

# Between The Lines

**Genre:** Romantic Comedy

**Tagline:** It's said that two heads are better than one but sometimes you need more.

**Log Line:** A wantabee screen writer struggles to discover the truth about the three people who believe in him while they hide the nature of their own single identity.

## **Synopsis:**

On the back lot of a modern Hollywood movie. Our protagonist, **Tyler Anderson**, dreams of breaking into the business as a screenwriter but he works as an invisible stage hand fixing things on the set.

Tyler Anderson lacks confidence in himself and afraid to assert himself his talent goes unnoticed as a struggles to make a living as a handyman on the set.

Tyler's live-in no nonsense girlfriend **Rebecca Warner** unsure how to help her mate succeed have trouble herself working as a paparazzi for a Hollywood smut king,

Our protagonist, Tyler Anderson, works on the set of a movie as a backstage handyman but dreams of breaking into the business as a screenwriter which he practices in the confines of his apart where he lives with his girlfriend Rebecca Warner.

The screenwriter, **Blaine Cracker**, that supposedly wrote the original draft of 'The Final Reel' is having trouble with the rewrites until he exploits talents he discovers Tyler possesses.

Tyler is given a chance to help the screenwriter of the movie he is working on, 'The Final Reel', a Sherlock Holmes black drama/comedy which is cursed by budget overruns from an uncontrollable arrogant star and an actress with acting issues that jeopardizes everything. Tyler needs help to keep his job and fulfill his dreams.

It's often said that in a crisis that two heads are better than one, but sometimes that's not enough.

To further complicate Tyler's life, his live in girlfriend, Rebecca Warner, who works for a Hollywood smut king on a crusade to clean up the movie industry and has sworn to close down production by disclosing a juicy scandal on the movie's producer.

If that wasn't enough the movie's beautiful makeup girl, Joycelyn Smit is a brilliant disguise artist that lives in the same apartment complex and has taken a liking to Tyler which he finds difficult to resist.

In crisis Tyler's seeks counseling from a TV advice guru, **Dr. Bill**, a freakish giant of a man and **misogynist who takes special interest in helping Tyler deal with his women issues.**

What neither Tyler, Rebecca, Joycelyn or Dr. Bill realize is that ***the two women and Dr. Bill are all the SAME PERSON.***

### Outline:

- Opening – Tyler in Laundry – Dr. Bill on TV – Tyler, Rebecca, Dr. Bill
- Playing Games Movie Explanation, Argue about Lemonade Stand Scene, Lunch with Mr. Holmes - Elliot, Blaine, Tyler, Mr. Holmes
- Construction stage About to clock out - Tyler, Set Supervisor
- Construction stage – working on lemonade stand – Tyler, Blaine
- Thinking of shooting Lemonade scene – Elliot argues with Blaine about script – Pierce, Martin, Amanda, Tyler
- Tells Tyler to fix lemonade stand – Set Supervisor, Tyler
- Tyler is fixing lemonade stand – Tyler
- Shooting Lemonade stand scene – Martin, Amanda, Pierce, Elliot
- Tyler's Apt – Rebecca's new assignment to take pictures of Dr. Bill – Tyler, Rebecca
- Jocelyn notices Blaine gets Kudos for changes of Lemonade stand – Blaine, Jocelyn, Elliot
- Jocelyn in makeup van transforms Amy (blonde) into Asian (Amanda) – Amy/Amanda, Jocelyn
- Apt Manager says the rent check bounded and Geoffrey tells Tyler he's about to lose his job – Tyler, Apt Manager, Geoffrey
- Rebecca comes home sees Tyler watching Dr. Bill Show, tells about her latest assignment to get pictures of Dr. Bill – Tyler, Rebecca
- Rebecca uses the new camera on Tyler – Rebecca, Tyler
- Rebecca picks up camera ball – Rebecca

- Tyler/Rebecca's garage with Rebecca on her scooter – Rebecca
- Tyler getting ready while Rebecca sleeps – Tyler, Rebecca
- Tyler in line at CBS Studio - Tyler
- Line of angry women on sidewalk looking into cars entering CBS
- Dr. Bill show audience, only men – Tyler and midget as guests – Tyler, Little Man, Dr. Bill
- Trash Publications Office, Rebecca talks about assignment with Larry Steinberg and is propositioned – Rebecca, Larry Steinberg
- On Playing Games Set Elliot argues with Blaine about dance scene at party – Elliot, Blaine
- Lunch Room on Set Tyler is brown bagging it and watching Dr. Bill Show – Blaine has him look at a scene Jocelyn off in a corner notices this – Tyler, Blaine, Jocelyn
- Tyler watches Martin and Jocelyn dance on stilts – Tyler, Jocelyn, Martin
- Playing Games dance scene Martin as robot – Martin, Amanda, Kids
- After Dance Elliot is excited, Jocelyn notices – Elliot, Jocelyn, Blaine
- Outside Apt Laundry Room Tyler carrying load of laundry notices Out of Order sign - Tyler
- Hallway by another elevator notices NO PET IN RECYCLE sign – Tyler
- Apt Elevator – Tyler carries a laundry load into it – Tyler
- Hallway see another sign Laundry Room – Tyler
- Apt Laundry Room (another floor) Tyler does pushups as his Laundry washes, he meets Jocelyn for first time – Tyler, Jocelyn
- Elevator – Tyler, Jocelyn
- Jocelyn's Apt, meets the cats – Tyler, Jocelyn
- Jocelyn in Skid Row hands laundry cash bag to man. – Jocelyn
- Tyler has lunch with Doc under tree on set – Tyler, Doc
- Silver Spoon Café – Rebecca eats a sandwich with best friend Samantha, tells about her father – Rebecca, Samantha
- Tyler's Apt – Tyler folds laundry – Rebecca, Tyler
- Dr. Bill Show – angry woman dressed as a man attacks Dr. Bill – Dr. Bill, Angry Person, Security Guards, Show's Producer
- Playing Games Set – Jocelyn is teasing Doc – Jocelyn, Doc, Tyler
- Lemonade Scene with Pierce late Elliot is getting irritated – Elliot, Amanda, Martin, Jocelyn, Blaine

- Play Games Cuffing scene – Tim, Mike, Amy, Amanda, Martin, Minon, Mr. Holmes
- Maggiano's Restaurant with Elliot and Geoffrey talk about budget and rude English Waiter, Jocelyn watches hidden – Elliot, Geoffrey, Jocelyn, English Waiter
- Director Trailer – Amy waits for him, Elliot and Set Supervisor enter trailer, Amy overhears that she is getting the ax, she leaves unnoticed – Amy, Elliot, Set Supervisor
- Director Trailer – Set Supervisor is told to wait – Elliot, Set Supervisor
- Makeup Trailer – Amy knocks on the Trailer door to try to find Jocelyn, no answer – Amy
- Makeup Room – Jocelyn as Amanda is putting finishing touches to her makeup - Jocelyn
- Makeup Trailer – Tyler knocks on the door and Amanda comes out, she spots Amy, she drags Tyler off to lunch she is really Jocelyn – Tyler, Amanda
- Maggiano's Restaurant - Elliot and Geoffrey are having their weekly meeting, Jocelyn as Amanda is with Tyler and will give English Waiter hell, a gossip columnist is also there Tori Turnabout – Jocelyn, Tyler, Elliot, Geoffrey, Tori Turnabout
- Amy's Trailer – Wardrobe Assistant tells Amy how she gave that waiter a new asshole, Amy denies eating there – Wardrobe Assistant, Amy
- Amy rehearsing scene, Elliot walks up to tell her they are reshooting Rose scene – Amy, Elliot
- Makeup Trailer – Amy confronts Jocelyn about Maggiano's – Amy, Jocelyn
- Maggiano's Restaurant – Elliot and Geoffrey have lunch, Geoffrey shows Elliot a write up in Variety – Elliot, Geoffrey
- Tyler's Apt – Rebecca discovers tickets to Premier – Tyler, Rebecca
- Salon Parlor with Pierce getting his hair done – Pierce, Hairdresser
- Playing Games Set – Pierce Finally shows up
- Tyler borrows Pierce's script and Pierce gets angry – Elliot, Blaine, Tyler, Pierce
- Blaine notices commotion between Pierce and Tyler and reprimands Tyler – Blaine, Tyler, Pierce, Elliot, Set Supervisor
- Playing Games Scene - In front of Pierce's House – Pierce does scene with wrong hair color – Elliot, Pierce

- Mr. Holmes points out to the director the hair color change on Pierce – Pierce refuses to change hair color – Elliot, Mr. Holmes, Pierce, Continuity Coordinator, Set Supervisor
- Elliot walks over to where Tyler works on Pierce Front Porch – Elliot finds out Tyler has been helping Blaine and the script Pierce had was from another movie – Elliot, Tyler
- Director's Trailer Tyler learns that Elliot wants him take film of Pierce and what's happening on the set – gives him a hat camera – Tyler, Elliot
- Tyler notices Rebecca's scooter in the garage – Tyler
- Tyler's Apt – Rebecca is not home, he discovers Dr. Bill's business cards, about to do laundry – Tyler
- Geoffrey's House – family watching Jerry Springer show, JT, Geoffrey, Cheryl, kids
- Jerry Springer show – Larry is exposed – Jerry, Larry, Dr. Bill
- Jerry Springer elevator – Larry is fired – Larry
- Amy's dressing room – Amy asks Jocelyn to teach her – Amanda, Jocelyn
- Rodeo drives – Jocelyn, Amanda, Cat is walking down sideway confronts Bruno Jocelyn takes charge – Jocelyn, Amanda, Cat, Asian Man, Bruno
- Bruno's restaurant – Jocelyn takes control then Amanda takes over - Bruno, Jocelyn, Amanda, Asian Man, Tori Turnabout
- Parking Lot Amanda takes charge – Jocelyn, Amanda, Parking Attendant, Driver, Woman Patron
- Jocelyn and Amanda give away money to kid on Wilshire. – Jocelyn, Amanda
- Tori Turnabout from Variety shows up on set to talk to Amanda but encounters Pierce – Tori, Pierce
- Tori talks to Amanda of set – Amanda, Tori, Jocelyn
- Tyler in his Apt calls to set up appointment with Dr. Bill – Tyler, Dr. Bill
- Dr. Bill's office/apt – Tyler has a confidence session – Tyler, Dr. Bill
- Dr. Bill has his last show – Dr. Bill
- Tyler's Apt – Tyler is getting ready for Premier, Rebecca tells him she can't go – Tyler, Rebecca
- We see Dr. Bill drive off in his pink Cadillac and Rebecca's scooter parked behind it – Dr. Bill

- PLAYING GAMES PREMIER – Elliot, Geoffrey and Blaine walk quickly to the lounge - Elliot, Geoffrey, Blaine
- PLAYING GAMES PREMIER – the movie receives praise and Hollywood Producer wants to know about sequel, Blaine can't respond – Elliot, Geoffrey, Blaine, Hollywood Producer, Young Noisy Man and Girl
- Auditorium of Playing Games Premier Tyler is surrounded by Nikki and Jocelyn and is feeling uncomfortable – Tyler, Jocelyn, Amanda
- Tyler and Jocelyn and Nikki come out of the theater and Elliot grabs him – Tyler explains the new movie idea revealing the movies secret that Rebecca, Jocelyn and Dr. Bill are one and the same person – Hollywood Producer, Tyler, Elliot, Blaine, Geoffrey, Nikki, Jocelyn
- At Premier Party - Pierce, Jocelyn, Nikki, Tyler change into more comfortable clothes and put Premier clothes in lockers – Pierce, Jocelyn, Nikki, Tyler
- At Premier Party – Several dozen tables – Elliot thanks everyone, Pierce is drunk annoying everyone – Elliot, Pierce, Tyler, Jocelyn, Nikki, Martin
- At Premier Party in green room Jocelyn, Nikki, Tyler and Martin record a scandal on Pierce – Martin, Jocelyn, Nikki, Tyler
- At Premier Party Geoffrey introduces a new advice program REBECCA IN WONDERLAND (Rebecca) who shows a candid camera of Pierce making him the laughing stock of Hollywood – Geoffrey, Pierce, Rebecca
- Premier Night of Between the Lines – a review of what has happened to the major characters lives – Tyler, Rebecca, Blaine, Geoffrey, Elliot

### Hints/Clues that link Rebecca/Jocelyn/Dr. Bill:

- Dr. Bill wears motorcycle goggles (Rebecca rides a scooter)
- Dr. Bill moves from the waist up as a woman
- Dr. Bill wears black leather gloves just as does Jocelyn in final scene and Rebecca when she is riding her motorcycle.
- No one can catch Dr. Bill going into the studio (He rides in as Rebecca/Jocelyn on a scooter – Dr. Bill's personal assistant.
- Cat hairs found in PIERCE's laundry he does for Rebecca
- Rebecca's scooter in apartment.
- No one can seem to know anything about Dr. Bill or catch him in any affairs

- Rebecca, Dr. Bill, Jocelyn all live in the same building.
- Rebecca can never get a photo of Dr. Bill – because they are the same person.
- The stilts on the Dr. Bill show making the midget taller – Dr. Bill is freakishly tall. – he supplied the stilts to the midget – the pants the midget wore was Dr. Bill's.
- Jocelyn teaches Martin to use the stilts – how did she know how to use them unless she's an expert.
- Jocelyn fantastic ability to change the appearance of the people on the set – expert in makeup and disguise.
- Everybody's use of Chap Stick.
- Dr. Bill's show is time delayed that's why we can see him on the air when we see Rebecca or Jocelyn.
- Tyler is never seen with both Rebecca and Jocelyn and/or Dr. Bill together in person – can't because they are the same person.
- Dr. Bill has almost psychic insight into Tyler. – because he lives with Tyler as Rebecca and interacts with him as Jocelyn.
- Jocelyn's insight into how Amy can transform emotionally and physically into Amanda.
- All our characters are ultimately trying to help Tyler on a conscious or unconscious level – they like him.
- Tyler discovers Dr. Bill's card on Rebecca and uses that to set up an appointment.
- Jocelyn disguised as Amanda is noticed by Elliot in parking lot.
- Jocelyn in Beverly Hills can act like two completely different people.

## Reasons we might think Rebecca/Jocelyn/Dr. Bill are different people:

- Dr. Bill is 7 feet tall.
- Dr. Bill is a man.
- Dr. Bill appears to be in his 40's.
- Rebecca is White with short blond hair and Jocelyn is Asian with long black/red hair.
- Dr. Bill is seen on TV often we see Jocelyn/Rebecca and Tyler in the same scene when Dr. Bill is on TV.
- Rebecca and Jocelyn behavior is opposite to each other.
- Dr. Bill hates women.
- Rebecca and Jocelyn hate Dr. Bill.

## Characters:

- **Tyler Anderson** – 34, male protagonist, craftsman and screenwriter.
- **Rebecca Warner** – 25, female, short Scandinavian blond, live-in girlfriend
- **Jocelyn Hayes** – 25, female, hot exotic Asian dark haired, makeover/makeup artist
- **Dr. Bill** – 40ish, 7 foot freak man, famous male guru advisor, hates women
- **Elliot Damone** – 55, male, PLAYING GAMES director
- **Geoffrey Levin** – late 50's, PLAYING GAMES producer
- **Larry Steinberg** – early 50's, male, short, balding, Editor in Chief *Trash*
- **Blaine Sato** – 28, male, screenwriter for PLAYING GAMES
- **Samantha** – 28, female, Rebecca's friend
- **Pierce Buttholder** – 29, male star PLAYING GAMES
- **Amy** – 24, female brunette actress plays conservative special needs person in PLAYING GAMES (plays Amanda)
- **Amanda** – 24, red haired, wild woman, Amy's alter ego personality in PLAYING GAMES.
- **Martin** – early 20's, fantastic dancer in PLAYING GAMES
- **Set Supervisor** – Right hand man for Elliot on PLAYING GAMES
- **Script Supervisor** – Hands out script changes on PLAYING GAMES
- **English Waiter** – Obnoxious English waiter at Maggiano's and later at Bruno's



- **Cat** – Jocelyn’s wild African Serval cat
- **Bruno** – Dog of Asian Owner of Bruno’s restaurant
- **Hollywood Girl** – female reporter for Variety magazine
- **Jerry Springer** – talk show host
- **Mr. Holmes** – male actor in PLAYING GAMES that plays a Mr. Sherlock Holmes character
- **Mike** – actor playing guard on PLAYING GAMES
- **Tim** – actor playing guard on PLAYING GAMES
- **Asian Man** – owner of Bruno’s restaurant
- **Jose** – actor playing gardener on PLAYING GAMES
- **Attendant** – scamming parking lot attendant on Rodeo D
- **Driver** – scamming driver in parking lot
- **Sister Girlfriend** – woman, sexy, replaces ‘The Dr. Bill Show’
- **Doc** – a very sarcastic parrot who is Mr. Holmes sidekick
- **Hollywood Producer** – famous producer interested in sequel to PLAYING GAMES
- **CEO Trash Publications** – owner of Trash Publications
- **Continuity Coordinator** – makes sure actors and scene are same from one scene to next
- **Hairdresser** – male hairdresser of PIERCE’s
- **Wardrobe Assistant** – heavy set African American, early 20’s who is the wardrobe assistant on PLAYING GAMES
- **Apartment Manager** – Tyler’s/Rebecca’s apartment manager
- **Noisy Young Girl** – Girl at PLAYING GAMES Premier
- **Noisy Young Man** – Young man with Noisy Girl at PLAYING GAMES Premier
- **Woman Patron** – Lady waiting for valet at Rodeo Dr parking lot
- **Tori Turnabout** – Variety reporter