

"HULING KUMPAS"

Story and Screenplay

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SYNOPSIS

Ashley is a "shallow" hometown girl turns singing superstar. She marries Bernie, a "deep" veteran composer who discovered her in a local singing contest and made her a music icon. She wants to retire at the peak of her career to take care of her dying cancer stricken husband. For her, Bernie is her life, not his music nor her stardom.

Ashley does all sorts of cure for Bernie's lung cancer he inherited from his parents - herbal diet, sports, chemo-therapy and a social media support group. She is a hands-on wife to stop his workaholic husband from fatigue. He surpasses lung cancer but cancer cells in the pancreas develops.

Ashley brings Bernie in her friend's Aeta Resettlement Area who evacuated during the Mount Pinatubo eruption during their second honeymoon. The tribe leaders give Bernie organic and herbal medication. But infection occurs from the water in the river. This causes delay for a required a "whipple procedure". The doctor cancels his supposed travel to Australia for operation because his body wasn't ready for a life threatening procedure.

Bernie loses hope and wants to turn off his "life button". He wants his family not to see him in pain and suffers like what he experienced when his parents who died of lung cancer. Ashley convinces him to just go on and "play." He continues to compose songs for her and their children even if his pancreatic cancer in on advanced stage. He develops more sufferings and pain killers fails to work anymore.

Bernie wants to die without the presence of his love ones. He decides to leave Ashley and their children and joins his ex-wife in Australia where Assisted Volunteer Death or AVD is allowed. Bernie escapes. This breaks Ashley's heart that no matter what, she wants Bernie to die with her as his legal wife. In the airport on his way to Australia, his fans see him. They sing Ashley's song from the radio and a song mob in the airport changes his mind.

The battle continues with cancer and Ashley tries hard for Bernie to believe in miracle. On the night of Ashley's concert, she officially announces her retirement and a miracle happens. Bernie as frail and sick like a dying man stands up from his wheelchair and conducts with a live orchestra as Ashley sings her trademark song. Bernie also miraculously lived longer than the doctor's ultimatum.

In the end, Ashley teaches Bernie lessons on "how to die before you die". Their beneficiary of their talents and wealth - their friends at the Aeta Resettlement Area by giving them land and livelihood. The place of their marriage where Ashley's dad used to help the Aetas as an American service man. For Ashley, it's her way as well to make his dad presence felt whom he did not see since birth. It fulfills their life's purpose - a legacy for the living. Not just their music but their service and support to the ones in need. A way to "die before you die."

OPTION TITLES

1. Kumpas ng Buhay
2. Be A Star
3. Assisted Volunteer Death (AVD)
4. The OFF Button
5. Just PLAY
6. The Miracle
7. Ashley and Bernie Love Story

THE PITCH

Ashley, a "shallow" singing superstar retires to take care of Bernie, her "deep" composer husband and convinces him to believe in miracle of longer life. In the process, a twist of character, Ashley becomes spiritual and Bernie wants to die before his death.

Problem occurs when Bernie decides to go to Victoria, Australia with his ex-wife for a "Volunteer Assisted Death" or AVD where it is legal. He doesn't want Ashley and children see him suffer the same way he witnessed his parent's die of lung cancer.

Through their music, a "song mob" happens and changes Bernie's mind. He goes back to Ashley and waits for the end of his time. Then miracle occurs, a frail and dying Bernie stands from his wheelchair on Ashley's farewell concert - his "last musical conduction." And it paves way to Ashley's return to limelight.

A musical-drama film that is surely a tear-jerker. A heart-warming family story of unconditional love. Audiences will learn the theme - "to die before you die." A story of faith but not of religion. A story of spirituality but not of religious belief. The film is full of inspiration by way of all original music composition that heals and grows faith.

A relevant movie on how to serve others, stating that the "reason of life is living it with a purpose." A deep message inter-woven in the fabrics story that can be understood by all through Ashley's hometown girl and simple character. It proves that anyone of stature can leave a long-lasting legacy to their loved ones.

Melodic in the ears. Beautiful in the eyes as the "glam and fab" concert scene unfolds from beginning to end - from an amateur singing competition to a musical extravaganza with a live orchestra.

Imagine the sound, music and concert scenes of "August Rush" and "A Star is Born" and visualize the dreams of any search around because 'HULING KUMPAS" has its own version called "Be a Star" - an original singing reality search created for the film.

The MOVIE THEME SONG 1

“ Kumpas ng Buhay ”

Lyrics by:
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VERSE I

Ikaw ang lumikha ng lahat
Ikaw ang may gawa ng buhay
Musika at Pag-ibig ay iisa
Kumpas mo'y ituloy ang sigla
Patugtugin mo ang buhay
Hayaang kumpasan ng kapalaran
Walang bibitiw hayaang pakinggan
Makikinig ang lahat sa himig
Mensahe'y matatarok na tunay

CHORUS

Kumpas ng Buhay
Tugtog ng lira at gitara
Sayawan at sabayan
Ng tuwa at ligaya
Buhay ay musika
Habang umaawit ay buhay
At ang kamataya'y nasa
Puso lang ng bawat isa
Alaala ay buhay
Nasa puso habang buhay

VERSE II

Kahit sa kabilang buhay
Tuloy ang kumpas ng maiiwan
At sa iyong paglisan
Kadakilaan aanihin mo
Sa langit babayaran
Huwag labanan ang kumpas

Sumunod sa himig at tono

Sabayan ang agos ng tadhana
Huwag tuldukan ang hirap
Kapalit ay ginhawang walang katapusan

REPEAT CHORUS

BRIDGE

Hipan ang trumpeta
Tipain ang byulin
Pakinggan ang himig
Sundin ang indayog
Sumunod sa tulin
Tumigil at magpahinga
Awitin ang buhay
Sabayan ang orkestra
Ituloy ang daloy ng musika
Musika at Buhay ay iisa
Hayaang Kumpasan Nya! Ah! Ah! Ah!
Niya!

Repeat I and Chorus

Repeat II and Chorus

Repeat Bridge

CODA

Kumpas ng Buhay
Hayaang kumpasan...
Niya! Ah! Ah! Niya...

The Movie Theme Song 2

" BE A STAR "

Lyrics by:
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VERSE I

Your voice is beautiful
Your timber is high
You have an X factor
The ideals of an idol
The confidence is great
The photo is perfect
You are born to...
BE A STAR.

CHORUS

Be a Star (2x)
You've got talents
You've got guts
You've got fans
Be a Star (2X)

VERSE II

Social media is a platform
Singing contest can be a way
Start training at an early age.
Perfect the craft.
You'll have an edge.
Climb the highest mountain
Reach the impossible
Be a star.

REPEAT CHORUS

VERSE III

Vocal is power
Personality is a plus
Better test the waters
To gain confidence
To develop stage presence
To become a winner
If you've got it all
You can... Be a star.

REPEAT CHORUS

BRIDGE

When your star is shining
Let your feet always standing
On the ground, it's humbling
You've got to be remembering
What come your way might be going
If your first love is singing
Next should be connecting
To your supporters you must be loving

REPEAT CHORUS

REPEAT I and BRIDGE

REPEAT II and CHORUS

REPEAT III and BRIDGE

REPEAT CHORUS