

Title: Mirrors with no images

Logline: Death and degradation is highly praised in a world where people claim they want peace.

Genre: Drama / Family drama

Theme: Death / Love

The creation of Mirrors with no images

I originally wrote this as a stage play, but I considered the running time, multiple stories, graphic nature and words wouldn't be appropriate for the stage, so I converted it into a movie where its true potential can be showcased.

Breaking down the stories

Justifiable beating

Teenage Deena is trying to convince Teenage Monica to attend prom, and after a few minutes of complaining she agrees. Teenage Jason believes he'll be the one taking Teenage Monica to the prom and her virginity, but Teenage Craig doesn't agree, knowing Teenage Jason is no good.

On the night of the prom, Teenage Monica and Teenage Deena almost become victims of rape at the hands of Teenage Jason and his friends, but Teenage Craig intervenes and ends up getting his ankle broken, preventing his basketball career. Monica and Craig end up getting married, and their very first fight ends with Monica having a miscarriage, but that doesn't open her eyes to the real man Craig is.

Family abuse

When Carl arrives home drunk, falling out on the stairs vomiting, Nikki comes from the bedroom giving him a piece of her mind, because their daughter Young Tamara is upstairs looking down at him worried, but Nikki covers up for him. The next day when Carl is dropping Young Tamara off at school, she's concerned about him, and he reassures her he's fine. After she gets out of the car, his drug-dealer Dominic gives him a call informing him about the new product he has coming in.

When Nikki goes out on a date, Carl thinks she's cheating because of the text message he read in her phone, leading to his overdose. While Carl is in the hospital, Nikki shows him his upgraded wedding ring she went to retrieve when she went out. She tells him he can't have his drugs and his family, expecting a happy outcome.

A father's love

After Michael finishes raping his daughter Teenage Tiffany, he taunts her with the words "Telling your mother would be pointless, because she'll never believe I raped my own child." Teenage Tiffany writes down another shameful encounter into her diary, and then cringes under her blanket, not knowing if he'll come back and rape her again.

Teenage Bernard is working out in the basement, when his mother Francine comes to have a few words with him about letting go of the past she lived while they were in California. When Teenage Bernard encounters Teenage Tiffany he takes an instant liking to her, ending up fighting the school bully for disrespecting her.

That night, Teenage Bernard has words with his father Earl who had his mother turning tricks on the street, which is the reason why Teenage Bernard has anger issues. Teenage Tiffany embraces the new found respect in herself after talking with Teenage Bernard, so when Michael attempts to rape her, she knocks him out with a bottle to the head, and then leaves for Teenage Bernard's house.

Ethnicity

Three different stories displaying racism. Mathew is trying to convince his younger brother Timothy that African-Americans are no good, and he shouldn't like anything about them, or associate himself with them. Kyle and Maria are an interracial young couple deeply in-love, but their parents are doing their best to break the happy couple apart because they feel races shouldn't mix. Ricky has a militant mind-frame, believing African-Americans are the pure dominant race, and they should eliminate every other race because they don't respect them. When he encounters Benny, a Chaldean teenager fresh out of high school, the two have a deadly racist argument.

Justifiable beating

Starring characters

Teenage Monica: The strong minded high school virgin doesn't take any mess, focused on her goals.

Teenage Deena: Monica's free-spirited friend, wishing Teenage Monica would leave her comfort zone and have some fun.

Teenage Craig: One of the star players on the basketball team. He has pure Southern gentleman manners.

Co-Stars

Teenage Jason: Another star player on the basketball team. Unlike Craig, Jason is arrogant, believing he can have any woman he wants.

Gwen - Monica's caring mother.

Monica - She's no longer the strong minded, no tolerance woman she was in high school.

Deena - She's still Monica's friend, but she doesn't agree with the abuse Monica takes from Craig.

Craig - He went from a gentleman to an alcoholic and woman-beater.

Feature characters

Students in the library

Students attending the prom

Students in the boys locker room

Bar patrons

Family abuse

Starring characters

Carl: A devoted family man, but his addiction to drugs and alcohol is ruining his life.

Nikki: Carl's faithful wife, but she's at her wits end seeing Carl destroy himself and the family.

Young Tamara: Carl and Nikki's adorable daughter.

Co-Stars

Teenage Tamara: She's still a daddy's girl.

Dominic: He's a smooth talking drug-dealer.

Jackie: She's Nikki's friend.

Feature characters

Dominic's henchmen

Children and parents

Doctor

Bar patrons

A father's love

Starring characters

Teenage Tiffany: She feels ashamed about her life because her father has been raping her since she was a child, and there's no one she can tell.

Michael: Tiffany's pedophile father, who has no shame about what he's doing.

Vivian: Tiffany's naive mother, who pays more attention to her husband than her daughter.

Teenage Bernard: He has anger issues caused from seeing his mother being a prostitute, and watching his father beat her in front of him.

Francine: Bernard's mother. She has no regrets about what she did, but she won't fully be happy until her son lets go of her past.

Co-Stars

Bernard: He finally let the past go.

Tiffany: She became a famous author, no longer dwelling on the shame Michael put her through.

Earl: Bernard's alcoholic abusive father.

Derrick: He's the class clown.

Kevin: He's the school bully.

Feature characters

Officer

Students in class

Teacher

People in the auditorium

Students in the lunchroom

People in the hospital

Ethnicity

Starring characters

Mathew: A pure racist, believing all African-American people are foul because of what he sees and hears.

Timothy: Mathew's younger brother who loves Urban music and the lifestyle.

Clarence: Although he's the county sheriff, he has an interesting sense of humor.

Kyle: All he wants is for his mother to accept the love of his life, Maria.

Maria: Just like Kyle, she wants her mother to understand she's in-love, and she should be happy for her.

Ricky: Ricky believes every race is out to keep African-Americans down, and they should be wiped off the earth.

Benny: Fresh out of high school. Benny keeps to himself, doing his best to avoid any form of conflict.

Co-Stars

Elizabeth: Kyle's racist mother. Elizabeth acquired these feelings when one of her sisters was raped by an African-American.

Ryan: Kyle's understanding father because he used to date outside of his race as well.

Hubert: Ricky's naive friend. He has a mind of his own, but when Ricky speaks his opinion, he instantly follows.

Michelle: Maria's racist mother.

Feature characters

Benny's father

Will

Black man # 2

Caucasian man # 1

Caucasian man # 3

Homeless man

Brad

Female officer

Black middle aged man

Gang leader

Black man # 1

Black man # 3

Caucasian man # 2

Thug

Manager

Male officer

Chaldean doctor

Restaurant patrons

Location

Houston, Texas

Locales

Justifiable beatings

Library

Gwen's house

Parking lot

Monica's house

The bar

Boys locker room

The hall

The hospital

Monica's cubicle

Family abuse

Carl's house

The school

Dominic's house

Carl's car

The bar

The hospital

A father's love

Vivian's house

The school

The hospital

Francine's house

The auditorium

Ethnicity

Benny's father house

Hubert's house

Michelle's house

The gas station

The street

Liquor store

The store

Timothy's parents house

Ryan's house

Interrogation room

The restaurant

Hubert's car

Jail cell

The conclusion

Justifiable love

Monica finally regains her backbone standing up to Craig, but the last fight ends with her losing her life. Deena confronts Craig at the bar, placing a snub nose to the back of his head. She lets him know he's a coward before ending his life. After the murder, she takes a seat at the bar having a drink, waiting for the police to arrest her.

Family abuse

While Teenage Tamara lies in a coma because she ingested the Heroin Carl had hidden inside the sugar, that was the final straw for Nikki, telling him to pack his bags and go. Carl goes to Dominic trying to place the blame on him, and it backfires. But before Carl leaves Dominic's house, he kills him. That night, Carl is sitting at the kitchen table sulking in his own misery getting drunk. After injecting some Heroin, he places a gun to his head. Just as Nikki comes into the room, he blows his brains out.

A father's love

Years after Michael is sent to jail, and Teenage Tiffany disowned Vivian, Tiffany is now a successful writer living a wonderful life with her husband Bernard.

Ethnicity

When Mathew gets viciously assaulted in jail because of his racist way of thinking, when he's released, he explains to Timothy that the way he was thinking was foolish.

Kyle gives his mother a piece of his mind about her racist ways after Maria died in his arms. Once he gets his point across, Kyle kills himself because he feels life means nothing without Maria.

Benny and Ricky have a heated argument which leads to a shootout, causing the gas station to explode, killing them both, but Hubert luckily gets away sustaining some severe burns.

While he's in the hospital getting questioned by the police, Hubert realizes being a follower is the path he shouldn't have taken.