FADE IN:

EXT. EMPEROR CASSIUS’ FUNERAL - AFTERNOON

A group of paul bearers carry the fallen Emperor Cassius to his burial site.

The full nation of Nikkita standing by in disbelief as it is still a shock that their Emperor has fallen.

In front, walking beside the casket is his children:

**XTIAM**, The cunning mastermind. He only looks out for himself, but is also considerate of his family (at times). He was adopted at the age of 3 months, by Emperor Cassius. He is the youngest of the siblings. He was taught martial arts, and the art of air bending at the age of 4.

**ZAIL**, Also a cunning mastermind, but not much as his brother Xtiam. He is sometimes the exact opposite of Xtiam, but at times they see eye to eye. He looks out for his family, including Xtiam. He is the second eldest brother, he also doesn’t let his wit outshine his charm. He possesses the power of bending water.

**PIRRO**, the eldest of all the siblings; He's very humorous at times. He also has a full time job keeping Xtiam out of trouble and the rest of the siblings in line. It should be noted that he is the next in line to take over at the Emperor. Pirro was born with the power of creating fire.

**CADAN**, The second youngest of the siblings. Unlike his brothers he portrays himself as someone not of great knowledge, but what others fail to realize is that he has great wit. He is also the only of children to not have been trained in Advanced Natural Arts.

**AYLA**, The third eldest at age of 20, she is the first born female in the clan. She also processes great wit, she just like her brother Pirro tries to keep the family in line after their father's death.

**FALLON**, The fourth eldest or middle child. Arguably the toughest of all the children. She trains hard. Although like her brother Cadan, she wasn’t trained in Advanced Natural Arts. Fallon didn't let this stop her, she is the most advanced Martial Artist in Nikkita. She also refuses to take a simple no’s for an answer. She'll do whatever she wants whether or not the level of consequence.

They watch on as their father is buried, the girls sob silently, the men trying to hold back tears in order to remain viewed as strong.
After Cassius is buried, the clan pile into their car and drive back mansion, along the way they are meet in waves of people crowded along the streets and throughout the city “saluting” them.

INT. MANSION - LATER

Xtiam, is in his room putting away his things, and getting dressed in his casual gear to prepare for dinner.

His eldest brother, Pirro, walks in.

PIRRO
You know. You could at least have spoken a few words.

Xtiam turns to his brother.

XTIAM
Yeah, and for what?

He turns back to what he was doing.

Pirro stops him.

PIRRO
Hey, look. You hide your emotions very well, and I hope this little pre-teen phase of not caring about people is over. It’s starting to really piss me off. Our father, has died and you don’t seem the least bit concerned.

Xtiam sighs and turns back to Pirro.

XTIAM
I’m just as shaken up as anyone around here, okay. I just choose not to put on a play in front of everyone for bloody sympathy, which I could do without.

PIRRO
Xtiam, we’re brothers, I’m-

XTIAM
(scoffs)
No we’re not.

Xtiam shoves his way over to his closet.
PIRRO
Yes we are! And you know it!

XTIAM
I’m adopted. I’m not one of you.

PIRRO
So what? Why are you still freaking out about it? Our father, treated us all equally. Hell, I’ll even say he treated you better than all of us.

Xtiam puts down the box he’s holding.

XTIAM
What did you say?

PIRRO
I said he treated you better than us.

XTIAM
How so?

PIRRO
Well, he didn’t teach A.N.A.S to Cadan or Fallon.

XTIAM
The thing you, Ayla, and Zail do?

Pirro walks over to Xtiam.

PIRRO
It’s not just a thing.

Pirro snaps his fingers and at once, a flame appears at the tip of his thumb.

PIRRO (CONT’D)
(laughs)
It’s a lifestyle.

Xtiam looks more excited.

XTIAM
So what did I learn?

PIRRO
Well, father used your unconscious body and mind to train you while you slept, he says it’s the best way to learn.
XTIAM
(excitedly shouting)
How good am I!?!?

PIRRO
Sh! I’m not even suppose to be talking about it. You’re not ready.

XTIAM
What do you mean I’m not ready?
I’ve destroyed Cadan in more than one fight.

PIRRO
(puts his hands on Xtiam’s shoulders)
I wouldn’t call beating up Cadan a huge win, little brother. Anyway, you’ll find out at dinner. Which we should head to now, they’re waiting.

XTIAM
They who?

Pirro grabs Xtiam and drags him out of the room.

PIRRO
Questions...

INT. DINNER HALL - CONTINUOUS

It’s time for dinner. There is 7 huge tables full of food and drinks, to cater anyone’s desire. There are also a room full of people, from the best dress, to seemly the worst.

At the top of the dinner hall, there is another bigger table with more variety of foods. Already sitting are the rest of the siblings waiting for Xtiam and Pirro.

They arrive at the table after greeting several of the guest.

Pirro takes center stage, and taps his glass to advise everyone to take their seats.

PIRRO
Thank you all for coming, and helping us cope with the lost of our father.

Xtiam coughs, both Cadan and Fallon smack him behind the head.
PIRRO (CONT’D)
We are terribly saddened at this
great loss, but let’s remember the
good times, like the way my father
and your emperor loved to eat,
let’s us enjoy this meal, like no
other. In the name of Cassius.

The guest in unison says, “In the name of Cassius”.

PIRRO (CONT’D)
Dig in.

INT. EATING DINNER - CONTINUOUS

The siblings are eating and discussing what’s next for them
after tonight.

They’re discussing who will take over in their father’s
absence.

PIRRO
Well, obviously the eldest.
(he looks at Ayla)
Son. Is to take the throne. That’s
how these things work. You have to
understand, like the movies.

AYLA
This isn’t a fantasy, you idiot.
This is a serious problem, you know
full well you don’t have the common
knowledge to run an entire empire.

Pirro, sips his drink and laughs.

PIRRO
Well, I think I’m over qualified.
I’ve held this family together
since, Mother left, and now Father.
I’ve saved Xtiar’s ass on more than
on occasion and we all know he
should have been executed at 10.

They laugh.

XTIAM
Very funny, eat it.
AYLA
True. But, I still think we should hand over the throne to a more experienced individual, perhaps one of father’s assistants.

ZAIL
That’s a horrible idea, Cadan could do a better job, and he’s not exactly a genius.

Cadan, puts down his fork.

CADAN
Even, I know that’s a bad idea, Ayla. And, thanks for the nomination Zail. Pirro, you have a running mate.

ZAIL
I wasn’t nominating you for anything, I was making a point that women are horrible at decision making and should stick to working the flipper in the kitchen.

AYLA
How dare you!?!?

FALLON
That’s the most sexist, thing I’ve ever heard. I’d expect something like that from Xtiam’s mouth. But, not from you, Zail. In case you haven’t noted. I’m the most advanced Martial Artist in Nikkita. Make another statement like that, and I’ll break your neck.

She jumps at Zail, he gets startled and drops his roll.

Fallon smiles.

XTIAM
Aright, if we’re done with the whole ruling thing, which for the first time I have no interest in. Can, we just get to what my super power is?

PIRRO
It’s not a super power.
ZAIL
It’s A.N.A.S.

AYLA
Advanced, Natural, Arts Sorcery.

Fallon, slams her fist on the table.

FALLON
Xtiam, gets Natural Arts, but Cadan and I don’t?

CADAN
How unfair is that?

AYLA
Father, seemed to think that Xtiam is trustworthy and won’t abuse them, and that maybe it’ll teach him some type of responsibility.

CADAN
In other words, Fallon. He doesn’t trust us.

FALLON
That can’t be true, since Xtiam has broken every single law Nikkita stands for. REPEATEDLY.

AYLA
I don’t agree with the decision either, but Father knows best, and besides you two are great without them, Fallon, you’re the greatest Martial Artist this place has ever seen. Cadan, you’re sweetest person in Nikkita.

XTIAM
Enough, with the butt kissing, literally, I’m the one dying.

Cadan and Fallon slap Xtiam harder, Fallon does it twice.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
What too soon?

PIRRO
Xtiam, watch the screen.
INT. XTIAM’S A.N.A.S REVEALED – CONTINUOUS

Emperor Cassius appears on a huge screen, at the other side of room.

EMPEROR CASSIUS
I hope you aren’t grieving too much over my passing, if anything you should rejoice on the fact that I lived such a decorated life, taught Nikkita fine morals, that it can use to advance the nation into the next generation without the limits of when I was still alive, and most of all raised 6 beautiful future leaders.

XTIAM
Me, being the best looking one of coarse.

AYLA
(seriously)
Shut your mouth.

EMPEROR CASSIUS
I want to deliver great news to my youngest child, who even though pushed me and everyone around him to the limits, I love and know one day will mold into a great young man with unlimited power, of coarse with the help of his brother’s and sisters.

The siblings, smile at Xtiam.

EMPEROR CASSIUS (CONT’D)
Xtiam, I’ve never told you this, but I’ve secretly trained you in Advanced Natural Arts Sorcery, as I did with your older siblings, Pirro, fire. Ayla, land. Zail, water. As for Cadan and Fallon, they didn’t show any signs of dependance on these Arts. These Arts are for making your life easier. And you two already possess the power to do so.

Cadan and Fallon look slightly relieved.
EMPEROR CASSIUS (CONT’D)

Now, Xtiam when I reveal what Art you own, do not get carried away, it will only be activated when I read this phrase from the Book of Sorcerers. Stand up.

Xtiam does as he’s told.

EMPEROR CASSIUS (CONT’D)

Are you ready?

XTIAM

I’m ready father.

Cassius reads from the Book of Sorcerers.

EMPEROR CASSIUS

By the power stored in me, now I give to you. Xtiam, your Advanced Natural Art is... The ability to manipulate the forces of-

XTIAM

Oh, cool!

Xtiam starts pushing things over with only his hand.

He knocks the guest’s plates off the table, among other things.

Xtiam stands up straight.

XTIAM (CONT’D)

Kneel before Ch-

PIRRO

Okay! That’s enough. Xtiam, you’ve had them only for 10 seconds and you’re.

(beat)

Why do I even bother.

AYLA

Xtiam, with great power comes great responsibility.

Ayla chuckles to herself.

No one else does.

AYLA (CONT’D)

Really no one?
PIRRO
What’s funny about that? I agree.
Xtiam needs to start acting responsible.

Xtiam pushes Pirro’s pie into his face.
Pirro looks angry.

XTIAM
I’ll start now.

INT. FALLON’S TRAINING – AFTER DINNER
Fallon is practicing her Martial Arts in the Rec. Room.
She starts sparring with her partner she throws a few awesome kicks and then sticks him with a bone crunching jab.
Ayla is watching from behind, she starts clapping.

AYLA
Nice, you need to teach the rest of us a few things.

FALLON
What are you doing here?

AYLA
Just came to check on you, to make sure you weren’t still mad about Xtiam.

FALLON
Why would I be mad?
Fallon goes over to her water bottle, she takes a sip and sits.
Ayla walks over to Fallon, and sits beside her.

AYLA
You know why.

FALLON
OK, I was a little upset.
Ayla, pushes her playfully.

FALLON (CONT’D)
OK, I was steamed. It’s just that...
(beat)
(MORE)
FALLON (CONT’D)
I don’t know, I’m happy for Xtiam, really.

Ayla smiles and hugs her sister.

AYLA
For what it’s worth, Xtiam won’t have them for long, there are a whole list of rules. One on the assistants gave him the book.

FALLON
I’d pay to see his face, where are the others?

AYLA
Glued to the TV.

INT. ENTERTAINMENT ROOM - CONTINUOUS

Cadan, Pirro, and Zail are sitting watching the news coverage of the service from earlier.

Xtiam storms in.

XTIAM
You have got to be kidding me!

Pirro mutes the TV.

PIRRO
What’s up Xtiam?

XTIAM
Can you believe they’re rules, with these Arts?

ZAIL
Uh, yeah. We just wanted to see your face when you found out.

XTIAM
This is bull- Crap. OK, when I signed up for this I wanted it to be fun, not a bunch of rules. Look at this manual.

Xtiam holds up a large booklet labeled; Academy of Advanced Natural Arts of Sorcery.
PIRRO
Ah, memories. Good times. It’s funny because, you didn’t sign up for anything.

XTIAM
Yeah, I was force against my will. It’s like my Father raped my mind. Kinda.

Xtiam takes a seat beside his brothers on the couch.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
Obviously, you know all these, including you Cadan. So I’ll go over the most atrocious rule of them all.

Xtiam hold up his finger.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
Wait for it. All unauthorized or any other abusive usage of these Arts are strictly forbidden, failure to abide by these rules will result in severe punishment and in extreme cases, termination of Sorcery.

PIRRO
And?

Xtiam gets up.

XTIAM
And?! You know I can’t be trusted. I’m gonna lose these things in 2 days notice.

ZAIL
And then your powers will be giving to the next youngest. Well, in this case, the first eldest to you. Which is Cadan.

XTIAM
Where does it say that!?!?

Zail shows Xtiam the rules.

Xtiam, falls onto the couch.
XTIAM (CONT’D)
Oh, this day can’t possibly get any better.

CADAN
Relax, I’m sure you’ll be fine. Tell you what I’ll go with you to your first class.

XTIAM
No, really I appreciate your offer, don’t let this face fool you. I just love school!

He storms out of the room.

ZAIL
He’s so spoiled.

PIRRO
If, he wasn’t my brother I’d call a brat, but I know a better word to describe him. An ass.

The boys laugh and continue to watch TV.

EXT. ADVANCED NATURAL ARTS SORCERY CLASS: AERIAL – MORNING
Xtiam walks out the back door into the fields for his practice.

He looks up and sees Cadan.

XTIAM
What are you doing here?

CADAN
I told you I was going to help you out.

XTIAM
I thought I said no. If I’m not mistaking.

Cadan, walks over to Xtiam.

CADAN
C’mon man. Just let me try. After all you are my little brother.

Xtiam, walks over the bench.
XTIAM
By a few months.

CADAN
Still. I wanna help.

Xtiam looks over at his brother and smiles.

XTIAM
You’re not as dumb as people perceive you to be.

CADAN
What do you mean?

XTIAM
I know why you’re doing this.

CADAN
Go on.

XTIAM
So you can get your own set of powers. You can’t fool me.

Cadan laughs.

CADAN
You got me.

XTIAM
Why don’t you just let, well enough alone be well enough alone.

CADAN
Because, I’m not buying what Father’s selling.

XTIAM
What do you mean?

CADAN
Look, he said I didn’t need them, because I was too smart, sweet, and responsible. Right?

XTIAM
Maybe in your world.
If that’s so then why do, Pirro, Zail, and Ayla, all have theirs and let’s face it, one of them is going to be running this place within the next year.

Huh, you’re right. There’s something going on.

Xtiam gets his things.

Screw practice. I’m looking into this.

Xtiam and Cadan arrive at the city’s library.

The library as among some of the tallest buildings in the city. The building is within the city centre.

It resembles parts of New York City, Toronto, Los Angeles, with the beauty of Chicago.

The brothers enter the building.

They enter the library to a large main scale of people rushing around even some spilling papers and running into one another.

Xtiam, clears his throat. No one pays attention. This angers him.

He sees a nearby mega-phone, be grabs it a grunts into it.

The whole place stops and bows.

Is this really necessary?

They begin to walk toward their destination.

No.

Thank you.
XTIAM
It’s a necessity. Let us be serious, one of us is gonna rule this pathetic city. And all these people should get used to being on the ground after all they are...
(makes sure everyone hears him)
Low life peasants!

Cadan looks to the people reassuringly.

They get up.

CADAN
Calm down, Mr. Ego. Do you know what would happen if Ayla found out we snuck off?
(under his breath)
A spanking.

XTIAM
Ha! I can’t believe you just said that!

They continue to walk through the library’s long corridors until they reach the help desk.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
Actually, I’m glad you did, I’ve been meaning to talk to her about getting me my own spanking lady.

Cadan looks disgusted and he’s starts hacking.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
Is that weird?

CADAN
(changing the subject)
Why are we even here?

XTIAM
History. I wanna do some research on Aerial Arts.

CADAN
OK, but why am I here?

XTIAM
You said you’ll help me.

The clerk appears.
XTIAM (CONT’D)
Aerial Sorcery, please.
(catches himself)
And step on it.

Cadan disapproves.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
What? I was nice. Sorta. I feel dirty.

INT. LIBRARY - MOMENTS LATER

Cadan and Xtiam are reading over the book at a nearby table.

CADAN
This stuff is good. But what are you looking for exactly?

Xtiam continues flipping through the pages.

XTIAM
Anything. Ah, here we go. Got it.

Xtiam, gets up, leaving Cadan behind.

CADAN
What? That’s it?

XTIAM
What’s it? Oh, yeah. Good stuff in here for wind. I’m going to use it to my advantage.

CADAN
You can’t just take a library book without checking it out.

XTIAM
I can do whatever I want. These idiots fear me. See.

Xtiam, uses his Arts to slides all of the open books of tables while people were reading them, and pulls a group of books off their shelves, also turning them over.

They head for the door.

CADAN
That’s not fear. It’s abusing your Arts. Don’t you even care what could happen? Losing your them to me?
XTIAM
I’m not worried about that.

EXT. OUTSIDE ABOUT TO GO HOME - CONTINUOUS

The boys get into their car, with Cadan in the driver’s seat.

INT. CAR - CONTINUOUS

CADAN
Xtiam, I know you don’t care about people and everything. But, even you have to admit, you’re being a tad unreasonable.

Xtiam puts his hands on his brother’s shoulder.

XTIAM
Don’t worry. You’ll see what I mean later tonight. Or maybe you won’t.

Cadan looks confused at Xtiam’s statement.

INT. HOME - LATER

Cadan and Xtiam arrive back at the mansion.

They are greeted by their eldest sister - Ayla.

AYLA
Well.

The boys are startled.

CADAN
Dammit, Ayla really?

They move past her.

AYLA
What’s that?

XTIAM
I’m sick of you guys, demanding me to do more studying. So I took matters into my own hands.

He turns.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
You’re welcome.
CADAN
It’s for his Arts.

AYLA
If Xtiam does something good. Without being asked. He’s up to something. He thinks he’s a cunning mastermind, but I see right through him. I’ll find out what he’s doing.

CADAN
Good luck.

Cadan walks into the kitchen.

INT. DINNER HALL - LATER

The siblings are having dinner.

PIRRO
(speaking to Xtiam about his practice)
I don’t care what you were doing you just can’t skip your training like that!

XTIAM
Well, what if I had better things to do?

PIRRO
Like what?

Xtaim gives a deviating smile to Cadan.

Cadan looks confused.

CADAN
Xtaim and I were at the library.. (beat) Studying.

AYLA
What?

CADAN
Aerial Sorcery.
XTIAM
I actually care about getting better at my Arts, besides one of us is going to take the throne and I’m going to be 18 by the time the nation chooses.

Pirro slams his fork down.

PIRRO
(screams)
Would you stop thinking about that fucking throne?!? It’s irrelevant! I don’t want you skipping anymore practices and if I hear it again I’ll personally find you and make you regret it.

XTIAM
You’re not my father!
(he gets up from the table; under his breath)
And neither was he.

Ayla gets up frustrated.

XTIAM’S ROOM - MOMENTS LATER

Xtiam is angrily staring at his ceil on his bed.

AYLA
Knock. Knock.

Xtiam turns over on his bed sobbing.

XTIAM
What!?!?

Ayla comes over and sits on his bed.

AYLA
I know it’s been hard for you.

XTIAM
What do you mean?

AYLA
Stop it. You know what I mean. You were closer to Dad than any of us. You know all this.

XTIAM
So what?
AYLA
I know what you’re doing. You’re masking your feelings. You don’t want to accept that he’s dead. You’re covering it up by using the fact that you’re adopted as an excuse.

XTIAM
(shocked)
Did you just read my mind? How?

AYLA
You’re not as smart as you think. I’m smarter than you.

They both laugh, she hugs her brother.

AYLA (CONT’D)
Come on.

XTIAM
Where?

AYLA
Training. You’re doing it. Whether you like it or not. I’ll help you.

Xtaim smiles slightly.

AYLA (CONT’D)
I know Cadan was suppose to help you this morning, you’re not going to manipulate me.

Xtaim gets up and walks out the room.

INT. MEETING WITH THE NATIONAL ARMY OF FORCES - NEXT DAY

A gentlemen (JAMES) dressed in a silk suit walks around the table speaking about what will happen to the other four city of Nikkita.

He points on a map of the nation

JAMES
Here and here, we see the 4 city, Angel's Run the largest and richest city in our nation, Sierra the second, Ceria, and Daytoa the blister of our great nation. With there being no longer an emperor, Pirro what do you suggest we do?

(MORE)
Since while your father left no one in charge, it seems in this matter we should come to you.

Pirro, stands up and takes his place in front of the room.

PIRRO
What I suggest, is that we elect a President of government to serve each city. That way there will be a more efficient way of handling governmental matters.

A man stands up.

MAN #1
Excuse me? Are you serious? Are we to trust the very fate of our nation to a 20 year old? What should do what the prophecy spells for us to do, elect a new emperor.

PIRRO
You can’t be serious? My dad’s whole philosophy was moving forward. And you think one ruler to judge every human being in this nation is right? You sir are an idiot.

The man sits back down disgruntled.

JAMES
All in favor of electing a president for Nikkita as opposed to crowning a new emperor say “I”.

The majority says “I”.

JAMES (CONT’D)
The legislature rests. Motion passed.

He stamps the seal of approval over the bill.

INT. ENTERTAINMENT ROOM - LATER THAT NIGHT

The family’s sitting around watching the TV, except Xtiam who is reading multiple books.

XTIAM
(laughing to himself)
Too easy.
CADAN

What?

XTIAM

Nothing.

Zail snatches one of the books.

ZAIL

How To Become a President, in 90 Days?

XTIAM

(he snatches the book back)

Ever heard private property?

ZAIL

Ever heard of wishful dreaming?

XTIAM

Why do you say that?

They all laugh.

PIRRO

Xtiam, seriously? You’re 17, there is no way in hell you’re running for president.

XTIAM

What’s the age requirement?

PIRRO

We hadn’t set one yet, there’s a meeting about it tomorrow. And, no, you’re not on the guest list.

XTIAM

It doesn’t matter, you know I’ll get what I want. And I want power.

FALLON

Xtiam shut up.

XTIAM

Isn’t that ordinary? You guys hate me for being who I am.

AYLA

Xtiam, stop with that. You know damn well none of us hate you. You’re dreams are just far fetched, for how young you are.
XTIAM
Far fetched? I like that phrase, because what I seek is anything less than "far fetched". You criticize me for wanting more. Yet, you all want the same thing, but I'm the only one with the guts to admit it. There are way too many people like that in the world already, we don't need 5 more.

Xtiam storms out the room.

CADAN
Wow.

PIRRO
It seems like every time we get a hold of him, he fights us more.

ZAIL
He's right you know?

AYLA
About what? Power?

ZAIL
Exactly, we all want it.

FALLON
Don't tell me Xtiam's crazy speech has manipulated you.

ZAIL
No, but it's something that's been getting to me lately. And I know for a fact all five of us love it, we crave it. We need it. Power.

CADAN
I don't know.

ZAIL
Think about it, we-

PIRRO
That's enough, if you want to partake in one of Xtiam's schemes then go ahead. But, you should tell our younger brother, that I done getting him out of trouble, trust me you'll need up like him. Hated by everyone that isn't immediate family. It's your choice.
Cadan and Zail look at each other, they get up and leave, so does Fallen.

Pirro and Ayla look at each other.

Xtiam is standing outside the room, smiling to himself.

EXT. MALL – NEXT DAY

The family is out getting some shopping done.

    PIRRO
    You all have the list right?

They show Pirro their individual lists, Xtiam rips his and throws it on the ground.

Pirro slaps Xtiam across the face.

    PIRRO (CONT’D)
    Pick it up now!

Xtiam hesitates but finally picks it up, as Pirro is about to hit him again.

    AYLA
    Fallen and I, will meet you in the food court when we’re done. Deal?

    PIRRO
    Deal.

    XTIA M
    Alright let’s get this show on the road!

He turns away, before Pirro grabs him.

    PIRRO
    You’re not going anywhere, but with me.

Xtiam frees himself.

    XTIA M
    I’m not am I? What’s makes you think that?

    PIRRO
    One word. Pranks. Another. Grounded.
XTIAM
Yeah, I better stick with you.

INT. JEWELRY STORE - CONTINUOUS
Fallen and Ayla are looking through a jewelry store.
Ayla picks a ring she likes.

AYLA
Fallen do you like this one?

Fallen doesn’t answer, she is staring at a boy across the mall standing with his friends.

AYLA (CONT’D)
Fallen, didn’t you hear me?

Fallen snaps out of her day dream.

FALLON
Huh? What?
(she looks at the ring)
Yeah, it’s gorgeous...

Ayla puts down the ring.

AYLA
(to the clerk)
I’ll take it.
(to Fallon)
What’s on your mind?

FALLON
You see that guy over there?

Ayla looks over to the to where Fallon is pointing.

AYLA
He’s cute. So what?

FALLON
I kinda want to go talk to him.

AYLA
Then go for it.

FALLON
I’m scared.

AYLA
(laughs)
Scared?
Fallon punches her.

FALLON
Don’t laugh! I’ve never talked to a guy before.

AYLA
(laughs)
You’ve talked to Xtiam, Pirro, Cadan, and Zail perfectly fine before.

Fallon looks confused.

AYLA (CONT’D)
All jokes aside. You can do this. It’s nothing to it.

Before Ayla knows it Fallon grabs her.

AYLA (CONT’D)
What are you doing?

FALLON
You’re coming with me.

AYLA
But what about my ring!?!?

FALLON
It sucks.

Ayla lets out a whine as Fallon continues to drag her over to the group.

INT. GUYS CLOTHING STORE - CONTINUOUS

Pirro and Xtiam are looking through some clothes similar to Aeropostale, Rue/Forever 21, and HOLLISTER.

XTIAM
This looks good, right?

PIRRO
Sure. I don’t know what you see in this stuff.

He turns up his nose at some of the clothes.

XTIAM
Well, chicks dig it.
PIRRO

(laughs)
How many girls have you gone out with?

XTIAM

Today? 2.

PIRRO

Yeah, online.

XTIAM

Check this out, I’m going to buy this, put it on, and go pick up the next girl I see.

PIRRO

Good luck, hurry up. I want to check out the men’s stores.

INT. XTIAM TRYING TO GET A GIRL – CONTINUOUS

Xtiam is dressed and tries talking to a girl with her friends, she is brunette, gorgeous, and tall.

She walks pass him, he stops her.

XTIAM

Excuse me miss?

WOMEN

Yeah?

XTIAM

I just wanted to tell you how good I’m looking today.

He does a spin.

XTIAM (CONT’D)

Can you dig it?

The women and her friends laugh.

WOMEN

Yeah right asshole.

WOMEN #2

You look like a lesbian, I know a bar downtown if you need one?

Xtiam storms off while the girls laugh in the background.
EXT. OUTSIDE STORE - CONTINUOUS

Pirro is waiting for Xtiam out the store.

    PIRRO
    How’d it go, let me see some digits.

    XTIAIM
    I don’t want to talk about it.

    PIRRO
    (laughs)
    You struck out!

    XTIAIM
    How does it outfit really look?

    PIRRO
    It’s pretty nice.

    XTIAIM
    Seriously? Do I remind you of anyone?

    PIRRO
    A lesbian.

Xtiam screams.

EXT. OUTSIDE XTIAIM’S A.N.A.S TRAINING - LATER

Xtiam drops to his knees.

    XTIAIM
    God, I’m so tired!

Pirro blows his whistle.

    PIRRO
    Come on let’s go!

    XTIAIM
    Dang man! Give me a frickin’ break!

    PIRRO
    You don’t get better from taking breaks! Get your ass into it!

    XTIAIM
    Screw you, I’m out!

Ayla walks up.
AYLA
(calls out)
Dinner!

XTIAM
Yes! Peace out mother-

Xtiam stops mid sentence because he has to vomit.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
Oh God!

AYLA
(laughs; to Pirro)
Harder than you thought?

PIRRO
Not really, I’m getting him back for missing all of his training.

AYLA
Ease up a bit, alright? The poor guy can barely walk.

They look up to yard to Xtiam is limping and stumbling. The siblings laughs.

INT. DINNER HALL - CONTINUOUS

The family is clearing the dishes.

Xtiam pulls both Cadan and Zail back.

XTIAM
(lowered voice)
Let’s talk in my room.

INT. XTIAM’S ROOM - CONTINUOUS

They enter the room, Xtiam shuts the door behind him.

XTIAM
I think this is a good place to talk. It’s the only place in the house that hasn’t been bugged.

ZAIL
So all our rooms are bugged? Yeah right.

Xtiam goes over to his closets and pulls out a tiny camera and mics.
XTIAM  
Still think I’m joking?

CADAN  
That’s probably just for you, considering you’re the trouble maker.

XTIAM  
Maybe I’m right, or maybe you’re wrong.

CADAN  
That doesn’t make any sense.

XTIAM  
Exactly.

ZAIL  
Exactly?

XTIAM  
Right!

CADAN  
What do you want anyway?

XTIAM  
None of this makes any sense right? None of it, take this for example. We know our Dad died, but no one has come forward with any explanation. It’s almost as if it was planned.

CADAN  
Planned?

XTIAM  
Right. Everyone’s gone on with their life, forgetting the kids that are suffering.

Zail goes over and crashes on Xtiam’s bed.

ZAIL  
I love your room.

XTIAM  
Be serious, something’s going on. I need to know how my Dad died.

CADAN  
How do you think it happened?
XTIAM
It didn’t just happen, I think someone murdered him.

Zail jumps off the bed.

ZAIL
That’s it I’m out.

XTIAM
Where are you going?

ZAIL
Anywhere but here.

Zail continues for the door, Xtiam jumps in front of him locking the door.

XTIAM
Hear me out.

ZAIL
Xtiam, this is another of your dumb ideas. I see it in your eyes.

CADAN
Hold on Zail, I at least want to hear where he goes with this.

XTIAM
Just know I’m not letting leave this room, knowing this information, if you’re going to rat me out.

ZAIL
Really, Xtiam? Didn’t I just kick your ass this morning?

XTIAM
That’s beside the point. By the way, I’d make you sign a contract. Anyway, I’m going to just get to the point.

He motions for the two to have a seat on his bed.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
I know for a fact our dad didn’t die of any natural cause we was too young and healthy. He exercised frequently Thus having me come to the conclusion, he was murdered. By who though, is a different story.
ZAIL
You can’t just make allegations like that, you need proof.

Xtiam goes over to his dresser and gets a big binder containing information about his father’s death.

XTIAM
Need anymore?

ZAIL
Wow.

CADAN
How do you know about all this?

XTIAM
Because, I’m investigating. No one gave me answers so, I get them on my own.

ZAIL
It says here that an autopsy was done. Why wasn’t we notified?

XTIAM
I don’t know. I had sneak into the hospital and get the files.

CADAN
There was chlorofine in his digestive system?! 3 hours before his death. But, it doesn’t say that it killed him though.

Xtiam snatches the binder.

XTIAM
Idiot, chlorofine is one of the most deadly chemicals Nikkita has ever seen. It’s a nuke compound. You’re seriously going to tell me that it wasn’t he’s cause of death?

ZAIL
It seems likely. But who would do such a thing?

XTIAM
I don’t know, but I have an idea. Keep your eye on Pirro.

Zail jumps up.
ZAIL
Alright, this is bullshit! There is no way in hell that Pirro would ever do such a thing!

XTIAM
I’m not saying he did it! But, the research doesn’t lie! He’s next in line for the throne. He doesn’t admit, but he wants power. Didn’t you see him at the meeting? His eyes where relentless.

Zail bushes pass Xtiam.

He reaches the door and unlocks it.

ZAIL
He didn’t do it.

INT. BACKYARD - CONTINUOUS

Zail makes his way down stairs to the backyard. Where Ayla, Pirro, Fallon, snuggling with the guy (MARK) she meet at the mall are sitting around.

ZAIL
Who’s this?

MARK
I’m Mark. I’m from the Daytoa.

ZAIL
Daytoa? That’s the poorest city in Nikkita. What brings you to A.R.D?

MARK
A.R.D?

FALLON
People sometimes call Angel’s Run, A.R.D for short.

MARK
Oh well, I grew up in Daytoa, but my father got a job Ceria, I love to represent where I come from.

PIRRO
Where are Xtiam and Cadan?
ZAIL
Up in his room.
(laughs)
Look Xtiam has this ridiculous
idea about how-

He is cut off by Xtiam and Cadan who enter the backyard.

PIRRO
There they are.

Pirro motions them over.

XTIAM
Who’s the chump?

PIRRO
Xtiam!

XTIAM
What? He looks like a chump.

Pirro just sighs.

MARK
It’s alright, I’m Mark. I’m-

XTIAM
Wait, are you from Daytoa?

MARK
Yeah, you heard of it?

Xtiam grabs a seat beside him.

XTIAM
Yep, it’s a dump.

FALLON
How did you know he was from Daytoa?

XTIAM
I’d know that accent anywhere. Uncivilized.

CADAN
Well it’s the poorest city here.

AYLA
Don’t help.

Cadan flips her off. It takes everyone back a little.
Anyway, what got you here to Angel’s Run.

MARK
I thought people from Angel’s Run called Angel’s Run, A.R.D?

XTIAM
We do, just not to outsiders. We hate them, they’ve been calling us The A.R.D ever since that stupid TV show came out. Now everyone says it because they think it’s cool. Especially transplants.

MARK
So Angels Run is nothing like it is on TV?

XTIAM
No, people think we’re all stuck up rich people, we have slums too. Like, there’s people here that can’t afford the deluxe package of TV channels.

PIRRO
They also think we all have “accents”.

AYLA
We don’t though.

PIRRO
It’s funny they swear our vocabulary is only, like, totally, and oh my god.

They all laugh.

MARK
I don’t make snap judgments about people. You guys do have the best beaches and weather though, I’m jealous of that.

FALLON
I haven’t been to beach in forever.

AYLA
Why don’t you two go tomorrow, we have nothing planned for the next few weeks. It’ll be fun.
XTIAM
The beach? I’m so in!

PIRRO
Not you.

XTIAM
What?!?

PIRRO
You shouldn’t have skipped training. It’ll take you the whole break to complete it. If you don’t your Arts will be stripped.

AYLA
Come on, Pirro give him a break.

PIRRO
I can’t. Look, I’ll help you.

XTIAM
If it’s anything like today. I want Ayla to be my teacher.

AYLA
I am closely associated with his Arts. Earth and Air go hand in hand.

PIRRO
Alright. Tell you what. If you can get your ass out of bed at 7:30 every morning for the next week. I’ll have the school throw out the rest of the absences, so you’ll be able to enjoy break. Do we have a deal?

XTIAM
Deal.

MONTAGE - NEXT DAY

Monday - Ayla begins teaching Xtiam his Arts.

Tuesday - Ayla pours ice cold water on Xtiam to get him out of bed.

Wednesday - Xtiam rips his paper and wipes his butt with it, and runs away, Ayla tackles him.
Thursday – Xtiam and Ayla are in the woods, she lifts a tree by it’s roots and tells Xtiam to throw it. He does, they high five to celebrate.

Friday – Ayla gives Xtiam a trophy for completing the week. Xtiam pretends like he’s peeing in it. Ayla walks away digested.

XTIAM

Come on that was funny!

He runs after her.

INT. KITCHEN – CONTINUOUS

Pirro is making dinner.

Xtiam and Ayla walk in.

XTIAM

Yo, yo. Finished, done, checked off.

He slams the paper on top of a tomato.

PIRRO

I was using that.

XTIAM

I’ll get more, because I’m officially on break!

Pirro picks up the paper and reviews the attendance and grade. Xtiam passed with flying colors.

AYLA

It was fucking hell, but he passed.

XTIAM

I might be a even better sorcerer than you.

(beat)

Someday.

PIRRO

Yeah maybe.

Xtiam turns and walks out of the kitchen.

PIRRO (CONT’D)

Hey! What about my tomato!??
XTIAM (O.S.)
Fuck. Your. Tomatoes.

The two smile at the comment.

AYLA
I’ll get more.

PIRRO
You’re going to get Fallon?

AYLA
No, Fallon left with Mark.

Pirro slams down this knife.

PIRRO
She told me you we’re going to take her before you gave Xtiarm his lesson.

AYLA
No, she knows that’s not possible. Ceria is 3 hours from here. There was no way I could take her and be back in time to teach Xtiarm.

Pirro rushes for the phone.

PIRRO
I’m going to call her.

AYLA
It’s no big deal, she’s 19 and an advanced martial artist, she can handle herself.

PIRRO
I’m not getting any answer, she turned off her phone. I’m going to get her.

AYLA
What? That’s a 3 hour drive. What about dinner?

PIRRO
Handle it please.

AYLA
What are you even making?

PIRRO
Spaghetti, it’s easy.
He rushes out the door.

Ayla goes after him.

AYLA
What about the tomatoes?

PIRRO (O.S.)
Fuck your tomatoes!

He starts the car and drives off.

INT. ZAIL’S ROOM - CONTINUOUS

Xtiam comes into Zail’s room where he, Cadan, and a few friends are hanging out.

ZACK
AH! Who invited your brother?

ZAIL
No one, Xtiam what do you want?

XTIAM
Nothing just came to hang out. Problem?

He grabs a seat.

ZACK
Go hang out somewhere else. You know my mom has back problems, she shouldn’t be kneeling to crude like you.

ZAIL
What?

XTIAM
Nothing.

ZACK
Yeah, didn’t you hear. He destroyed half the library like 2 weeks ago, it was all over the news.

ZAIL
Really? Does Pirro know?

CADAN
I don’t think so, it’s not a huge deal.
XTIAM
It’s really not, but if you still want to be a snitch, you’ll have to wait till tomorrow.

ZAIL
Why, where is he?

XTIAM
He went go get Fallon.

ZAIL
I thought Ayla took Fallon to meet her boyfriend.

XTIAM
Someone’s been lying. More than I have.

CADAN
What?

XTIAM
Long story short. Fallon told Pirro that Ayla was going to take her to meet Mark, but Ayla didn’t know anything about it.

ZACK
(laughs)
Ooohhh! Your sister’s gonna be in huge trouble. Xtiam you might get off easy.

CADAN
But she’s like 19, why is she like a dog on a chain.

ZAIL
Come on. That Mark guy’s a huge douche. Pirro and I were talking about it the guy’s a fake.

XTIAM
I knew there was something off. He actually reps Daytoa.

ZACK
Daytoa?

XTIAM
Yep.
ZACK
Damn. How long has she been gone?

ZAIL
Since this morning.

ZACK
What time is it?

XTIAM
Half past 7.

ZACK
Yep he’s hit it.

Zail hits him.

ZAIL
That’s my sister!

ZACK
It doesn’t matter, he’s from Daytoa. Daytoa guys get what they want. Your sister is pretty smokin’ that’s how it goes.

CADAN
Shit, Pirro better hurry.

Ayla walks in.

AYLA
(to Zail’s friends)
You guys staying for dinner? We have extra.

ZACK
Yeah.

CADAN
Not to sound weird or anything but, Ayla how old were you when you- You know. Lost your thing.

AYLA
Not that it’s your business, but I was 19. Dumbest mistake of my life.

ZAIL
Fuck!

AYLA
What?
CADAN
Fallon’s out with Mark right?

AYLA
Not for long, but yeah.

ZACK
I hate to break it to you, but you little sis, is now a woman.

AYLA
No way. She has better sense. I’ll kill her. You guys don’t think?

Xtiam get’s up.

XTIAM
Come on Cadan.

AYLA
Where do you think you’re going?

XTIAM
To hide all Dad’s guns, swords, knives, grenades. You know the works, it’s best not to have them in the house come tomorrow morning.

INT. XTIAM’S ROOM - MORNING
It is the next morning and Xtiam is asleep in his bed.
Outdoor we hear a car doors shut and yelling.
Xtiam jumps up.
He watches from the window, he sees Pirro and Fallon arguing.
They come into the house.

XTIAM
Oh, shit.

INT. FRONT DOOR - CONTINUOUS
Pirro and Fallon enter the house slamming the front door.

PIRRO
Don’t run away from me!

FALLON
Don’t talk to me that way!
PIRRO
I’ll talk to you the way it want,
when you lie to me!

Xtiam comes to the stairs, but doesn’t go down. He is soon followed by Zail and Cadan.

FALLON
I didn’t lie!

PIRRO
What do you call telling me that
Ayla was taking you to meet this
douchebag!?!?

FALLON
Don’t call him that.

PIRRO
Oh and speaking of call, you didn’t
even have on your fucking cell
phone on for anyone to call! Where
is it?!

FALLON
(stammers)
I lost it. I dropped it. Somewhere.

PIRRO
I want the truth.

FALLON
OK, his dad took away his phone so
I let him borrow mine, so we could
talk.

Pirro looks dumbfounded.

PIRRO
What!?! Fallon I can’t even begin
to tell you how fucked up your
logic is!

CADAN
(yells from the top of the
stairs)
How was it?

Xtiam and Zail tackle Cadan, but he gets free.

FALLON
How was what?!?
CADAN
Didn’t you guys..

Cadan makes a sex gesture with his fingers.

FALLON
OH MY GOD! NO! IS THAT WHAT YOU THINK HAPPENED!??!

PIRRO
It seems that way!

FALLON
All we did was talk! Talk that’s it!

She turns and walks away.

PIRRO
Come back here! I’m not done with you!

Fallon runs into Ayla.

AYLA
(sternly)
You lied on me.

FALLON
What?

AYLA
You told Pirro I was taking you to Ceria.

She starts to get into Fallon’s face, which causes Fallon to back away, but Ayla continues to come closer.

AYLA (CONT’D)
You knew I couldn’t do that.

FALLON
I know, but-

AYLA
You lied.

FALLON
But-

Fallon isn’t able to finish her statement, because Ayla slaps her to the ground.

Fallon looks up shocked, holding her face, now beet red.
ZAIL
Whoa!
Zail is about to come down the stairs.
Ayla points to him not to come down.

AYLA
Don’t ever lie on me!
Fallon comes to her knees, glaring up at Ayla who’s standing
over her.
She comes to her feet she kicks Ayla in the stomach.

PIRRO
That’s enough!
Pirro is about to come over, but before he can Ayla tackles
Fallon.
Fallon get’s the upper hand, but the two are tumbling. It
looks as if Ayla is getting best of Fallon. Fallon get’s her
in an arm bar. Ayla screams, Pirro and the guys get her off
of Ayla.

PIRRO (CONT’D)
That’s enough! Get off of her!

XTIAM
Come on! That’s enough!
Fallon finally let’s up. She kicks Ayla in the stomach again
while she is still down and walks off.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
OK, if it’s wasn’t already clear.
Nobody fuck with Fallon.

EXT. DOWNTOWN ANGEL’S RUN - NIGHT
Xtiam, Cadan, Zail, and Zack are walking downtown talking
about what happened between Ayla and Fallon.

ZACK
(laughs)
So Fallon beat the shit out of
Ayla.

CADAN
It was pretty awesome. Yet
disturbing.
**ZAIL**
No, what was disturbing was when you asked “How was it?”

They laugh.

**CADAN**
I was curious.

**XTIAM**
Curiously weird.

Zack stops them.

**ZACK**
Whoa guys! Group of 10’s coming up.

**XTIAM**
There’s no such things as 10’s. Only 9’s and lower.

**ZAIL**
Shut up, here they come.

The group walks up, Zail stops them.

**ZAIL (CONT’D)**
What’s up ladies. You guys get dressed up just to impress us?

The girls laugh, the leader of the group (CINDY) speaks up.

**CINDY**
Yeah, aren’t you Zail Haven?

**ZAIL**
Right you are, this is my friend Zack, and my two brothers Cadan and Xtiam.

Cindy stares at Xtiam.

**XTIAM**
Can I help you?

**CINDY**
Have we met?

**XTIAM**
Don’t think so.

**CINDY**
Yeah we have, I remember that jacket.

(MORE)
CINDY (CONT'D)
(snaps her finger)
Lesbian!

XTIAM
(screams)
Ah! What!?!?

Everyone bursts out laughing.

CINDY
Yeah, I talked to you at the mall
not too long ago.

XTIAM
Zail, don’t tell me you’re thinking
about perusing her and her stupid
friends.

ZAIL
Yes, if you don’t want to hang,
then there’s plenty of stuff for
you to do, make sure you text me to
let me know where you are. Don’t be
a Fallon.

CINDY
The lesbian bar’s around the
counter, I was telling you about. I
have a friend who works there. Look
for Nicole and tell them Cindy sent
you.

ZAIL
Come on guys, stop picking on my
little bro.
(reaches into his pocket)
Here’s 20, get a good dance for me.

They laugh again.

XTIAM
(angrily)
Come on Cadan.

CADAN
(staring at the girls)
Nah, dude, you’re on your own.

XTIAM
Zack?
ZACK
I hate you, but I tolerate you. You’re my best friend’s brother, so fuck you.

Xtiam storms off, while the group laughs.

EXT. XTIAM WALKING ALONE - LATER
Xtiam is walking alone around downtown.
He continues to walk he walks up to a building sorta on the outskirts of downtown.
He looks through the building he sees a lot of women standing around playing pool and drinking.
He reaches into his pockets he pulls out the 20 dollars Zail gave him and goes in.

INT. CLUB - CONTINUOUS
The club is pretty modern with flat screen TV’s, upscale chairs it’s also really expensive, etc.
Xtiam walks up to the front bar and sits down.
A bartender comes up, she is young cute and brunette.

BARTENDER
What can I-
(beat)
How old are you?

XTIAM
22 why?

BARTENDER (CONT’D)
(laughs)
You’re not 22 kid.

Xtiam cocks a smirk and pulls out his wallet with his ID. She looks at it.

BARTENDER (CONT’D)
This is fake.

XTIAM
(shocked)
How can you tell?
(MORE)
XTIAM (CONT'D)
(beat)
Not that it is.

BARTENDER
I’ve been around.

XTIAM
Cool... Look I don’t drink I just needed a place to chill.

BARTENDER
No friends? I would think a cute kid like you would be out on Saturday nights.

XTIAM
Nah, people hate me around here. My brothers ditched me to hangout with a bunch of girls.

BARTENDER
That sucks.

Xtiam looks around.

XTIAM
So what is this ladies’ night?

BARTENDER
Every night’s ladies’ night.

XTIAM
What do you mean?

BARTENDER
Didn’t you read the sign, this is a lesbian bar!

XTIAM
No way! I swear I didn’t know.

BARTENDER
It’s OK, you seem harmless, not like the other creeps that come here.

XTIAM
You have no idea.

The bartender grabs two glasses, Xtiam checks out her butt as she turns.
BARTENDER
You gotta drink something, non alcoholic of course.

XTIAM
Coke, perhaps?
The bartender gets two glasses of cokes.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
Hey, barkeep, might if I ask you something?

BARTENDER
My name’s Nicole. And yeah?

XTIAM
I prefer barkeep. Think of it as a nickname.

Nicole smiles.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
So, are you a lesbian, no offense.

NICOLE
No. Well, I’m actually bisexual.

Xtiam spits out his drink.

NICOLE (CONT’D)
(laughs)
Does that bother you?

XTIAM
No, not at all.

Xtiam looks over to see there’s a free pool table.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
Quick game?

NICOLE
I’m working.

XTIAM
I’ll handle it.

He calls to a nearby women, she comes.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
You look trustworthy, are you?
WOMEN
Yeah, I guess.

XTIAM
I’ll pay you 200 dollars to cover her shift for the next 10 minutes.

NICOLE
That’s not necessary.
(to Xtiam)
What are you doing?

XTIAM
I wanna play.

NICOLE
I get off in 2 hours.

XTIAM
I don’t wait, just take a chance.

NICOLE
(thinks it over)
10 minutes.

The women goes behind the counter, while Nicole gives her instructions.

INT. PLAYING POOL - CONTINUOUS
The two are getting ready to play pool.

NICOLE
Just to warn you, I dated a pool shark before, so I’m pretty good.

XTIAM
We’ll see.

The two play, after a few rounds Nicole destroys him.

NICOLE
Told you.

XTIAM
Beginners luck. One more.

NICOLE
I can’t.
(points to counter)
My shift.
XTIAM
How much are you making?

NICOLE
Per shift, 3 grand.

XTIAM
I’ll match it.

NICOLE
How do you have so much money?

XTIAM
Long story.

NICOLE
Are you a drug dealer?

XTIAM
(laugh)
Cute. My dad died recently and left my brothers and sisters, trust funds.

NICOLE
You’re lucky.

XTIAM
Not really. Money ruins a person. Once you get to know me, you’ll hate me just like everyone else.

Nicole puts down the pool stick, she moves over to Xtiam. She rubs her fingers through his hair.

NICOLE
How could I ever hate you?

XTIAM
We’ve known each other for about a hour, give it a day.

She kisses Xtiam.

They are interrupted by Zail, Cadan, Zack, and Cindy.

ZAIL
There he is!

XTIAM
What did I do?
ZAIL
Nothing, we’re about go home.

CINDY
Nicole!

NICOLE
Oh my god! Cindy!

They hug each other.

CINDY
What are you doing with Xtiam?

NICOLE
Playing pool. He’s really amazing.

She smiles at him.

CADAN
Everyone says that before they get to know him.

XTIAM
We’ve gone through that.

He introduces his brothers.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
Nicole, these are my douche brothers that ditched me. Cadan and Zail, oh our friend Zack.

NICOLE
Oh these are your brothers, I thought you know, your brothers would be black.

XTIAM
I’m adopted.

NICOLE
Oh I’m sorry.

XTIAM
Ah, no problem.

ZAIL
(yawns)
I’m getting tired, let’s hit the road.

CINDY
I’m going to stay with Nicole.
XTIAM
Oh Nicole I owe you some-

NICOLE
Don’t worry about it. What are you doing tomorrow?

XTIAM
Nothing.

Xtiam looks around at everyone that is staring at him.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
Uh, guys. A little privacy?

The guys leave for the car.

NICOLE
You wanna catch a movie tomorrow?

XTIAM
Sure. Here downtown, right?

NICOLE
Yeah, I’ll pick you up at 8.

She turns.

XTIAM
You want to have a little fun, tonight?

NICOLE
What?

XTIAM
Meet my house tonight at 12 midnight.

He reaches into her apron, and pulls out a pen and pad.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
Here’s the address. See you then.

EXT. OUTSIDE HOUSE – MIDNIGHT
Xtiam is standing outside the house waiting for Nicole.

Pirro walks up behind him.

PIRRO
Boo!
XTIAM
(screams)
Ah! Fu-Man don’t do that! I thought you guys were asleep.

PIRRO
Nope, what person over 18 goes to bed a 1 A.M?

XTIAM
Not many.

PIRRO
What are you doing? The truth.

XTIAM
I met a girl.

PIRRO
Oh, sneaking out?

XTIAM
No, we’re hanging out here. In the driveway.

PIRRO
OK.

He turns to walk away.

PIRRO (CONT’D)
Wear this.

He gives Xtiam a condom.

PIRRO (CONT’D)
Just promise me.

XTIAM
Alright?

He puts it in his pocket, Xtiam stops Pirro before he goes in the house.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
Hey, Pirro. Can’t I talk to you for a minute?

Pirro stops.

PIRRO
Sure.
XTIAM
When did a lesbian club open downtown?

PIRRO
 Few weeks ago.

XTIAM
That doesn’t make any sense.

PIRRO
Why not?

XTIAM
Things haven’t been the same since Dad died. When was the last time you heard something like that opening?

PIRRO
Come to think of it never.

XTIAM
And when did we start speaking like this? Hell, we use to call Dad, father. And like, 300 malls opened up. Are we urbanized?

PIRRO
It’s for the better. This isn’t the dark ages anymore.

They hear a car coming up in the distance.

PIRRO (CONT’D)
Your friend is here.

XTIAM
Great. Now go away.

PIRRO
Stay in this driveway. Don’t make me come find you.

XTIAM
I’m not Fallon, where is she?

PIRRO
Grounded for a year.

The car pulls up and Pirro goes inside.

Nicole motions over to Xtiam to get in.
INT. CAR - CONTINUOUS

Xtiam gets in the car.

It’s a very futuristic interior to match the exterior.

    XTIAM
    Sweet ride. I didn’t even know they made these.

    NICOLE
    It just came out 2 weeks ago.

    XTIAM
    I was meaning to ask you. When did the club open?

    NICOLE
    2 weeks ago. After for dad passed.

    XTIAM
    Huh, haven’t you noticed anything weird. Like everything is becoming modernized, very quickly.

    NICOLE
    I don’t know, I like it personally.

She turns on the radio and puts the car into reverse.

    XTIAM
    Whoa, what are you doing?

    NICOLE
    Going for a ride.

    XTIAM
    I can’t my brother will kill me.

    NICOLE
    No he won’t it’s just up the road.

    XTIAM
    I’m telling you, I can’t. I’m trying to change. I didn’t like walking alone tonight, no one wanting to hang with me, and when I meet you. I felt better.

She turns off the car.

    NICOLE
    Are you a pussy?
XTIAM
(angrily)
What?

NICOLE
You heard me. Are you a pussy? Or is it you have one?

XTIAM
That’s not funny!

NICOLE
Yes it is. Cindy was right, you are a lesbian.

XTIAM
You’re making me angry.

NICOLE
(slurring)
Well fuck you.

XTIAM
Wait are you drunk?

NICOLE
No, I’ve only had a few.

XTIAM
And you’re out driving? Are you insane?

NICOLE
Get out of my car!

XTIAM
(sighs)
Whatever.

He opens the door and slams it shut.
Nicole starts the car.
Xtiam hears it, and turns around, but turns back.
He hears the car moving. He runs to stop it.

INT. XTIAM’S ROOM - MORNING

Xtiam brings a cup of coffee to Nicole who is past out in his bed.
He wakes up.
XTIAM

Here.

NICOLE

Thanks.

Xtiam goes back over to his chair where he slept.

NICOLE (CONT’D)

I’m sorry about last night. I get like that sometimes when I drink.

XTIAM

You just better be thankful you didn’t know me a month ago, I would have let you drove home.

NICOLE

(laughs)

Luck me. I have to make it up to you.

XTIAM

How?

NICOLE

Take you shopping or...

XTIAM

Or?

NICOLE

Come here, and lock the door.

Xtiam does as he’s told and moves over to the bed. Nicole puts down her mug, pushes him down on the bed, she goes under the covers.

INT. KITCHEN - CONTINUOUS

Ayla, in a sling is the kitchen preparing breakfast.

Fallon walks in, she and Ayla stare at each other.

AYLA

Breakfast isn’t ready yet. You should go back up to your room, I’ll call you when it’s ready.

FALLON

OK.
Fallon is about to leave the kitchen, but she turns around.

FALLON (CONT’D)
Ayla?

AYLA
Yes?

FALLON
I’m sorry. OK, I don’t know what got into to me.

AYLA
I forgive you.

FALLON
It’s just that Mark, he’s the first person I really cared about and it made me crazy. I’m so stupid.

She goes over to the table and softly cries.

Ayla goes over to comfort her.

AYLA
It’s not your fault. It’s happens to all of us.

FALLON
Really? Even you?

AYLA
Sure. I’ve snuck out before. I was caught and grounded. Just like you. (beat)
So.. How was it!

FALLON
It was so much fun! I’ve never had a better time in my life.

AYLA
What’d you do?

FALLON
Talk about life, our careers. I showed him some moves. Just so he knew if he tried anything, I’d fuck him up, and not in the good way.

They laugh.
AYLA
I’m happy for you and I’m sorry for hitting you. It was wrong of me.

FALLON
It’s OK, it’d hit myself too. I acted so stupid.

AYLA
Speaking of acting, did you notice how strange Xtiam’s been acting?

FALLON
Yeah, it’s weird.

AYLA
He even woke up before noon, did all his chores, even some of ours.

FALLON
Where is he now?

AYLA
In his room. Why?

FALLON
To congratulate him.

AYLA
Congratulate him?

FALLON
Yep.

INT. XTIAM ROOM – CONTINUOUS
Fallon walks into Xtiam room.
He and Nicole are getting dressed.

FALLON
Hey Xtiam, I heard the good news–
(beat)
What the–

XTIAM
Fallon what are you doing?!?
(throws a pillow at her)
Get out!

FALLON
(dodges the pillow)
You are so dead!
Nicole runs out the room, Xtiam is after her.

XTIAM
(to Fallon)
You’re a freakin’ CB.

Fallon dies of laughter.

EXT. BACKYARD - NEXT DAY

The family is out having fun in the backyard.
They’re sitting around talking.
Nicole comes into the backyard, with cops.

XTIAM
Nicole what are you doing here?

NICOLE
There he is!

XTIAM
I didn’t do anything! I swear I slept in the chair! You can have it for DNA!

OFFICER #1
Not you son, him.

He points to Pirro.

AYLA
Pirro?

ZAIL
What’s going on?

PIRRO
Is there a problem officer?

OFFICER #2
You’re under arrest.

The officers try to grab him.

PIRRO
Get your hands off me do you know who I am!?!

OFFICER #1
Pirro Haven, age 21, son of Cassius Haven.
(MORE)
OFFICER #1 (CONT'D)
You’re wanted, you are a suspect in the murder of Emperor Cassius.

AYLA
What?!?

PIRRO
What proof do you have!?!?

OFFICER #1
It’s all in this notebook. This young lady turned in to us.

The officer shows Xtiam’s binder.

XTIAM
How did you get that? Nicole you snooped in my stuff!?!?

PIRRO
Xtiam what is that!?!?

XTIAM
It’s a binder of records. I got sto-(beat) Got from the hospital.

AYLA
You knew about this!?!?

XTIAM
I didn’t tell anyone because I didn’t want to worry anyone!

FALLON
You knew our father was murdered and you didn’t tell us!?!?

XTIAM
I told Zail and Cadan!

AYLA
You two knew as well?

ZAIL
Yeah, but we just thought it was just a scheme by Xtiam!

Ayla get’s into Xtaim’s face.

AYLA
Tell me everything you know, or I’m gonna break your neck and I dare you to retaliate.
OK, someone poisoned him. With chorofine.

Chorofine!?!?

Chorofine is only found in a lab below the hospital which only Cassius had access to. It was a war chemical. According to these records, Pirro was the last one to request access to the room.

Is this true, Pirro?

No, you have to believe me!

That’s enough, you’re coming with us!

They take Pirro, who is screaming.

The siblings follow them out to the police car.

The cops throw him in.

Don’t worry, we’re on our way!

She runs into the house to get the keys to the car, she returns and tells them to get in the car.

Xtiam, Cadan, Zail, and Fallon are sitting waiting.

Ayla is questioning the window women.

How long is it going to be!?!?

I can’t give you a duration on interrogations.
Ayla angrily, goes and sits beside Xtiam.

AYLA
You know I’m going to kill you when we get home?

CADAN
He didn’t do it did he?

AYLA
No? Why would you even question that? That’s not important, how the hell did you get hospital records? You’re a minor.

XTIAM
I walked in. I did some aerial stuff and they gave them to me.

Ayla slaps his head.

AYLA
You are so losing your Arts. I’m taking you to the council tomorrow.

XTIAM
But!

AYLA
I mean it! I found out what you did to the library, it’s gonna take you a lot of yard work to cover the bill.

Pirro is released by the cops.

FALLON
Oh my god!

AYLA
What happened?

PIRRO
They didn’t have any solid evidence to connect me to the crime, but I have to come back tomorrow to get the final results.

XTIAM
Thank god.

PIRRO
You are so dead.
AYLA
Did you know he tore up the hospital and library?

PIRRO
Using his Arts?

AYLA
Yeah.

PIRRO
You’re done, you’re grounded, you’re losing your Arts, you’re literally on lock down. And certainly no more girls. Move.

He shoves Xtiam out the door of the station and into the car.

INT. HOME - MOMENTS LATER
They get back to the house, Pirro is still yelling at Xtiam.

PIRRO
You think Fallon was grounded?!? You haven’t seen anything yet!

Xtiam rushes up to his room.

INT. XTIAM’S ROOM - CONTINUOUS
He slams the door and begins throwing things.

XTIAM
I swear! No matter how hard I try! They still hate me!

Xtiam goes over to his closet and gets a box. He gets a knife, covered in his blood. He is about cut himself, but he stops.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
I can’t, it’s been a year.

He throws the knife in the trash.

He falls back on the bed.
INT. BREAKFAST - NEXT DAY

Everyone is having breakfast.

Xtiam comes in with a bag of trash.

    PIRRO
    It’s a perfect day to do yard work.
    I hope it stays like that year round.

The knife Xtiam threw away stabbed through the trash.

Ayla notices it.

    AYLA
    What is that?

    XT IAM
    Nothing.

He tries to throw the trash away quickly, but it rips.

Ayla goes over and picks up the knife.

    AYLA
    Are you cutting again?!?!

Pirro rushes over.

    PIRRO
    What?!?!

    AYLA
    I want the truth. I thought Dad made you throw this away!

    XT IAM
    He did and I haven’t. I’m being honest! I was about to last night, but I stopped.

    PIRRO
    Are you sure?

    XT IAM
    Yes.

Pirro picks up the trash.

    AYLA
    Come eat.
XTIAM
I’m not hungry.

AYLA
Are you sure? I made your favorite.
Pancakes.

XTIAM
Yeah. Look, I’m sorry about...
Everything.

AYLA
It’s alright. Just get started on
the yard work, there’s plenty
leaves to rake.

XTIAM
OK.

He leaves.

AYLA
(to Pirro)
Do you believe him?

PIRRO
I don’t what to believe anymore
when it comes to Xtiam. One minute
he loves us, the next he hates us.
I just don’t know.

AYLA
Ease up on him. We’re being too
hard on him.

EXT. RAKING - AFTERNOON

Xtiam is raking leaves.

Fallon comes out.

XTIAM
(looks up)
I don’t need an audience.

FALLON
I know. I just came to help.

She picks up a rake.

FALLON (CONT’D)
I feel like I got off too easy.
XTIAM
Whatever.

They continue to rake.

FALLON
Can I ask you something?

XTIAM
I prefer silence and raking.

FALLON
Come on, you are still my little brother and I want to help you.

XTIAM
You’re annoying me.

FALLON
Stop being so angry.

XTIAM
I’m not, I have to work all day. And it’s hot as hell.

FALLON
I didn’t rat you out.

XTIAM
Why?

FALLON
Because, you have a lot on your plate right now. You have to work out here all year, you’re going to have your Arts stripped. I don’t think now’s the time to bust you for sex.

XTIAM
I didn’t have sex with her. I was just helping a frien- (beat)
Who I thought was friend.

FALLON
You’re a good kid.

XTIAM
No I’m not.

FALLON
Yeah you are.
She goes over and hugs him and goes toward the house.

XTIAM
Hey! I thought you were going to help me?

FALLON
Yeah right, it’s hot as hell out here!

She laughs.

Xtiam smiles to himself.

INT. COUNCIL MEETING - NEXT DAY

Xtiam’s meeting about his Arts.

COUNCIL MEMBER
Why was this just brought to our attention?

PIRRO
I don’t know sir.

COUNCIL MEMBER
There’s nothing really to say here. There is countless damage, millions of dollars worth. Not including damage to the hospital, and he also committed a crime by stealing property of the city by taking the records.

AYLA
We understand, but-

COUNCIL MEMBER
There are no buts, Miss Haven. Xtiam broke every single rule imaginable, his Arts will be stripped.

PIRRO
What if I pay for the damages?

COUNCIL MEMBER
It wouldn’t do any good. I’m sorry to say, but even if your father was still alive, he’ll still lose them.

AYLA
What about-
Xtiam stands up.

XTIAM
(to Ayla)
Stop.
I understand, I take full responsibility. I acted immaturely, and immorally, but I do ask the council to forgive me. Other than that I have come to terms on the loss of my Aerial Arts, I’m not ready for them.

COUNCIL MEMBER
Are you sure Xtiam?

PIRRO
Let me just make the plea, Xtiam.

XTIAM
No, I don’t need them.

COUNCIL MEMBER
Approach the bench, Xtiam.

Xtiam does as told.

COUNCIL MEMBER (CONT’D)
I need you to sign these documents. Stating you understand the circumstance of the removal of your Arts.

Xtiam signs it.

XTIAM
I understand.

The eldest council member stands up and removes Xtiam’s Arts.

COUNCIL MEMBER
Meeting dismissed.

Xtiam goes over to his brother and sister, he has tears in his eyes.

PIRRO
I think you’ve done a good thing. Maybe you have changed.

XTIAM
(still crying)
Yeah. Can we just go.
AYLA

Yeah.

INT. KITCHEN – LATER

Cadan, Zail, and Fallon are sitting in the kitchen eating lunch.

Ayla, Pirro, and Xtiam are just getting back in.

ZAIL

How’d it go?

Xtiam tries to move the plates, but nothing happens.

CADAN

That sucks.

XTIAM

I’m going to start on the yard.

PIRRO

Xtiam, don’t worry about it. We’ll get someone on it.

XTIAM

Thanks, but I have to do it. For myself.

Xtiam goes to the yard.

ZAIL

What did I just see?

PIRRO

He’s changing. For good this time.

INT. FALLON’S TRAINING – AFTERNOON

Fallon is tuning her martial arts.

Zail is sitting watching her.

She knocks out her opponent with a jab, cross combo, finished off with a roundhouse kick, but it’s sloppy.

FALLON

Dammit!

ZAIL

What?
FALLON
I can’t believe how sloppy that was.

ZAIL
It looked pretty awf-
(beat)
Awesome to me.

Fallon sits beside him resting.

FALLON
I haven’t practiced in weeks.

ZAIL
Come to think of it I haven’t in training in a long time. I’m starting to think maybe we don’t need these things.

FALLON
Huh?

ZAIL
Everything’s changing. We’re living in a modern society. Arts aren’t in demand anymore. Xtiam got me thinking. I’m going to give mine up as well.

He gets up, Fallon stops him.

FALLON
You shouldn’t do that. Xtiam was forced to give his up. You don’t have to.

ZAIL
I know, but these things are useless in this time. Haven’t you noticed, everything’s changing. Nikkita isn’t what it was a month ago.

He leaves.

Fallon sits back down and thinks.

INT. DINNER - NIGHT

The family is sitting having dinner and chatting.

Zail tells them the news.
ZAIL
So, today I gave up my Arts.

AYLA
You did what?

ZAIL
I gave up my Arts. I don’t need them.

PIRRO
Why would you think you don’t need them?

ZAIL
Xtiam doesn’t need his, and he’s more dependant than any of us.

XTIAM
I was forced to give up mine.

ZAIL
It doesn’t matter, it’s over now.

AYLA
I agree.

PIRRO
What?

AYLA
He does have a point. We don’t really need them. We’ve managed to keep this place together so far, without them. With the exception of Xtiam.

PIRRO
Yeah, we’ve been doing everything around here, cooking, cleaning, and the shopping.

CADAN
Didn’t we have people for that?

XTIAM
Ayla fired them.

AYLA
Because, we need to learn responsibility. We can’t have other people doing our work forever.

Pirro drops his fork and looks blindly into space.
AYLA (CONT’D)
Whatcha you thinking about?

PIRRO
I think I want to give mine up too.

AYLA
Me too.

ZAIL
Awesome, and it’s not fair for Cadan and Fallon. We can’t finally be a equal, happy, normal family.

PIRRO
I don’t know about normal. We still have the neighborhood badass for a brother.

XTIAM
Oh, haha.

MONTAGE. FAMILY VACATION

The Haven family takes a family vacation to Santa Sierra, a beach town within Sierra.

A) Xtiam and Cadan are water skiing, while Zail is driving the boat with Pirro, Fallon, and Ayla.

B) Xtiam tries to show off, but crashes into Cadan, they wipeout.

C) Pirro is entertaining a group of very attractive girls. Xtiam, Cadan, and Zail sneak up behind him and pour water from a cooler on him. They run away while he and girls chase them.

D) Pirro catches them he gets some guys to throw them in the ocean. Ayla and Fallon are seen laughing away, everyone is having a good time.

INT. HOTEL ROOM - NEXT DAY

Cadan knocks on Xtiam’s door.

Xtiam opens it.

XTIAM
What?

Cadan moves past him and flops on his bed.
CADAN
I’m so bored.

XTIAM
Same here. Where’s the others?

CADAN
Don’t know.

Xtiam gets out his laptop.

He pulls up a webpage for activities to do in Santa Sierra.

XTIAM
We can do yoga.

CADAN
Do you have to be flexible to do that?

XTIAM
Surf?

CADAN
I still have water in my ears from yesterday.

XTIAM
Go eat?

Cadan sits up.

CADAN
Where?

XTIAM
There’s a sports bar on the pier.

CADAN
Chicks?

XTIAM
It’s a sports bar. The most we’ll get is a bunch of sweaty drunks dry humbling each other to the waitresses.

He looks at his watch.

XTIAM (CONT’D)
It’s lunch anyway. I’ll text Ayla and tell her where we’re going.

He and Cadan get up and leave his room.
XTIAM (CONT’D)
Oh! Get your ID, we’ll need to get in.

EXT. BEACH - CONTINUOUS
Zail, Pirro, Ayla, and Fallon are sitting on the beach.
Ayla checks her phone.

AYLA
Xtiam just texted me, him and Cadan are going to the pier for lunch.

PIRRO
That’s cool.

ZAIL
(laughs)
They didn’t even invite us.

FALLON
Let them have their fun.

PIRRO
We at least we don’t have to worry about Xtiam messing up stuff here.

Ayla picks up her glass.

AYLA
Cheers to that.

They all toast.

PIRRO
And, to no more Arts.

They do it again.

EXT. FINDING THE BAR - MOMENTS LATER
Xtiam and Cadan are looking for the sports bar.

The Santa Sierra Pier is overlooking the beautiful ocean and beach, it is crowded with every type of person imaginable. From, jocks, surfers, skaters, hot girls, ugly ones, and senior citizens.

CADAN
(points down the pier)
It’s down here.
They continue to walk down, people are taking pictures, and are star struck.

XTIAM
What’s their problem.

CADAN
Santa Sierra is weird.

They reach the sports bar.

The bouncer stops them.

BOUNCER
Names?

CADAN
Why do we need to give you our names?

BOUNCER
(annoyed)
This is an exclusive club. Names!?!?

CADAN
Cadan Haven and my brother Xtiam.

BOUNCER
You two don’t look like the Haven children. Let me see your I.D’s.

Cadan gives him his ID, the bouncer looks at it.

BOUNCER (CONT’D)
Alright. You’re in.

Cadan goes in, Xtiam tries to, but the bouncer stops him.

XTIAM
What’s your deal man!?!?

BOUNCER
You can’t come in.

XTIAM
Excuse me?

BOUNCER
This place isn’t for you, little man.

XTIAM
Is it because I dress like a lesbian?
BOUNCER
(laughs)
You’re funny, man. I can’t let you in, you’re too young.

XTIAM
I’m 17. Just look over it.

BOUNCER
I’ll lose my job.

XTIAM
How much you makin’?

BOUNCER
Less than this job’s worth.

XTIAM
I’ll give you 300 bucks to let me in.

BOUNCER
Alright, I like your style.
The bouncer reaches into his jacket.

BOUNCER (CONT’D)
Use this when you get in.

XTIAM
A fake ID?

BOUNCER
The best I’ve seen of you. You wouldn’t believe the creeps that come here pretending to be you guys. Take it.

XTIAM
Thanks man, I’ll put in a good word for you.

Xtiam takes the ID, and goes in.
The music is blaring.

BOUNCER
What about the 300 dollars!??

XTIAM
(shouting)
Sorry, dude! I can’t hear you! The music!
INT. SPORTS CLUB - CONTINUOUS

Xtiam and Cadan meet up.

CADAN
This place is awesome!

XTIAM
Totally!

Cadan and Xtiam look at each other weirdly.

CADAN
Did we just say?

XTIAM
Don’t talk about.

CADAN
Anyway, where you wanna sit?

XTIAM
Other there looks nice.

CADAN
Between the two blondes?

XTIAM
That’s the one. I’m usually a brunette man, myself. But, I can make an exception.

They go over.

Cadan stops Xtiam.

CADAN
Hey man, don’t fuck this up.

XTIAM
How do I do that?

CADAN
You don’t have good luck with girls. You got laughed at the mall, and the crazy chick you brought home got Pirro arrested.

XTIAM
You’re right.
CADAN
I read this book called, How To
Become an Alpha Male. It taught me
how to open a set.

XTIAM
A set?

CADAN
Of girls.

XTIAM
Alright.

CADAN
You’re going to be my wing, OK?

XTIAM
Alright.

CADAN
Chose which one you want.

Xtiam chooses the blonde on the right, she is slightly
bustier than her friend.

XTIAM
Her.

Cadan starts laughing.

CADAN
Are you sure? She’s a little too
much your you to handle, you’re
still a kid.

XTIAM
You’re a few months older than me.

CADAN
I can legally have sex though. OK,
I’ll let you have her. But if
things start to get south, you
eject.

XTIAM
Eject, got it.

INT. PICKING UP THE GIRLS - CONTINUOUS
Cadan and Xtiam open the set of girls.
CADAN
Hey, ladies. Can I ask you a question?

BLONDE #1
Sure?

CADAN
Me and my little brother are having an argument about who lies more? Men or women?

BLONDE #2
Men, duh!

CADAN
(to Xtiam)
Told you!

Xtiam pulls Cadan to the side.

XTIAM
What are you talking about?

CADAN
Just play along.

Xtiam laughs.

XTIAM
It sounds like you said play with my dong.

CADAN
Shut the fuck up.
(to the girls)
Anyway, you mind if me and my bro grab a seat?

BLONDE #1
Go ahead.

Xtiam takes a seat beside his girl, Cadan next to his.

BLONDE #2
So, tell us about yourselves.
(beat)
Wait you look familiar? Do we know you?

CADAN
We’re Havens.
BLONDE #1
Oh my god! I didn’t know celebrities came to this club?

BLONDE #2
It just opened a few weeks ago.

XTIAM
I knew it.

BLONDE #2
Knew what?

XTIAM
Nothing, so what’s you’re names?

BLONDE #2
I’m Jennifer.

BLONDE #1
Amber.

CADAN
Nice to meet you.

A waiter comes.

WAITER
Can I get you anything?

JENNIFER
I’ll have a martini.

AMBER
A Bloody Mary.

XTIAM
Whoa, it’s not ever 3 yet. You girls are hardcore.

JENNIFER
You haven’t seen anything yet.

WAITER
For the fellas?

CADAN
(to the girls)
You guys come here often?

AMBER
Yeah.
CADAN
What’s good here?

AMBER
I think you’ll like the burgers and hot wings.

CADAN
Sweet, we’ll have that, and to drink. 2 teas.

JENNIFER
(begs to Cadan)
Come on! Drink with us! Please.

AMBER
(begs to Xtiam)
Please.

XTIAM
(joking)
I don’t drink, but maybe Cadan wants to.

CADAN
Hard liquor. The highest quality you have.

XTIAM
Uh... Cadan, that’s not a good idea.

CADAN
I’ve drunk before. Someone needs to get this party started.

MONTAGE – CADAN & XTIAM PARTYING WITH THE GIRLS

A) Cadan takes his first shot.

B) Cadan is shown partying with the girls. Xtiam is there, but getting outshined badly.

C) Cadan starts vomiting, but is still dancing on the dance floor.

D) Xtiam has to babysit Cadan over in the corner of the club, because Cadan starts cry, Xtiam is rocking him.

E) Finally it’s getting dark out, and Xtiam and Cadan leave. Xtiam has to carry him.
INT. XTIAM’S HOTEL ROOM – AFTERNOON

Cadon wakes up in Xtiam room in the hotel.

    CADAN
    What happened?

    XTIAM
    You know that is a good question.

He gets up from the chair and walks around as if he is giving a lecture.

    XTIAM (CONT’D)
    What the hell happened last night? In less than a month I’ve had 2 drunks take my bed! Oh, I learned my brother turns into a psychopath when drinking!

    CADAN
    No I don’t, I’ve drunk with Zail before.

    XTIAM
    This is why I say no to drugs and alcohol.

    CADAN
    Calm down, I did it to loosen up.

    XTIAM
    You got really lose, when you got punched in the face for puking all over that gay guy.

Cadan jumps up and looks in the mirror.

    CADAN
    Someone punched me for that?

    XTIAM
    Yeah, the gay guy did. It was the weirdest yet awesomist thing ever.

Cadan flops on Xtiam’s bed.

    XTIAM (CONT’D)
    Oh and you made TMZ over in the states.
This is the worst day ever.
(beat)
Does Pirro and Ayla know?

Yeah, they heard me bringing you in.

What’d they say?

To let you sleep it off. Oh and two words. Yard. Work.

(under his breath)
Fuck!

They’re checking us out down in the lobby.

I’m never drinking again. I feel like my ass is gonna fall off.

Pirro opens the door.

Oh you’re up. We’re leaving, get the rest of your stuff.

Pirro looks out the window.

Isn’t it a perfect day for yard work?

Cadan stands up and grunts, Pirro guides them both out the room.

Zail, Cadan, and Xtiam burst into the room with a new gaming console.

Pirro is chatting on the phone.

Come on! Hurry up!
CADAN
We’re trying! Xtiam turn the TV around.

Xtiam turns the huge flat screen around.

XTIAM
(grunting)
This things heavy!

ZAIL
We’re coming!

The guys get the system hooked up and turned on.

PIRRO
(into the phone)
It’s already over? Don’t they tell me anything anymore? Hold on.

Pirro grabs the remote from Cadan.

CADAN
Hey!

PIRRO
Shut up for a minute!

Pirro turns the TV to a commercial promoting the end of presidential race of Nikkita.

DANIEL
(on the TV)
I can’t wait for you to show your endorsement this Friday night in my inauguration. This nation has taken a turn for the best. I’m Daniel Lombardi, and I look forward to surviving you.

The commercial ends, and Pirro turns the set off.

PIRRO
Damn.

He goes to sit in his chair.

PIRRO (CONT’D)
I can’t believe it.

ZAIL
What?
PIRRO
I thought I had more time.

CADAN
You were running for president?

PIRRO
I was thinking about it.

ZAIL
What stopped you? Our vacation?

PIRRO
Yep, but it was fun, so no big deal. I don’t need anymore work, keeping you guys in line is hard enough.

CADAN
I just can’t imagine anyone else running Nikkita except Dad.

PIRRO
It’ll take some getting use to, but it’ll manage. I’m still involved in the final decision making.

ZAIL
So you think.

PIRRO
Of course I will be, who else is going to take that spot.

ZAIL
In case you haven’t noticed, this place isn’t ran by Havens anymore. We’re just normal people, living in a modern society. We’re not special.

XTIAM
We’re actually celebrities. At least Cadan and I are.

PIRRO
(chuckles)
How’d you come to that conclusion?

CADAN
We got into an exclusive club 2 weeks ago.
PIRRO
(laughs)
So, me and Zail use to do the same thing.

XTIAM
So you broke the rules?

PIRRO
Yep.

CADAN
Why are you so hard on Xtiam then?

Pirro gets up and goes over to the couch.

PIRRO
(shoving them)
Move over. I love you guys very much. I just don’t want to see you need up in jail, on drugs, or an alcoholic...
(looks at Cadan)
In a way I wanted you guys to be like me and Dad, but that’s where I mess up. You’re your own person, I can’t change you. Just don’t think I won’t bust your ass.

XTIAM
With what? Yard work!

They laugh.

PIRRO
You know it.

He pats both of them on the back, and playfully slaps Zail’s head.

PIRRO (CONT’D)
Alright, now it’s time I school you fools in some good old fashion, down and dirty, gaming!

Zail goes and puts in the game.

INT. DINNER WITH DANIEL LOMBARDI - NEXT EVENING

The family is having dinner with the new President, Daniel Lombardi.
PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Haha! I love it! Xtiam, stricter privacy laws does seem like a heating topic.

PIRRO
Not to be rude, President, but what exactly are you planning on doing in your term?

PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Well, I’m going to be investing a lot of time on continuing the urbanization of Nikkita.

ZAIL
What about Daytoa? They need money, there’s a serious homeless crisis going on now. Don’t you watch the news?

PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
I’m glad you brought that up, Zail. We’re actually studying the situation with very likable solutions this week when we have our house meeting.

PIRRO
What other topics will be on the table?

PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Tons, but our main problem now, is as Zail said the homeless problem. We’re planning on building 4-5 homeless shelters and food kitchens.

PIRRO
Where are you getting the money?

PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Angel’s Run city council has made a very sizable donation to aid the victims. I’m still afraid that it won’t go very far. Maybe a year maximum.

Ayla and Fallon get up and clear the dishes.
PIRRO
Here’s an idea, maybe we forget about the “urbanization” of the nation and focus on the homeless. I’ve written a budget that will stimulate the economy for the next 7 years, after that we can begin building.

PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
I like that idea, do you have a copy of the budget?

PIRRO
I’ll be back.

Pirro gets up to retrieve the documents.

Ayla comes back and gives out the dessert.

PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Oh, none for me thank you. I couldn’t eat another bite.

AYLA
Are you sure it’s homemade. Double chocolate, salted caramel cake.

PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
It sounds divine, but I really shouldn’t, maybe a piece to take home? For me and my wife.

AYLA
You got it.

XTIAM
You sure about that? Lombardi, I consider you a friend. So heed my warning when I tell you the only thing that’s getting action tonight is the toilet.

President Lombardi laughs.

PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
I love your sense of humor Xtiam.

CADAN
Actually he’s not joking. This is the second she’s made this and it sell doesn’t look right.
AYLA
Haha. I don’t have any help anymore, we’re being normal remember?

PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
I’m sure it’s delicious, Ayla.

Pirro comes back with the budget.

PIRRO
Here you go Mr. President. All printed and ready for you to take home.

The President gets up and is getting ready to leave.

PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Thank you Mr. Haven, if I like your work, I’m sure I’ll have some good news for you in the coming weeks.
(to the rest)
Thanks for the fantastic dinner, Ayla.

He shakes the boy’s hands, but hugs the women.

PIRRO
I’ll walk you out.

He and Pirro continue talking.

We heard the door close.

XTIAM
Well, there’s going to be another election next week.

AYLA
Why?

XTIAM
As soon as he digests that cake, you’ll be wanted for assassination.

Pirro re-enters the kitchen.

PIRRO
Can you believe that guy?
(mocking him)
If I like this, I’ll have good news for you. Please.

He plops into the chair.
XTIAM
Somebody jelly?

PIRRO
I’m not jealous, he’s too nice. Dad was nice, but never this nice.

XTIAM
What’s wrong with being nice?

PIRRO
Nothing, but running a nation requires an amount of toughness.

CADAN
The guy’s smart as hell. He’ll do fine.

PIRRO
I don’t know, there’s something I don’t like about him.

INT. GROCERY STORE - THE NEXT DAY

The family goes grocery shopping.

They walk into the store, and are bombarded by paparazzi and newscasters.

NEWSCASTER #1
Are the rumors true!??

PIRRO
What rumors!??

NEWSCASTER #1
That you killed your father and got off scot free!

PIRRO
I didn’t kill my father! Where are you getting your facts!??

PAPARAZZI #1
You don’t need to know that, just smile for the camera!

They try to move past the mob, but the group is growing with no way to escape. All talking at once.

PIRRO
Dammit! Get out of our way!
PAPARAZZI #2
Nice try kid, you don’t have any
power anymore!

AYLA
No power?

PAPARAZZI #3
We have a president now, and he’s
ten times better than you crumpy
father!

Fallon punches the paparazzi in the nose.
His partner retaliates.

XTIAM
No you don’t.

He punches the man, an all out war begins. Pirro is battling
two other guys, Fallon is fighting a women newscaster who was
pulling her hair. A guy tries spitting at Ayla, he get’s
kicking the nuts. Zail is being attacked by two women, but it
doesn’t look like they’re fighting, they seem to be ripping
off his clothes, Cadan comes the rescue.

They finally catch a break, while the mobs fights each other.

INT. HOME - LATER

The family comes back home.

They’re clothes are ripped, Zail is only in his boxers and a
half torn shirt.

They look at each other for a second and start laughing.

PIRRO
That was awesome! I get it now!

XTIAM
(trying to catch his
breathe)
Get what? Getting your ass handed
to you?

They laugh.

AYLA
Yeah, it’s the funniest thing that
I’ve done in this city.
ZAIL
(laughs)
I should be a pro wrestler, if I
move to the states you think WWE
will take me?

PIRRO
Enough jokes, hit the showers.

He slaps Xtiam’s and Zail butt.

ZAIL
What do you think my name would be?

CADAN (O.S.)
Zail’s fine.

INT. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES MEETING – NEXT WEEK
There is a house meeting on the future of Nikkita.
The main room is packed with members of the house.
We see Pirro is sitting beside President Lombardi.
The president takes the center stand.

PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Thank you all for joining me here
this morning. You may all be
seated.

The audience takes their seats.

PRESIDENT LOMBARDI (CONT’D)
On to public affairs, many of you
have been submitting the ongoing
homeless situation in Daytoa. Trust
me when I say we are handling the
situation to the best our
abilities.

A young women stands up.

YOUNG WOMEN
Mr. President, I’m sorry to
interrupt, but what exactly are you
doing to handle the situation. With
all due respect, it’s seems our
government, for the first time is
hiding something from their
citizens.
PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Thank you for your concern, we have many solutions, but the highlights are what Mr. Haven, puts into the budget for the new year. They securely establish that through, cutting zoning, the new buildings, and the new technology developments, for the new year will enable us to, build at least 5 homeless shelters, for the next 7 years.

A man in the front row stands up.

MAN
Mr. President, with all do respect, what authority does Pirro Haven have to write up new budgets cuts. It would seem that would be your job.

PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Again thank you for your concern. Matter of fact, I was getting to one of the main reason’s I called this meeting, I am announcing here, this morning, that Mr. Pirro Haven, has been anointed my partner, and the new Vice President of Nikkita.

The audience applauds, but there are some grunt.

WOMEN
How could you put someone with such poor public appeal at the moment Vice President of our great nation? Not to mention that he is a prime suspect in the murder of his father.

PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
I understand, but I’d think Mr. Haven himself would like to address the matters himself.

Pirro takes the stand.

PIRRO
Thank you, President Lombardi. I honestly think we are going make a great team, along with the great citizens of Nikkita.

(MORE)
PIRRO (CONT'D)
To address the incident that happened last week, involving my family. I deeply apologize for the nature of my actions last week, I never intended to hurt anyone, but I had to protect myself and my family.

WOMEN
And what about the investigation?

PIRRO
The investigation of what happened to my father is ongoing, right now we have no answers, no leads, and no evidence that he was indeed murdered. I am truthful when I say I didn’t kill my father, I loved him very dearly. He ran this nation with great power and it prospered throughout, but until we have more answers I’m afraid we’re all left in the dark. Thank you all for your time, and get home safe.

The audience erupts with question being shouted from every direction.

The secret service escorts Pirro and President Lombardi off the stage and out to the limo.

EXT. PIRRO’S CONGRADULATION PARTY - NIGHT
There is a HUGE turnout for Pirro’s party.

Cars are park for top to bottom of the street, people are still coming in by the dozen, the backyard is filled with a major crowd of people.

Ayla, Cadan, Xtiam, Pirro, and Zail are standing at the top of the yard. Ayla steps forward to make a speech.

AYLA
(taps her glass; into the microphone)
Thank you all for coming out to celebrate my brother’s great achievement of becoming the Vice President of Nikkita. As I understand he as another announcement to make. Ladies and Gentlemen, welcome your new Vice President, Pirro Haven.
The crowd erupts.

Pirro steps up to the microphone.

    PIRRO
    Thank you so much for that lovely introduction, my dear sister Ayla. Thank you all for giving me this amazing opportunity to serve you as Vice President. I’m going to do my best to make sure every need is meet. My partner President Lombardi and I have been working hard on new partnership deals with other countries, to make it easier to new goods with manufacturing them here, thus lowering the costs.

The crowd applauds.

    PIRRO (CONT’D)
    Now, this has been a problem for me for a while. In order to give Nikkita the up most professionalism, I will start using my birth name Phoenix from now on. Other than that, I really hope you enjoy the party. Thank you.

The crowd applauds, as several people come up to hug and shake Phoenix’s hand. President Lombardi and him hug, shake hands and take pictures.

A waiter comes up to Ayla and whisper’s something in her ear, she grabs Xtiam.

    AYLA
    (to Xtiam)
    Go get the rest of the champagne from the kitchen pantry.

    XTIAM
    On it.

INT. KITCHEN - CONTINUOUS

Xtiam goes into the kitchen to get the drinks.

There’s a knock on the door, and he goes to answer it.
INT. ANSWERING THE DOOR - CONTINUOUS

He opens the door to an officer.

XTIAM
May I help you?

OFFICER BATES
Yes, My name is Jim Bates. I have a delivery from the station for the Vice President, is there a trustworthy person that I can assure gets this to him?

XTIAM
I’ll pass it along.

The officer gives Xtiam the package.

OFFICER BATES
Have a good one, and pass along a congrats to Mr. Haven.

Xtiam closes the door.

He opens the package and throws the envelope on the ground.

It reads; “The police department of The Republic of Nittika, has hereby acquitted Phoenix Van Haven of all charges in the case of CASSIUS HAVEN #11932 and is hereby released from further prosecution.” It also has a “case closed” stamp on it, signed and dated by the lead investigator.

Xtiam looks around, and he sets fire to it, from his fingers. Revealing somehow, he has gotten Phoenix's Arts.

Zail comes up behind him, but is still off in the distance.

ZAIL
Xtiam hurry up! Ayla is getting angry.

XTIAM
(lowered tone)
Coming.

He before he turns to get the supplies, we see into his eyes, there are two symbols. One for water, the other for Earth. He smiles and turns away.

EXT. OUTSKIRTS OF TOWN / OCEAN - CONTINUOUS

We see the night sky from the outskirts of Angel’s Run.
There is a woman, but you can’t really make out who it is from the darkness.

She throws a bottle into the sea.

In a close up we can see it’s Fallon, she holds her locket with a picture of her father. She smiles kinda sadistically. She throws the locket as well into the sea, she turns and walks away.

    FALLON
    (whispers; smirking)
    Goodbye....

EXT. SEA – MORNING

It is now morning at the ocean.

Something is washed up on shore from the waves.

It is the bottle Fallon threw the following night, it is very washed out, but you still can make it out it reads; “CAUTION: BOTTLE CONTAINS EXTREME NUCLEAR SUBSTANCES - NOT TO BE INGESTED OR HANDLED WITHOUT PROPER SAFETY PRECAUTIONS(CHLOROFINE)”

A wave comes and the bottle is quickly flushed back out to sea.

    FADE TO BLACK.