

RENT-A-JUAN

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EXT. HOUSE - BLACK AND WHITE - DAY

A young white gardener is mowing the lawn. A sad FEMALE HOMEOWNER looks on.

VINCE (V.O.)

Do you feel bad for making a white kid do a menial task?

FEMALE HOMEOWNER

He should be in medical school, not mowing my lawn.

EXT. HOUSE - BLACK AND WHITE - DAY

A black handy man, in a hoodie, is installing some gutters, while a nervous MALE HOMEOWNER looks on.

VINCE (V.O.)

Or do you feel uncomfortable around black people?

MALE HOMEOWNER

Could... could you put your hood down? Please? I mean, no offense. We cool. We cool.

EXT. FRONT OF A HOME DEPOT - DAY

VINCE (30's, shady sales guy) drives a pick-up truck to a group of Hispanic migrant workers while hanging out the window.

VINCE

Then call "Rent-a-Juan"! The simple, racially neutral alternative to staff all your household labor needs. With Rent-A-Juan, it's okay! They're only Mexicans.

EXT. HOUSE - DAY

A worker is mowing the lawn.

VINCE (V.O.)
 You could hire a Juan for yard work
 without looking like a plantation
 owner, --

INT. HOUSE - DAY

A 12 year old migrant worker is taking out the garbage, while
 the female homeowner and her son look on.

VINCE (V.O.)
 -- or hire a little Juan to do your
 child's chores so they have more
 time for schoolwork and
 opportunity, --

EXT. SHOPPING CENTER - DAY

A migrant female nanny is walking with two white children.

VINCE (V.O.)
 -- or even hire a Juanita to take
 care of your kids without the fear
 of people calling the cops on her.

Two white women walk by.

WOMAN 1
 Why are those white kids with that
 woman? She kidnapped them!

WOMAN 2
 It's okay, she's a Latina, not
 black, which means she's the nanny.

EXT. SHIPPING YARD - DAY

Vince walks up to a shipping container.

VINCE
 And if you call right now, I'll
 throw in a Rent-a-Ming!

He opens the container door, revealing a group of Chinese
 refugees, and pulls out MING (10 year old girl).

VINCE (CONT'D)
 Her small hands make her perfect
 for those small, hard to reach
 projects!

INT. BEDROOM - DAY

Ming is beading sequence into a dress while the female homeowner looks on.

VINCE (V.O.)
Like decorating your favorite
dress, --

EXT. BACKYARD - DAY

Covered in filth encrusted bite and scratch marks, Ming crawls from under the house holding a dead raccoon. The male homeowner looks on.

VINCE (V.O.)
-- and pest control!

EXT. HOME DEPOT - DAY

Vince is standing with his Juans, Juanita and Ming.

VINCE
So quit being afraid or embarrassed
to hire low-wage workers. Come to
Rent-A-Juan, the racially-neutral
alternative for all your household
labor needs. Just remember, at Rent-
A-Juan, it's okay! They're only
Mexicans.

Ming gives Vince a confused look.

Blackout.