#### KING & PAWN S1, PRODUCTIONS LTD. PRESENTS

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SLEEPY BEAR PRODUCTIONS IN ASSOCIATION WITH AFROVIKING PICTURES ISTARRING REID PRICE SHELLEY THOMPSON TAYLOR OLSON KOUMBIE "KING & PAWN" MUSIC BY BOB MANN COSTUME DESIGNER MORGAN MELNYK EDITED BY SHAWN BECKWITH PRODUCTION DESIGNER JESSICA MACDONALD DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY TIM MOMBOURQUETTE SUPERVISING PRODUCER PAUL GARDNER SENIOR PRODUCER JOHN BUFFONE WRITTEN BY TAYLOR OLSON & TIEREN HAWKINS PRODUCED BY TIEREN HAWKINS & AMY TREFRY DIRECTED BY TAYLOR OLSON



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starring	REID PRICE SHELLEY THOMPSON TAYLOR OLSON KOUMBIE JULIA WILLIAMS and TIEREN HAWKINS

# LOGLINE

When a lovable loser inherits his estranged father's pawnshop he'll be forced to contend with a screwball staff, an assortment of eccentric customers, and an ever-growing list of problems as he attempts to turn a profit.





# SYNOPSIS

Rhett McManus inherits his family's pawn shop, King & Pawn, following the untimely death of his father, Mickey Unbeknownst to Rhett the shop isn't everything it appears to be, cute enough but with a serious odour problem; acting as a community hive for petty crime, back-door dealings, and a place of respite for Halifax's least desirables. Surrounded by people looking to make a quick buck, the kindhearted and confused Rhett has no choice but to learn quickly in order to preserve his father's legacy and avoid being run out of business by a rival pawn shop, High Roller's.

To keep the doors open, Rhett will have to do his best to turn around the shop's reputation and lure back the local community of loveable underdogs. Along the way he's forced to deal with unsavory customers, an incompetent staff, and a never ending stream of moral dilemmas as he comes to understand the true nature of the pawn industry.



#### **ONE** "What The Frack"

After being left his estranged father's pawnshop, Rhett McManus is met head-on by chaos and thrown into the midst of a decades-old rivalry against competitor Maggie Rollins.

A need for quick cash takes a special scheme to solve.





### TWO "Too Hot to Haggle"

In an attempt to refill the stores' shelves, Rhett heads to the storage locker auctions - ending up in a bidding war with Maggie and Eliza.

A blood-thirsty loan shark informs Norma Jean of an outstanding lien.

### THREE "The Fun Never Ends"

On the day Norma Jean finally hits the jackpot, a surprise guest from Rhett's past brings the King and Pawn an influx of increasingly violent visitors and an unwanted police presence.

Rhett comes to a dramatic realization.





# FOUR "Father, Son, & Holy Heck"

With all fires under control, Rhett seizes the opportunity to go on a romantic double date with Holden and Allen closely in tow.

A chance reintroduction leads to Maggie and Xan becoming unlikely allies against the King and Pawn.

#### FIVE "Just Roll With It"

With the crew locked out of the King and Pawn, Eliza takes Norma Jean, Allen, and Holden into the lion's den in a daring heist to drum up much-needed bail money.

Rhett meets someone from his fathers past.





# A/V SPECS

aspect ratio	16:9
resolution	3840p x 2160p
frame rate	23.98fps
audio	48 KHz 16bit PCM 4 Channel Mix





# **KEY CREDITS**

directed by	TAYLOR OLSON
written by	TAYLOR OLSON TIEREN HAWKINS
produced by	TIEREN HAWKINS AMY TREFRY
music by	BOB MANN
editor	SHAWN BECKWITH
director of photography	TIM MOMBOURQUETTE
production designer	JESSICA MACDONALD
sound designer	GRAHAM COLWELL

# **SUPPORTING AGENCIES**



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# **OUR STORY** BY TAYLOR OLSON

"At King & Pawn, we're family". That tagline of the series truly sums up the core of the show. Rhett's story - and all of the characters at K&P's stories in fact - is about finding your place in the world and 'found family'. Rhett doesn't have a family. His estranged father he never knew is dead. Instead, he finds his 'family' in a seedy pawn shop amongst a bunch of oddball characters with a few screws loose and a ton of heart. We wanted the filmmaking to match this energy: goofy, absurd, seedy, and full of heart.

We approached this series using modern sitcom shooting styles with some visual twists. The use of quick banter and stand-offs in K&P, inspired by Letterkenny, lent itself to a two-camera setup where we could capture improvisations at the moment and steal those little nuggets of gold. However, the absurd situations gave us the freedom to match the filmmaking to the given circumstances, which lent itself to quick whip pans, dramatic punch-ins, short oners, absurd zooms, small fourth wall breaks, and neon lighting - inspired by the jewellery shop in Uncut Gems. We wanted the pace to feel quick, to keep the momentum going, so our cinematic language had to match this as well.

We hope this series makes folks laugh, smile, and even cringe, but above all, we hope it gives viewers the same warm fuzzies it gave us while we made it.

#### **RHETT** REID PRICE

Reid Price (he/him) is an actor from London, Ontario currently living in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

In 2021, he won the ACTRA Maritimes Outstanding Performance Award for his work on the Crave original film *Dawn, Her Dad, & The Tractor.* 

He is best known for recurring roles on such programs as The Sinner (USA), FROM (ePix), Diggstown (CBC), and Trailer Park Boys: Jail (Swearnet).





### MAGGIE SHELLEY THOMPSON

Shelley Thompson (she/her) is a resident of Wolfville, Nova Scotia and a pillar of the Atlantic Canadian film industry.

She is a Gemini-award winner (and two time nominee) for her performance as Barb Lahey on the landmark *Trailer Park Boys* series.

Additional credits include roles on such programs as *Tokens* (CBC), *Rookie Blue* (ABC), and *I Am Syd Stone* (OutTV).

# HOLDEN TAYLOR OLSON

Taylor Olson (he/him) is a Halifax-area actor originally from Masset, British Columbia. He is a ten-time ACTRA Maritimes Outstanding Performance award nominee.

His breakout leading role in the feature drama *Bone Cage* has won eight awards worldwide for Best Performance.

His previous work includes recurring roles on *Sex & Violence* (OutTV), *Pure* (SuperChannel), *Trailer Park Boys: Jail* (Swearnet), and *Trapped* (FibeTV1).





#### ALLEN TIEREN HAWKINS

Tieren Hawkins (he/him) is an actor from Truro, Nova Scotia.

His credits include work on *These Woods Are Haunted* (Travel), *Halifax Homicide* (FibeTV1), *Moonshine* (CBC), and *Trailer Park Boys: Jail* (Swearnet).

# NORMA JULIA WILLIAMS

Julia Williams (she/her) is an actor born and raised in the community of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. King & Pawn is her television acting debut.

An experienced theatre actor, she has appeared on stage for such prominent theatre companies as Neptune Theatre, The Villains Theatre, and the Ship's Company Theatre.





## ELIZA KOUMBIE

Koumbie (she/her) is an actor residing in Prospect, Nova Scotia.

As a performer, she has received five nominations for the ACTRA Maritimes Outstanding Performance Award and four nominations for the Screen Nova Scotia Outstanding Performance Award.

She has featured as a recurring cast member in such series as Mr. D (CBC), Trailer Park Boys: Jail (Swearnet), Studio Black! (CBC), and Aquateam (YTV)

# **DIRECTOR** TAYLOR OLSON

Taylor Olson (he/him) is a Canadian Screen Award nominated filmmaker based in Halifax, Nova Scotia (Kjipuktuk).

His directorial debut feature Bone Cage was released to critical acclaim and distributed worldwide by LevelFilm. The film won over thirty major accolades including two Canadian Screen Award nominations for Best Adapted Screenplay and Best Supporting Actress (Amy Groening). Additional awards include Best Film at festivals such as the FIN Atlantic Film Festival, Hamilton Film Festival, Sherman Oaks Film Festival, Queens World Film Festival, and Oil Valley Festival. The film appeared in competition at Camerimage and was featured in the Future Forward section of the Beijing International Film Festival.

He has previously released thirteen independently released short films including award-winning films such as Inceldom (Best Short, Atlantic Film Festival), I Hate You (Best Ensemble, Canadian Film Fest), The Date (Best Short, Canadian Independent Comedy Festival), and Second Wedding (Best Atlantic Short, Mosaic Film Festival).

Olson is currently completing post-production on his sophomore feature film Look At Me - an introspective drama supported by the Canada Council for the Arts. He was recognized as the 2020 Nova Scotia Emerging Artist of the Year.



### **PRODUCER** TIEREN HAWKINS

Tieren Hawkins (he/him) is a producer from Truro, Nova Scotia. Since founding Sleepy Bear Productions in 2020, he has developed content that has been broadcast on FibeTV1, Eastlink Television, Swearnet, and online by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation.

In January 2021, his series *Halifax Homicide* premiered as the most watched show on FibeTV1 in the month of it's release. His short *Typecast* won best film in the 2020 48 Hour Film Festival - Nova Scotia.

## **CO-PRODUCER** AMY TREFRY

Amy Trefry (she/they) is a producer currently living in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Her dramatic digital series *I Hear You* received the Merit Award for Awareness from the Awareness Film Festival and was named Best Diversity Series at the Rio WebFest in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil.

Her follow-up series, *I See You*, is currently in post-production and was supported by the Canada Council for the Arts.



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