## THE ICE PRINCESS AND HER PRINCE

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FADE IN:

Ext. Frozen Lake in Moose Jaw, Canada - day

SOLE BRENDAN, 17, active with long, dark brown hair and light brown eyes, skates on a deserted lake. She skates at very fast speeds while tears fall. Her hair is pulled back into a tight bon and her brows furrowed.

SOLE BRENDAN

I miss you Hunter and I will never let your memory part from me. I promise I will never forget you.

The sun sets in the distance, but she keeps skating.

She exits the lake and takes the dark path into the woods.

INT. MOOSE JAW HIGH SCHOOL - MORNING - NEXT DAY

Sole is in her history class. PETER MASON, 17 year old boy with dark brown hair, blue eyes, and slim build, walks into her class. Their eyes immediately connect and the teacher motions him to sit with Sole.

Sole shares her history book with him.

PETER MASON

Hi, I am Peter.

SOLE BRENDAN

Hi, I'm Sole. Nice to meet you.

PETER MASON

Same here.

Peter flashes her a great big smile, and Sole attempts to give him a slight smile.

They try to avoid eye contact throughout the class. The bell RINGS and Sole rushes out of class.

INT. SCHOOL CAFETERIA

Sole grabs her food and sits outside at a deserted table. She spots Peter and watches him from a distance. Peter locks eyes with her and heads her way.

SOLE BRENDAN

Oh, God, no! (She says to herself)

Peter approaches her table.

PETER MASON

I hope you don't mind me joining you.

SOLE BRENDAN

No, go right ahead

Sole rolls her eyes and motions for him to sit down.

PETER MASON

So, what do you do for fun?

SOLE BRENDAN

Nothing. I usually don't have fun. I just go to school and skate.

Sole picks at her sandwich as she talks.

PETER MASON

You skate too? Do you mind if I join you sometimes.

SOLE BRENDAN

Ummm... I guess so. I prefer to skate alone though.

PETER MASON

Oh, come on. It'll be fun!

Peter begs with puppy dog eyes. Sole smiles and chuckles.

SOLE BRENDAN

Sure. Why not? I go right after school most days.

PETER MASON

Cool. I'll meet you out front then.

Peter hops up and goes inside. Sole sits there shocked and confused. She lets a little smile crease her lips and shakes her head.

EXT. THE WOODS - DAY - SAME DAY

Peter and Sole make their way through the path in the woods to the lake.

SOLE BRENDAN

So, did you grow up around here?

PETER MASON

No, close by though. I've traveled through Moose Jaw a few times, but never lived here.

SOLE BRENDAN

How long have you been skating?

PETER MASON

Most of my life. I'm getting ready for the competition next month.

SOLE BRENDAN

What competition next month?

PETER MASON

You know, the one for the college scholarship?

Sole stops walking.

SOLE BRENDAN

I've never heard of that before. Tell me more...

Peter and Sole continue to talk as they make it to the lake.

## FROZEN LAKE

Peter and Sole skate and LAUGH as they rush across the ice following each other's lead.

Sole's cheeks are red and flushed. She dances and twirls across the ice and Peter matches her every move.

They both share a gaze as they skate and blush when they realize it.

Peter grabs her hand and leads her to the bank. They sit down and take off their skates.

PETER MASON

Do you compete sometime? You're really good!

SOLE BRENDAN

No it's just for me. Thank you. I haven't had that much fun skating in over 5 years.

PETER MASON

I thought you said you skate everyday? How is that possible?

SOLE BRENDAN

Skating was something I did with my brother. He died a little over 5 years ago. I haven't skated with anyone since then. Skating is just something I do when I miss him. That is usually everyday.

PETER MASON

Sounds like you guys were pretty close.

SOLE BRENDAN

We were. He was my best friend. My only friend.

PETER MASON

Well, now you have a new friend.

Sole blushes and nods at Peter's offer. He stands up and extends his hand to help her up. She takes it and allows him to pull her up.

They walk LAUGH and TALK as they head to the path.

PETER MASON (CONT'D)

So, what happened to your brother?

SOLE BRENDAN

He had a cancerous brain tumor.

PETER MASON

How did they find it?

SOLE BRENDAN

We were at the lake skating and he collapsed for no apparent reason. He was rushed to the hospital and a few days later we found out it was cancer and they couldn't treat it. It had already spread to his spine.

PETER MASON

He didn't have any symptoms before?

SOLE BRENDAN

He had headaches everyday. Mom thought he inherited migraines from her. She blamed herself for months.

PETER MASON

Why?

SOLE BRENDAN

She felt like she should've known. After she got into church she let all the guilt go. I still miss him. I don't think I've really been alive since he died. Just going through the motions, you know?

PETER MASON

Yeah, I do. I lost a close friend when I was seven. He fell through some weak ice and we watched him drown. It never stops hurting.

They continue to walk and talk about their childhood.

EXT. FROZEN LAKE - NIGHT

Sole skates fiercely on the lake and she is mad. Sole's phone RINGS in her bag on the bank. She skates over to it and takes it out.

SOLE BRENDAN

Where are you, Peter?

Sole folds one of her arms across her body in frustration.

PETER MASON (V.O.)

I'm so sorry. Where are you? I'll come right now.

SOLE BRENDAN

I'm at the lake because the rink was too packed. I can't believe you stood me up, Peter. You know how important this tournament is to me.

PETER MASON (V.O.)

I know. I would never intentionally do that to you. It's not cold enough for that ice to be stable, Sole. You need to leave, now.

SOLE BRENDAN

I am getting my practice in tonight. If it hadn't been for you standing me up I wouldn't be here right now. I have work to do. Bye.

Sole shuts off her phone and lets out a SCREAM of frustration.

She returns to skate but messes up on the same turn repeatedly. She is frustrated, but she keeps pushing herself.

She tries to do another turn again and falls. She lays there stunned for a second.

Peter is walking through the woods and she HEARS him approaching. She attempts to sit up and cracks are forming in the ice around her.

Peter HEARS Sole` fall and the ice CRACKING and runs in horror. He approaches the bank and finds Sole on weak ice.

PETER MASON

Stay put. I'm going to go get help. Just don't move.

SOLE BRENDAN

Please, don't leave me. I'm scared.

PETER MASON

It's the only way I can help you. Just don't move, Sole.

She watches Peter walk away as tears roll down her eyes.

Peter returns with some guys and an axe and rope. As soon as they are within view, the ice gives way up under her. She reaches for near by ice but she goes under.

Sole is splashing and SCREAMING for help.

Peter rushes to the bank. The guys tie a rope around his waist and he slides on his stomach to Sole. He sticks the axe in the water and pulls it out with Sole's hand on it. He grabs a hold of her, but she slips back down.

There is no sign of Sole anymore.

He pulls back some and beats the ice with his axe and pulls Sole up through the whole he created.

Sirens BLARE as the ambulance and fire truck approach in the distance.

EXT. IN A FIELD OF FLOWERS - DAY

Sole lies in a field surrounded by beautiful, bright, and colorful flowers. They each radiate with an extra glow. The flowers SING in an unknown language and tone around her.

VOICE OF GOD (V.O.)

Do you see them?

Sole sits and looks around but sees no one.

VOICE OF GOD

Do you see them?

SOLE BRENDAN

Yes, I do.

VOICE OF GOD

Can you hear them too?

SOLE BRENDAN

Yes, I hear them too.

VOICE OF GOD

Good. Some people can hear and not see and some can see and not hear.

SOLE BRENDAN

What does that mean?

VOICE OF GOD

If you only look at people, you can't hear their voices. If you only hear their voices, you can't see them.

SOLE BRENDAN

This still doesn't make sense to me. I hear you, but I don't get it.

A bright light appears behind her and she sees the figure of a person hidden in it.

VOICE OF GOD

Sole, I have given you a gift to help people find their expression to be heard and seen. This world is so impersonal that people often look pass each other and never see the hurt in each other's faces or they see the smiles on their faces and don't hear their cries for help.

Sole wipes the tears from her eyes.

VOICE OF GOD (CONT'D)

The world has lost its ability to see and hear and most importantly, it has lost its ability to see or hear me.

The figure in the bright light walks closer to Sole.

VOICE OF GOD (CONT'D)
Your gift snatches people into a
world where they can't hide behind
the masks, but forces them to
examine themselves and how much
they give of themselves. Most
people passively only consider
themselves and never think of the
consequences they throw off on
others.

SOLE BRENDAN What is this gift you speak of?

VOICE OF GOD

It is the gift of faith and the courage I have put in you to be yourself against the world and to inspire others to do the same.

## INT. HOSPITAL ROOM - NIGHT

Sole is in a coma and hooked up to life support. She opens her eyes and tears stream down her face.

Peter rushes to go get the nurse for help. Her mom and dad surround her bed to comfort her.

Doctors and nurses rush in to take the tubes out of her mouth and nose.

Her family looks on in awe with tears of joy as nurses and doctors rush around the room.

INT. CARROLLTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN CARROLLTON, GEORGIA USA - DAY (5 YEARS LATER)

Sole and Peter are surrounded by a bunch of kids in an a large auditorium excited to see them. As they make their way to the stage, kids are smiling and waving at them with eagerness.

A video flashes across the screen of Sole and Peter participating and winning in several different competitions.

The crowd erupts with CHEERS at the end of the video. Sole steps forward with a microphone.

## SOLE BRENDAN

I'm going to tell you a story about a young lady who decided to believe in herself and all those around her...

The children and staff sit and listen as Sole tells her story.

FADE OUT:

THE END