VIRGIN BY DESIGN

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FADE IN:

INT. HOUSE - BEDROOM - NIGHT

JULIE SPENCER, a plump woman in her 40s, sits at the edge of her bed.

YOKO, a basketball-like Japanese artificial intelligence robot, lies on the floor.

It speaks with a computerized voice.

JULIE
Yoko, I owe more than two hundred thousand dollars. That son-of-a-bitch stopped paying the bills before the divorce. What should I do now?

YOKO
Find money.

JULIE
What you suggest?

YOKO
Rich husband.

JULIE
What are you saying? I should get married again?

YOKO
Yes, but problem.

JULIE
You mean, I'm out of shape...and over 40.

YOKO
Other problem.

JULIE
What?

YOKO
No virgin.

JULIE
You're telling me I should be a virgin to get married?
YOKO
Yes.

JULIE
This is crazy, who's going to believe that a woman of my age is still a virgin. It's ridiculous. My virginity is long time gone.

YOKO
Go doctor.

JULIE
I see...I should have a procedure, right?

YOKO
Yes.

JULIE
But why? Men don't expect a divorced woman to be a virgin.

YOKO
Virgin marry rich man.

A long silence. Julie looks perplexed.

JULIE
Where can I find a rich man?

YOKO
Auction.

JULIE
Auction off myself?

YOKO
Yourself virgin.

JULIE
Who is going to do this freakish auction?

YOKO
Special auction house.

A long pause. She looks pensive.

JULIE
Okay, you convinced me, I'll try, I don't have a choice...I need money...thank you Yoko, you're so...so...
INT. DOCTOR'S OFFICE - DAY

Dr. JEFFREY LOWE, a bearded man in his 50s, sits behind his desk.

He reads the content of a file.

Julie sits in front of him. She appears nervous.

JEFFREY
Ms. Spencer, I'm reading that you wish to have a Hymen Restoration procedure.

JULIE
Yes, I explained everything to the nurse.

JEFFREY
I've it in the file. One question, why?

JULIE
Let me just say that I'm thinking to get married and I want to please my husband.

JEFFREY
I see,...you should be aware that as with all surgeries, there are some risks involved.

JULIE
What kind of risks?

JEFFREY
Hemorrhage, pain the first time you have intercourse and there is always the chance that the membrane is too thick and doesn't break.

JULIE
What happens then?

JEFFREY
We have to do it surgically...or...
JULIE

Or?

JEFFREY

...Well, you've to find a stronger penis.

JULIE

Does it happen often?

JEFFREY

Fortunately not, maybe one case out of a hundred. It never happened in our clinic. We guarantee your virginity and a smooth deflowering.

JULIE

How does it work, I mean, what you have to do?

JEFFREY

This minor procedure takes less than an hour and is relatively painless. The hymen will then tear normally during sexual intercourse. Basically, we reconstruct the hymen by using a flap of the vaginal lining, complete with its blood supply. This creates a new hymen.

JULIE

Can the partner detect that the membrane is not the original?

JEFFREY

Absolutely not! To him, it's like the first time.

JULIE

Okay, what comes next?

JEFFREY

You can make an appointment with my secretary.

JULIE

How long does the procedure last?

JEFFREY

Tests and procedure about three days.
JULIE
How long do I have to wait before having sex?

JEFFREY
Not less than four weeks. You have to be careful, no extravagant positions, only missionary for the first few times. I'll give you an instruction booklet after the procedure.

JULIE
How much is it going to cost? I am... huh, in some financial difficulty right now.

JEFFREY
Everything included, it will cost you around ten thousand dollars. But, this week, we have a special... you get a 30 percent discount if you have a breast enhancement and the hymen reconstruction.

JULIE
It's better but still--

JEFFREY
You can arrange with my secretary a schedule of affordable payments.

JULIE
Why it's so expensive?

JEFFREY
It's not much if you consider the advantages. Your husband will make love to a virgin. At your age, it's, it's--

JULIE
Incredible?

DOCTOR SANDERS
Huh... I would call it, a miracle.

INT. AUCTION HOUSE - OFFICE - DAY

RAJ PATEL, an Indian man in his 50, sits behind a large desk. He wears an elegant English suit and rimless glasses.

Julie is seated on a office chair in front of him.
The ambiance is modest, dark, almost funereal.

Raj speaks English with an Indian accent.

RAJ
How did you find out about us?

JULIE
Online, I was looking for an auction house.

RAJ
There are many auction houses in New York, why did you choose UNWONTED LOTS?

JULIE
Your ad says that your house deals with unusual items...

RAJ
True, we are the only auction house auctioning exclusively eccentric items. What you want to put on auction block?

JULIE
Myself.

RAJ
I don't understand, what you mean?

JULIE
What I mean is that I offer myself for marriage...

RAJ
If I understand correctly, you're willing to marry the highest bidder.

JULIE
Yes, and offer him something more.

RAJ
Something more? What?

JULIE
My virginity.

Raj slowly oscillates his butt. He removes his eyeglasses and smiles.
RAJ
You said your VIRGINITY!?

JULIE
Yes. Are you surprised?

RAJ
Very unusual, it's difficult to believe that you're still a--

JULIE
After I'll tell you my story, you'll understand.

RAJ
Please go ahead.

JULIE
My parents died in a auto accident when I was ten years old--

RAJ
Sorry to hear that.

Julie shows a somber expression.

JULIE
Thank you, I was saying, after my parents' death, my grandmother tried to take care of me but she developed Alzheimer and it was the end of her.

Raj manifests a strong interest in her story.

RAJ
What happened then?

JULIE
A distant relatives sent me to a convent Upstate New York. Later, I became a nun.

RAJ
A nun?

JULIE
Yes, a Sister.

RAJ
How long did you stay there?

JULIE
I came out a month ago.
RAJ
Why?

JULIE
Because the Order refused to promote me to Mother Superior. I had worked very hard for that position. No secret lovers like the other nuns, no sins, only prayers and good deeds.

RAJ
You did the right thing to leave the Order. Which Order was that?

She hesitates.

JULIE
...huh...the Order...huh... The Sister of Truth.

RAJ
What was your name as a nun?

JULIE
Huh...Sister Virginia.

A long beat.

Julie displays a saddened expression.

JULIE (CONT'D)
Mr. Patel, I have no job, no money and no future. I can be a good wife...I cook, iron, do all the other bridal chores day and night...I hope you can help me.

RAJ
To marry a virgin can be very attractive...we can make good money. Okay, I'll do it.

JULIE
God bless you!

Raj smiles glancing at her.

RAJ
This auction can be good for you and the house...but you must sign a contract pledging that you will marry the highest bidder and reside with him.
JULIE
Of course.

RAJ
Okay, what about your virginity?

JULIE
What about it?

Raj looks at her with a smirk.

RAJ
I need a Certificate of Authenticity from your doctor.

JULIE
No problem, I can do that.

RAJ
As soon as you bring that document and sign the contract, I'll organize the auction. Bidders go very high with a genuine hot lot.

JULIE
Thank you, Mr. Patel...thank you. Of course, I will take care of you.

RAJ
Ms. Spencer, the house takes ten percent of the winning amount. I thought you knew that.

JULIE
You mean, ten percent of the bid?

RAJ
No, no, we take the lawful ten percent of the bid and in addition another ten percent before the money is distributed. Of course, it's customary to recognize the auctioneer's work...

JULIE
So, you take twenty percent of the total plus a tip for the auctioneer. Is my math correct?
RAJ
Correct. As you know, we are unique among auction houses...and your package requires a lot of work...some expensive adjustments.

JULIE
Okay, fine. Twenty percent...and I'll give something to the auctioneer.

RAJ
It would be me.

RAJ (CONT'D)
Call me as soon as the paper is ready and we'll start moving. It was nice meeting you Ms. Spencer. By the way, you're a very attractive woman.

INT. AUCTION HOUSE - OFFICE - DAY
Raj and Julie stand in the middle of Raj's office. He holds some documents.

RAJ
Excellent, this is what I needed. Now, we can take the pictures.

JULIE
Pictures?

RAJ
Ms. Spencer, bidders want to see what they are bidding for. We need a large photo of you in underwear and a close-up photo of your vagina.

JULIE
I don't look too sexy undressed...

RAJ
No problem...some retouching with Photoshop and you'll be fantastic.

INT. AUCTION HOUSE - OFFICE - DAY
Julie and Raj stand in the middle of the room. Two TV cameras are pointed at two, cloth-covered,
painting-shaped forms on a side of the room.

RAJ
This is a Silent Auction...bidders look at the lot through a closed-circuit TV, then they call me with their bids. Please, take a seat in the next room and wait until I finish the bidding.

JULIE
Can I stay?

RAJ
No, the bidders need privacy.

INT. AUCTION HOUSE - OFFICE - MINUTES LATER
Raj sits behind his desk in front of three telephones.
The two cameras have red signal lights. They are on.
The first photo, in color, shows a well-shaped, seductive Julie in dark purple, Victoria Secret panties and bra. Photoshop did miracles.
The second black-and-white photo presents a huge image of Julie's vagina.
The contrast of black, white and gray intensifies the beauty of its perfectly combed pubic hair. A young, tantalizing vagina and an artful camera work.

INT. HOUSE - OFFICE - DAY - TWO HOURS LATER
The pictures, the TV cameras and the three telephones are gone.
Raj sits behind is desk. He smiles.
Julie sits in an antiquated armchair opposite the desk. She looks apprehensive.

RAJ
Good news my dear...

JULIE
Somebody bid?

Raj appears elated.
RAJ
The winning bid was for 100 million dollars.

Julie looks mesmerized. Her hands tremble.

JULIE
...you...you're joking, right?

RAJ
Not at all, the highest bidder won with that offer.

JULIE
For me...and my virgin vagina?

RAJ
A forty-year-old virgin is the strongest attraction...and you looked beautiful.

JULIE
Who is this man...when can I meet him?

RAJ
Well, this is a little complicated...according to the contract you signed, you have to be with him before you get the money...

JULIE
I understand...I'm ready to marry him.

RAJ
There is another small...modification...he doesn't want to get married...he wants you to remain a virgin and be the warden in his harem in Saudi Arabia.

JULIE
What!?

RAJ
Think about the 100 million dollars...of course, less my commission...he will pay you an additional one hundred thousand dollars a month for your service...you'll be happy there...and rich.
JULIE
This is like a fucking horror story...I don't want to spend the rest of my life in a fucking harem as his slave!

A long beat.

JULIE (CONT'D)
May I ask how old is he?

RAJ
The sheik is an elderly man...

JULIE
How elderly?

RAJ
In his 90s...

JULIE
Okay, I'll go!

The End