

# Black Rose





## Log Line:

A homeless man rife with PTSD from childhood and military service, wrongfully accused of a crime, saves the life of a little girl by taking two lives in exchange. Obligated to help her savior, she takes him in unknown to her family changing all their lives for the better as everyone the homeless man touches along the way has their own heroic moment during a journey that examines current cultural issues and biases of homelessness, racism, hate crimes, bullying and injustice in today's America.



**Core  
Message**

**There's an  
unexpected hero  
in everyone**

# Themes:

Love Cultural Childhood ANTI-SEMITISM  
Drug Abuse Divide Innocence Junkies GENIUS  
WHITE PRIVELEGE ACCOUNTABILITY Bullying Lost Violence Guardian Angel  
Empathy **HERO** Systemic Racism #METOO HATE CRIME  
Savior Homelessness FAITH FAMILy Homosexuality  
LGBTQ Economic Inequality MURDER STEREOTYPES American Injustice  
police Brutality RAGE Homophobia BLM Skateboarding

# Cast:



## Rose

Rylie Coe

Rebecca Rose (Likes to be called Rose - middle name): 13 going on 30, shielded from the darker side of the world but not stupid, average book smart and very street smart although naive, loves to skateboard, fine with being alone, has good relationship with siblings but they are all to disparate in age to have a true connection, filled with empathy and a loving heart, sees the goodness in everyone sometimes to a fault, must experience something real + horrific to make her transition into adulthood. Becca likes to go by the underpass because there are cool places for her to skateboard - one day the junkies find her there - Rebecca sees Miles with her "pure Eyes"

# Cast:



## DEVAN

Lester Greene

Dev, his nickname from his Semper Fi days, has struggled all his life. Upon returning stateside after his honorable discharge he has found himself homeless. A complicated man, he is a forgotten vet, gay, a savant with a hidden genius for math + science, as well as a trained killing machine with father issues, a brash temper, stubbornly proud and unwilling to admit he needs help. But, he has a soft side if you get to know him. Dev sees himself as a guardian angel and lover of human life, but can just as easily take one away if the need arises.



# Cast:



## Abe Sterling

Highly acclaimed and well paid College Professor knows he loves his family but like any academic recluse he doesn't show it outwardly - always in his study, never really there when together with family but deep down is a great person. Issue at work he is stumped on solving an issue that no one can solve that could make or break his department and job - this has fully consumed him and his focus. Hero moment he gives Devan a job after discovering his genius. Raised Jewish.

To Be Casted

## Margaret Sterling



To Be Casted

Spoiled by her husband's wealth she gives the kids too much freedom and although is a loving mother she is over extended with social obligations to keep up the families status and can easily let the kids get away with things that usually get noticed by parents, has stress from hiding her secret to be with women. Hero moment TBD. Born Catholic converted to Judaism to raise the kids. Jewish.

Just turned 21, in college, smart but not genius trying to play above her level - aerospace (wants to be a rocket scientist) but barely cutting the grade, much like her sister but further in life. Her hero moment TBD

To Be Casted

## Kessa Sterling



## Steven Sterling

An immature 17, more of an athlete than a brain, struggles with math, may lose potential scholarship due to grades, hard on his little sister but deep down loves her and protects her when bullied (his hero moment), but doesn't spend enough time with her - too wrapped up in his own shit, doesn't really see her

To Be Casted

# Cast:



## Sunkies To Be Casted

Pair of underpass heroine addict trolls that plot to destroy something innocent and young just for kicks. Brutally murdered when Dev saves Rose from their attack.





# Cast:



**Chief Williams** To Be Casted

Police Chief Frank Williams is uncouth and politically incorrect as they come. Audience assumes he is racist and corrupt but is the one to bring the hammer down on the racist police officer with a severe vengeance (his hero moment)



**Officer O'Ryan** To Be Casted

Jack O'Ryan has it out for Miles, harasses him on a daily basis, falsely accuses him and arrests him for a crime at the mini mart gas station where Miles hangs - touches on racial police brutality.