

Adam in Taoland

Season 1 - Synopsis

Note: The show starts on black and white film, everything in muted shades of gray.

Adam (20) is about to leap to his death. He's different from the other humans on Novana, a futuristic planet enslaved by unchecked Artificial Intelligence. Humanoid robots provide for all material needs of humans - at the cost of their freedom, agency, ambition, and any sense of purpose.

At a young age, Adam was secretly shown visions of human life before AI took control. Knowing what he's missing out on makes Adam rebellious, despondent, and finally, suicidal. Unable to face the lonely meaningless life in front of him, he climbs a tower, ready to end it all. But the Universe has other plans for Adam.

A gossamer spacecraft descends and lands nearby.

An absolutely gorgeous winged woman floats towards him...IN FULL COLOR.

Adam takes her in – crimson lips, green eyes, gold dress, tan supple skin. She opens her wings and colors spill across the gray landscape. Implying that she is his guardian angel, she invites/dares Adam to travel with her to Tao, a planet where she promises him, AI is firmly in check and humans control their destinies. She reveals that Taoland is magical and that he won't understand it. Adam has no idea who she is or if he can trust her. Terrified, but also intrigued, Adam agrees and heads off with her into the unknown.

She transports Adam across the Universe to Taoland, a gaseous planet much like a sun, with three surrounding moons, each inhabiting human life. On the Moon of New Beginnings, Adam is given a temporary home, a great neighborhood, real friends (some human some not), a love interest, and an important new job. He learns that he has been heavily vetted and scouted for the role of Lead Engineer at Tezhouse, a hi-tech corporation that applies AI to medical technologies.

Their bet on Adam is a smashing success. 20 years on Novana has given Adam an in-depth understanding of AI, far beyond anyone else. He's also brilliant, personable, and has an unexplainable connection to Taoland's unpredictable forces of magic. With Adam in the lead, Tezhouse is finally able to realize their vision, TIPTDI, a breakthrough AI innovation that can "pre-test," "pre-cure," and eventually eradicate all age-related brain diseases before they manifest.

Adam and his team are excited about what TIPTDI could mean for Taoland. Promoted to the President of Business Development, he enthusiastically markets the product from magical country to country. But the power players at Tezhouse only see dollar signs, and Adam is earning them billions. Tezhouse has a dark underbelly of corruption, blackmail, bribes, and even criminal activity – valuing power and profits over human life.. As Adam climbs the corporate ladder, he becomes distracted by money and power himself.

Adam has a secret weapon - Tariana. From his first day in Taoland, he has been in love with this feisty caring beauty with a banter that matches his own. They marry and have two children. She perpetually challenges and saves Adam from himself. As Adam becomes engrossed in Tezhouse, Tariana finds success in community service, leading her on a journey that threatens to take down their marriage.

Tezhouse is hiding a terrible secret from Adam. Not all TIPTDI volunteers are healed. Some become afflicted with advanced versions of the very diseases to be cured. When Adam discovers this truth, he has to unravel the web of lies to save Tezhouse from criminal charges and bankruptcy - while leading the engineers to solve TIPTDI's issues; with thousands of lives now at stake.

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