

# AVE MARIA

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## Dramatis Personae

EVELYN	Of pristine innocence, an otherworldly beauty. Untouched by time or the slings and toils of life. Hair long enough to dangle off side of bed.
MARILYN	The heroine protagonist. The story evolves through her. Evelyn's twin.
HOBO 1	Cynical, belligerent.
HOBO 2	Young, gullible.
SHADY DRUG DEALER	Sinister. His goal is to dilute talent by way of drugs. ( <i>Played by MAN.</i> )
OLD LADY	Looks like the evil witch from Disney's <i>Snow White</i> .
MAN	Lost eyes. Thrives on talent, but wishes to stop being a parasite.
STRIPPER 1	Grew up strong, accepts the world as it is. Lower east side accent.
STRIPPER 2	Ex-mafia daughter, lives life to repent for her sins.
STRIPPER 3	Chronic alcoholic, lives life with the shield of drunkenness.
STRIPPER 4	Eloquent college drop out feminist. Job at bar is just a stage for her.
BAR BOSS	Cares more about the E-bill than the strippers. Harmless, though.
STRIPPER 5 (minor)	Older woman. Victorian dame.
SMOKER STRIPPER (minor)	Affected French accent. Accompanied by heavy cigarette smoke.
BONDAGE STRIPPER (minor)	The stripper who specializes in BD, SM, and BDSM.
MR BLACKWOOD	An emaciated man dressed all in white.
MARILYN (SEX-STUNT-DOUBLE)	Looks like MARILYN under dim light.
FIREFIGHTER	Very sympathetic. Laconic. Not a man of action.
POLICE 1-4	Played by different characters, though they are all disturbingly alike. (Possibly played by Strippers 1-4.)
EMS INTERN 1	Seasoned EMS professional. Experienced, cynical. ( <i>Played by Hobo 1.</i> )
EMS INTERN 2	INTERN 1's trainee. Young. Still idealistic enough to believe in medical morality. ( <i>Played by Hobo 2.</i> )
TV NEWSWOMAN	Stereotypical neutral, yet concerned, voice of newscaster.
HOMELESS POET	A man of talent in rags. ( <i>Played by Hobo 1.</i> )
MOTHER	She only wants what's "best" for her child. ( <i>Played by Stripper 1</i> )
CHILD	Boy, age 12, 5 <sup>th</sup> grade. The look of innocence in his eyes.
ARTIST	A man of talent who cannot find a place in the world. ( <i>Played by HOB0 1.</i> )
MANIAC	A sniveling neurotic out to steal the talent of the world. ( <i>Played by MAN.</i> )
PUNISHER	One who looks imposing while wheeling a portable guillotine around.
VICTIM	One who looks too meek to exist in real life. ( <i>Played by STRIPPER 3.</i> )
WOMAN	Talent-lust, money-lust, destruction-lust. Scandalous. ( <i>Played by STRIPPER 2.</i> )
LITTLE GIRL	Too innocent and happy to survive in a cruel and sad world.
NURSE 1 & 2	Stereotypical bubbly, fake-ish, charity-hospital denizens.

*To:*

The Artist who died forgotten—

Having only one's own art

To take away into the afterlife

*And, to this work:*

May it be the rare pathos bereft of the hackneyed theme of unrequited love.

I hope that I have written it right.