

Eli Allan: Hey there listeners, it's been a while. We have good news and bad news, so let's rip the band-aid off quickly. Station Arcadia is saying goodbye. When we first conceived this project we hoped to produce a total of four seasons in four years. For a group of podcast newbies we made a solid attempt, if I do say so myself, but the truth is that we started Station Arcadia with the free time of people during the initial COVID-19 lockdown. Once the world started up again, it became much harder to run a volunteer project of this scale. After multiple years of start-and-stop attempts to produce season 2, it became clear that it just wasn't working, and we decided to pull the plug.

But here's the good news! Station Arcadia may be dying... but it's not dead yet! We're going to give her a proper goodbye, and that means releasing everything we DO have for season 2, as well as what our plans were for seasons 3 and 4, and all sorts of extras and bonus content. Everything will be archived on our website: **stationarcadia.wixsite.com/podcast**

Consider it our last hurrah: an attempt to honour not only the hard work of our cast and crew, but also the listeners who have supported us along the way. Check out our socials, @stationarcadia on twitter - (*derogatory*) or "X", - and tumblr, to follow this final arc in real-time. Whether you contributed to the show in any way, posted about us on social media, recommended Station Arcadia to a friend, or just listened to the show; this is for you.

What follows is the season 2 trailer.

Welcome back... for a little while longer... to Station Arcadia.

[STATIC - LIKE IN THE BUG TRANSITIONS]

KASS. I don't know, Z, I told you, the station hasn't really been working with me lately.

Z. Have you tried asking nicely?

KASS. I'm always nice to Arcadia! I don't know, I think she's trying to encourage me to broadcast again.

Z. Well you're going to, right?

KASS. I mean, in a bit, yeah. But it's nice to have a break.

Z. I'm bored though... I bet I can get Arcadia to give us one story. Just a quick one! Right Arcadia? Come on, you know you love me...

KASS. I mean, I said I'd give it another shot, Z. Just... don't get your hopes up.

Z. Who, me? Never. But seriously, even if it's a really short story, or if it's just about a rat living it's life, or if it's half a story and then cuts off... I'd take it! Whatever you feel like sharing, Arcadia!

KASS. The last time I tried plugging in I saw nothing but empty ocean for twenty minutes straight.

Z. Okay! Except that. I get enough ocean every day, thanks.

KASS. Here goes nothing.

[KASS PLUGS IN]

[BEAT]

Z. You getting anything?

KASS. Um, I don't... it's kind of... weird...

Z. Wait, weird how?

KASS. *(slowly at first)*

What has been done has only begun,

She watches, waits, and listens.

The prophet keeps score, the words echo more,

and more, with every rendition.

Z. Kass, what's going on?

(more grandiose, interrupting)

KASS. The lover dethroned finds seeds to spread

The roots disrupt and wake the dead

So slowly buds begin to grow

But smog could choke, as whistles blow

(increasing in volume and intensity)

Flowers spin around a wheel,

Snakes untwist, one bites the heel,

The soaring pillars pay the cost

And in the rubble, love is lost.

Absent hands are ghosts arising
From the hidden knife, conspiring,
Second chance means first forgotten,
Something old replaced with rotten,

Pressure builds from every side,
Flat expanses cannot hide
A shameful past, unmasked at last,
And blood will turn the tides

You can't trust fate to keep you safe
You can't find the right roads to roam
You can't stick close when the winds rush by
But the ocean will carry you home

[BEAT. SILENCE.]

Z. *(thoroughly shaken)* ...Kass?

KASS. *(equally shaken)* Z.

Z. *(As in, what the ABSOLUTE fuck Kass)* WHAT. Was that.

[NEW OUTRO MUSIC PLAYS]

Station Arcadia is a podcast by Metal Steve Productions, run by Eli Allan and J.R. Steele. It is produced by Eli Allan, with creative direction by Tovah Brantner, dialogue editing by Leo Zahn, and soundscaping by J.R. Steele.

This trailer was written by Eli Allan, with music by Arps. It featured Lady Renaissance as Kass and Marius Trusler as Z.

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Today's mood of the week is the bittersweet feeling of seeing your front door again after a long vacation.