



The Balding

A hilarious race against time, nature, and the terrifying business of becoming a man.

Synopsis:

The show opens with Jeff, nineteen-years-old, and in London for the summer. He has two goals: become a writer, and lose his virginity. He fails on both counts, and as a kind of punishment when he returns home, he finds a clump of hair in the shower. Despite his powerful sense of denial, he knows he's losing his hair. And, the quest to lose his virginity takes on a whole new sense of desperation.

Jeff goes through a series of hilarious adventures in his pursuit of romance, always with one eye on the mirror to gauge the progress of his male pattern baldness. This distraction causes him to get into one car accident because he was checking out his receding hairline in the rearview mirror. He gets into a second car accident later that same week, due to similar inattention to life happening around him. As if that weren't enough, he destroys his parents' house in an unfortunate and completely avoidable "skunk incident."

Dejected, and at the end of his tether, he thinks he finds redemption in a generous, talented, and beautiful university professor. She quickly becomes not only an object of desire, but a mentor and a person who shows him that there's much more to love than the two-dimensional, naïve version he's been seeking.

The Balding is a show about the power of our vulnerabilities, and the beauty in questioning our self-worth. It is deeply funny, but with a genuine emotional warmth running through it. You will find yourself laughing, cursing, smacking your head, and reflecting on the preciousness of all the moments of insecurity that brought you here, to this moment.

The Balding, by Yarn Productions

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