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TEASER**SC. 1 - EXT. DREAMSCAPE VERSION OF PONYVILLE - DAY**

RAINBOW DASH (in her WONDERBOLTS UNIFORM) and HIPPOGRIFF SILVERSTREAM fly in for an impressive landing. Dash grins-

1 RAINBOW DASH
Congratulations, Silverstream.
You're officially the first non-
Pegasus Wonderbolt.

2 SILVERSTREAM
Really? That is such an honor! I
don't know how to thank you,
Professor Dash!

3 RAINBOW DASH
Easy. You're kicking off our show
right now, so get up there and make
me proud.

Silverstream nods as Dash zooms upward, but as she's about to follow she realizes--

4 SILVERSTREAM
Wait! I don't have my uniform!

Her panic is interrupted as OCELLUS rushes past, wearing a GRADUATION GOWN, and freaking out.

5 OCELLUS
Silverstream! Somehow I missed a
class all year and the final is
today! If I don't pass, I can't
graduate!

Before Silverstream can react, a doppler <YELL> resolves in--

6 YONA
<YELL>

Yona falls from the sky, spread-eagled, eyes tightly shut,
then stops a few inches from the ground. She opens her eyes
with a <START>, then looks relieved to stand on the ground.

7 OCELLUS
Whoa. That was weird.

Silverstream notices something OS and TAKES.

8 SILVERSTREAM
And that's even weirder!

REVEAL: SMOLDER walks in, sipping tea and wearing her dress from 822. Seeing Silverstream and Yona gaping at her, she tosses the tea aside, blushing.

9 SMOLDER
(re: dress)
Uh, this isn't mine.

Before the others can react, GALLUS runs by behind them, chased by a SWARM OF ANGRY BEES.

10 GALLUS
Make it stop!

Gallus runs past SANDBAR, who stands, looking stressed, in front of a PASTRY CASE of CUPCAKES.

With a flash, AVATAR TWILIGHT (from 822) appears. She looks at the assembled students and nods, speaking weirdly.

11 TWILIGHT
Good. You have all answered my summons.

12 SILVERSTREAM
Wait. You mean this isn't my dream?

Gallus ducks into hiding behind Yona, and the bees fly past.

13 GALLUS
More like a nightmare.

Sandbar nods, re: the pastry case cupcakes.

14 SANDBAR
I know, right? How do I pick just one? They all look so good!

Smolder rolls her eyes.

15 SMOLDER
That's your version of a bad dream?

16 YONA
Friends must be dreaming together!

17 OCELLUS
But why did you bring us here, Professor Twilight?

18 TWILIGHT
I am not Twilight. I am merely the messenger. You all must hurry.

Twilight stamps a hoof. As she does, LINES OF COLOR stretch out to each student, corresponding to the Y6's "element."

19 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
The Tree of Harmony needs you!

The Young Six react in SHOCK and we...

END TEASER

MAIN TITLES

ACT ONE

SC. 2 - INT. TWILIGHT'S SCHOOL OF FRIENDSHIP - MAIN HALL - DAY

SPIKE waxes the floor to a nice polish. He smiles at his reflection in the surface, does a "finger gun."

20 SPIKE
Lookin' good!

TWILIGHT SPARKLE suddenly appears in the reflection behind him and he <STARTLES!>

REVEAL - Twilight has landed next to him (on the non-waxed part), hovering a BOX OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES with her magic.

21 TWILIGHT
(freaking out)
Spike! I have horrible news!

22 SPIKE
What's wrong? Is Sombra back?!

Twilight shakes her head and starts levitating ORANGE HIGHLIGHTERS out of the box to show Spike.

23 TWILIGHT
What? No! We only have twenty
highlighters! And they're all
orange! How will everycreature
color code their notes?!

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Spike gives an amused eyeroll.

24 SPIKE
I'm pretty sure you're the only one
that does that.

25 TWILIGHT
Still! Twenty isn't enough for the
new school year!

26 SPIKE
We've got plenty of time to order
more. The friendship students
won't be back until--

Suddenly the front doors <SLAM> open, and Silverstream,
Gallus, Smolder and Ocellus fly in, followed by Sandbar.

27 SPIKE (CONT'D)
Uh...Now?

Yona charges in after them, her hooves hit the waxed part of
the floor and she trips and slides (think Bambi on ice) to
comically collide with Spike.

28 YONA / SPIKE
Yaaaaa! <impact> / Oof!

Twilight looks at the students in surprise.

29 TWILIGHT
Well, this is a surprise. Why are
you all here so early?
(terrified realization)
Did I send out the wrong back to
school date?!

Twilight begins rifling through the papers in her box,
frantically checking...

30 SMOLDER
Oh, we're not here for school.

31 SANDBAR
Yeah, we're back 'cause the Tree of
Harmony called us here.

Twilight pauses and gives Spike a meaningful look - the Y6
clearly don't know what happened.

Gallus misreads the look and strikes a cocky pose.

32 GALLUS
Don't feel bad it didn't reach out
to you. We kinda have a special
connection with it after last year.

Twilight shakes her head, sadly giving them the news.

33 TWILIGHT
But the Tree couldn't have called
you. It's gone. Sombra destroyed
it.

The Young Six <GASP>, horrified/in shock.

34 SPIKE
(aside to Twilight)
Maybe next time, ease in with those
truth bombs.

Twilight looks chagrined. A worried Sandbar asks--

35 SANDBAR
What about the Elements of Harmony?

36 TWILIGHT
(sad)
Those are gone too.

Ocellus looks panicked.

37 OCELLUS
But doesn't that mean the Everfree
Forest will take over Equestria?!

38 SPIKE
We've got that part under control.
And Sombra won't be coming back.
So...Some good news, right?

His attempted cheer goes over like a lead balloon.

39 SILVERSTREAM
Can we see the tree ourselves?
Or...What's left of it?

40 TWILIGHT
As long as you promise to stick
together. The Castle of the Two
Sisters isn't the safest place, as
you may remember.

41 YONA
Yona not scared of puckwudgies
anymore! Friends save whole school
from evil pegasus!

42 SPIKE
She does have a point...

DISSOLVE TO:

SC. 3 - INT. CAVE OF HARMONY - SOON

ON the YOUNG SIX, totally shocked at what they see OS.

43 GALLUS
It's gotta be a prank!

REVEAL: The charred remains of the Tree of Harmony, blasted beyond repair.

44 SANDBAR
No way. Professor Twilight would
NEVER joke about the Tree.

The students move closer. Ocellus lifts a hoof-ful of debris, shattered element crystals falling from it like sand.

45 OCELLUS
How could this happen? If only we
hadn't gone home for summer break,
maybe we could've saved the Tree!

Smolder glares furiously, snorting flame from her nostrils. *

46 SMOLDER
I say we find this Sombra guy and
teach him a lesson!

Yona shakes her head sadly at the ruins.

47 YONA
That not bring back tree. Or
Elements of Harmony. *

Silverstream suddenly brightens. *

48 SILVERSTREAM
Wait! We all saw and heard the Tree
in our dream, right? How could it
talk to us if it was really gone?

The rest of the Young Six look at each other hopefully.

49 SILVERSTREAM (CONT'D)
MAYBE, if we close our eyes and
think really strong friendship
thoughts, the Tree will get better!

Silverstream sits and holds out her claws to her friends.
Smolder shrugs and moves to take Silverstream's claw.

50 SMOLDER
I've heard worse suggestions.

The friends sit and hold paws/claws/hooves. They shut their eyes. A few beats...

51 SANDBAR
 (whispers)
Is it working?

Yona opens an eye to peek. Then <SIGHS>.

52 YONA
No.

They all open their eyes and drop their hands. Sadly, Ocellus shakes her head.

53 OCELLUS
I guess the Tree really IS gone.

Gallus looks full of determination. Fiercely:

54 GALLUS
Then we need to do something to honor it! Like in Griffonstone. There's a big statue of King Grover so every griff can see how awesome he was!

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The rest of the Young Six smile - totally on board!

55 SMOLDER
Good idea, Gallus.

56 SANDBAR
Hey, maybe that's why the tree called us! It must have used the last of its magic to make sure we'd come here and keep its memory alive!

57 OCELLUS
It did say it needed us...

But her smile fades and she jumps as she hears an OS--

58 THORAX (O.S.)
Ocellus!

Ocellus quickly SHAPESHIFTS into a ROCK with eyes. THORAX enters the cave, followed by Twilight. He's totally unfooled by Ocellus' disguise.

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59 THORAX (CONT'D)
There you are! The hive has been worried sick! Why did you leave without telling us? The last time you and your friends did that, it almost brought our kingdoms to war!

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Ocellus shifts back to her NORMAL FORM.

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60 OCELLUS
Sorry, Thorax. It was an emergency.

61 THORAX
Well, next time, ask before you run
off. Now c'mon, let's go home.

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62 SMOLDER
Wait! She can't leave yet! We
have a...Dragon Quest!

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63 THORAX
But she's not a dragon.

Ocellus SHAPESHIFTS to DRAGON FORM.

64 THORAX (CONT'D)
You know what I mean.

65 YONA
This quest for all Yona friends.
Need to help Tree.

66 SANDBAR
And it might take a while.

67 SILVERSTREAM
Can we stay, Professor Twilight?

Twilight looks thoughtfully to Thorax. He shrugs.

68 TWILIGHT
Well... As long you get permission
from your kingdoms...I suppose it's
all right.

Gallus pulls out two permission slips.

69 GALLUS
You want that permission slip in
ink, or pencil?
(then)
What? I like to be prepared.

And with that, we begin a fun, MOS MONTAGE...

SC. 4 - EXT. THE DRAGONLANDS - MONTAGE

Smolder glowers as she locks hands with another DRAGON (NOT Garble) in an arm-wrestling match. Both dragons strain, but Smolder wins.

PULL BACK to reveal - DRAGONLORD EMBER nods and signs the permission slip. Smolder grins. Ember points OS to the other dragon - who trudges off to go to lift heavy boulders. As he starts his tough labor, Smolder flies off. *

SC. 5 - EXT. YAKYAKISTAN - MONTAGE

YONA'S MOM is doing Yak chores, slowly ramming a RUG with her horns to beat it and produce a cloud of dust. Suddenly, PUFFS OF DUST come in from OS - Yona is ramming the rugs at top speed. She smiles to her mom. *

Yona's mom settles into her chair, about to put her feet up, when suddenly, a FOOTSTOOL slides into place under her hooves. She looks surprised. REVEAL Yona, who now tucks a blanket over her mom's feet. *

Yona's mom opens the door - it's snowy outside - only to see Yona is PLOWING a path from their door. Yona's mom holds up the permission slip. Yona leaps for joy. *

SC. 6 - INT. CHANGELING HIVE - MONTAGE

Thorax passes around Ocellus' permission slip as all the Changelings in the hive sign it. Ocellus smiles. *

SC. 7 - EXT. GRIFFONSTONE - MONTAGE

Gallus walks up to GRANDPA GRUFF's door, holding his permission slip. He knocks. Grandpa Gruff opens the door. *

Gallus opens his mouth to explain, but Grandpa Gruff grabs the slip, signs it, shoves it back to Gallus and <SLAMS> the door. *

Gallus shrugs and grins.

SC. 8 - EXT. MT. ARIS/SEASIDE - MORNING

Silverstream excitedly points to an easel with pictures on it, doing a presentation for a few assembled HIPPOGRIFFS on shore and SEAPONIES in the water (her MOM, DAD, and TERRAMAR among them). *

One picture has the Tree of Harmony, and she smiles. The next has the Tree in ruins and she looks sad.

The hippogriffs and sea ponies share nods, and both mom and dad sign the permission slip. She hugs them both. *

END MONTAGE.

SC. 9 - EXT. CAVE OF HARMONY - LATER

Smolder, Yona, Ocellus, Gallus and Silverstream enter the cave, only to find Sandbar waiting for them.

70 SANDBAR
Hey, you're back! Great! Since I
live locally, I figured I'd do a
little cleaning up while you were
gone.

As he speaks, he's been leading them in. He steps aside to reveal--

The Tree's stump and debris are gone. Instead, the area has been swept clean... As though the tree was never there.

71 SANDBAR (CONT'D)
Give us a headstart, y'know?

ANGLE on the rest of the Young Six - whose mouths are agape in horrified shock.

72 GALLUS
Sandbar. Where's the tree?

73 SANDBAR
Oh, I got rid of it. To make room
for our memorial.

74 SMOLDER
You did this?

75 SANDBAR
Uh, yeah. That's what you guys were
thinking, right?

76 SILVERSTREAM
Sooooooo not.

77 OCELLUS
How can we remember the Tree... If
it's totally gone?!

78 SANDBAR
Oh, it's not gone! Look!

He points to a small sapling, planted nearby.

79 SANDBAR (CONT'D)
I planted a new Tree!

And on their look of betrayal Sandbar's winces at totally misreading the situation...

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END ACT ONE

ACT TWO

SC. 10 - INT. CAVE OF HARMONY - RESUME

The other Young Six glare at an apologetic Sandbar.

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80          OCELLUS                                     *
Sandbar...You know that's not the                      *
same Tree, right?                                       *
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81          SANDBAR                                     *
Totally! But it's a symbol, right?                     *
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Yona pats Sandbar's shoulder.

82 YONA
Pony heart in right place.

Gallus shakes his head, totally frustrated.

83 GALLUS
That doesn't matter! This cave was
supposed to stay exactly the same,
so future creatures could visit and
experience the memory of the Tree! *

Sandbar still doesn't get it. *

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84          SANDBAR                                     *
Sorry, everycreature.  I thought I                   *
was helping.                                          *
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Smolder eyes the admittedly Charlie-Brown looking sapling. *

85 SMOLDER
The Tree of Harmony is a huge part
of Equestria history. If we're
gonna honor it, we need to do
better than that.

Silverstream claps her claws together, into the idea.

86 SILVERSTREAM
Yeah! Like, with lots of artwork
that represents the symbolism and
deep emotions of the Tree!

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87          GALLUS                                     *
No, it should be a museum, with all                 *
the Tree's history and artifacts!                   *

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88 SMOLDER
Or a really big and imposing
monument, so everycreature knows
how powerful the Tree was!

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Smolder flexes her arms and strikes a powerful pose.

89 OCELLUS
I think we should turn this cave
into a place for creatures to
reflect on the Tree's true gift -
the Elements of Harmony.

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QUICK PAN across the Young Six - who clearly have different
opinions. Fast dialog:

90 SMOLDER
Boring.

91 SILVERSTREAM
I like my idea better.

92 SANDBAR
What's more perfect than ANOTHER
tree?

93 OCELLUS
What would Professor Twilight want?

Gallus spins to Yona, who has been watching all this
disagreement with a concerned look on her face.

94 GALLUS
Yona! You've been awfully quiet.
Which idea do you like best?

95 YONA
Yona like when friends not argue.
Maybe friends listen to each other
and make plan together?

She looks at them hopefully. They all shake their heads.

96 SILVERSTREAM / OCELLUS / GALLUS /
SMOLDER / SANDBAR
Nah.

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The five students go their separate ways, leaving Yona to
watch them with a <HEAVY SIGH>.

SC. 11 - INT. CAVE OF HARMONY - LATER

Sandbar pushes a colorful rock in place around the tiny
sapling, having made a decorative ring around it.

97 SANDBAR
Hey, little guy. Need a drink?

Sandbar pours a little water on the tree.

98 SANDBAR (CONT'D)
There. That's gonna help you grow
up big and strong, just like the
Tree of Harmony.

Suddenly there's a <MEGAPHONE CRACKLE>, and a voice BOOMS in. *
Sandbar startles, accidentally pouring more water. *

99 GALLUS (V.O. THROUGH MEGAPHONE)
Step right up, walk this way!
Welcome to the one, the only
magical Tree of Harmony museum!

Sandbar frowns, grabs headphones from OS, and puts them on *
the sapling. *

SC. 12 - EXT. BOTTOM OF STAIRS TO CAVE OF HARMONY - DAY - *
SOON *

Gallus has set up a "Graceland" type memorial museum in the *
clearing in front of the cave - a bit garish and overdone, *
with Element-colored bunting, large posters of the Tree of
Harmony, and a CARDBOARD CUT OUT of TWILIGHT AND STARSWIRL
(with the heads empty so tourists can take a photo).

Gallus speaks into a megaphone, addressing two TOURIST PONIES
(one has a camera around his neck, both in tourist attire -
possibly reuse from 805?) standing near the stairs. *

100 GALLUS
Come see the birthplace of the
Tree! Grown from the tears of a
basilisk and tended day and night
by Pony magicians, this is truly
one of the wonders of Equestria!

The Tourist ponies share an interested look. *

Yona, DRAWING nearby with a CRAYON on a piece of paper (we *
don't see the art) moves to Gallus' side to point out-- *

101 YONA
Gallus. None of that actually true. *

Gallus lowers his megaphone and tells Yona with a shrug. *

102 GALLUS
So? Honoring the tree means giving
it a story that creatures will care
about.

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Sandbar stomps in, looking annoyed.

103 SANDBAR
It already has a great story!

Gallus shrugs--

104 GALLUS
Yeah, but mine makes more sense.

105 SANDBAR
Whatever, can you just keep it
down? My sapling doesn't like the
noise.

106 GALLUS
Good! It doesn't belong in the
Tree's memorial anyway!

The Tourist Ponies turn at the escalating argument. Gallus
goes back into showman mode, ushering them toward the cave.

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107 GALLUS (CONT'D)
And if you think this is great,
just wait until you see the
mystical Cave of Harmony!

Yona watches as Sandbar and Gallus turn their backs on each
other. She looks worried.

SC. 13 - EXT. CAVE OF HARMONY - PILLARS OF ROCKS - SOON

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Smolder is doing some dragon-sculpting on a huge HUNK OF
ROCK. Flying around the rock, she punches it, sending
fragments flying, then hits it with a blast of flame, then
slices at it with her claws.

Yona approaches with her paper and crayon, confused.

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108 YONA
What dragon doing?

109 SMOLDER
Making a memorial statue of the
Tree. When creatures see this,
they'll be super-impressed.

Smolder pats the hunk of rock. Yona cocks her head,
appraising the statue.

110 YONA
Look like rock, not Tree.

Smolder snaps at her--

111 SMOLDER
I'm not finished yet!

Then, she lands next to Yona and admits, vulnerably--

112 SMOLDER (CONT'D)
And honestly? I'm kinda having a
hard time remembering what the Tree
looked like. I can't believe I'm
already forgetting.

Yona nods sympathetically.

SC. 14 - INT. CAVE OF HARMONY - SOON

Silverstream paints the floor and ceiling near the cave entrance with bright, swirly colors and shapes. (Think "Starry Night" through a Pony filter.)

She flaps back to look at her work.

113 SILVERSTREAM
Hmm. Needs more "loyalty."

She splashes a bucket of RED PAINT on the floor... Narrowly missing Yona, who is looking at her paper as she walks in. *

114 YONA
<startle!>

115 SILVERSTREAM
Careful, Yona! It's not dry yet.

116 YONA
What hippogriff painting?

117 SILVERSTREAM
It's the Tree, silly!

Yona looks at the artwork - nothing even vaguely treelike about it.

118 SILVERSTREAM (CONT'D)
See? These are the emotions its
loss made me feel, dancing with the
representations of elements of
harmony!

Yona looks again. Still nothing recognizable.

119 SILVERSTREAM (CONT'D)
Maybe I should label it.

Suddenly, from above, WATER SPLASHES on the mural!
Silverstream and Yona gape up to see--

Ocellus (in GIANT MONSTER FORM - from 801), flying in,
carrying a massive, filled STONE FOUNTAIN.

120 OCELLUS
Oops! Sorry!

Silverstream runs to try to salvage her art, the colors
running together from the water.

121 SILVERSTREAM
Oh no! Brown isn't an Element of
Harmony!

She frantically blots at the art and blows on it.

Meanwhile, Yona jumps underneath the fountain, helping to
brace it as Ocellus struggles to balance the unwieldy thing. *

122 OCELLUS
Thanks, Yona! This fountain is
heavier than I thought.

Together, they move it into the Cave, where a zen-like
MEDITATION AREA - cushions, raked sand, chimes (each one the
different symbol of an Element of Harmony) - has already been
set up.

123 OCELLUS (CONT'D)
It's for creatures to look at as
they honor the Tree's memory in
quiet thought and contemplation.
(leans in, proud)
I got some help and guidance from
the counselor at our Feelings Forum
back home. Only positive energy
will bloom here. *

Yona smiles and joins Ocellus on a cushion. They close their
eyes, enjoying the peace, until--

124 GALLUS (V.O. OVER MEGAPHONE)
WAIT! You can't go yet!

Both creatures startle and look--

To see Gallus, chasing after the Tourist ponies, who are
running back up the stairs of the Cave.

He flies to block their path, drops his megaphone and pulls out WEIRD PUPPETS - one of himself and one of the tree.

125 GALLUS (CONT'D)
There's a whole puppet show of the
time the Tree tested us in the
catacombs under the School of
Friendship!

The Tourist ponies share a "this guy is crazy" look. *

Just then, SMOLDER flies in, carrying her now-finished SCULPTURE of the TREE. It's stylized -- think a "SOCIALIST REALISM"-TYPE BLOCKY REPRESENTATION.

Gallus spots her, and takes in surprise--

126 GALLUS (CONT'D)
Hey! Stop!

The Tourist ponies take advantage of his distraction and make a break for it.

Gallus leaps into flight, chasing after Smolder.

127 GALLUS (CONT'D)
You can't bring that hunk of junk
into my museum!

128 SMOLDER
It's not FOR your museum. It's for
my Tree memorial!

Gallus grabs the statue and tugs on it.

129 GALLUS
So leave it outside!

130 SMOLDER
It BELONGS in here!

Their aerial tug-of-war intensifies... And then their grips slip. They watch in horror as the statue tumbles free--

ANGLE -- and FALLS to CRASH on Ocellus' fountain!

SPLASH! The water DRENCHES a horrified Silverstream's artwork.

The statue bounces and rolls, on a collision course with Sandbar's sapling. Both sapling and Sandbar have headphones on, and are oblivious to the oncoming destruction.

Yona charges in and uses her horns to SCOOP up the dirt under the sapling, uprooting the whole thing and leaping to safety with it a second before the statue ROLLS PAST.

WIDE -- the once-noble site of the Tree of Harmony is a wreck. The Young Six gape at the wreckage.

131 SILVERSTREAM
<gasp> What did you do?

A chagrined Gallus and Smolder land near their friends. Ocellus' eyes brim with tears.

132 OCELLUS
This isn't honoring the Tree's
memory...It's destroying it!

END ACT TWO

ACT THREE

SC. 15 - INT. CAVE OF HARMONY - RESUME

There couldn't be a more un-harmonious place at the moment. The students face off - the only quiet one is Yona, watching their conflict unfold.

Ocellus picks up fragments of her fountain. She looks sadly to Gallus and Smolder.

133 OCELLUS
My meditation garden is ruined!
Why couldn't you have been more
careful?!

Gallus crosses his arms, stubborn.

134 GALLUS
This never would've happened if you
all had just listened to me!

Sandbar takes his sapling from Yona and cradles it.

135 SANDBAR
And made the Tree some kind of
roadside attraction? No thanks!

Silverstream looks anxious.

136 SILVERSTREAM
Professor Twilight is gonna be so
mad when she sees what you guys did
to the Cave of Harmony.

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Smolder snorts fire, she's so mad. She gestures to the ruined mess of Silverstream's artwork.

137 SMOLDER
Yeah, like some rainbow art project
was better?

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Silverstream steps back, hurt. All at once, the students begin arguing...

138 SANDBAR / SILVERSTREAM / OCELLUS /
SMOLDER / GALLUS
Not cool. / It's impressionism! /
I'm just glad the Tree isn't here
to see this. / This is all your
fault! / I give up!

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Yona has had enough. She <STOMPS> her hooves and gives a mighty yak bellow:

139 YONA
QUIET!

The others stop talking, momentarily startled into silence.

140 YONA (CONT'D)
Friends doing this the wrong way.
All remembering Tree of Harmony for
what Tree WAS, not what Tree IS.

141 SMOLDER
You mean gone?

Yona shakes her head.

142 YONA
No! Yona mean even though Tree not
HERE here, Tree here! In hearts.

She taps her heart.

143 YONA (CONT'D)
Tree made friendship even closer.

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Yona gestures to all of them. Then she unrolls the paper she's been carrying around - a crude crayon drawing of all of the Young Six, standing under the Tree of Harmony.

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Ocellus is the first to get it--

144 OCELLUS
That's right! We ran away to be
together right above this spot -
the Castle of the Two Sisters!

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145 SANDBAR
And later on, the Tree tested us to
show us we're stronger as a team.

146 SMOLDER
 (thinks)
It DID call all of us here...

Silverstream gasps, realizing there's a little good news.

147 SILVERSTREAM
You mean the Tree of Harmony lives
on in our friendship!

148 GALLUS
Wow. I can't believe we just got
schooled by a yak.

Yona shrugs and explains--

149 YONA
Yaks know things not forever.
That's why smash and rebuild.

Ocellus looks around the ruins of the cave.

150 OCELLUS
I think we already took care of the
smashing part...

151 GALLUS
Then maybe we should start
building. Together?

Gallus holds out a claw to Ocellus. She shakes it. The
others smile... Maybe things will be okay after all. Except-

152 SMOLDER
Just one problem. We still haven't
decided what we should do for the
Tree.

153 YONA
Yona have idea.

The others watch in confusion as Yona runs OS, then returns,
pulling a SLEDGE loaded with the remains of the tree - burnt
branches, stump, fragments of elements of harmony.

154 OCELLUS
The Tree! Where'd you find it?

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155          SANDBAR                                     *
Oh, I didn't move it too far.                          *
    (shrugs)                                           *
It was kinda heavy.                                    *
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Gallus gives him a “really?!” look. *

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156          GALLUS                                *
And you're just mentioning this          *
now.                                       *
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157          YONA *
What important is that Yona save *
branches so friends can rebuild! *
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158          SMOLDER *
Rebuild...What, exactly?
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Silverstream waves a hand excitedly in a "pick me" gesture.

159 SILVERSTREAM
Ooh, I know! Something that
represents what the Tree IS... The
gateway to our friendship!

Yona nods and kicks/horn tosses a few **burnt crystal branches** *
from the sledge to make a rickety, rudimentary A-Frame. *

160 YONA
Yes! What Ponies call it?
Clubhouse?

Seeing her standing under the A-Frame, Gallus gets it.

161 GALLUS
A treehouse!

162 OCELLUS
That's a great idea!

163 SMOLDER
I know the tree would've liked
that.

164 SILVERSTREAM
Can it have stairs?!

165 SANDBAR
Help me lift this piece.

Yona smiles to her friends, heart full, as they start to discuss and lift tree branches into place.

<MUSIC> BEGINS AS WE START a **BUILDING MONTAGE--**

--Smolder blows fire on a stick as she sketches a "blueprint" on the rock of the cave. Each student takes a turn with the stick, adding stick-drawn crazy things to the blueprint. (A chimney, a balcony, a hot tub)...

166 YOUNG SIX
*We celebrate our friendship
We celebrate the Tree
The memories inside us
We'll build for all to see.*

--All six students struggle to push the remains of the stump (or other heavy piece of the tree) into an upright position.

167 YOUNG SIX (CONT'D)
*The Tree brought us together
And even though it's gone
Our monument of friendship
Can make the gift live on.*

--Gallus *ties a rope around tree parts that* Smolder holds together, Silverstream *saws through the crystal* with Sandbar bracing the beam, Ocellus sorts through debris to pick out crystal chips of the elements, and Yona SMASHES a branch into equal parts. *

--Sandbar pushes the end of a treebranch with his head, trying to *force* it toward... Gallus' treebranch. The griffon strains with his end until both finally meet... *

168 GALLUS
A piece from me, a piece from you.

169 SANDBAR
*We'll use the Tree, and we'll make
do.*

And Ocellus flies in, liberally applying glue to the joined branches.

170 OCELLUS
*If things don't fit, there's lots
of glue.*

Together they sing--

171 GALLUS/SANDBAR/OCELLUS
*Friends don't quit, we'll see this
through!*

--Sandbar bucks a *tree piece* to Yona, who catches it on her horns and head-tosses it to Silverstream, who throws it to Gallus, who flies it to Smolder, who kicks it to Ocellus...Who TRANSFORMS into MONSTER MODE and lifts the clubhouse to put the *piece* in place.

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172 YOUNG SIX
*It's hard to say farewell
To something you hold dear
But goodbye isn't forever
As long as we are here.*

--Yona uses her hooves to dig a hole. Sandbar replants his sapling in front of the in-construction clubhouse. Gallus pours water on it, smiling.

173 YOUNG SIX (CONT'D)
*The tree is in our memory
Its roots are in our heart
Its branches raise our spirits
We can't be torn apart.*

--Bit by bit, and working together, the clubhouse is starting to take shape!

174 SMOLDER
*So *lift* a beam, and build it
strong.*

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175 SILVERSTREAM
Work as a team, it won't take long.

--Silverstream flies along, happily painting the *facade's* exterior...And accidentally, Yona's backside, which is aligned with the treehouse.

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176 GALLUS
*Hey Silverstream! I think that's
wrong.*

Yona looks back, and they all MOS laugh.

177 SMOLDER / SILVERSTREAM / GALLUS
*We'll live the dream and sing our
song!*

178 YOUNG SIX
*And make the Tree
Something all can see
Is the place where we
Belong.*

Yona puts her drawing on the door to the treehouse.

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END SONG and MONTAGE.

SC. 16 - EXT. CAVE OF HARMONY - LATER

The young six study something OS, with smiles.

179 SANDBAR
Well? What do you think?

REVEAL: The Clubhouse is like something the neighborhood kids would make with whatever's available. Tree scraps with element bits glued in for decoration. One side is higher than the other, a rickety staircase leading to the door. Sandbar's little tree is planted at an angle out front. It's crude, and oddly-shaped, but clearly made with love, and it bears the stamp of each of the young six.

180 OCELLUS
It's...Kinda messy.

181 SMOLDER
Yeah. Like a bunch of different parts all smashed together.

Silverstream throws an arm around Ocellus and Smolder in side-hugs as she enthuses--

182 SILVERSTREAM
It's just like us!

183 YONA
Yona think it perfect.

184 GALLUS
Let's give it a try.

Gallus leads the way, and the students pile in, up the rickety stairs, barely all fitting inside, but <LAUGHING> as they go.

Then suddenly, the clubhouse begins to GLOW. Sandbar sticks his head out the window in shock to look--

185 SANDBAR
Whoa...What's happening?

186 OCELLUS
It looks like magic!

187 SMOLDER
Everycreature, out!

The Young Six rush out of the clubhouse as its glow/shimmer intensifies. They stand back and watch in awe as--

The clubhouse begins to GROW and STRETCH in a magical transformation.

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Burnt tree limbs straighten and become lively once more. The broken elements become numerous small, perfect crystals. Sandbar's tree grows to become part of the whole.

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ON THE STUDENTS, the light of magic reflected in their awe-struck eyes.

188 YOUNG SIX
<awed noises>

The Tree CRACKS through the top of the cave!

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SC. 17 - EXT. CASTLE OF THE TWO SISTERS - COURTYARD - DAY

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The magically growing Tree bursts up into the COURTYARD of the CASTLE OF THE TWO SISTERS above the cave.

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WIDE REVEAL: The rickety clubhouse has grown into a majestic Crystal Tree House, with the Elements of Harmony subtly represented in the design. It's magical and gorgeous.

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The Young Six fly/rush in to gape at the Tree's new form.

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189 GALLUS
How...Did that happen?

There's a SHIMMER, and AVATAR TWILIGHT appears from the doorway of the treehouse. She smiles at them, speaking in her oddly stilted way:

190 TWILIGHT
Because of you. The spirit of the
Tree of Harmony **would have perished**
without your selfless deeds and
caring. Whenever you seek solace,
come here. Your friendship, and
the friendship of future
generations will always be safe
within these walls.

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And with that, she disappears.

The students don't have much time to react to this news, because suddenly the REAL TWILIGHT comes racing **up**, Spike on her heels.

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191 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
I felt a burst of magic all the way
over at the school! Is
everycreature okay?

192 SILVERSTREAM
A little confused, but definitely
okay.

Twilight skids to a halt as she notices the treehouse.

193 TWILIGHT
Where did this come from?!

194 SMOLDER
We were kinda gonna ask you the
same thing.

195 SPIKE
It looks like part of the Tree of
Harmony. But...How? I thought it
was destroyed.

196 OCELLUS
It was...But when we used the
broken parts to build something
new, this happened.

197 TWILIGHT
The Tree has always been good at
surprises. When Starswirl planted
the Tree's seed, he didn't even
know what it would grow into!

Twilight flies closer to admire the new Treehouse. She
smiles, realizing--

198 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
I guess the Tree is still alive,
changing and adapting to be
whatever Equestria needs.

Gallus shrugs.

199 GALLUS
A cool place to hang out?

200 TWILIGHT
Something tells me this is more
than that...It seems the Elements
of Harmony may still be with us in
their own way.

201 SPIKE
That's actually really reassuring.

202 SILVERSTREAM
But...Why did the Tree need our
help to become something new?

203 TWILIGHT
I'm not sure. If I had to guess,
I'd say your friendship is more
powerful than you know.

Yona smiles smugly.

204 YONA
Oh, Yona know. Yona just need to
remind friends.

Her friends share a grin. She's not wrong.

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Spike gestures to the treehouse.

205 SPIKE
So, who's going to give us the
tour?

206 YOUNG SIX
Uh... / Um... / Well...

207 TWILIGHT
Why don't we all go in...Together.

And as the students smile and follow Twilight into the
gorgeous new addition to Equestria's magic...

END EPISODE

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