One More Try

By Paula Tudor

"What if you could go back in time and do things differently?" That's the question asked by VH1's new scripted series, "Hindsight." Actress Laura Ramsey plays Becca, a woman about to get married for the second time. The show, which premiered on January 7th, opens on the eve of this wedding where Becca is questioning all of her life choices. She wonders if she is doing the right thing by getting married again, if she acted too hastily in ending her first marriage, and what would have happened had she not severed ties with her best friend, Lolly. A chance meeting with a mystical stranger gives her the chance to find out; and she suddenly finds herself transported back to 1995, the day she married her first husband, Sean. Now she has a choice to make, marry Sean all over again and risk making the same mistakes twice, or break things off with him, thereby changing the course of her entire life.

Although this show has only aired twice I am already hooked, and from the buzz I've read online it would seem I am not alone. Sure, we've seen these types of movies and shows before...a lot, but that doesn't take anything away from this show. It has its own charm and unique sense of style, which is completely and unapologetically 90s, from the music to the wardrobe and everything in between. "Hindsight" is brilliantly packaged. If you grew up in that time period you will absolutely love hearing songs you haven't listened to in years and revisiting long-forgotten trends and fashions. Musicians Lisa Loeb and Collective Soul have even been tweeting about "Hindsight", apparently excited to hear some of their biggest hits featured on the show. In addition, Dominos and Geico have been airing commercials specifically catered to the show during its one-hour time slot. VH1 has also put together a weekly web series called Planet Sebastian, hosted by Sebastian, "Hindsight's" video store clerk, played by Adam Herschman. Planet Sebastian will feature interviews with a "Hindsight" cast member every week, where they will revisit the 90s in all its glory. It appears that the webisodes will be fairly brief, with the first one running approximately three and a half minutes. It's basically just a light-hearted way of continuing the fun after each episode of "Hindsight." To be clear, this show is much more than all the 90s ambience it provides. It is something everyone can relate to, regardless of the decade of their birth, because it explores the journey of a woman who dared to ask a question we all ask ourselves at some point in our lives...what if?

"Hindsight" airs Wednesday nights at 10/9c on VH1. If you missed an episode or would just like to see them again you can find them on vh1.com, along with a playlist of songs from each episode.

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