



# Cupcake

feature script by Jan Wilson

*Coming down from a sugar high is no treat.*

A working-class single dad struggles to find a sensitive way to confront his 12 year-old daughter about her sugar addiction. To make matters worse he is a baker and they live above their shop giving her all-day access to the sweets. Now he's horrified to learn that she has set her sights on winning the lead role in the school's production of *Alice in Wonderland* – a part an unpopular, bullied, overweight girl is unlikely to win.

Meanwhile he has to juggle an elderly mother who is addicted to thrift stores and Lion King figurines, an aimless cousin lacking direction in life and the neighborhood soccer moms intent on seducing him for sport.

A darker version of *Little Miss Sunshine* with a dash of *Chocolat*. *Cupcake* deals with addictions of all types and the self-esteem issues they cause - a never-ending cycle. Drama with comic overtones.

Estimated budget \$3 million. Rating: PG-13 or R for adult situations. Audience: age 13-50.

**Anthony LaPaglia** is attached to play the lead role of Tony. **Josh Sternfeld** is attached to direct.



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