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For her directorial debut, *Come Simi*, Jenica Bergere named Winner of Best Filmed Screenplay at 2015 Hollywood Reel Independent Film Festival (HRIFF) showcasing the best in new cinema and classic filmmaking.

In the award winning film, *Come Simi*, a twenty minute drive to Simi Valley turns into an odyssey for a family of three inextricably linked and slightly crazy women.

On a beautiful fall morning in Los Angeles, at the seemingly simple request of her estranged aunt (Fionnula Flanagan) to “come see me”, the nine-month-pregnant and terrified-of-motherhood Jenica (Jenica Bergere) endeavors to take her mother (Karen Landry), who clutches an ammo box allegedly stuffed with money, suffers from dementia and nears death, to reunite with her sister. After gathering her mother from her nursing home, and not wanting to go it alone, Jenica enlists the help of her two best friends and her husband only to be sweetly and humorously turned down by all. Believing that she must repair what is broken within her own small family before giving birth, Jenica realizes that she now must attempt to locate her own estranged sister (Tawny Kitaen), the aging porn actress, so that the three women can trek to Simi Valley together; All of this in her effort to avoid being helplessly, hopelessly bound to the behaviors of her mother, her sister, and her own past. Jenica feels certain that after she accomplishes this feat of familial reconciliation, her daughter can be born into a harmonious home and she can be the mother she truly wants to be. In her mind, this

becomes a race against the ticking clock of nature as Jenica knows the time before her daughter comes and her mother goes is extremely limited.

You never know where life will take you and as Jenica learns in *Come Simi*, life's route, however preplanned, is fraught with detours, never direct, but always runs through love, humor, hope, and even a bit of crazy.

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