. He has been living in the forest alone with only pinecone people to keep him company.

Recently, he discovered a machine that allows him to see into the past. Now, a creature scared of his own shadow with no dreams beyond living day to day has been exposed to luxury and comfort... and he wants it.





PI & REACHARD

Islay McKechnie & Danny Saretsky

Pi, an eccentric scientist, has lived alone for thousands of years, unable to venture outside of the laboratory he is cursedly tethered to.

Pi lives in an isolated musical world of his own making and longs for companionship. One day he makes a wish to the Verdant Machine... and so, Reachard is born.



THE PEDLAR

Sadie Fox

THE SUSTAINABLE
FOX

The Pedlar is a traveling trader with a knack for finding value in what others call waste. They travel the spaces between with their waste wagon, in search of inspiration, insight, and treasure.

Need to get rid of something? The Pedlar is nearby, eager to make you a trade: maybe they'll offer you a song in exchange for your candy wrapper, or perhaps the Pedlar has a material you need in return? "Equitable trades only!" we've heard them insist.

Almost mythic, the Pedlar roams so dedicatedly that they seem to peddle between worlds and time – though you can hear them coming a decade away. If you find the Pedlar, be sure to check what your waste might be worth!

THE CHOOSING CEREMONY

Claire Diamant & Corina Fischer

Ernestine is on her one-hundred and thirty-second year of co-facilitating the annual choosing ceremony in Falling Fish. One of her favourite parts of the choosing ceremony is seeing the look of horror on children's faces when they get an unexpected match of a shark or venomous snake, but knowing that they will come to treasure their animal just as much as she does hers.

Patricia is a visionary, a leader, and a self-proclaimed woman in STEM, but don't ask her what those letters stand for. She hopes you get along with your animal, but if you don't... that's not really her problem, and it's definitely your fault.



CORAL & BREEZE

Vitor Freitas & William Robertston
Understudy Breeze: Tiffany Tjosvold

5,000 years of unfolding and refolding of DNA due to the inhabitable acidic ocean waters has given rise to a society evolved from modern-day clownfish known as the Poisson Clown.

Coral is the matriarch of her society. As the only fish who has fish legs, she's fallen on the island with a mission to save the inevitable collapse of aquatic life by making a wish at the Verdant Machine.



Meanwhile, atop decaying skyscrapers lives the civilization of the Aeravi.

Breeze, descended from today's vultures, is not one to fly with the rest of the flock. Breeze is proud of her physical prowess and flight, and never dreamed of meeting someone who could keep up with her.

Maybe this punk-rock chick will learn to slow down...

THE MUSHROOM CHOIR

Claire Diamant, Loreto Espinoza, Corina Fischer
Islay McKechnie & Danny Saretsky

Everything is knitted, everything is
kneaded. Lend us your ears from the
deepest zone and listen.

We are vessels, we need more.

Come and trip the light fantastic toe!



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