

Hey 19 - Audition Sides

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START



ARETHA

The majority of my D.M. is guys in relationships looking for side things. A couple of girls too.

DAN

What I am trying to say is I do this for a living.

ARETHA

Hang around casino entrances waiting to pounce on broke chicks?

DAN

Meaning I am a professional gambler. I hit three casinos a day, spend less than an hour each, and leave with \$900 each on average. I have it down to a science. I can show you.

Aretha puts her cigarette in a nearby ASHTRAY.

ARETHA

So why do you want to show me? Why not go back in there and make another \$900 yourself?

DAN

Anything over \$1,000 raises a flag. They start to pay attention if they see my membership card clock nothing but wins.

ARETHA

So pretending I am interested, which I am not saying I am, I could make back \$900?

DAN

You could make \$9,000 if you want once you use your I.D., not mine.

Aretha turns to face Dan.

ARETHA

And you would want me to split it with you?

DAN

I have made mine for the day. Give me back what I loan you, and the rest is

yours.

ARETHA
No strings attached?

Dan raises his hands.

DAN
No strings.

END


Aretha returns to her original over-the-banister position.

ARETHA
Dan, I know I look like I was born
yesterday, but our generation grew up
on the internet, so what is the play
here? Nobody is this generous.

DAN
Why did Prometheus steal fire from the
gods just to give it away? There is an
inherent generosity in the human
spirit.

ARETHA
(rolls her eyes)
You are so full of shit.

DAN
I will be sitting in that cafe over
there. When you win, just come out and
repay me, or not; it is all the
casino's money anyway, and I am taking
a gamble on you.

ARETHA
Fine, explain to me the system.

DAN
How much do you know about Roulette?

ARETHA
Always bet on black?

DAN
Passenger 57?

Aretha stares at him blankly.

DAN
Wesley Snipes?