



PERFECT BLACK

by Tom Fröhlich



SYNOPSIS

Six people reveal their interpretation of the perfect black and explain their search for it.

The story begins with a view through a vast telescope in the Thuringian Forest. Dr Eike Günther, an astrophysicist specializing in discovering Earth-like planets, is on nightshift. But he'll never find perfect black in the real universe as it only exists as a definition on paper.

Gerhard Wiesbeck is a tattoo artist. Getting a tattoo is a moment when the mask comes off, a moment of love, he says – and returns to the totally black pattern he is producing on his client's back. His speciality is to colour bodies completely black.

Even in the depths of the ocean where light cannot penetrate, life still exists. The aphotic or 'midnight' zone is explored by marine biologists like Professor Antje Boetius. The black depths are her home.

Can you hear black? There are a handful of synaesthetes who associate colours with sounds. Perceiving colours as feelings is a rare phenomenon; hearing...

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