

Heist

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INT. WAREHOUSE

The scene opens with two men, RED and BLUE, sitting in a makeshift office inside a warehouse. RED is boredly playing with the pen in his hand when he quickly throws it in BLUE's direction

RED

Blue, I've got an idea for another job. You're gonna' love this!

BLUE

I'm not stealing animals again. That was a terrible idea. I couldn't get the smell out of my clothes for months.

RED

What? No, no, no. Nothing like that. I'm talking a real traditional style heist. You know, like the ones in the movies.

BLUE

Ok. You have my attention what are we robbing?

RED

A bank. I will tell you the details later just get the team together first. I'll brief you while they're on their way.

Giving RED a disappointed look.

BLUE

A bank? That's so... blasé. But ok I'll get the team together.

BLUE makes a series of phone calls, and soon the room is filled with different people, all of them crowded around a large conference table. They are talking amongst themselves about the upcoming heist

RED

Alright you morons stop talking and listen up.

The room falls silent.

GREEN

Alright Red. What are we robbing? I was looking for a good score.

RED

I'm getting to that. Ok all. So, as you know we called you here because we are putting together a job.

PURPLE

Yeah, no shit. What kind of job?

BLUE

We are going to be robbing a bank.

GREEN

A bank? This better be a big bank if you called us all here to do a job some street thugs could do.

BLUE

This isn't just any bank. This is THE bank!

RED

Johnston and Schmitt's to be exact.

GREEN

Oh, that IS a big bank.

YELLOW

That's the bank all the casinos use?

RED

Yup that's the one sweetheart.

YELLOW looks at RED and shakes her head.

YELLOW

Isn't that really risky? If any of the casino bosses using that bank find out we robbed them we're as good as dead.

PURPLE

For real? Look, I'm all for stealing from casino guys, but I aint tryna' catch smoke from casino bosses. They don't screw around.

BLUE

That is why we have you all here. If we do this right, then there shouldn't be anything to worry about.

RED

That being said a lot rides on how we go about doing this. We could go in guns blazing, but to be honest that is the riskiest plan.

GREEN

That is the dumbest plan I have ever heard.

RED

Look I just said it was an option for us.

BLUE

Our other options are to infiltrate the bank and steal the money from under their noses using one of their own armored cars. We could also set off the fire alarm in the building and steal it disguised as firefighters. Both would require some undercover work, but they are almost guaranteeing to work.

PURPLE

I've always wanted to be a firefighter.

RED

It will be a little difficult, but I'm also for the firefighter angle.

GREEN

Security is usually super tight around those armored cars I've tried getting a job with them in the past. Those bosses have a better vetting process than the government.

BLUE

Alright I guess that settles it. We are doing the firefighter route.

RED

That's it for this meeting. Blue and I need to finalize the different parts of the plan. We'll call y'all again next week.

PURPLE and GREEN get up and leave. BLUE and RED start chatting while looking at the map of the ground floor of the bank. YELLOW, who stayed behind, approaches them.

YELLOW

Um, RED, BLUE can I get a minute?

RED

Yeah, what's up YELLOW?

YELLOW

I don't- I don't know about this job. There is a LOT that could go wrong.

YELLOW starts quickly muttering all the things that could go wrong in a low tone, before BLUE interrupts.

BLUE

Woah, woah, woah. Slow down. That is why we are taking time to thoroughly plan this out.

YELLOW

The biggest issue is going to be getting firefighter gear and intercepting the 911 call.

RED

You let us handle the firefighter gear sweetheart. We have you to intercept the 911 call and all that.

YELLOW

Do you know how difficult it will be to do that and not get caught? I don't just press a button and hack their system you know.

BLUE

I am going to help you with that. Don't worry we've got this covered.

YELLOW

Sigh Ok, but I want to be updated on the plan as soon as possible.

With one last sigh YELLOW walks out leaving RED and BLUE time go over their plan.

After a few days have passed the group is called back together to go over the plan.

BLUE

Ok everyone, so here is how this is going to go down. Next week Johnston and Schmitt's is going to be hosting a large party in its lobby. This is a high-profile event that is very picky about attendance.

RED

They aren't picky about the catering and maintenance staff though.

BLUE

Yes, they don't vet those staff members as much as the others.

RED

Right now, the plan is to exploit their weaknesses in security to get me in there as someone on the kitchen staff. GREEN your task is to dress up and woo one of the old crones who gets invited to this event.

BLUE

For these types of events security is tight checking almost everyone, but hotel staff, and maintenance. If you look the part, they will let in anyone.

RED

This is where Purple comes in. She is going to go in dressed as a maintenance person and do two things: set up a bug in their server room, then meet up with me in front of the vault.

PURPLE

How am I going to do that? I don't know a thing about computers.

YELLOW

I will be walking you through it.

GREEN

Ok but what does that accomplish?

YELLOW

That is going to let me control everything in the building. The fire alarm, any calls going in and out of the building, and most importantly the vault mechanisms and cameras.

PURPLE

Ok but how are we even going to get the fire to start? Won't the sprinkler system put it out?

BLUE

Red is going to be bringing in some pyrotechnics and a smoke machine.

GREEN

What about the firefighting stuff? how are we going to come in as firefighters if half of us are already inside the building.

RED

I will take care of the firefighting gear. I have a cousin in special effects who is hooking us up with some high-grade props. Once everything is set up Purple and I are going to leave the building to meet up with Blue who will be on standby in the firetruck a few blocks away.

BLUE

Yellow will activate the props and set off the fire alarm. Before that happens, Green, you are going to have to distract the guards somehow so everyone is paying attention to you.

GREEN

Why?

RED

So no one wanders back to where the props are.

YELLOW

When everyone is outside the building, we will likely have about 5 to 10 minutes to get in, get the money, and get out before the real fire department gets called over by one of the party's attendees.

RED

She's right. We are going to have to work fast.

BLUE

Everyone got the gist of the plan?

Everyone agrees

RED

Alright. We start next week.

INT. BANK

Lights are shining everywhere. There is a long line leading to the front of the bank. GREEN is standing towards the front with the old guy from the montage next to her. RED walks past them with a food cart and gives GREEN a glance. Shortly after, PURPLE walks up to the bouncer at the front flashing her fake badge quickly.

BOUNCER

I don't remember there being a call for maintenance.

PURPLE

One of the eggheads inside has been spamming my email about the A/C in his office for the past 5 hours.

BOUNCER

There's a party going on right now, can't this wait till tomorrow.

PURPLE

Look man I'm just trying to do my job. I wouldn't be here if I didn't need to.

BOUNCER

Sigh Yeah, I feel you. Hurry though, the boss is really strung today.

PURPLE

Thanks man!

Over an earpiece

PURPLE (CONT'D)

I'm inside. Where do I go Yellow?

YELLOW

The server room is in the basement. You need to go to the other end of the room and take the first hallway on the right.

PURPLE

Ok. Wait, shit, there's someone here!

STAFF 1

Hey Ma'am are you the maintenance staff we ordered? Great! Come with me the air conditioner is upstairs

Whispering into her ear piece

PURPLE

Shit! What do I do? Should I knock him out?

YELLOW

No! Someone could find him and call the police. Uhh we will just have to wing it.

BLUE

What's going on?

YELLOW

One of the staff actually put in a maintenance request! They found Purple before she could get to the server room.

BLUE

Shit! Ok, we can still work with this. We will just be a little behind schedule.

Over her earpiece

GREEN

There is supposed to be a big speech or something in 30 minutes.

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GREEN (CONT'D)
Security is going to be blocking
the exit for RED and PURPLE if
they take too long.

BLUE
We are going to have to count on
you to make a scene, so they can
get out.

STAFF 1
Thank god you are here. It was
just getting so stuffy in the
office without the A/C. I see you
are a woman technician. That's
great! More women should be in
jobs like yours. My daughter wants
to get into UCLA and study
computer science. Do you want to
see a picture of her?

PURPLE
Sir can you just show me to the
unit?

STAFF 1
Oh sorry. Sometimes I just start
talking and don't stop. My wife
says the same thing. We have been
fighting a lot more recently, but
we're working it out in
counseling. Are you married. Or...
oh! Do you swing that way? Not
judging I think that is great! My
uncle is gay.

PURPLE
Are you sure I can't knock him
out?

YELLOW
I understand, but just endure it
for a little please.

STAFF 1
Well here we are. Would you like
me to keep you company while you
work?

PURPLE
No. I'm good. Thanks, sooo much
for showing me here. Bye.

STAFF 1

Ok, suit yourself. I will be outside waiting for the good news. If you need me give a holler

PURPLE closes the door violently on the staffer and lets out an exasperated sigh.

YELLOW

That was hell.

PURPLE

YOU weren't with him! How am I going to do this? And will we have time to plant the bug?

Over his earpiece.

RED

I'm picking up your slack don't worry about it.

YELLOW

Ok what does it say on the on the side of the unit?

PURPLE

Uhhh, Cool Air MX253

YELLOW

Let's see... Unscrew the side panel and tell me what you see.

After a long back and forth PURPLE and YELLOW somehow finish fixing the A/C and get ready to leave

PURPLE

Oh shit. What are we gonna' do about the guy who brought us here?

BLUE

I got this.

As Purple walks out, STAFF 1 starts showing her out, and talking up a storm when his phone starts ringing. On the other line an angry woman's voice can be heard yelling at him. Staffer 1 wave off Purple before getting into a whisper fight on the phone.

PURPLE

What did you do?

BLUE

I called his home phone number claiming to be a one of his lovers

PURPLE

Damn that's cold.

RED

Could you guys hurry up? We don't have all night!

GREEN

Yeah, the speech has already started.

PURPLE and RED meet up outside the vault, and start setting up the props from the bottom to the entry way of the stairs.

RED

Alright we're all set. A distraction would be great right about now Green.

In the middle of the speech GREEN starts bumping into anyone she can trying to provoke them. She is successful on the third try when bumping into a uptight looking woman with a thick New Jersey accent.

WOMAN 1

Hey what the hell is wrong with you. You made me spill my drink on my dress. You're paying for this.

GREEN

Sorry I didn't see you. It is hard to notice someone so unassuming in last year's fashion.

WOMAN 1

What did you say you dumb ugly bitch?

GREEN

I thought they only let attractive people into this party, but it looks like the standard are much lower this year. Guess they will let in any piece of trash in if they pretty themselves up and throw money everywhere.

WOMAN 1

That's it! You're dead fuckin' meat!

The woman starts chasing after GREEN yelling obscenities loudly. Soon the speech stops and security moves to

apprehend the two women. RED and PURPLE are able to get out and meet up with BLUE.

RED

Alright Yellow, start the show.

As Green and the woman are getting dragged out of the party the props go off making the sound of explosions and spewing smoke everywhere. The fire alarms go off, and the attendees start swarming outside the building. Yellow is able to intercept the 911 call made by the building.

YELLOW

911 what's the emergency

CALLER

There seems to be a fire near the vault of the Johnston and Schmitt's bank. Please send help fast! If that money burns I am a dead man.

YELLOW

We already have a truck on the way sir don't worry.

BLUE, RED, and PURPLE pull up to the front in the firetruck and get stopped by the head of security.

SECURITY

Hey man, I need you to do me a favor and do whatever it takes to get that fire under control. For some reason the sprinkler system isn't working, so this is a really big deal.

BLUE

We will handle it sir. Trust us.
We are professionals.

Using the cover of the crowd GREEN slips away and meets up with YELLOW back at the warehouse. BLUE, RED, and PURPLE walk down to the vault room and start taking as much as they can fit into their equipment. Then they start packing up the props, and head out.

BLUE (CONT'D)

Looks like it was just a small electrical fire sir. The fire is contained.

SECURITY

Thank you so much.

The sound of sirens can be heard in the distance

YELLOW

That's the real fire department.
You guys need to go now!

BLUE

No problem man. Just doin' my job

The three hop into their firetruck, and start driving off.
As soon as they turn the corner the real fire department
pulls up to the front.

FIREMAN

Where's the fire sir?

SECURITY

What do you mean? Another team
just finished putting it out.

FIREMAN

Sir no one else in this precinct
was dispatched until 5 minutes
ago.

SECURITY

What!? Shit! We need to check the
vault.

The FIREMAN and SECURITY head rush down to the vault to
find the door open and flyers for a comedy show on the
strip laid out on the floor.

SECURITY (CONT'D)

God damn it!

After RED, BLUE, and PURPLE meet back up with GREEN and
YELLOW. They divide up the loot, and have a few beers.

GREEN

Well guys it was fun. If you need
me, I will be on the first plane
to Cancun. Don't call me again.

PURPLE

I'm gonna' leave too. I've got a
Bugatti with my name on it

RED

Alright, bye.

BLUE

What are you going to do Yellow?

YELLOW

I don't want to do this kind of
stuff anymore. It's bad for my
health. I'm going to move out to
the valley. Maybe start a company.
Go legit.

RED

Hey, sounds good. Mind if Blue and
I tag along?

YELLOW

No. You guys would ruin it
probably. No offence.

BLUE

None taken. Just be sure to keep
in touch

YELLOW

Sure thing. What are you two going
to do?

BLUE

We'll probably lay low for a
while, maybe buy some art.

RED

Who knows? Well it was nice
knowing you Yellow.

With that YELLOW leaves, and it fades to black

END