

Fourteen



**A short film by
Jahnelle Jones**



LOGLINE:

On her 24th birthday a drunk young woman is brought back to a sleepover where she had an unsettling interaction with a young man.





Title: Fourteen
Year of Production: 2025
Duration: 9:34
Country of Origin: Canada
Genre: Drama/Comedy

Screening Format: 4k DCP or Digital Copy
Aspect Ratio: 23:9:1
Sound: AAC Stereo

Language: English





Director's Statement:



Fourteen is a coming-of-age short film about the dark side of sleepovers and the lasting effects of sexual exploitation. The film follows Dani on her 24th birthday as a panic attack causes her to get sucked back into the past and relive a sleepover from her childhood.

The mystery of the 'girl's sleepover' has been hypothesized and over-sexualized to death but the truth is sometimes there is a dark underbelly to it all. Staying up late googling dirty videos, chatting with strangers online, drinking, texting crushes, showing everyone your folder of nudes, sneaking boys in, looking up age of consent laws for when a certain celebrity rolls into town...

I'm not quite sure when sleepover activities transition from eating so many sweets you can't fall asleep and seriously discussing when it's the right time to start wearing a bra to the darker stuff, but I suspect it happens slowly and then all at once. Fourteen is a film about that shift and the danger it can hold.



Trailer Link





Jahnelle Jones

Jahnelle Jones is a Black queer Toronto based filmmaker, writer, actor and winner of the Most Well Rounded Student Award (circa grade 6). Jahnelle's work uses comedy to tackle taboo and difficult topics with a much needed levity.

Jahnelle co-founded Second Adolescence Productions, a production company focused on creating diverse coming-of-age stories. Under Second Adolescence, she made her debut short film Fourteen, which was selected for the 2025 Toronto Independent Film Festival, and she is currently in development on her second short film Keeping It Causal.

In 2022, Jahnelle's project Fan Club, a coming of age adventure comedy, was selected for the Independent Production Fund x CMF Short Form Series Development Program and was supported by the Canada Council for the Arts. Fan Club is now being developed as a feature film.

As an actor Jahnelle has appeared in The Handmaid's Tale (Hulu), Rabbit Hole (Paramount +), and various independent projects. She has also worked as a producer at the world renown live arts festival SummerWorks. Jahnelle enjoys bringing art to life in many facets and is excited to see what she'll bring to life next.

Filmography:

Fourteen (2025)

Keeping It Casual (Upcoming)



Director/Writer	Jahnelle Jones
Producer	Lola Gafaar
Cinematographer	Asmaa Er-Rouhi
Editor	Sarah McGowan
Sound Editor/Designer	Alexandra Huynh-Do

Starring	Kat Khan
	Cristiana Vidinovski
	Fontina Fourtounes
	Christine Horne
	Brett Houghton



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