

Johnson Production Group

Press Kit

# One-Liner

# *A struggling single mother must fight for her teenage daughter's freedom after she is arrested by federal agents for being involved in an illegal diamond smuggling operation.*

# Synopsis

At 18, a terribly shy Joanie gets recruited to do an amazing job: along with the cutest girls in school, she travels to exciting cities delivering camera lenses to photographers. New York! Chicago! Miami! Joanie begs her younger brother Peter, 15, to keep it a secret from their mom. During one of her trips, Joanie falls in love with the handsome Tucker -- a partner in the courier business.

When Joanie's mom Georgia (*Darlene Vogel, Pacific Blue*) finds out, Georgia is livid -- and suspicious of this strange courier business. But Joanie defies her mom and continues making deliveries.

On Joanie's next trip, she searches the camera case she's carrying and discovers diamonds hidden inside a lens. Joanie realizes she is part of an illegal smuggling ring! She quits, which angers her boss, the paranoid Danny (*Bret Green, The Inspectors*).

To Joanie's surprise, she learns her brother Peter has been diagnosed with intestinal cancer, which will bankrupt the family. Joanie begs Danny to be re-hired. At first, it's a challenge to regain Danny's trust, but the hard-working Joanie proves to be the most reliable "mule" of the group. Joanie makes several trips, earning big cash each time out.

Just when Joanie has earned enough money to pay for her brother's surgery, Federal Agents swoop in to arrest her. Joanie and her mom Georgia learn that the diamonds she delivers are illegal "blood diamonds" from Africa, and Joanie is part of a smuggling ring which helps finance the terrorists who attacked the USA on September 11. In the eyes of the Department of Homeland Security, Joanie is a terrorist.

Joanie is coerced into signing a deal with the DHS: in exchange for incriminating her friends, Joanie will get a very light sentence. But Joanie has grown to love Tucker, the handsome partner to Danny. Joanie is terribly torn. Will she double-cross the man she loves to keep herself out of jail? Or will she warn Tucker and run off with him?

Unbeknownst to Joanie, the paranoid Danny has discovered she is talking to the Feds. In a thrilling climax, Danny sets out to kill Joanie -- and anybody else on the smuggling team who conspires against him.

# Producers

Executive Producer

TIMOTHY O. JOHNSON

Producer

ROBERT BALLO

Key Cast

|  |  |  |
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| CHARACTER  Georgia  Joanie  Alison  Sharnae  Danny  Tucker  Peter |  | ACTOR  DARLENE VOGEL  MONROE CLINE  SHELBY YARDLEY  JULIANA DESTEFANO  BRET GREEN  COLE REINHARDT  ZANDER GRABLE |

# Key Cast Biographies

## DARLENE VOGEL

## Darlene Vogel PictureDarlene Vogel was born on October 25, 1962 in Modesto, California, USA as Darlene K. Vogel. She is an actress, known for Back to the Future Part II (1989), Pacific Blue (1996) and A Tiger's Tail (2014). She is married to Mark Howard. They have two children.

MONROE CLINE

## Monroe Cline PictureMonroe Cline is an American actress and dancer. Monroe trained in theatre and dance from an early age, and was born and raised in Austin, Texas. She moved to Los Angeles in 2017 to pursue her professional career as both an actress and dancer, and has since worked on a number of commercials, music videos, and films.

## SHELBY YARDLEY

Shelby began her career in the entertainment industry as a television personality. Prior to starting a career in the entertainment industry, Shelby grew up as an athlete in Wichita, KS and attended Wichita State University. Although always having an interest in acting and modeling it wasn't until January of 2014 that she started taking acting lessons and found it was something she wanted to continue as a career. In May of 2015 she relocated to Los Angeles to pursue a career in acting.

## JULIANA DESTEFANO

Juliana Destefano is an actress, known for Small Things, The Summoning (2019) and Helen Alone (2014).

## BRET GREEN

Bret Green is known for his work on the CBS crime series The Inspectors. He's appeared on Jane the Virgin, How to Get Away With Murder, Bones, and The Goldbergs. Bret graduated from Western Michigan University before moving to Los Angeles to pursue an acting career. He is the youngest of three boys.

## COLE REINHARDT

Cole Reinhardt is an American actor born with a love and fascination for story telling in all its forms. Sometimes it involved solving a Hardy Boys mystery, writing a short story, or just re-watching The Goonies for the hundredth time. By 5th grade he had learned (from a family friend) how to correctly use a camcorder and edit inside of Adobe Premiere. With these newfound skills he began to write and produce short films starring friends, family and himself on occasion. At 16 he began working as an intern for Fox Sports West's Prep Zone division and by 18 he was working as a Director. He was also an avid athlete often competing in Football, Baseball, Basketball, Wrestling, and Judo to name a few. It was in Wrestling where he learned about weight manipulation. About quickly dropping 10-15 pounds to reach a lower weight class along with how to gain weight rapidly when needed. Both of which he is now proficient in. After a few years directing, he decided to focus his efforts into developing his skills in front of the camera. He started attending local acting classes and joining local performances. Now, he continues his pursuits as an actor with various roles in both Film and Television.

## ZANDER GRABLE

Zander Grable is from Edmond, Oklahoma, but lives in LA. He has been acting since he was 5 years old and is best known for the role of Logan in Find. Believe. Shine.

# Production Credits

### Full Cast

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| [Actors](http://www.imdb.com/name/nm7589451/?ref_=ttfc_fc_cl_t1) DARLENE VOGEL  MONROE CLINE SHELBY YARDLEY BRET GREEN COLE REINHARDT JULIANA DESTEFANO ZANDER GRABLE JEREMIAH MCQUEEN LEANN VAN MOL JANET LYNN FEMIANO KIMBERLY ARLAND AL MARCHESI | Role Georgia Joanie Alison Danny Tucker Sharnae Peter Agent Hope Detective Espinoza Olivia Kendra Mike |

### Produced by

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| --- | --- | --- |
| TIMOTHY O. JOHNSON |  | executive producer |
| ROBERT BALLO |  | producer |
| DAN GOLDEN |  | line producer |

### Directed by

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| DOUG CAMPBELL |  |

### Written by

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| BOB INGRAHAM |  |

### Sound Design by

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| ANDRES BOULTON |  |

### Music by

MARC JOVANNI

### Director of Photography

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| DAVID DOLNIK |  |

### Film Editing by

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| JONATHANN LAUNER |  |

### Casting By

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| JEFF HARDWICK, C.S.A. |  |

### Production Design by

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| --- | --- |
| PAUL DEDOES |  |

### Costume Design by

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| BOB MILLER STEVE TREVOR |  |
| Crew |  |
| JOE MESIANO | production manager |
| TED CAMPBELL | first assistant director |
| JT TIERNEY | second assistant director |
| DOERTE LINDNER | production accountant |
| LUCAS PEDERSON | key set pa |
| SEAN STRUBLE | production assistant - prod. van driver |
| DEVON FOX | production intern |
| JERRY SHERMAN | studio teacher |
| AMY STANOSZEK | studio teacher |
| MORGUE N MARCUS | extras casting director |
| PAUL DEDOES | production designer |
| BRENDAN STEWART | art director |
| GAITHER NARRON | art swing |
| YOANN CIFUENTES | key grip |
| ANDREW DORWARD | best boy grip |
| CLIFF HORN | best boy grip |
| BOB MILLER | costume designer |
| STEVE HOWARD | costume designer |
| SHANNON TRIGGER | key makeup |
| RAMONA COLLAZO | key hair |
| TORYN REED | makeup artist |
| LEESA SIMONE | makeup artist |
| ANDY CARAZO | gaffer |
| DEREK MATARANGAS | gaffer |
| JAMES GILLIAM | best boy electric |
| BYONG HOON JO | best boy electric |
| DAVID DOLNIK | dop/cam op |
| CHRISTOPHER JORDAN | b camera op |
| NICK BIANCHI | b camera op |
| JAMES NAGEL | 1st assistant camera- a cam |
| ADAM BRANT | 1st assistant camera- a cam |
| DARRELL NASH | 1st assistant camera- a cam |
| DEON GIBSON | 1st assistant camera- b cam |
| JUSTIN CROWE | 2nd assistant camera |
| RICHARD DURYEA | 2nd assistant camera |
| ALEXANDER VAN HEISCH | media manager |
| IAN WELLS | ronin tech |
| DEON GIBSON | ronin tech |
| CAMERON SELAN | production sound mixer |
| ASH SUTTON | production sound mixer |
| JONATHON FREEMAN-ANDERSON | boom operator |
| LYSA CARLSON-OLDHAMS | craft service |
| JONATHANN LAUNER | editor |
| JESSICA PEREZ | still photographer |
| GRIFF PARTINGTON | post production supervisor |

# Producer Biographies

TIM JOHNSON – Executive Producer

Tim Johnson is among the most active and reliable producers in the business thanks to top rate productions and global distribution appeal.

Johnson is also responsible for producing the international hit series, DR. QUINN, MEDICINE WOMAN for CBS for over 5 seasons. During his 100-episode tenure, he also developed and produced the original docu-drama COLD CASE for CBS network, which was the very first program to integrate television with the Internet.

Johnson has produced over 150 movies, 15 globally released series for every major US network - including ABC, Disney, CBS, NBC, Netfly, FOX and Sony.

## JOHNSON PRODUCTION GROUP

The Johnson Production Group contracts globally to produce television and motion picture content for international networks, studios and distributors. Based in Los Angeles and Vancouver, British Columbia, the company manages production, facilitates development and financing, procures distribution and guarantees quality and timely execution of its programs. While costs have gone up, so has the demand for quality. No longer is good enough, good enough. Johnson Production Group serves that segment when a show needs to be "A" quality, but produced efficiently enough to meet a locked budget. JPG specializes in value, protection of creative elements, and delivery of a quality finished product.

## Billing Block

Johnson Production Group Presents “SMUGGLING IN SUBURBIA”  
DARLENE VOGEL MONROE CLINE SHELBY YARDLEY JULIANA DESTEFANO BRET GREEN   
COLE REINHARDT and ZANDER GRABLE Sound Design by ANDRES BOULTON   
Music by MARC JOVANNI Director of Photography DAVID DOLNIK   
Film Editing by JONATHANN LAUNER Casting By JEFF HARDWICK, C.S.A.   
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Line Producer DAN GOLDEN Written by BOB INGRAHAM Directed by DOUG CAMPBELL

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Meta Data

LONG (max 540 characters) synopsis

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MEDIUM (max 180) synopsis

When a teenage girl unwittingly gets involved in an illegal diamond smuggling operation, she is arrested and her mother must work with the FBI to get her free. (160)

SHORT (max 54 characters) synopsis

Teenage girl gets caught up with illegal smuggling (51)

5 KEY WORDS

Diamonds, Mules, Illegal, Teens, FBI