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a lyrical comedy feature
by Jacqueline Samuda

Three phases of development completed
with Telefilm, Movie Central and BC Film

Executive Producer: Karen Powell
Producers: Karen Powell and Dean English
Writer/Director: Jacqueline Samuda
Story Editor: Brian Casilio
Casting Director: Stuart Aikins



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In this black comedy feature film, the common phenomenon of isolation in the modern world is exaggerated in the character of Sheila, a voice-over artist, who spirals into a full-blown "disconnect" when her commercial producer boyfriend ditches her for a supermodel and her PDA is run over by a bus. Realizing that she's been **living in a world where leaving a voicemail message has replaced actual conversation** and that she hasn't even shared a genuine laugh with someone in two years, Sheila dives into a world of self-help programs, "laugh training," and therapy with a quirky Buddhist named Maia. Unexpectedly, the simple act of baking Amish Friendship Bread becomes the most powerful catalyst for Sheila in her journey to re-activate her dulled senses. As Maia says to Sheila: "The unfortunate thing is that you can't practice spontaneity. If you know what I mean."

Status: Completed three phases of development to polish, with Movie Central, Telefilm and BC Film. Documented interest from distributor Christal. Production application in process.

Budget: Currently 1.7 million with 10/10 CAVCO points. Seeking production and post-production financing.

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