

I'm Not Nice

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Thursday Shoots

At A Glance

NARRATIVE SHORT

Run Time: 15 minutes

Production Company: Thursday Shoots

Genre: Comedy, Spy, Rom-Com

Directed by: Shannon Morrall & Tom

Capps

Written by: Shannon Morrall Produced By: Phillip Russell

Tom Capps

Kevin Etherson

Janelle Tedesco

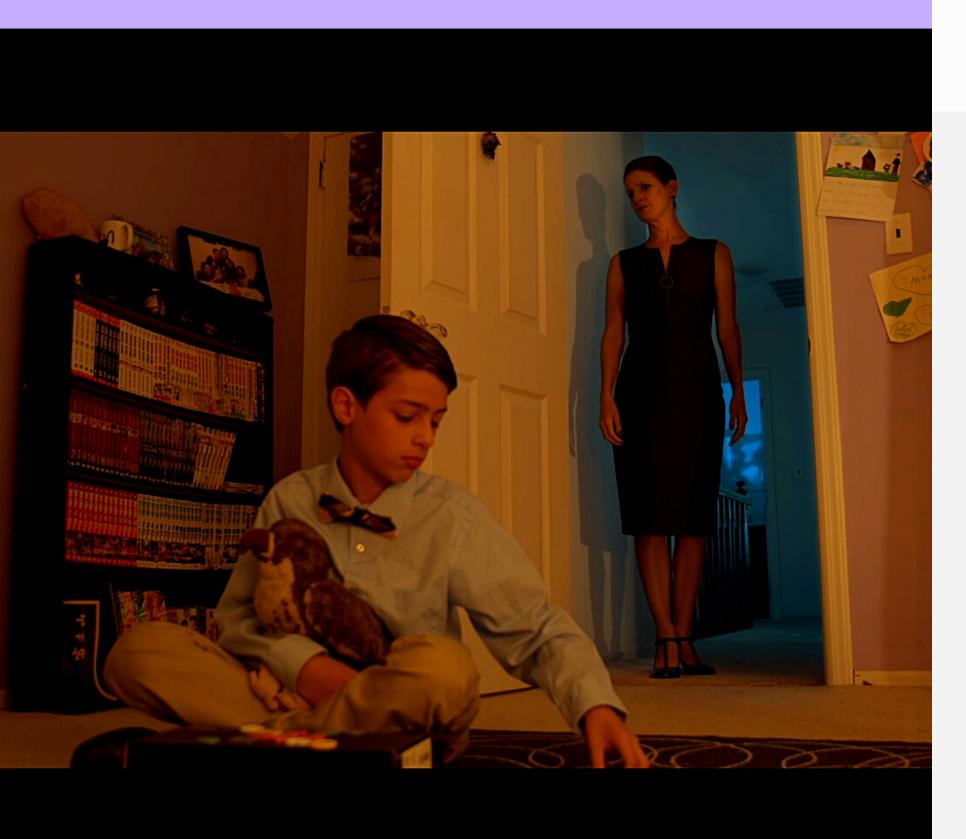
Shannon Morrall

Edited by: Glen Covell Cinematographer: Phillip Russell

Composer: Sara López Marín



Plot



LOGLINE: (24 words)

When an anti-social superspy misses her target on a hit-gone-wrong, she must face her greatest fear in order to complete her mission: small talk.

SYNOPSIS: (100 words)

"Mary" is a kickass, laser-focused spy with one mission: assassinate infamous baddie Theodore Shaw. When she fails her only chance to take him out, she must find a new point of infiltration: a family dinner party. More suited for combat than small talk, "Mary" is a true fish-out-of-water as she gets to know Theodore (surprisingly shy, goofy "Ted"), his kooky sister, and senile mother-in-law. As the night progresses, she's faced with her conscience and, possibly, a love connection? The silly, action-packed *I'm Not Nice* challenges the classic trope of women giving up their goals upon falling in love.

Thursday Shoots

Our Story

Thursday Shoots is a New York-based filmmaking team of experienced men and women who share the goal of creating quality film and video content. They have honed their craft in many different formats, including short and feature-length films, web series, music videos, broadcast news, reality television, and commercials. They have received over 20 awards at various film festivals for their original productions, including six unique Audience Choice Awards.

I'm Not Nice is the second short film resulting from when Tom Capps and Phillip Russell met Janelle Tedesco and Shannon Morrall at a film festival in 2018. The two pairs each had their own films screening and decided to join forces for their first project - I'm Not Lost, where Janelle's character "Mary" first appeared in a supporting role. After Janelle's fabulous performance as the mysterious stranger in I'm Not Lost, Shannon was inspired to write a short that put that character in the limelight. The team had a blast filming I'm Not Nice and continue to work together to this day.





Shannon Morrall, WRITER/CO-DIRECTOR

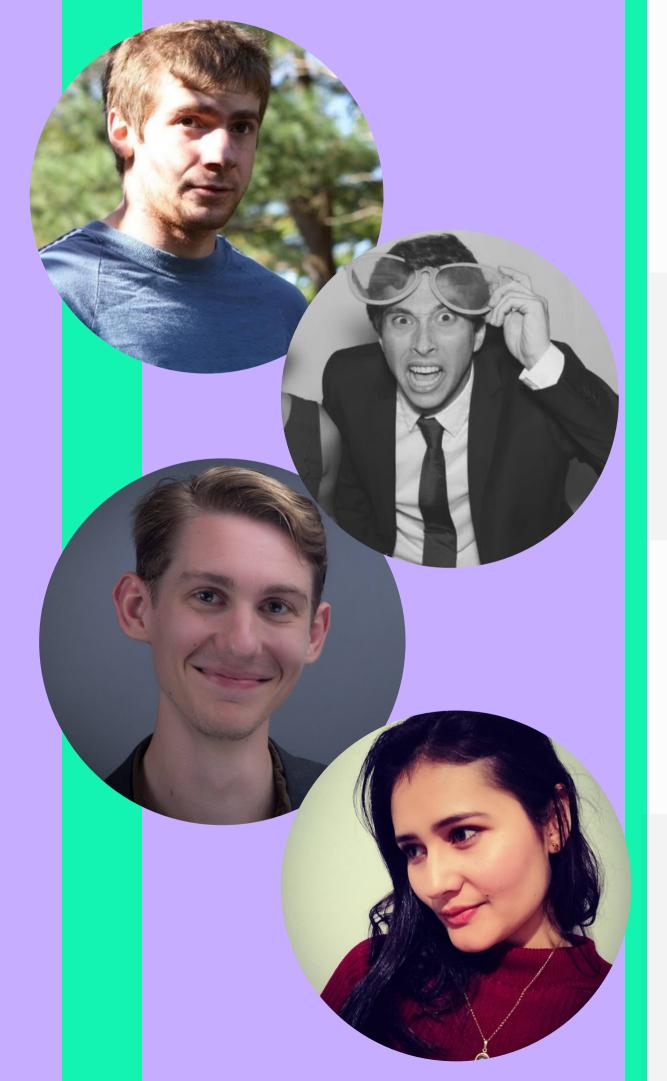
Shannon is a creator currently pursuing her MFA in Film Production at USC's School of Cinematic Arts. She likes to wear many hats: writer, director, actor (with training from the American Conservatory Theater), editor, and sound designer. Her most recent writing project, *Art of Con*, made it to the final round of consideration for the Sundance Episodic Makers Lab. Her body of work has naturally revolved around women's stories, from comedies where the cold-hearted-lady-spy *doesn't* give up her goal by falling for

her target in the end, to dramas that explore a mother's loss of a child. She adores the Thursday Shoots family and can't wait for the next project.

Tom Capps, CO-DIRECTOR

Tom A. Capps is an award-winning director/producer from Queens, NY. He has also worked as an editor, writer, actor, sound mixer, art director, camera operator, gaffer, cook, driver, animal wrangler, basketball referee, journalist and really just too many things. He co-founded Thursday Shoots and has created content for Funny or Die, Collegehumor, truTV, UCB Comedy, Above Average, FiOS1, Child Care Works and NASA. He has an ever growing collection of cacti, two cats, drinks way too much coffee and hates listing credits almost as much as writing about himself in the third person.





Phillip Russell, PRODUCER/DP

Phillip Russell has experience ranging from short web content and commercials to indie feature films and reality television. Phil has worked directly with comedic talents such as Brian Quinn (Impractical Jokers), Patrick Noth (The Jim Gaffigan Show), and Nicole Drespel (Broad City, 30 Rock) to name a few. Philrussellfilms.com

Kevin Etherson, PRODUCER/AD

Kevin Etherson is a director, writer, producer, and editor who is currently the supervising producer on the popular truTV series <u>Impractical Jokers: Inside Jokes</u>. He was previously the head-producer and director of UCB Comedy's narrative series team, Three-Thirds and their music video sketch team, <u>The Backyard</u>. <u>Kevinetherson.com</u>

Glen Covell, EDITOR

Glen Covell is an editor and filmmaker originally from upstate NY. He graduated from CUNY Brooklyn in 2013. In 2018, he directed the short film "Katabasis", which won 3 awards in the NY 48 Hour Film Project, including runner up for best film of NY. He is currently the assistant editor on "Impractical Jokers: Inside Jokes".

Sara López Marín, COMPOSER

Sara López Marín is a Colombian musician based in New York City. She started her career as a pianist, and in 2020 she received her Master's in Film Composition from NYU. She has created original scores for documentaries, shorts, and feature films, and works to support the director's vision above all else. Listen to her work HERE.





Janelle Tedesco is an NYC based actress, singer, audiobook narrator, stuntwoman and filmmaker. National Tours: *The Producers, The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas* starring Ann-Margret, and *Spiderman Live! A Stunt Spectacular*. European Tour: *Guys and Dolls*. Favorite roles include Polly in Crazy For You, Sheila in Hair, Action in West Side Story, and Marian's stunt double in Indiana Jones Epic Stunt Spectacular at WDW. Her work in independent film has won her awards for both acting and filmmaking. Janelle is a graduate of The Boston Conservatory, with a BFA in Musical Theatre. She was recently featured as a Rising Star in Authority Magazine.



Lori Hammel as Loretta

Lori Hammel is a NYC based actor working in TV, film, stage, commercials and voice overs. She has appeared on *Jessica Jones, Master of None, 30 Rock, Patriot Act with Hasan Minhaj*, and *The Today Show*. Film work includes playing a morning show host in Ethan and Joel Coen's feature film *Burn After Reading; Puzzle* (Sundance); and *She's Lost Control* (Berlin Film Festival, SXSW). Lori made her Broadway debut in *Mamma Mia!* and starred as Ethel Mertz in the national tour of *I Love Lucy Live*.



Dan Jessup as Ted

Dan Jessup is a NY-based actor and host with equal love for Wisconsin and Spain. Experience includes on-camera and voiceover projects for network TV and national brands, in addition to 15+ years of improvisation and live event hosting. DanJessup.com

Laurel Lockhart as Meemaw

Laurel Lockhart is an actress, known for JAG (1995), Beyond Belief: Fact or Fiction (1997) and The End of Innocence (1990). <u>IMDB</u>.

Hannah Jane Jennings as Francine

Hannah Jane is an NYC-based actress who graduated from the Neighborhood Playhouse School of Theatre in May of 2019. Website.

Tony Tedesco as Chip

Tony Tedesco is a straight A student, he plays baseball and basketball. He took tap, chorus and dance in school and performed in several plays before he got his first commercial for, I LOVE NY tourism. He was also in the short film Stunt Mom.



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Written by	Shannon Morrall	Cast	
Produced by	Tom Capps	"Mary"	Janelle Tedesco
	Shannon Morrall	Ted	Dan Jessup
	Phillip Russell	Loretta	Lori Hammel
	Janelle Tedesco	Francine	Hannah Jane Jennings
	Kevin Etherson	Meemaw	Laurel Lockhart
		Chip	Tony Tedesco
Director of Photography	Phillip Russell		
		Additional Cast	
Associate Producers	Charlie DesJardin		
	Kristin Morrison	Cautious Park Goer	Carolyn Gill
	Carolyn Gill	Skateboarder	James Russell
	Michael John Sullivan	Sleepy Guard	Phillip Russell
	Brian and Eleni Russell	Slurpee Dude	Dakota Nelson
	Debra Sullivan	Slurpee Bro	Marcus Lewis
	Joe DiMartino	Slurpee Boi	Joe Delaney
	Steven J. Niemann	Charlie the Dog	Sisi Russell
	Daniel Pfiefer		
	Mardi Donahoe		

Crew

Assistant Director Kevin Etherson

Script Supervisors Kristin Morrison

Dakota Nelson

Camera Operators Nicole Dark

Michael Keenan

Joe Delaney

Dakota Nelson

Sam Bloechle

Gimbal Operator Marcus Lewis

1st Assistant Camera Joey Gutierrez

Brittany Berger

Mike Weir

DIT Brittany Berger



Gaffers Dom Bozzi

Marcus Lewis

Jonathan Arevalo

Key Grip Michael Weir

G&E Kyle Narciso

Alessandro Imperiale

Sam Bloechle Aidan Cronin Tom Hunt

Hair and Makeup Jamie Bednarchick

Brittany Sadowski

Sound Mixer Richard Baldomero

Personal Assistant

to Ms. Susi Russell James Russell

Catering Caityln Sullivan



Production Assistant John Silecchia

Colorist Michael Mercadante

Composer Sara López Marín

This Little Light of Mine

composition by Chris Tedesco

AHA Representative Bill Reich

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