

Zeromancer

Episode 2: Backpack Blues

<<Scene 1>>

<<Melina wakes up and stretches out, cut to fan-servicey shower scene/changing scene.>>

Melina:
Frog Back pack...

<<flashback to scene from ep.1>>

Melina:
I should of known to stop him! He was right there, I shouldn't of been in such a rush I... It could just be a coincidence, what am I stressing out about, it's probably fine. In any case... my job is on the line. I have to think of something...I'll find that back pack.

<<cut to opening>>

<<Karat at rent office>>

Karat:
Here ya go Rents all there.

Landlord:
You know, it's kinda odd, I never see you leave the apartment. More over most people don't pay in cash.

Karat:
Yeah... uh...I work from the home... in... in...uh ...invest... ticta...MINTS! Investments!

Landlord:
Oh ok, I have a brother in law doing the same thing!

Karat:
That's great... bye now!

Landlord:
Man... that's a nice backpack...

<<Karat books it out of the rent office seeing a hotdog stand down the street, he goes to get one>>

Karat:
Hotdog please

<<Melina comes walking around the corner to see karat opening up the frog back pack and handing the man some money>>

Melina:
You! Frog! Money! Bag!... I mean HCPD! Stop!

Karat:
Wuh oh.

<<cue chase scene, karat takes off>>

Melina:

Hey Stop!

Karat:
No thanks!

<<Karat is chased by Melina through the city and he comes across a pop machine, he quickly hacks it and it starts pouring out pop cans and Melina falls over the cans>>

Melina:
Oof!

Karat:
Gotta go!

Melina:
That...backpack

<<Scene 2>>

<< Karat gets away cut to taffy hanging out at home, drinking a pop, Karat gets home and opens the door slowly>>

Karat:
Taffy! ...I'm home!

Taffy:
Hey Karat, what's going on? You seem stressed.

Karat:
The police chased me across town!

Taffy:
What? Why?!

Karat:
Police! Backpack! Money! hacked a pop machine!

Taffy:
Hacked a pop machine?

Karat:
Hacked a pop machine! Spilled the cans! Tripped her up! got away!

Taffy:
Got away?

Karat:
Got away!

<<Karat collapses on the couch next to Taffy. Karat sighs exasperated. Taffy slurps drink>>

<<cut to Melina still in pop cans>>

Melina:
Damn it!!

<< the nothingness tears through reality a tendril of purple slithering about . The noise alerts melina who is still laying down in the cans.>>

Melina:
Huh ...what is that!?

<<she gets up slowly and looks to see the tendril>>

Melina:
Somethings not right?

Melina <inner monologue>:
Am I losing my mind?

<<The tendril goes towards a grandma >>

Melina:
Need a weapon!

<<she sees a squad car and wrenches the door open, grabbing a bazooka, which she fires. The tendril disappears as she fires, the rocket is headed for the grandma and a boy scout helping her across the street
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Melina:
Erk!

<<the rocket explodes, cut to police office>>

Melina:
I'm telling you there was something there!

Chief:
Yes.. We've been over it, you seem to think there was, what you explained to be a "purple thingy".

Melina:
Exactly!

Chief:
But there was an elderly woman, and a boy scout that... got in the line of fire?

Melina:
Yes!

Chief:
But there's no evidence of this "purple thingy", at all.

Melina:
It disappeared!

Chief <inner monologue>:
She does have a history of flying off the handle... This purple thing is a bit much, even for her...

Chief:

I really have no choice in the matter...

Melina:

Wha...

Chief:

You're off the force. It's been judged you are mentally unstable, and a danger to the community. Due to your time on the force... and that we... couldn't find the pieces of the ... citizens... You are free to go.

Melina:

But It was there! I'm not making this up I.. It was...

Chief:

MISS GREY! You're dismissed!

Melina:

I... I understand.

<<cut to Melina walking home, it starts raining>>

Melina:

Perfect... So this is what it comes down to, You've lost it Melina, way off the deep end this time. Hallucinations and everything. There's got to be a way to prove myself... I know!

<<cut to taffy and Karat>>

Taffy:

Hope that cop doesn't try to track you down.

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