

THE MIDDLE AGES

TALENT SHOW SCRIPT

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TALENT EPISODE CAST:

NAT	CHRIS
TONI	ELIZABETH
BYRON	JAKE
LANI	NIKI
DAWN	JULIA
TOYMAN	ZAC
MR. LINK	SAM
GRACE	SAANE
EMILY	MARIN
JUDGE ONE	HOPE
JUDGE TWO	TASHA
ANNOUNCER	KIKI

TALENTED PERFORMERS

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ACT ONE

INT. KITCHEN – AFTERNOON

LANI IS UNPACKING HER BACKPACK. NAT AND TONI SIT AROUND THE KITCHEN TABLE.

TONI

How was your day?

LANI

So boring. Everyone is talking about some stupid talent show.

NAT

What's so bad about talent shows?

LANI

I hate them. They're never any fun. It's an excuse for people without any talent to show off.

TONI

Well, I was in one when I was your age.

NAT

...so was I.

LANI LOOKS AT BOTH OF THEM

LANI

Exactly.

INT. LIVING ROOM – SAME TIME

BYRON, DAWN, AND TOYMAN ARE SITTING AROUND TALKING.

DAWN

I know what I'm going to do in the talent show.

BYRON/TOYMAN

What?

DAWN

I'm still working on that one.

BYRON

Well, I know what I'm gonna do.

TOYMAN

What's that?

BYRON

I thought I'd let people just enjoy my handsomeness.

DEAN

Toyman, what about you?

TOYMAN

Of course I'm in. You guys heard of Justin Bieber? I'm even bieberer than him.

BYRON

So you're gonna be a singer?

TOYMAN

Just listen...

TOYMAN STARTS SINGING HIGH NOTES IN A SCARY, SCREECHY VOICE.

BYRON

Oh my Lord. The cat just died.

JUST THEN, NAT, LANI, AND TONI ENTER IN A RUSH

NAT

Was someone just murdered in here?

TONI

Did someone run a fork across a blackboard?

LANI

I can't get that noise out of my head! GET IT OUT! PLEASE,
GET IT OUT!

BYRON

It was Toyman singing.

LANI

...KEEP IT IN! Keep that beautiful noise in my head!

TOYMAN

That was just me practicing for the talent show.

LANI

Oh, my gosh. I LOVE talent shows!

NAT AND TONI LOOK AT EACH OTHER IN AMAZEMENT

INT. KITCHEN – LATER

LANI EXPLAINS HER PLANS FOR THE TALENT SHOW

NAT

Lani, I thought you said you didn't like talent shows?

LANI

Me? That wasn't me! That was my evil twin, Mani. I personally
loooovvvve talent shows.

TONI

Lani, you're up to something, aren't you?

LANI

You bet I am. Here's the plan. I'm going to get to be a judge at the talent
show and then you know who is going to win.

NAT
Who?

LANI
Toyman, of course!

NAT
Toyman sounds like he's got a Jalapeno Nacho Cheese Dorito caught in his throat.

Toni
Why would you want him to win?

LANI
Isn't it obvious? If he wins, he'll be so grateful, he'll marry me, we'll have four children, two dogs, move upstairs and live with you guys.

NAT
Whoa! Slow down...You're not moving upstairs.

LANI
Why not?

NAT
Because we have a one story house...and you're crazy.

TONI
Besides, there's one other problem.

WE HEAR TOYMAN'S SHRIEKING, SCREAMING VOICE FROM THE OTHER ROOM.

INT. LIVING ROOM – LATER

NAT AND TONI ARE SITTING AROUND TALKING

NAT
Can you believe how crazy these kids are about a talent show?

TONI

Well, I remember I was in a talent show about their age. I was so good, I came in second.

FLASHBACK TO 1983

A YOUNG TONI, WITH HUGE HAIR, TIE DYED SHIRT, AND BELL BOTTOM JEANS, IS ON STAGE TWIRLING A BATON. SHE'S TERRIBLE AND KEEPS DROPPING THE BATON. HEAVY BOOING FROM THE CROWD.

TONI (V.O)

The audience really loved me..

END FLASHBACK

INT. LIVING ROOM – PRESENT DAY

TONI

Yeah, there was just one boy who was better than me.

NAT

I was in a talent show when I was a young boy, too. And you know, I won. There was this horrible baton twirler before me.

TONI

Wait. Were you the boy who could drink the chocolate milk while doing the splits?

NAT

YES! THAT WAS ME! Wait a minute, I married the girl who stunk.

TONI

You know where you're sleeping tonight, right?

NAT

Where?

TONI LEAVES. NAT YELLS AFTER HER.

NAT (cont)

Hey! I can still do the splits! Watch this!

FADE OUT. WE HEAR PANTS SPLIT AND NAT YELL IN PAIN.

INT. SCHOOL HALLWAY – DAY

LANI IS TALKING TO MR. LINK, A TEACHER.

MR. LINK

I'm sorry, Lani. The last judge spot was just taken.

LANI

By who?

MR. LINK POINTS TO A STUDENT, GRACE. LANI QUICKLY RUNS OVER TO HER.

LANI (CONT)

I hear you're thinking about reconsidering being a judge.

GRACE

What are you talking about? I've dreamt of being a judge my whole life. Only a severe sickness could keep me from doing this.

LANI GETS A LIGHT BULB. SHE SNEEZES HORRIBLY ON GRACE

LANI

I'm so sorry. I'm getting over Swedish...

(thinks, then)

Swedish Meatballia disease.

LANI SNEEZES AGAIN

GRACE

What's that?

LANI

It's horrible. At first you think you're okay.

GRACE

Like me?

LANI

Exactly like you. Then you feel a chill.

GRACE SHIVERS

GRACE

Like me?

LANI

Exactly like you. Then you can't stop itching.

GRACE STARTS ITCHING HER ARMS.

GRACE

Like me?

LANI (CONT)

Exactly like you. And then, if you don't get help right away, your head blows up...it kinda looks like meatballs.

GRACE STARTS RUNNING DOWN THE HALL.

LANI (CONT)

Where are you going? What about the judge position?

GRACE

You can have it! I've got Swedish Meatballia!

END OF ACT ONE

ACT TWO

INT. SCHOOL HALLWAY –NIGHT OF TALENT SHOW

LANI'S BEST FRIEND, EMILY. IS REHEARSING. SHE HAS A
MAGNIFICENT VOICE

EMILY

I hope I win. I have my heart set on this. If I don't, I'll have a lifetime of
"do you want fries with that?"

LANI

Well, you shouldn't get your hopes up. There's a lot of other very
talented people in the competition.

LANI TURNS HER HEAD DOWN THE HALL. TOYMAN IS WARMING UP
HIS VOICE IN FRONT OF A WATER COOLER TANK. HE HITS A NOTE SO
HIGH AND TERRIBLE, THE BOTTLE IN FRONT OF HIM SHATTERS.
LANI TRIES TO SMILE.

INT. TALENT SHOW ROOM – LATER

JUDGE ONE IS TALKING TO JUDGE TWO. JUDGE ONE HAS A BRITISH
ACCENT

JUDGE ONE

Can you believe we're doing this? Look what they've given us to watch.
It's like the sandwich without the cheese or the mayo. It's just dry.

JUDGE TWO

Yah, it ain't my style, Dawg.

LANI APPROACHES THEM

LANI

Gentlemen, your **head** judge has arrived.

JUDGE ONE AND TWO LOOK AT HER BRIEFLY, THEN CONTINUE WHAT
THEY WERE DOING.

LANI (CONT)

I have a real good feeling we're going to find some great talent here tonight. I saw somebody quite good out there near that puddle.

THE OTHER JUDGES DON'T CARE.

INT. ROOM – MOMENTS LATER

LANI AND THE OTHER JUDGES SIT BEHIND A TABLE AS THE TALENT SHOW BEGINS.

DAWN COMES ON STAGE

DAWN

Folks, you will be amazed. Tonight, I will pull a live bunny out of my hat.

DAWN PULLS HIS HAT OFF HIS HEAD AND A STUFFED BUNNY FALLS TO THE GROUND. IT JUST LAYS THERE. DAWN NUDGES HIM.

DAWN (CONT)

He's just sleeping.

MOMENTS LATER

AN EXTREMELY TALENTED ACT COMES ON. JUDGE ONE AND TWO ARE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THEM. LANI LOOKS UNIMPRESSED AND INTERRUPTS THEIR ACT.

LANI

Sorry. Maybe next year.

MOMENTS LATER

DAWN, NOW DRESSED AS A BOY, COMES BACK OUT.

ANNOUNCER

The amazing DONNIE!

THE SONG, "WHIP MY HAIR" COMES ON AND DAWN STARTS WHIPPING HIS HEAD. HIS WIG COMES OFF. HE'S CUT OFF.

MOMENTS LATER

ANNOUNCER (CONT)

And now the brilliant Byron.

BYRON COMES ON.

BYRON

My act today is me. I'd like to showcase my awesomeness.

MUSIC PLAYS AND BYRON JUST STANDS THERE POSING. THE GIRLS IN THE AUDIENCE GO WILD. LANI STOPS HIM.

LANI

Next!

MONTAGE OF GREAT ACTS.

AFTER EACH ONE, LANI SAYS "SORRY! NEXT!"

LATER

TOYMAN COMES ON STAGE

ANNOUNCER

Next up, is Toyman!

LANI STARTS APPLAUDING BEFORE HE EVEN STARTS. TOYMAN DOES HIS SONG AND IS HORRIBLE. THE OTHER JUDGES GIVE THE THROW-UP SIGN.

LANI

We've got our winner! Sensational!

ANNOUNCER

We have two final contestants. First up, Emily Shapiro!

EMILY COMES OUT AND IS SENSATIONAL.

JUST THEN, AN IRISH CLOGGING DANCE TROUPE COMES ON. DAWN IS POSING AS ONE OF THE DANCERS. SHE'S SO CLUMSY, SHE RUINS THEIR ACT.

JUDGE ONE TURNS TO JUDGE TWO AND LANI

JUDGE ONE

Got to be Emily, right.

JUDGE TWO

Yeah.

CAMERA CLOSES IN ON LANI. SHE HAS AN ANGEL ON ONE SHOULDER AND A DEVIL ON THE OTHER.

ANGEL

Pick Emily, she's the best.

LANI TURNS TO THE DEVIL

DEVIL

Pick Toyman, you fool. Who cares if he stinks. He'll love you forever.

IN SLOW MOTION, LANI LOOKS AT EMILY THEN AT TOYMAN.

LANI

Alright, I have to do the right thing.

(pause)

...TOYMAN!

INT HALLWAY- MOMENT LATER

TOYMAN IS PLAYING THE GUITAR. HE'S FABULOUS. LANI BEGINS TO APPROACH HIM WHEN A SAD EMILY BEATS HER TO HIM.

EMILY

Congratulations, Toyman.

TOYMAN

You were really good. In fact, you were a lot better than me.

EMILY

Great! Let's get married, we'll have four kids, two dogs, and live with my parents!

TOYMAN

Sounds great.

ON LANI'S EXPRESSION,

FADE OUT