

DUPLASS - MOULTON - 06

INT. LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

MAGGIE and TUCKER, a couple kids, stare out the window. It's ominous. MOM sits at the table.

MAGGIE
Hey mom. Um... Do you know who
Mark Duplass is?

MOM
Mark Duplass? Inventor of the
mumblecore genre and star of The
League? Yes of course, everyone in
LA knows who he is.

TUCKER
Well he's in the back yard.

MOM
(terrified)
Oh my god.

MAGGIE
...He's just talking about how
easy it is to make indie films...
and it's kind of getting me.

MOM
GET AWAY FROM THE WINDOW!!!

DUPLASS bursts through the window and GRABS THEM. everyone freaks out--Duplass talks normal but moves like a zombie. The kids scream.

DUPLASS
I wanted to be a filmmaker but I
didn't know how to start.

MAGGIE
HE'S GOT ME!!!

DUPLASS
And then I realized: Just pick up
a camera and start shooting!

MOM
That's a gross oversimplification
of the filmmaking process! Get
away from my daughter!

Tucker and Mom grab Maggie and shove Duplass out the window. The family hides under a table.

DUPLASS (O.S.)
 Anyone can make a movie nowadays!
 (banging on door)
 there. are. no. excuses!

The door bursts open.

DUPLASS
 Have you guys seen "Tangerine"?!

FAMILY
 AHHH!!!!

DUPLASS
 They shot it on an iPhone, and
 honestly? You can barely barely
 tell.

TUCKER
 Ugh! It sounds so plausible!!

DUPLASS
 Yes, totally du-plausible!

Tucker likes it. This scares him.

DUPLASS
 If you have \$1000. And a really
 really great script. And \$60,000
 for post, mixing and color, you
 can make a feature film!

TUCKER
 ...Mom? Do I have a story to tell?

MOM
 NO! Don't listen to him! Movies
 are almost impossible to make!

DUPLASS
 Let's duplass it up!!

Mark Duplass grabs Tucker like a zombie and spins with him.

TUCKER
 AHHHHHHHHH!!!
 (the scream turns happy as he
 turns back to audience and
 we see he's on his cell
 phone.)
 We just got Colin Hanks on board.

DUPLASS
 Oooh! That's great!

MOM
On board WHAT?

TUCKER
Oh you know him, he's just
strangely ready to show up for
things. If you guys need me, I'll
be writing at the coffee shop
forever.

He casually leaves.

MOM AND MAGGIE
TUCKER! NO!!!!

MOM
He was so young you monster!!
(looks at her phone)
Ugh, Tucker just invited me to
back his kickstarter.

DUPLASS
Tight! Little girl you can do
anything you want. Make a movie.
Write a screenplay. Make a feature
length motion picture. Anything.

MAGGIE
No! I want to be a doctor!

DUPLASS
A script doctor? No shame in that.
Everyone needs a day job!

MAGGIE
No, I want to be a medical doctor!

DUPLASS
Yeah, like someone who makes
scripts better for money. Cool!
Lights, camera, Crowdsourc!

Mom smashes a bottle over his head. He doesn't react.

DUPLASS
Are there any "The Puffy Chair"
fans in the audience?

MOM
We are not an audience!!!

DUPLASS
We had a big puffy chair, so we
built a movie around it. Isn't
that fun?

MAGGIE
It... kind of is!

MOM
No!!! Duplassta la vista, Baby!

Mom pushes him out the door, slams it shut.

MOM
Everything's going to be okay.

MAGGIE
Mom... He infected me.

MOM
No, shut up, that's not possible.

MAGGIE
AHHHH--I'm gonna make a feature
film this weekend mom--OWWWW

MOM
You don't know what you're
saying...

MAGGIE
AHHH--will you hold a boom for me
Saturday?

MOM
Noo!!!!

MAGGIE
I'll buy pizza for everyone! KILL
ME.

MOM
Yes! yes! I will.

MOM AND MAGGIE
AHHHHH!!!!!!!!!!!!

She approaches her with a big pillow as though to smother. At the last minute, she throws it aside and snaps Maggie's neck. Duplass pokes his head back in.

DUPLASS
Just so you know, you could make a
movie about this.

MOM
Ooh!

BLACKOUT