

SO YOU WANT TO POD

MURDERBOT

WITH US

Our Services

- Non-Traditional Fics
- Audio Effects
- Pronounciation
- And More!

Join Us



Brought to you by VoiceTeam 2025

There are some great examples of non-traditional fic in the Murderbot fandom that lend themselves particularly well to a fun creative experience when podficcing!

NON-TRADITIONAL FICS

An example is <u>Voice and</u>
<u>Heart</u> by EternalLibrary and
lc2l. The fic includes
announcements, messages,
tickets, and notices along
with dialogue.

An example is <u>Cog in the</u>
<u>Machine</u> by FlipSpring.
They write out code logs along with the text of the fic!

- · Hacking: Bot movement code:
 - · In progress
- · Hacking: PortSecSys code:
 - On hold
 - Taking control of PortSecSys is Infraction Tier 3

The bot movement code is cracked and updates are waiting to deploy for a strategic break.

Hacking PortSecSys directly is still too expensive to attempt, despite the dire assignment status and the high run-rate on the assignment budget given the damage to SU0043.

This has been <u>podded</u> by CompassRose and mistingsidekick

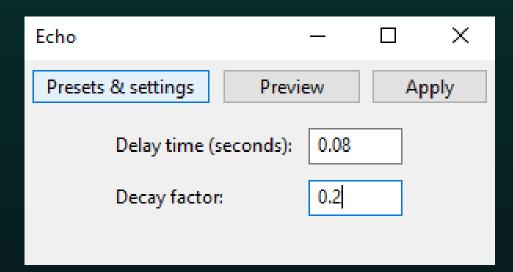
Audio Effects -Robotic Voices

This is a blackglass approved method of making your voice more robotic! The screenshots are from version 3.3.3 of Audacity

You can play with the number of echoes to make it sound more robotic

For feed effect, you can add a little echo! You can play with the Decay factor to give it more or less echo

Delay		_	□ ×
Presets & settings		Preview	Apply
Delay type:		Regular	~
Delay level per echo (dB):	-0.10		-
Delay time (seconds):	0.010		
Pitch change effect:		Pitch/Tempo	~
Pitch change per echo (semitones):	0.000		
Number of echoes:	1		
Allow duration to change:		Yes	~



LET'S TALK ABOUT PRONUNCIATION

Books

The books do not provide any guides on how to pronounce names or what people might sound like, so Murderbot can be treated like a sandbox!

Audiobooks

The audiobooks by Kevin R Free are where a lot of people pull pronunciation from, so that is a good jumping off place. Ex. the robot Miki is pronounced like "Mickey" in the audiobooks.

Listen to some notes about the pronunciation!

<u>Link</u>

Show

It's good to remember that the show is just another transformative work and is not the be-all end-all of this universe! Have fun! Get weird with it!

WHAT ABOUT THE TAGS? NON-FLUFF

Every podficcer has a dream

Many podficcers have the same dream

You too can help stop the reign of fluff! Join us in our silly quest to get Podfic to be the top tag on Ao3 for Murderbot works!

▼Additional Tags✓ Fluff (401)

- **V** Podfic (350)
- Audio Format: Streaming (257)
- ✓ Audio Format: MP3 (251)
- ✓ Podfic Length: 0-10 Minutes (248)
- Friendship (230)
- √ The Corporation Rim Is Terrible (Murderbot Diaries) (230)

Screenshot as of May 4th, 2025

MOST COMMON CATEGORIES

So, we know the Murderbot fandom loves its fluff. What else does it love?

- All Systems Red AUs
- Human AUs
- Side Character Features
- Back on Preservation Fluff
- Alt. POVs of Canon Events
- Lab Hell (torture and gore)
- Murderbot's Relationship with Fandom & Media
- Mission Fic



LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO POD? TRY BLANKET PERMISSION

When podficcing, it is always good etiquette to ask for permission first. Some authors have given what is called **Blanket Permission** and is usually found in their Ao3 profile.

AN UNUSUALLY HIGH NUMBER OF MURDERBOT AUTHORS HAVE BLANKET PERMISSIONS!

There is a tool that will automatically highlight the names of most authors who have blanket permissions in their profile called the <u>Ao3 BP Highlighter!</u>

TODAY!

The BP Highlighter works off the FPS List, which you can add to at any time!

YOU HAVE ENTERED THE POOFIC RECOMMENDATION ZONE

<u>The Context</u> <u>that History Is</u>

A love letter to the murderbot fandom, it was written for pod_together. An exploration of bot creativity in a post-macine-intelligence-liberation universe.

It's highly experimental grabbing in-universe articles and recordings.

<u> ARTs and Crafts</u>

This one is just so soft and sweet. Love ART reaching out to Murderbot and them trying to connect from afar.

Threat as Greeting

ART's POV when it's meeting Murderbot in Artifical Condition. Lots of fun with formatting to get across the bot's POV.

A great rec for folks who haven't gotten far in the series!

Unmade

Murderbot becomes an Old Guard immortal and consequently its organic parts want to heal, over its inorganics. ART and MB have to figure out how to deal with that.

Murderbot is decidedly not having a good time, but you will if you enjoy body horror and soundscaping!

<u>I don't like you</u>

This story pulls on all the feels and everyone does an amazing job voice acting!

<u>what's hiding inside me</u>

Rhea does such a great job at giving Murderbot, daemon, and ART all separate voices that it really adds to their character and helps them come alive.

GET Request

This pod is set post-Network Effect and contains some of the same great humor between ART and Murderbot as exists in the books. Great voice acting by all!

NULLverse

For those of us that like long pods, this one is currently just under 6 and a half hours and is a "bad ending" of Exit Strategy. It has all the feels and MercurialFeet does an excellent job pulling them out.

Proceed with caution and mind the tags as Murderbot is really not having a good time

Growing Up

it's a lovely story with such good voices (especially the Iris voice) that always brings warm feelings

Listen after Network Effect for spoilers purposes

BUT WHAT ABOUT



aka songs made with fandom in mind

Your World

Set to Mad World and incorporating snippets from the audiobooks in the best way, this is a wonderful filk about Murderbot during All Systems Red.

Tool Of War

blackglass and vOlumnius harmonize beautifully in this filk from the perspective of a CombatSecUnit. Set to Kathy Mar's "Man of War"