



Stars in the Water

**"Around the swimming
beagles, bright stars danced
on rippling waters like a
thousand little fishes of light
scurrying in a sea of
darkness."**



"Can there be a more beautiful sight than when sky meets ocean in the black of night?"

"The lawyer whispered to himself, the beagles, and the sea as the soft blanket of summer wrapped them all in her warm embrace."

"Night is a time of reflection. Not of stars in water only, but of times past and times to come. And such a night was this."

**– Beagles of Destinae,
Opening lines
of chapter four**



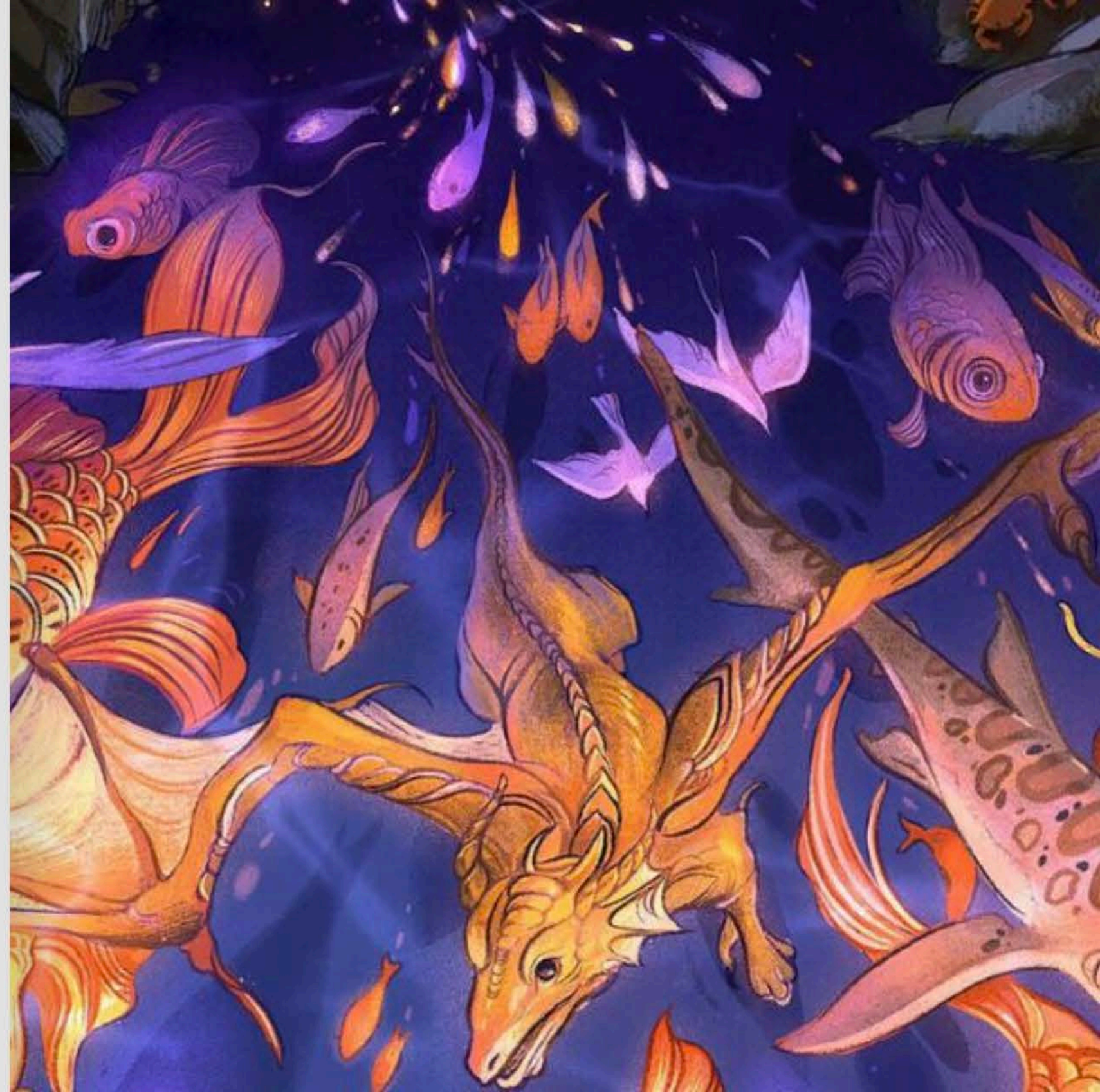
**Ideas pour into
the dark waters of
the unconscious mind,
sparkling like reflected stars.**

As above, so below.

**The natives always
said it was so.**

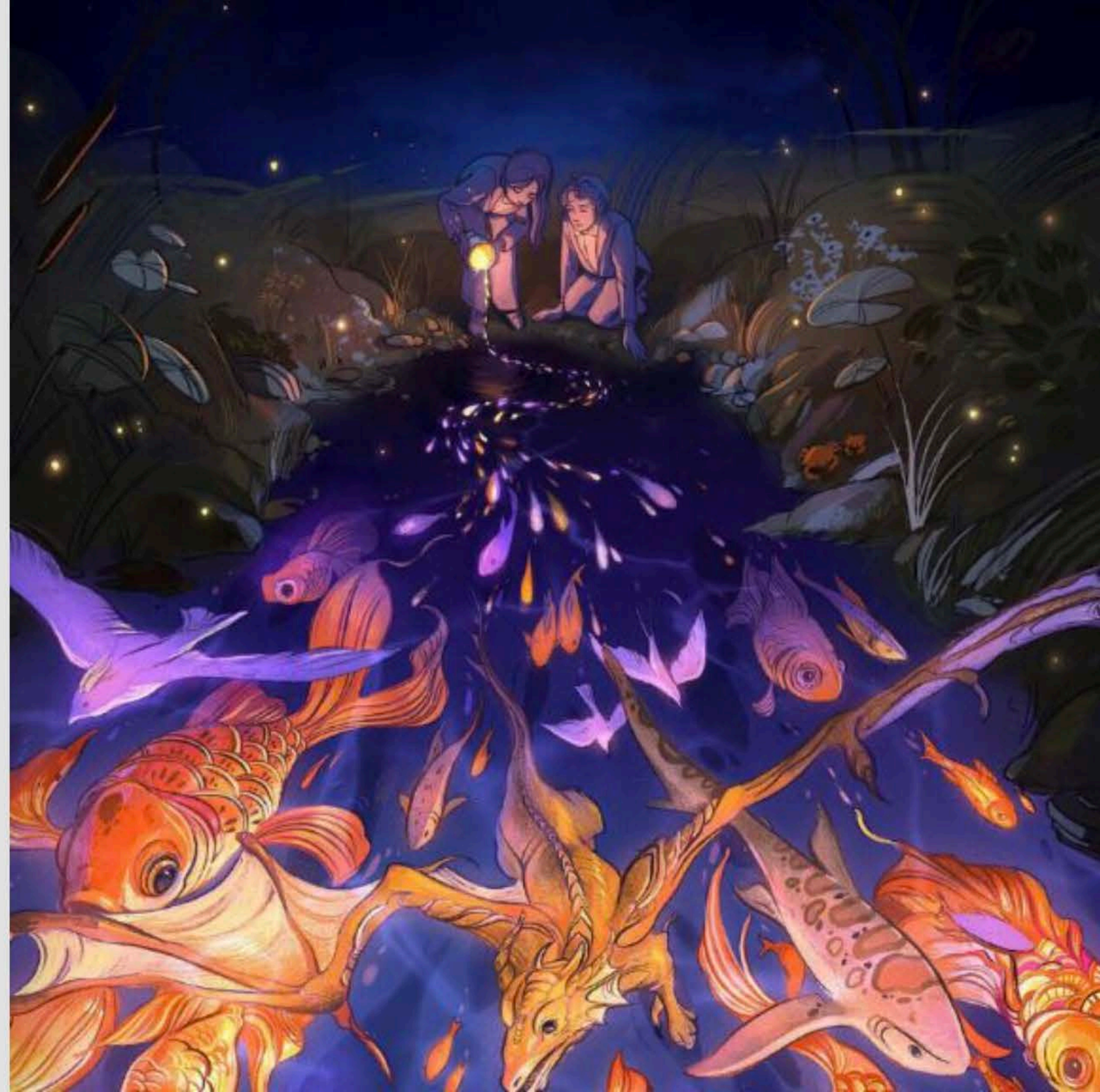
**But as Gemini sat
on the throne of Aquarius,
a dragonfish was born.**

And thus our story begins.



**The twins did not mean
to unleash a dragonfish,
but they had never
promised not to,
either.**

**And besides,
a dragonfish is
an adventure.**





**When Tom and Huck
go sailing with Indy Beagle,
Aunt Polly and Cousin Sid
always stay behind.**

**Boats are no place for people
who are easily frightened.**

**Puff, the magic dragon
lived by the sea and frolicked
in the autumn mist in a land
called Honalee.**

**Little Jackie Paper loved that
rascal Puff, and brought him
strings, and sealing wax,
and other fancy stuff.**

**Together they would travel on
a boat with billowed sail.
Jackie kept a lookout perched
on Puff's gigantic tail.**

**Noble kings and princes
would bow whenever they
came. Pirate ships would
lower their flags when
Puff roared out his name.**

**A dragon lives forever,
but not so little boys.
Painted wings and giant's
rings make way for other toys.**

**One gray night it happened,
Jackie Paper came no more.
And Puff, that mighty dragon,
he ceased his fearless roar.**





“Puff the Magic Dragon” by Leonard Lipton (lyrics) and Peter Yarrow (music) appears on the 1963 Peter, Paul and Mary album, "Moving."

An urban myth soon arose that the song was about drugs. It’s really a backward look at childhood, and all that was left behind.



**“The most beautiful things
in the world cannot be seen
or touched, they are felt
with the heart.”**

**“All grown-ups were once
children... but only few of
them remember it.”**

**– Antoine de Saint-Exupéry,
“The Little Prince”**



He saw two boats standing by the lake; but the fishermen had gone from them and were washing their nets.

Then He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the multitudes from the boat.



When He had stopped speaking, he said to Simon, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch."

– Luke, ch. 5

The book "Peter Pan" was written only after the 1904 play became a huge success.

On opening night, Mrs. Snow spoke to the playwright and author, J.M. Barrie about her late husband...

"And he would so have loved this evening. The pirates, and the Indians; he was really just a boy himself, you know, to the very end. I suppose it's all the work of the ticking crocodile, isn't it? "

"Time is chasing after all of us. Isn't that right?"



**"It is not true that people
stop pursuing dreams
because they grow old;
they grow old because
they stop pursuing dreams."**

– Gabriel Garcia Marquez

**The secret of The Muppets is
they're not very good at what
they do. Kermit's not a great
host, Fozzie's not a good
comedian, Miss Piggy's
not a great singer...**

**Like, none of them are
actually good at it,
but they love it.**

**And they're like a family, and
they like putting on the show.
And they have joy.**

**And because of the joy,
it doesn't matter that they're
not good at it And that's like
what we should all be.
Muppets.**

– Brett Goldstein



**"All the world is made of faith,
and trust, and pixie dust."**

**"If growing up means
it would be beneath my
dignity to climb a tree,
I'll never grow up."**

**– Peter Pan,
by JM Barrie**



In 1909, five years after the play "Peter Pan" was a huge success, 'Goat' Fowler decided to name his playful acapella musical group at Yale University after a mythical dragonfish named Whiffenpoof. The group has continued ever since. We borrowed some art from their 1924 album cover.

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**And He said:
"Truly I tell you, unless you
change and become like little
children, you will never enter
into heaven."**

– Matthew, ch. 18

