

Title: SARISKA

Writer/Director: Kenneth Chapman

Genre: Drama – Teen

Proposed Budget: \$1-2 million

Location: Urban, flexible

Sariska

Logline: *When Sariska, a confident seventeen year old MMA fighter is hired alongside her best friend by a paranoid mother to protect her daughter at high school parties, she must come to terms with her own feelings for her friend when he falls in love with someone else and overcome a physical rivalry that forms with a group of violent boys from school.*

The Film/Brief Synopsis:

Sariska is a moving story of teen love and friendship that combines the heart of *The Fault in Our Stars* and the raw energy of a film like *Thirteen*.

Knocking out a grown man in an alleyway to save a woman from being mugged, a confident seventeen year old MMA fighter (Sariska) is hired, along with her best friend (Scott), to protect the woman's daughter (Mary) at the high school parties she frequents. They quickly form a strong and violent rivalry with a group of boys at school who are solely out to intoxicate girls like Mary so they can sleep with them. As Scott begins to fall in love with Mary, a love triangle forms when Sariska's true feelings for Scott come to the surface. As the rivalry with the boys reaches dangerous heights and both romantic and physical stakes begin to overflow, everything reaches a grand climax at the biggest party of the year where both hearts and cheekbones are broken with equal force.

Characters:

SARISKA (17): Extremely strong minded and physically confident, Sariska is a committed fighter and shares a social life only with Scott, her best friend. She's quick to pick a fight with anyone who she sees doing wrong and will stand up to anyone, no matter their size or gender. She shares a close relationship with her single mother, a sounding board for her true feelings towards Scott.

SCOTT (17): Sariska's best and only real friend, Scott is enrolled for pre-med at a university far from home. Socially shy, he's learned some basic fighting skills from all the time he has spent helping Sariska at the gym training. Having always been in love with Sariska, he confessed his feelings for her at

age fifteen only to be told they were not mutual but have stayed best friends.

HELEN (mid 40's): A real estate agent and single mother of Mary. Hires Sariska and Scott to protect her daughter.

MARY (17): A shy, avid reader, Mary shares a lot in common with Scott except his romantic interest in her.

LINDA (mid 40's): Sariska's mother. Very supportive of her daughter's fighting ambitions. Knows her friendship with Scott very well and an emotional pillar for her daughter.

CHRIS (17): Aggressive and socially arrogant. Frequents parties with the sole intention of getting girls drunk so he can sleep with them. Confronted by Sariska multiple times, forming an intense rivalry.

JACK (17): A new student at the high school who falls in with Chris and gets peer pressured into doing things he didn't think he was capable.