
Sound and Editing Equipment for Narrative Film Projects

Project Summary

With my fall mini grant funding for writing software, editing hardware, and filming equipment, I was able to complete a 5 minute short film for my graduate school application. I submitted the film to Columbia, AFI, and USC. All of these items can also be used for future projects, including my 4th year thesis film.

Logline:

Two traveling strangers, Didi and Gogo, miss their train despite pressing matters waiting for them at the end of their journey. They find themselves in a waiting room, where a shared moment blossoms into an unexpected connection.

Script using Writer's Duet subscription

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EXT. TRAIN STATION - DAY

The sun beats down on a train station, unforgiving. A train begins to move away from the station.

Two people, DIDI and GOGO, sprint breathless to the station from separate directions. It is clear that the train is leaving without them.

Didi has his hands on his knees, panting. Gogo crouches on the ground. They both look at their WATCHES in despair.

An overhead announcement plays from above, Gogo and Didi look up at the sound.

ANNOUNCER
Those who have missed the train,
please await for the next train in
room 3987.

Didi and Gogo look at each other. They get up and leave.

INT. WAITING ROOM - DAY

Gogo and Didi enter the waiting room with the number 3987 on the door. The space is dimly lit, with no windows and color projections floating on the walls.

They sit down on a bench in the middle of the room. They grow tired and bored.

Gogo loosens her ponytail. Didi scratches at his tie. They tap their feet and look at the their watches.

Didi looks over to Gogo.

DIDI
Busy week?

Gogo nods.

GOGO
I'm being sued.

Didi nods.

DIDI
Oh wow.

GOGO
Where are you headed?

DIDI

A funeral.

Gogo is mortified. She doesn't know what to say. Didi chuckles.

DIDI (CONT'D)

Too late. She can't get mad at me now anyways.

Gogo cautiously smiles.

A projection of light falls onto their faces. A music begins to play quietly in the background.

Gogo starts moving her shoulders to the music. Her movements infect Didi, who starts swaying with her.

As the music crescendoes, their movements become larger, sweeping. They get up on their chairs and begin to dance.

Everything else becomes insignificant, it is as if the world itself was contained in the waiting room.

The music cuts. An announcement blares from above. Didi and Gogo look up.

ANNOUNCER
The next train is arriving in 5
minutes. Those in the waiting room
should proceed to the station.

EXT. TRAIN STATION - DAY

Same train station as before, but the light is softer.

Didi and Gogo return. The train is already leaving, again.

This time they share a glance, a marvelous secret suspended between them.

They smile.

ANNOUNCER
Those who have missed the train,
please await for the next--

CUT TO BLACK

THE END

Stills from ‘what’s the hurry?’



Budget

<i>Item</i>	<i>Cost (without tax)</i>
Writer’s Duet Subscription	59.88
SSD Drive (4TB)	259.99
Camera Slider “Glide Gear DEV 4 Video Camera Roller Slider Cine Dolly with Track”	249.99
Total: \$569.86 Out of Pocket expenses: \$69.86	