

DARK CITY

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Within the very heart of the city lay a dark secret. It was hidden beneath layer upon layer of concrete and pavement, rubbish and detritus of year upon year of life in the metropolis.

That knowledge of the secret survived at all is extraordinary. Yet, passed on from generation to generation by word of mouth, in the city's art and literature and, more recently encoded in the data streams that have become the new pulse of the city traces of the secret have survived, almost completely intact.

While the average citizen of Dark City, preoccupied by his daily routine and distractions of love and lose, may not have any knowledge of this buried fact, it has still shaped their lives. It has made them who they are today.

To those who paid attention, this day, Thursday 27th of March, 2034, is a day of grave importance. Today the entity that has lain dormant and patient for all of these countless centuries will awake. Today, everything is going to change forever.