

STARSHIP Q STAR

BLOOPERS SPECIAL

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[An upbeat synth pop music track plays - it's as if a Star Trek theme has had a baby with Janelle Monáe.]

MEEGAN

Hey everyone! My name is Meegan and I play Computer and also co-wrote and co-created the show with Lauren Anderson. And I am here to welcome you to the Starship Q Star bloopers special!

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Thank you so much to everyone who has listened to Season One. We love seeing the streams and reviews still rolling in, and any support you can give us will hopefully mean we can bring another season to you very soon.

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Now! Without further ado, here is a collection of bloopers and improvised takes from Season One. And I think you'll see that we had just as much fun making the show as the show turned out to be.

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Heavy language warning, as well as plenty of sexual references and adult themes here. So enjoy!

[A goofy music track plays over a montage of bloopers. Laughter. ANNIE LUMSDEN (Aurelia), ISHA MENON (Solaris), LENA MOON (Mo) and ANDREA MENDEZ (Sim) do strange, actorly vocal warm up exercises.]

LAUREN (DIRECTOR)

(laughing)

It's my favourite part of the day now.

[SUNANDA (Dusty) joins in. SCOTT LIMBRICK (Bob) laughs.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)

That's good.

[Vocal exercises intensify. Lauren and Scott laugh.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Professionals. We're rolling!

LENA (MO)

I did take my next Ritalin, I'm so sorry. Okay, here we go!

ANNIE (AURELIA)

I'm in motherflipping space! Can I do it again?!

SUNANDA (DUSTY)

Mm! That dump truck ass, obviously. Mm! Bobby's got the ass of a Victoria Secret Angel. Mm! Bobby's got that ass from his mom, I bet.

ANDREA (SIM)

No... more... 'Co'... I'm the Co-Cap-- I'm the CAPTAIN now!

ANDREA (SIM)

Just strap in where you can.

LENA (MO)

Aye aye, Captain. I do love a strap on.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Computer, activate pilot controls!

[Long beat. Awkward page turn.]

MEEGAN (COMPUTER)

I'm so sorry.

[Whole cast and crew cackle.]

MEEGAN (COMPUTER)

I've completely lost my place. No! I've just been enjoying it?

SUNANDA (DUSTY)

Oh.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

I enjoyed it too!

SUNANDA (DUSTY)

Stop having a good time!

LENA (MO)

I might need to do my line again.

ANNIE

Did everyone catch Lena say, "I love a strap on"?

SUNANDA (DUSTY)

Yes!

ISHA (SOLARIS)

(laughing)

"I love a strap on"!

SCOTT (BOB)

Ah yeah, so I have uh, accidentally changed the Computer and I don't know how to change it back. Do you like him?

LENA (MO)

Is --

ANNIE (AURELIA)

WHAT DO YOU FUCKING THINK?! Sorry!

[Scott and Annie laugh.]

BEN RUSSELL (BRO COMPUTER)

Oi! Hey! Hey hey hey! Oi! Hey, stay out there! That's my porn stash. They're not really related, they just pretend.

[Lauren (Director) laughs with disgust/joy.]

BEN RUSSELL (BOY COMPUTER)

That's real fucked up.

[Ben and Lauren cackle.]

ANDREA (SIM)

Oh my god! The I.S.A. really were afraid of us getting on the rag and crashing into the moon!

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Told ya!

SUNANDA (DUSTY)

To be fair, I did crash and X-Jet once because I could not BELIEVE the size of the clot I passed.

(beat)

Felt like a baby!

ANNIE (AURELIA)

..... Understandable, Dusty.

ANDREA (SIM)
(horrified gagging)
Oh! God!

SUNANDA (DUSTY)
That clots in college now.

ANNIE (AURELIA)
I'm clotting right now.

BEN RUSSELL (BRO COMPUTER)
If I had a mouth I'd throw up in
it.

[Everyone laughs / is disturbed.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)
(laughing)
... "clots in college"...

[Andrea LAUGHS.]

ANDREA (SIM)
Okay Aurelia, let's get to the fun
stuff. Section 51, Subsection 43,
paragraph C. Cataloging foreign air
particles!

ANNIE (AURELIA)
Oh, no, Sim.
(whining)
NooooIdonwannadothat! Noooooooooo!
C'moooooooooon!

[Annie whines indistinctly like a cat in mourning.]

SUNANDA (DUSTY)
There's a dead cat on board!

[The whole cast make whiny cat noises like Annie.]

[The goofy music track ends.]

MEEGAN
Recording intimate sounds for a
weird audio comedy is a little
strange. Actors don't have to be
near each other, sometimes they're
doing really weird movements to get
the noises right... But it's even
more weird when two of the people
making these noises happen to be
best friends. That's Annie Lumsden
and Lena Moon as Aurelia and Mo. So
here are some of the sometimes
awkward fun they had, also with
Andrea Mendez as Sim recording
those scenes.

[Horny guitar track plays.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Alright, so...

[Lena awkwardly laughs.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)

You want a couple of seconds of sex noises?

LAUREN (DIRECTOR)

Yep.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Alright.

(as Aurelia)

Oo! Ah! Ee! Oh!

LAUREN (DIRECTOR)

Uh, we won't do video of this one.

LENA (MO)

(sings)

Oh! Ee! Oo ah ah!

ANNIE (AURELIA)

(sings)

Ding! Dang!

[Lena, Andrea, and Annie make comical sex noises.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Ooooo! Ahhhh! Eeeee!

LENA (MO)

Oh, all right!

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Ooooo-ooo! Whyyyyyyy!

ANDREA (SIM)

Yes! Yes!

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Yoooooooooooo!

LENA (MO)

That's interesting...

ANDREA (SIM)

Yes!

LENA (MO)

Okay! Oh-ho!

ANDREA (SIM)

Oo! Oh! What the fuck!

[Lena breaks into laughter.]

LENA (MO)

What are you laughing at?

ANDREA (SIM)

(laughing)

Aurelia!

ANNIE (AURELIA)

(laughing)

I'm sorry! I'm sorry, I shouldn't laugh.

LENA (MO)

(laughing)

It's okay.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

I did the vowels and then I laughed at myself!

[Andrea cackles, Lena giggles.]

LENA (MO)

It's okay.

[A new take begins. Annie, Sim, and Lena moan. The coffee grinder buzzes.]

LENA (MO)

Oh Captains, my Captains!

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Ooooooh my god, the coffee pot is on!

(vibrating)

Oo-oh-oOo-OOo-OoOh!

LENA (MO)

What specific-- What are you grinding? What part?

ANNIE (AURELIA)

You can see it!

LENA (MO)

That's looks dangerous.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

I'll do it on you, come here!

LENA (MO)

OH! HoaahhoOOah-OH! AlrighT! I like
a, uh, I like a... chunkier grind.
So if you could --

[Andrea laughs and Lena cracks up.]

[The 'coffee grinder' buzzes.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)

(laughing)
Mo! Mo! Okay, okay -- Oh? Mm. MN.

MEEGAN (COMPUTER)

(laughing)
Sorry!

[Annie laughs.]

LENA (MO)

Sounds like I just fisted you.

[Annie cackles.]

MEEGAN (COMPUTER)

Not yet...

LENA (MO)

Yeah, not yet.

[Lena makes sex-like grunts.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)

HGNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNN!!! HGNNN!

[Annie laughs.]

LAUREN (DIRECTOR)

Uh, Annie... Ahhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh...
Uh...

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Monkey?

LAUREN (DIRECTOR)

Pardon?

ANNIE (AURELIA)

No, you go.

LAUREN (DIRECTOR)

Uh... It sounds a little like she's
hurting you.

[Annie and Lena cackle.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Yeah, sex! Sorry.

[Lena laughs.]

LAUREN (DIRECTOR)
But not in the good way...

LENA (MO)
Yeah, sex!

[A new take begins.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)
HNNNNNNNGGGGGG!

[Lena as Mo moans and groans.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)
Mmm-MMMM-nnnN!
(laughs)
I sound like Tim the Tool Man!

LENA (MO)
We'll just...

[Lena giggles. Annie dies laughing.]

LAUREN (DIRECTOR)
Can I get some longer ones please?

LENA (MO)
OoooooOOOOOOhhoOOOOOOHhhh!

ANNIE (AURELIA)
I was trying to sound like a planet.

LAUREN (DIRECTOR)
Um, thank you!

[Annie laughs. Darius the Sound Wizard cracks up laughing.]

[Other cast members enter the booth for the next scene.]

LENA (MO)
Still rolling. We're just trying to get the moans.

ANNIE (AURELIA)
And they're going really well.

LENA (MO)
Annie and I are both not virgins.

[Indistinguishable roasting from other cast members.]

LENA (MO)
Annie and I have both definitely had sex.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

(laughing)

Wait. Guys --

[Horny guitar music track ends.]

MEEGAN

It's safe to say that Aurelia has a bit of a meltdown in Episode Four. So when we needed a few cut-ins to hear this meltdown over comms, we got more than enough stuff from Annie and Scott playing Aurelia and Bob.

[Upbeat 8-bit music track plays.]

[Annie cackles, wails, and exclaims with maniacal gibberish.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)

I'm unfit for duty!

SCOTT (BOB)

(in terror)

I'll just milk this onion and we'll get a nice milky onion.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

(amidst gibberish)

... Onion ... milky...

SCOTT (BOB)

I'm squeeze-- I'm squeezing it!

LENA (MO)

Guys that's really funny, can you do a version where you have one noise each and you do it back and forth?

[Annie and Scott laugh.]

SCOTT (BOB)

Ah!

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Ugh!

SCOTT (BOB)

AH!

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Ugh!

SCOTT (BOB)

Ah.

ANNIE (AURELIA)
Ugh.

SCOTT (BOB)
Ah.

ANNIE (AURELIA)
Ugh.

SCOTT (BOB)
Ah.

ANNIE (AURELIA)
Ugh!

SCOTT (BOB)
Oh.

ANNIE (AURELIA)
Uh...
(beat)
Ah!

[Meegan cracks up.]

MEEGAN
(delighted)
Our show is so stupid!

[Annie and Scott laugh.]

DARIUS (SOUND WIZARD)
We just need the lines one more
time please.

ANNIE (AURELIA)
Lines?!

[Annie and Scott laugh.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)
'I'm unfit for duty', those ones?
Okay.
(As Aurelia)
I'M UNFIT FOR DUTY!

SCOTT (BOB)
Oh, no, no, I'll just finish
milking this onion and you'll be...
right as rain!

ANNIE (AURELIA)
No I am, I'm unfit for duty unless
I get a frappe!

SCOTT (BOB)
Okay, I'll squeeze then, I'll
squeeze...

ANNIE (AURELIA)

(unhinged singing)
Caramel, mocha, sunshine dreams! I
need a frappe and everything will
be okay~

SCOTT (BOB)

Okay... why do you have a rhyme?

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Shut up, Bob!

[Annie laughs.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Pulse it Bob, pulse! More! I need
more! It's not frappe-ing!

[Bob whimpers with terror.]

SCOTT (BOB)

You've put so much in that!

ANNIE (AURELIA)

No, not enough!

SCOTT (BOB)

It's overflowing.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

NOOOOO, IT'S NOT ENOUGH! BLEND IT,
BOB! You pulse it, you crush it,
you ice it.

SCOTT (BOB)

Okay I'm concerned about your heart
if you drink that.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Hm... you know what else might be
good in a frappe? BITS OF BOB! COME
HERE!

SCOTT (BOB)

No, no, no, no, no!

ANNIE (AURELIA)

LET'S SEE HOW BOB BLENDS!

SCOTT (BOB)

Don't put my plant in the blender.

[Annie laughs like an unhinged evil genius.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)

THEY SAID IT COULD BE DONE! You
said I couldn't blend a frappe!

SCOTT (BOB)

Okay, okay, I think I've got a drop of milk from this onion.

[Annie cackles like a witch.]

SCOTT (BOB)

I think I've got --

ANNIE (AURELIA)

MORE BOB, MORE!

SCOTT (BOB)

I'm squeezing it as much as I can!

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Find the teat on that onion and SQUEEEEEZE!

SCOTT (BOB)

I don't think they have teats.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

You have teats, what happens if I squeeze yours?!

[Bob cries out.]

[Upbeat 8-bit music track ends.]

MEEGAN

In Episode One as Mo is trying to load the regolith into the ship, she makes some strained effort sounds which remind her of something else. It then becomes an opportunity to ask Sim about dating Aurelia. Now, Lena Moon who plays Mo had a little bit of trouble trying to transition between these different types of grunting sounds.

[Upbeat guitar music track plays.]

ANDREA (SIM)

Alright, the hold is clear. Let's try this again. Mission Objective D, let's load up that regolith.

LENA (MO)

I've got this gang. I once had a thing with a Romanian Olympic power lifter. Yeah, she taught me the secret to a strong snatch lift.

ANDREA (SIM)

Mo, no, that pallet is far too big.

LENA (MO)

Yeah, it's all about lifting deep within your arse, Cap.

[Lena strains. Then gives a surprised hum. Lauren laughs in the control room.]

LENA (MO)

This is hard. This is a hard thing.

ANDREA (SIM)

That was very funny.

LENA (MO)

It's all about lifting deep within your arse, Cap.

[Lena grunts. Then gives a questioning hum. Lena laughs.]

LENA (MO)

I'm not horny!

[Andrea and everyone in the control room laughs.]

[Lauren suggests trying to squat into it.]

LENA (MO)

(As Mo)

It's all about lifting deep within your arse, Cap.

(squats)

HMMMMNNNNNNN... Ah-mm?

(breaks character)

No!

[Andrea CACKLES with laughter.]

LENA (MO)

It sounds like I found something in there!

[Andrea cackles again.]

ISHA (SOLARIS)

(surprised discovery noises)

Ah! Oh? Oh!

[Lauren gives direction.]

LAUREN (DIRECTOR)

So make it three beats. Two thrusts of trying to lift, and then...

LENA (MO)

It's all about lifting deep within your arse, Cap.

[Lena gives a series of grunts. Andrea cracks up.]

LENA (MO)

I haven't been touched in a really long time. That's a joke.

[Isha laughs. Andrea cracks up again.]

LENA (MO)

(laughing)

Sorry!

[Upbeat guitar music track ends.]

MEEGAN

Sunanda A.K.A Dusty is an incredible improviser. So every now and then we would give them a prompt and see what came out. Here is Sunanda giving a few extra descriptions of aliens at the space station (in episode 5).

[Upbeat electro-hoedown music track plays.]

SUNANDA (DUSTY)

Check out the bee people! Woah! Is it okay if I call that one 'horny'?

(laughs)

Get it? 'Cause it's got six horns...

(amazed)

... on it's butt! I wonder how that works...

(beat)

Oh! Are they supposed to be doing that in public? I mean, I don't want to assume but suctioning each other like that feels sexual. And like an intimate, private event.

Hmmm...

(beat)

Oh, that one's cute. Ow!

(exclaims in pain)

That... Definitely do not touch. Okay, got it. They should put up signs or something.

MEEGAN

Later in this scene Dusty explains that intimacy only really works for her when she's in love with the other person. So here's Sunanda's take on what happens when things just don't flow.

SUNANDA (DUSTY)

... Ah, depends if you count Mo sliding down my thigh like a fireman's pole as 'hooking up'. You know, I was just dry. Without any love it just dries up. I might as well have been just basking in front of a heater with my cooter wide open, you know?

(beat)

I might as well have just chemically dried myself up because... there was no love in it.

(beat)

I might as well have just stuffed fifty tampons up myself. That's how dry I was.

(beat)

If my heart's not in it, ain't no waterfalls gonna run.

[Electro hoe-down music track ends.]

MEEGAN

In this next compilation, Annie Lumsden as Aurelia is finishing a scene in Episode Two on a button where she is really mad at Sim. She gave us so many incredible options to choose from and here are all of them.

[Retro beach-rock music track plays.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)

If you turn to page 53 it'll say 'Sim, you fuck head'.

(beat, deep breath)

What the fuck, Sim.

(beat)

Okay... WHAT THE FUCK, SIM?!

(beat)

Oh, fuck it! Fuck it. Fuckity fuck. No! Oh. Hey. That's not good, is it? Mmmm, no. That's bad, I'd say. Fuck! Hey, is that a good outcome? Are you happy? I hope you're happy. You look - yeah, okay. Fuck! Ahhhh, shhhhhhhh-it!

(beat)

What the dingleberry, Sim!

(beat)

What the dingle.

(beat)

WHAT THE FLUP!

(beat)

Are you flompin' kidding me.

(beat)

(MORE)

ANNIE (AURELIA) (CONT'D)

What the frig it, Sim?!

(beat)

What the flippity flop, Sim?

(beat)

What the flippit, Sim?

(beat)

What the flippity flip, Sim. Sim --

flhnnnnngggggg! What the Sims!

[Andrea cracks up.]

ANDREA (SIM)

What the Sims! That was so fun!

MEEGAN

Now, before I play you the final take of the final scene of the series - which was the last thing we recorded - and our incredible cast giving everything to squeeze in that last joke, I just wanted to say thank you so much for listening. We are so grateful to each and every one of you. We are @starshipqstar on most social media so give us a follow to keep up with the latest space adventures. That's all from us. Big love from the whole Starship crew. Enjoy!

MEEGAN (COMPUTER)

Captains, I'm picking up a distress signal.

ANDREA (SIM)

From Earth 2?

MEEGAN (COMPUTER)

No, Captain Jackson. From *Earth* Earth.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Woah!

SUNANDA (DUSTY)

That's... that's the one that *died*.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Just... yeah.

[The cast and crew crack up giggling.]

LAUREN (DIRECTOR)

Awesome.

MEEGAN

I'll go from my line. So... everybody... everybody ready?

[Everyone suppresses giggles.]

MEEGAN (COMPUTER)

No, Captain Jackson. From *Earth*
Earth.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Woah!

SUNANDA (DUSTY)

WHAT. The one - zombie!

[The cast and crew CACKLE. Lena breathes deep.]

LENA (MO)

Please.

ANDREA (SIM)

No, it's so good.

[Annie laughs deliriously.]

ANDREA (SIM)

Whenever you're ready.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

(pulls her shit together)
Ready.

MEEGAN (COMPUTER)

No, Captain Jackson. From *Earth*
Earth.

[The Starship Q Star theme plays.]

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Woah.

SUNANDA (DUSTY)

WHAT.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Just so we're clear, Computer, you
mean Earth Prime, *our* Earth, Milky
Way Earth, the Earth-that-we-
thought-was-blown-up *Earth*?

MEEGAN (COMPUTER)

Yes, Captain.

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Woah!

SUNANDA (DUSTY)

So, what the heck do we do now,
Cap'ns?

ANNIE (AURELIA)

Weeeeelll....

ANDREA (SIM)

Uhhhhhhh...

LAUREN (DIRECTOR)

Yeah, great!

MEEGAN

End of the series!

[The cast CHEER!]

ALL CAST

Ay!

ISHA (SOLARIS)

YEESSS!!!

ANDREA (SIM)

Did we get it??? Is that it?

LENA (MO)

(singing)

It's cold outside, there's no kind
of atmosphere...

[The excited chatter of the cast and crew fades out and the Starship Q Star theme song fades up and plays out.]

[Thanks for reading the transcript, you are a special little egg. Love ya!]