

The Golden Record

Genre:

Science Fiction

Logline:

The 1977 Voyager spacecraft is intercepted in interstellar Space by an alien species looking for a habitable planet.

Synopsis:

The Voyager spacecraft has been traveling in Space since 1977. It made its entry into interstellar Space in 2012. As Voyager speeds through interstellar Space – 141 AU (13 billion miles) from home (Earth) - it is intercepted by an alien species looking for a habitable planet. Voyager carries a “Golden Record” of Earth sounds, pictures and messages.

This chance encounter gives them a moment of hope as they hover over the “Golden Record”. Their high intelligence and superb technological skills make it easy to decipher. There is one message – an audio file – that intrigues them:

[“Hello from the children of planet Earth.”](#)

They decide to set course for Earth since 141 AU is just a “stone’s throw away” for these intrepid pioneers.

Rationale for Success:

This script/screenplay in development should have universal appeal as well as extreme appeal with the “Baby Boomers” in America since they were in their thirties when Carl Sagan and his scientific team put together (1977) the Voyager project and the “Golden Record” that was attached to the spacecraft. The audio-visual disc created an anticipation within American society and the global community that there was the possibility for an alien encounter.

Expanded Synopsis:

The “Golden Record” is the catalyst for the alien species as it interprets/misinterprets the audio file as one of “Welcome!” Their planet is unsustainable because of pollution, and the species is aging and dying off. They have become aggressive in their desperation to relocate to a viable

environment and find a remedy to avoid extinction. The audio file is in a child's voice, which accentuates their hope for a renewal of their species. This hope "speeds" them toward Earth, and upon their arrival, it will also create ramifications for both species: theirs and ours.

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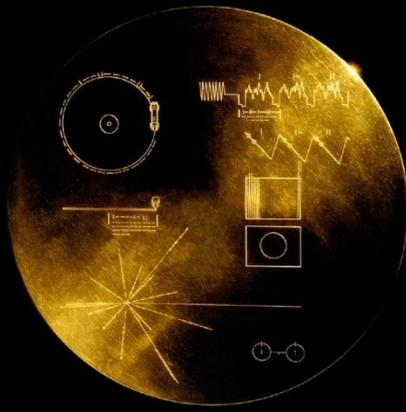


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