

“Palmistry”

A Screenplay Treatment

| ACTOR | CHARACTER NAME |
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| Sydney | Claire |
| Carley | Shaniqua |
| Kiarra | Kisha |
| Darien | Philippe |
| Lucas | Giuseppe |
| Kameron | RaeRae |
| Zoé | Hayley |
| Adam | Geoff |
| Sarah | Krystal |
| Calley | Michonne |
| Nicholas | Djuan |
| Brianna | Britney |
| Jacob | Tyrece (½) |
| Gabe | Quan |
| Joshua | Tibias (½) |
| Kyle | Tyrone |

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| 1. SHANIQUA’S HOUSE: Shaniqua is with her friends at a casual get together at Shaniqua’s house (including Michonne, Claire, Kisha, and Britney). They are just watching Netflix and drinking pop and eating potato chips. In this scene, we establish that they are all very close friends and enjoy one another’s | Carley |
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| company. However, a conflict occurs toward the end of the scene when the girls start planning a trip to a concert in the city. Michonne gets very quiet and reserved while all the other girls are excited about the concert and how fun it will be (meeting boys and how good looking some of they are in the city). | |
| 2. OUTSIDE SHANIQUA'S HOUSE: Michonne pulls Claire to one side and confides in her, admitting that her dad was just laid off from the oil sands in Alberta and the family is broke. Michonne has no money to go to the concert. Michonne is desperate to make money somehow but doesn't know how. Michonne wonders of she could make money reading people's palms. Claire laughs at that idea. | Sydney |
| 3. STREET: The beginning of this scene just describes how Claire is walking home alone. We can tell that she is thinking about Michonne and would like to help her friend. Claire reaches her house and her mood gets even worse. It appears as if she doesn't even want to go in for some reason. At the last moment, she does enter her house. Most of the shots in this scene should be close-ups of Claire. | Gregory |
| 4. CLAIRE & QUAN'S HOUSE: Claire and Quan are brother and sister. Quan has his crew over (Tyrece, Tyrone, Geoff and RaeRae). They are not as nice as Claire's friends. They are drinking and their behaviour is quite erratic... and dangerous. Tyrone pulls out his knife and brags about how sharp it is. Tyrece brags about how much money he makes from selling drugs and how he's been in some pretty tight spots. Geoff is really out of it. Quan doesn't say much. The camera focus on him sometimes, but he is pretty tight-lipped. Claire enters the loud house. RaeRae shows interest in Claire. She is disgusted by RaeRae, but she tries to hide her emotions. We can tell she does not want Quan's friends in the house. Tyrece, Tyrone, Adam, and RaeRae eventually leave. | Kyle P. |
| 5. CLARE & QUAN'S HOUSE (basement rec room): Once all the crew are gone, Claire complains to Quan about his awful friends. She wonders why he hangs out with such a crew. Quan's answer is that they are all "the coolest". Claire confides in Quan about Michonne's money troubles. Quan listens very intently. He admits that he'd like more money too. Claire wonders aloud why Quan would want more money. His troubles are not as bad as Michonne's. Claire tells Quan about Michonne's interest in reading people's palms. He appears to be intrigued by Michonne's predicament. Claire then tells Quan that she's also concerned about him! Quan doesn't take it too well and just closes the door on his sister. | Kiarra |
| 6. XAVIER CAFETERIA: The whole cast is present. It is loud and chaotic. Quan approaches Michonne and asks if he can speak to her privately. They leave for the back of Xavier (exterior). We see a glimpse of Hayley making eyes at Tibias. | Sheldon |
| 7. BACK OF XAVIER (exterior): Quan tells Michonne that he can help her | Joshua |

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| <p>make money. Michonne is really delighted about this. Quan explains that if she is serious enough when she reads people's palms, they will take it seriously. Michonne loves this idea and is anxious to make money because she wants to go to the concert with her friends in the city. Michonne leaves and we see Quan in close-up. We know that he's up to no good.</p> | |
| <p>8. XAVIER CAFETERIA: Quan approaches Hayley and Krystal. He promises them that he can solve all their problems! Hayley is very shy, but agrees. We clearly see Hayley give Quan \$20! She does this in secret. Hayley makes eyes at Tibias (as in scene 6).</p> | Brianna |
| <p>9. HAYLEY'S HOUSE: Krystal asks Hayley how much she paid Quan. Hayley does not want to say. Michonne arrives, like a public health nurse. They sit in a circle in a dark bedroom. Michonne asks to see Hayley's hand. Michonne reads the fortune: "Hayley must be more outspoken and say what's on her mind, otherwise another girl will take her beloved boyfriend (Tibias)". Hayley thanks Michonne for the wonderful fortune. Michonne leaves. Krystal is very skeptical. She wonders if Hayley actually believes in fortune telling. Hayley gets mad at Krystal and asks Krystal to leave. Hayley claims that she has a lot of work to do... a lot of planning.</p> | Sarah |
| <p>10. PARK (exterior): The good guys (Tibias, Giuseppe, Phillippe and Djuan) are having a laugh in the park. They are telling jokes and talking about girls. But, they must appear wholesome and good. Perhaps they talk of helping a teacher or picking up garbage somewhere and being praised for it. Guiseppe asks who is going to the concert in the city. They all say that they are going.</p> | Nicholas |
| <p>11. PARK (exterior): Kisha and Britney happen to walk by the park and eye the boys. The boys eye both girls. The boys wonder aloud if they should flirt with them. Tibias says he won't flirt because he's interested in Hayley. The girls get closer to the boys and they all chat.</p> | Jasmine |
| <p>12. PARK (exterior): Hayley and Krystal happen to also be walking by the park and Hayley immediately spots Kisha too close to Tibias. Hayley goes on the attack (just as her "fortune" told her)! First, the attack is verbal. Hayley does make reference to her fortune from Michonne and that she has to do what she's about to do. She pushes Kisha to the ground and pulls her hair. Tibias instantly goes to protect Kisha. He scolds Hayley for her unexpected and savage behaviour. Hayley is shocked, embarrassed and feels rejected. She holds her face and begins to cry. The scene ends with Tibias gently soothing Kisha. Krystal does not know what to make of Hayley's behaviour.</p> | Zoé |
| <p>13. XAVIER LANE (exterior): Quan is getting another \$20, but this time from Shaniqua. Quan instructs Shaniqua to get her fortune from Michonne near the school. Quan points out Michonne to her. Shaniqua walks up to Michonne.</p> | William |
| <p>14. XAVIER (exterior): Shaniqua approaches Michonne and tells her that she has paid for her fortune. Michonne can't conceal her excitement over getting</p> | Calley |

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| <p>all these customers (and so much money). Michonne reads Shaniqua's hand: "You have to drastically change your lifestyle. You are destined for something great... but but must live dangerously". Shaniqua is confused and hasn't a clue what this fortune means. Shaniqua wonders if it means skateboarding or waterskiing or some other extreme sport. Michonne explains that it might have something to do with boyfriends. Instantly, it dawns on Shaniqua that maybe she should try to hook up with the baddest boys she knows - Tyrone (the guy with the knife from scene 4)!</p> | |
| <p>15. This is a montage sequence of short scenes, showing the work that Quan and Michonne are doing: STREET: Quan gets \$20 from Britney. DISSOLVE TO: NEAR A HOUSE: Michonne reads Britney's fortune. DISSOLVE TO: MAIN STREET: Quan gets \$20 from a stranger. DISSOLVE TO: OUTSIDE ELWOOD: Michonne reads the stranger's fortune. DISSOLVE TO: NEAR ANOTHER HOUSE: Quan gets \$20 from Geoff. DISSOLVE TO: NEAR THE POST OFFICE: Michonne reads Geoff's fortune.</p> | Matthew |
| <p>16. KISHA'S HOUSE: Tibias is comforting Kisha. They reflect on the fight. They wonder why Hayley acted the way she did. Kisha explains that she heard that Michonne is "reading" people's fortunes. Tibias comments that the only fortune he knows about is how deeply he feels about Kisha.</p> | Madison |
| <p>17. HAYLEY'S HOUSE: Krystal arrives. Hayley doesn't seem to want Krystal there. Krystal offers the kernel of the whole screenplay (the main theme). Is it right to tell people's fortunes? Does it even work? Even if it did work, should we know our futures?</p> | Lucas |
| <p>18. CLARE & QUAN'S HOUSE (basement rec room, night): The crew seems very low energy. Quan comes down the stairs with Shaniqua. Quan really doesn't know why she would even invite herself to his house. Shaniqua drops a hint that her fortune told her to do so. She immediately goes to the scariest guy in the room - Tyrone. Tyrone seems really dangerous. Tyrone hints that she should get away from him. Like, run away from him. Far away. She does not. He stand up without talking, staring into her eyes. She gets nervous. He takes her hand and takes her out of the room. Fade to black.</p> | Jacob |
| <p>19. CLARE & QUAN'S HOUSE (exterior, night): Shaniqua exits the house. Her face is bruised. It looks as if she has been crying. She looks very, very tired. Fade to black.</p> | Kyle M. |
| <p>20. XAVIER (hallway, day): Michonne is getting a bad vibe from people. She realizes that she should not have begun to read people's fortunes.</p> | Darien |
| <p>21. XAVIER (stairwell): Quan and his crew are in the stairwell. Quan brags about how much he's made off of Michonne. Claire overhears the bragging. She leaves.</p> | Kameron |

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| <p>22. XAVIER (cafeteria): Claire tells Michonne that her brother, Quan, has been taking money from her. Michonne explains that she still doesn't have enough money to go to the concert! Michonne is very mad and storms out of the cafeteria. The camera follows her out and cuts to a front view of her walking toward the camera.</p> | <p>Jared</p> |
| <p>23. XAVIER (stairwell): Michonne confronts Quan in front of his crew. Her mood switches from mad to afraid. Quan's crew can appear pretty tough. Quan admits that for every customer he got for Michonne, she got \$5 and he kept \$15. He switches on his tough-guy persona and really intimidates her. Michonne leaves, very frightened! Quan uses his money to buy pills from Tyrece.</p> | <p>Adam</p> |
| <p>24. XAVIER (hallway): Michonne seeks comfort among her friends (Kisha, Shaniqua, Claire and Britney).</p> | <p>Mr. Davis</p> |
| <p>25. MICHONNE'S HOUSE (night): No dialogue! Michonne is in close-up, asleep in bed. We do NOT see Quan's face as he enters Michonne's house. Cut back to Michonne's face. Cut to Quan picking up a baseball bat. Finally, we see Quan's face. He quietly opens Michonne's door. She is still asleep. Cut to Quan's rising bat. The bat swings down. Subjective shot of camera zooming toward Michonne's open mouth. Cut to black.</p> | <p>Gabe</p> |