

Space Odyssey: Karen Hendriks

It wasn't quite the travel experience I thought it would be.

The night was dark like no other when we were placed into our space pods.

Venturing into the last frontier, space as a volunteer had become the exciting and new.

There was no promise of returning or even reaching your destination safely.

Yet this vast space travel empire had many willing to go.

But here is the difference.

I didn't want to go, and now I found myself locked in a space pod with no way to escape.

It was my worst nightmare to leave all that I loved.

I would never bid our earth farewell and yet, here I found myself.

Now, there was only acceptance and the wait for a long slumber.

Many years later, everything would be alien and new.