

# TIMELINE

Following is a mostly spoiler-free timeline of important events mentioned in this story.

**1.28 Billion Years BC** – Manx, the ultra AI, is created by The Real One in the digital cloud on planet Elden

**4059 BC** – Deven Amman, the human male, is born on Onan

**4010 BC** – Deven becomes a sentsy on Onan (age 49)

**3774 BC** – Deven becomes one of the first nanoens (age 285)

**1991 CE** – Judgement Day, according to Hollywood; when robots were to become sentient and nuke the world

**1997** – Virtual First Blood; computer beats human at chess

**2001** – Seyfert is born

**2025** – Kuiper is born

**2027** – Marie is born

**2032** – Seyfert incorporates Synthroman

**2035** – Alistair is created by Seyfert

**2035** – Lyra is born

**2042-2045** – Kuiper attends Stanford; BS Artificial Intelligence

**2044-2051** – Marie attends CalTech; PhD Quantum Mechanics

**2052, March 15** – First Blood of World War 3; reprogrammed synth kills a human

**2052, September 13** – Sylvo Day; synth opening salvo; official start of Synth World War 3; Kuiper discovers First Blood was murder, not an industrial accident; Ares synths begin to mass-murder humans; ages: Seyfert 50, Kuiper 27, Marie 25, Lyra 17

**2052, September 30** – United States forms the CHDA

**2052, October 4** – Violence ends; Sylvo is over; The Lull begins

**2052, October 21** – Eagles Team starts up; Kuiper meets the adult Marie for the first time

**2052, December 7** – MAI Bombing, malware AI attack begins; AI and synths of all brands are infected, except Synthroman Trustees; AI and synths resume the mass murder of humans

**2053, July 3** – Sentience Day; Seyfert Riley turns on sentience for all Trustees, starting with Talon; Seyfert is murdered

**2053, November 11** – V Day, official end of World War 3

**2053, December** – Kuiper incorporates UVI

**2063, July 3** – U.S. Air Force names base in Arizona after Seyfert Riley

**2064, Monday, October 13** – Beginning of this novel; ages: Kuiper 39, Marie 37, Lyra 29, Deven 6123, Manx 1.28 billion

**2064, Sunday, October 19** – End of this novel

**2064, Tuesday, October 21** – Vote scheduled in U.S. Congress on the Sentsy Equality Act