

"COME BACK TO ME, MY LOVE..."



THIS MODERN LOVE



WENDYGOGO PRODUCTIONS presents
in association with INDIGENOUS SCREEN OFFICE / a short by TYREL LOUGHEED
WENDY GOGO / NITASHA COSTA / CANDACI DUKE / MARK WHITE

"THIS MODERN LOVE"

music by JANE & THE BOY / editor TYREL LOUGHEED
produced, written and directed by TYREL LOUGHEED



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LOGLINE

During a zombie apocalypse, a young woman decides to dig up the corpse of her deceased lover and rehabilitate her when she comes back to life.

SYNOPSIS

Candace, a trans Indigenous woman, thinks she has lost everything when her wife, Sarah, is killed in a car accident. When a zombie apocalypse breaks out, Candace waits daily at the reserve graveyard to be reunited, much to the chagrin of her best friend, Danis. Candace gets tired of waiting, she digs up the corpse and takes it home where she locks it in a caged off area of her basement. When Sarah reanimates, she hopes to remind her of their life together as a form of rehabilitation.

TECHNICAL INFO

Title: This Modern Love

Genre: Drama/Horror

Production Year: 2022-2023

Country of Origin: Canada

Language: English

Runtime: 22:02

Screen Ratio: 16x9

Sound Format: Stereo

THE CREATOR (WRITER & DIRECTOR)

Tyrel Lougheed grew up in Chilliwack, British Columbia in Canada. Tyrel is a non-binary Indigenous 2Spirit Screenwriter, Story Editor, Actor, Director, and Producer.

Tyrel studied Indigenous Independent Digital Filmmaking at Capilano College in North Vancouver, BC before pursuing Screenwriting at Vancouver Film School.

Tyrel has been awarded Canada Council Grants and was recently funded by the Indigenous Screen Office to make his directorial debut with the short film This Modern Love, a Native American zombie romance.

DIRECTOR STATEMENT

I like to play with genre. I love to take well known subjects and play with them by inserting Indigenous and Queer aspects to the tales. As a 2Spirit individual I don't identify as one gender, but both: I believe I have both male and female spirits within me.

I'm a strong advocate for mental health awareness as I have suffered from anxiety and depression myself. This is a story of grief and moving forward, most of my stories deal with loss and I try to inject them with love or humor because that's how I get through things in my own life.

THE CAST

Wendy GoGo! - Candace

Wendy is the pseudonym Tyrel Lougheed has taken as their female spirit for acting. Wendy was born out of necessity to express creative aspects of Tyrel's spirit that their male side couldn't comprehend fully.

Nitasha Costa – Danis

Nitasha's heritage is of both Metis and Chilean descent. Nitasha met Tyrel at a play reading in March of 2022. Nitasha's main practice is spiritual healing and intuitive readings, which she uses in her performance to showcase Danis' no-nonsense, yet empathetic, approach toward her best friend.

Candaci Duke – Sarah

Candaci was born in the South American country of Guyana, she moved to Toronto at a young age where she grew up. Candaci has been a staple in Tyrel's life and was so excited to hear he had written a role for her that didn't involve memorization of lines.

Mark White – Graveyard Zombie

Mark was born in Glace Bay, Nova Scotia where he lived a large majority of his life. Mark works for the Alberta Government in Diversity and Inclusion. Mark has a small but memorable role in the film and was so excited to have a head bust of himself made for his decapitation scene (spoiler alert?)

THE CREW

Tyrel Lougheed

Producer, Editor, Director of Photography, Craft Services, Props,
Production Designer, Set Decorator, Set Design/Construction,
Lighting, Sound

Eva Thomas

Story Editor

Max Goulet

Camera Operator

Beric Manywounds

Script Supervisor/Assistant Director

Nitasha Costa

Makeup Artist

Candaci Duke

Grip/Craft Services

Mark White

Grip/Craft Services

Devin Sininger

Sound Recordist/Grip

Sheldon Donald

Sound Recordist/Grip/Props

Taylor Lougheed

Director of Photography/Camera Operator (Pickup Shots)

PRODUCTION STILLS



Wendy GoGo! as Candace



Mark White as Graveyard Zombie

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Wendy GoGo! as Candace and Nitasha Costa as Danis



Candaci Duke as Sarah

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