

ATTUNIST

A ONE-HOUR DRAMA PILOT

Based on the Attunist Trilogy, also by Gary B. Haley. · Original IP



LOGLINE

When a self-proclaimed IT Geek discovers he can paralyze, or even kill, with no chance of being caught, he embarks on a covert war against criminals. When he learns of the brilliant FBI agent investigating the deaths, he's so confident in his mission and abilities that he asks her to join him.

GENRE

Sci-Fi Thriller · Procedural Drama · Moral Ambiguity

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Dexter meets Heroes meets The Equalizer

"If you could truly make a difference, and no one could prove you were involved, how far would you go?"

THE POWER

A determined IT Geek discovers he can paralyze or kill through concentrated rage — a gift born from extreme brain-wave activity detected by his own research lab.

THE CHOICE

Rather than hide his ability, he turns vigilante — targeting drug operations, prison rioters, and street criminals that justice has failed. Is he a vigilante or a serial killer?

THE HUNT

FBI Agent Carla Bright is the one investigator brilliant enough to connect impossible crime scenes — and the only one tempted to look the other way.

KEY CHARACTERS

THE ATTUNIST

Protagonist

Early 40s. Determined, intelligent, morally complex. A self-proclaimed IT Geek whose extraordinary brain-wave activity awakens a lethal gift. Haunted by justice denied, he becomes judge, jury, and executioner — calculating, but never comfortable with what he is.

AGENT CARLA BRIGHT

Antagonist / Foil

Late 30s. Tough as nails FBI agent. Razor-sharp, driven by a traumatic past involving domestic violence against her and her mother. She connects the impossible dots. When the killer offers her a partnership, her own demons make her hesitate — and that hesitation is the show's central tension.

DR. BERTRAM & THE ERL TEAM

Supporting Cast

World-class researchers unwittingly advancing the science behind Attunist's power. Dr. Gordon, Dr. Lloyd, and the enigmatic AI each carry their own agendas — and one of them may already suspect what Attunist has become, *and* they may not be who they say they are.

PILOT: "THE ATTUNEMENT"

ACT ONE

Attunist arrives in New York for a top-secret neurotech job. Brain-wave tests reveal he's unlike any subject ever measured.

TURNING POINT

An attempted mugging triggers a rage that kills two men with no physical contact. He realizes the power is real — and lethal.

ACT TWO

He wages a one-man war: a drug warehouse massacre, a Texas prison riot ended by thought alone. All untraceable.

ACT THREE

FBI Agent Bright connects the dots across three crime scenes. Attunist calls her directly — and offers a partnership.

CLIFFHANGER

Bright hides the envelope he left for her rather than flag it to her team. The hunt and the alliance begin simultaneously.



THEMES & WORLD

⚖️ Justice vs. Vigilantism

What happens when the system fails, and one person holds the power to correct it?

🧠 Power & Responsibility

A gift with no rulebook. Every use is a moral choice with permanent consequences.

💚 Unlikely Alliance

A killer who only targets evil. An agent who knows she should stop him — but has second thoughts.

🗽 New York as Character

The city's crime, fog, and anonymity are the backdrop and the canvas.



KEY PARTS OF THE PILOT

Awakening

Power discovered. First kills. The world doesn't notice — yet.

Escalation

Targets grow larger. Cartel networks. Prison systems. International reach.

Cat & Mouse

Bright narrows her focus. Al's loyalties revealed.

The Offer

Attunist offers Bright an uneasy pact.

The Partnership

Bright's answer hangs in the air as the pilot ends.

COMPARABLE SERIES

The Attunement sits at a proven intersection of genres that audiences are hungry for:

Dexter

Showtime

Vigilante with a code. Moral ambiguity that kept audiences loyal for 8 seasons.

Heroes

NBC

Superpowers grounded in real-world science. Mass-audience appeal across demographics.

The Equalizer

CBS

One person against systemic crime. Procedural spine with serialized character depth.

Mindhunter

Netflix

Intelligence-led investigation. Slow-burn, prestige feel. Crime anatomy as drama.

WHY THIS SHOW. WHY NOW.

The Zeitgeist

Audiences are fatigued with invincible heroes. They want flawed protagonists navigating impossible moral math.

Neurotech Anxiety

Brain-computer interfaces are real headlines. This show puts a human face on what that science might unlock.

Prestige Crime is Thriving

Premium networks and streamers are actively developing complex, serialized crime drama with a moral spine.

Original IP

Not a reboot. Not an adaptation. A fresh world with franchise potential — the ability grows, the stakes escalate, the mythology deepens.

ATTUNIST

is ready for its next conversation.

Full pilot screenplay available upon request

Copies of the novels this pilot is based upon are available upon request, or download the eBooks free on Amazon

Seeking: Development partnership, production company, or network attachment