How I Almost Ended Up in a Throuple

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Characters

Eve - A bisexual freshman college girl, she is a nervous wreck and constantly weighs all her options only to pick the worst one.

Patrick - Also a freshman in college. He is a very soft spoken man. He looks like he's in a frat but he is not.

Drew - This character is slightly older and cooler. Their gender is more ambiguous which only makes them cooler.

Man/God - These characters are both played by the actor playing Patrick

Setting

This play takes place in 2023. The location fluctuates throughout, but overall it takes place on a college campus. There is no real set required for this show. All you need is a couple of chairs. This allows for the setting to change quickly and fluidly as we go to different places in Eve's story.

The play opens on Eve sitting alone on stage. All that is onstage is the chair Eve is sitting in and one beside it with a shirt and shoes next to it on the floor.

EVE

Listen, I know what you all are thinking. Eve, how could you NOT know that you were getting yourself mixed up in a THROUPLE? And to that I would say...fair. But then I would say that you clearly have NO idea what it is like to be a bisexual college girl these days. The minute any man you're sleeping with finds out you are bisexual their very first question is ALLLWAYS—

A half naked man seems to magically appear on stage.

MAN

Oh so you're like into threesomes then??

The man sits down in the chair next to hers, frozen. Eve stands up, upset.

EVE

It's sooo frustrating! And and the best part is the build up before they even ask the question. It's like you can see the little wheels turning in their heads. Sometimes if they are more...gentlemanly they'll wait a little longer to "pop the question" but it always comes out eventually.

Eve sits back down next to the boy.

EVE

With this particular boy, this was the case. Although it was less so that he was a gentleman and more that he just didn't like to talk that much. We had been hooking up for a while now and I had little to no information about him besides what was on his dating profile. His name was Patrick.

Eve leans into Patrick and they awkwardly cuddle together.

	PATRICK	
Неу		
	EVE	
Hey		
	PATRICK	
Howww've you been?		
	EVE	
Good! Good.	D. CD. COV	
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Good.	EVE	
Uhh and you?	EVE	
Onn and you:	PATRICK	
Good.		
		There is a long awkward pause where they just
		look at each other. Then Patrick leans in. Eve
		snaps back to the audience.

EVE

Ok well I think you get the picture. Anyways all of our meetups were kind of... exactly like that so it took a little while but finally the day came and as things were...um wrapping up he—

Patrick interrupts as he is getting dressed.

PATRICK

(nonchalantly)

Hey, would you ever wanna like have a threesome maybe?

EVE

Um...sure

EVE

(back to the audience)

Now I really don't know why I said sure. I mean there are so many other things I could have said, like "Maybe" or "I don't know if I'm ready for that" or (suddenly angry) "I knew you were going to ask me that sooner or later you sonofabitch!" (She takes a second to breathe) But I didn't. I said sure. (She turns back to talking to Patrick)

PATRICK

Cool, well my roommate and I kinda have had this thing going so I mean if you're interested I could hook you up with them?

EVE

(stunned)

Okay.

PATRICK

Cool well see ya

Patrick Exits.

EVE

ROOMMATE? Hook me up if I'm interested? That sounds like they are going to sell me a car! But I didn't know what to do! I mean I didn't expect him to have a third person in mind and certainly not across the hall! I soon found out that this "thing" that he had with his roommate was a full blown open relationship. Which was fine I mean the keyword being open but, ya know this was the first time I'd heard of this. God what the fuck do I do? Maybe I should just block him on everything. Or or I could just not bring it up again? He barely talks anyway, maybe he'd just...forget? Orrrr

A buzz on her phone interrupts her tangent. Eve looks at her phone and reads it aloud.

EVE

Drew added you on snapchat...well fuck.

EVE cont.

Soooo I didn't end up blocking him and I added Drew back on snapchat. But don't get it twisted I did not have a threesome. I was, however...considering it. I know I know I don't know what's going on with me either. Buttt I'm just thinking about it. It's one of those things that like you've thought about because you see it on the rice purity test when you're doing it with your friends in their dorm. And you're like oh well that is never going to be something that comes up in my life but then the guy you're hooking up with brings it up and has someone ACROSS THE HALL to do it with and so you have to think...maybe? God my mother would be so disappointed in me. I mean she named me fuckin Eve for godsake. A person named Eve is not supposed to be out gallivanting around town having threesomes. I should be talking to God. Or I don't know. God must be so disappointed in me.

The man playing Patrick walks onstage in a cheap fake God beard.

GOD

Eve! What the fuck do you think you are doing??

EVE

I don't know, that's the problemmm! Jesus—

GOD

Watch it.

EVE

Sorry.

God Exits.

EVE cont.

If you couldn't tell I was really fucking stressed. Patrick recommended that I talk to Drew. He thought it would calm my nerves a little bit. *(talking to Patrick)* I just don't know I'm kinda nervous.

PATRICK

Well maybe if you guys met up first?

EVE

Met up?

PATRICK

Yeah, went out.

EVE

Now I don't know if you all know anything about how threesomes work but, I'm pretty sure the usual protocol is you meet up ALTOGETHER you talk, maybe get slightly intoxicated, you stumble through the sex bit and then either it goes well and you do it again or it goes miserably and you have a funny story to tell your friends. You DO NOT go out separately. That makes things weird for everyone involved ESPECIALLY the person who is not in the open relationship. Therefore it is a terrible idea to go on this date and it'll just make things much much worse for you.

There is a pause and Eve's chair turns to the side across from Drew like they are at a restaurant.

EVE cont.

I went on the date.

DREW

Yeah Patrick's not really much of a talker. It took us a while to talk about what was happening between us. I mean I was sleeping in his bed every night for months but he thought I was just using him as some sort of sex doll. Then one day we did mushrooms together and I told him that I loved him. You're so pretty, you know that?

EVE

(smiling like an idiot)

You think I'm pretty? (Drew nods)

EVE

(back to the audience)

How do they do that?? I mean there are so many obvious red flags here. The lack of communication. The MUSHROOMS. I can't do mushrooms. Do you even DO mushrooms? I don't know. Anyways I can't help but smile like a damn idiot whenever they talk to me.

DREW	
I'm having so much fun hanging out with you.	
EVE	
(in a tranc	ce)
Heh yeah, me too.	
DREW	
Yeahhh, but I actually am supposed to be meeting	ng someone else tonight later. I really wish I
didn't have to go but I'd feel bad standing them	up, ya know? Is that alright?
EVE	
Of course.	
	Drew kisses Eve and then waves as they walk
	away.
EVE	
(like she is melting) Woahhh. (snaps out of it) V	What the fuck just happened? (takes a breath) I'm
pathetic. But they are just sooo cool and hot.	I mean how can a person look so masculine and
feminine at the same time, it's incredible.	
GOD	
Seriously.	
EVE	
You stay out of this!	
GOD	
Sorry	
EVE	
Anyways after that all my feelings of hesitation	just kind of went away. I WAS HAVING A
THREESOME. I mean what was I even worried	d about anyway?
	Patrick and Drew talk while Eve watches
DREW	
I like Eve.	

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Yeah

DREW

I mean she always has that big dopey grin on her face. It's cute.

EVE

(speaking through a dopey grin) Heh, they think I'm cute.

DREW

We should have her over here more. Do more than just hookup, ya know?

PATRICK

Whatever.

EVE

no No NO! That's not what's happening here. Eve, get that out of your head. We are just going to have sex. No more! No strings and shit. They don't want that and you definitely don't need that cuz it sounds confusing as hell. That's not what this is! But what if it is? Oh God! Maybe I should just cancel the threesome.

Phone buzzes.

DREW (over text)

Hey, you on your way?

EVE

(smiling like an idiot again) Be there soon. (Eve looks up at the audience mad at herself) Stupid. Stupid. Stupid.

Eve walks over to meet Patrick and Drew. They are both not wearing a lot of clothes. They look at her, waiting.

EVE

Oh I should probably take these off shouldn't I? *(gesturing to her clothes. Patrick and Drew nod)* Right, okay. Um–

Eve attempts to take off her clothes in a sexy way. She can't take anything off. Not even a sock. It's uncomfortable for everyone.

EVE

I'm sorry. I thought I could do this but I don't know. I mean you two are already in this open relationship so I'm sure you've done this plenty of times, but I have not. This is new for me. Very very new and I just don't think I can do it. You two are lovely but I don't want to do the whole throughe thing with you or AT ALL for that matter. And I know I'm crazy for thinking that is what this is, but with you taking me on dates and you barely speaking I get very very confused. And and no one talks about ANYTHING! And I can't wait until one day when you want to do mushrooms and talk about what's happening here because I STILL DON'T KNOW HOW TO DO MUSHROOMS! And before you say it I know I am jumping way way ahead and I haven't even taken a sock off yet but I just need to know now what is this?

DREW

Uuuuuhhh we just wanted to hookup. But if it would make you more comfortable we could take things slow. We could just cuddle and watch a movie or something?

Long pause.

EVE

I would like that very much actually. Thank you.

Patrick and Drew sit on either side of Eve as she snuggles into them.

EVE

(she lets out a sigh of relief) This is just what I needed thank you. I don't know why I was so tense before.

DREW and PATRICK

Of course.

EVE

I love you.... Wait a minute.

END OF PLAY.