

# the vampire drudgarias

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# THE VAMPIRE DRUDGERIES

A play for teenagers

## CAST

**Anton** – a teenage vampire

**Count Dracula** (also known as Vlad) – Anton’s sire

**Bride of Dracula** – Vlad’s wife, Anton’s Vampire ‘mother’

**Witch (Portia)** - Portia is the ‘take charge’ type

**Witch (Dementia)** - Is a quite a bit weird, absent-minded, and flighty

**Male Witch (Larry)** – Is actually an unsuccessful Warlock without a coven. Joined up with Portia, then they added Dementia, as witches actually usually operate in ‘threes’.

**Dr Frankenstein** – a scientist, well over the edge of sanity. Also a lush. Keeps drinking from hipflask.

**Madelain** – Anton’s vampire sister. Is a particularly ancient and evil vampire (though of course still young and beautiful looking), and even other vampires tend to be a wee bit afraid of her.

**Dean** }

**Sam** } - out of work ‘demon hunters’. They are definitely a ‘nod’ to the Winchester brothers of “Supernatural”

**Wilfred** - a **Werewolf** – is incontinent...changes at odd times, not just full moon. This started happening when the Nosferatu stopped human-killings

**iWitches** – Why can’t witches also be obsessed with their iPhones and social media?

**Zombies** – Are never quite sure what is going on and always a couple of steps behind everyone else.

## A prequel

The Ruling Council of all things supernatural (called the Nosferatu), have decreed that, in order to keep the existence of supernatural beings a secret from humans, and since there have been too many ‘close shaves’, that beings such as Vampires, Zombies, and other flesh/blood eating creatures, may no longer eat humans.

This has caused unforeseen side-effects amongst all supernatural beings, and the supernatural community is chaffing under the New Decree.

Many have gathered at the Deathday party of a young Vampire named Anton (a “Deathday” is the day a Vampire leaves this mortal coil and becomes a supernatural being) to celebrate with him and his family, and to discuss the problems the New Decree has had upon them and the community.

*(Lights down, **spotlight** on back of theater...a young vampire "Anton" comes in, pointedly smells humans, and chats away as he slowly makes his way to the stage with spotlight following him.)*

ANTON

Hellooooo! Ah it smells so wonderful in here! *(sniffs one person)* Hmmmm.... some 'O negative' here, ey? *(chuckles)*. *(moves to someone else)* Ah yes, good old 'AB positive'! *(Feels someone's brow)*. Oh dear, a little OVER 98.4 here, I'd say. Hmm? Ohhh its all soooo.....tempting! *(slaps own wrist)* But no....NO....I promised....  
*(Stage whisper to nearest human)* Haven't eaten a human in a while.... NEW RULES.... Getting somewhat tedious though, I must say!

*(Moves up to stage and looks around)*

So I'm he-ere! As promised! On time! Where IS everyone!

*(Lights up as assorted Vampires, Werewolves, Witches, Dr. Frankenstein, a ghost or two, all shout):-*

ALL

Surprise!!!!!!!!!!

ZOMBIES

*(late)*

Suuuurpri....zzzzze...

iWITCH 1

*(snapping selfies around Anton)*. Totally gonna tweet that!

iWITCH 2

Hashtag – PAAARTY

BRIDE OF DRACULA

Happy Deathday, son! I still remember the day...400 years ago! You were a timid young man desperate to escape the life of drudgery you were born into, when Vlad and I found you in that dark ally....

COUNT DRACULA (VLAD)

Yes, yes dear...don't smother the boy! *(Takes Anton by the shoulders and tries to lead him away)*  
Have you by any chance seen your sister around?

ANTON

Well you know she's always fashionably....  
*(Three witches grab Anton before he can finish)*

WITCH 1 (PORTIA)

Anton, we HAVE to talk!

WITCH 2 (DEMENTIA)

We do? We have to talk to Anton? *(is quite delighted)* What about? *(Dementia is an airhead)*

ZOMBIES

*(converging on Dementia)* Braaaaaainssss.....

ZOMBIES 1

*(realizing Dementia's brain is not worth eating)....* Oh wait....never mind!

WITCH 3 (LARRY)

Seriously, does she HAVE to behave like Anton is a....*(struggles to say it without gagging)....* Jonas Brother? *[Or insert name latest boy band craze]*

*(Dementia fails to see the sarcasm and gives Larry a cheerful thumbs up)*

WITCH 1 (PORTIA)

Larry, can you just be nice....ONCE!

WITCH 3 (LARRY)

I WAS! Last week, remember?

WITCH 2 (DEMENTIA)

Ooo yes, he was! I remember!!!

iWITCH 3

*(to other iWitches)* She's totes demented on facebook too!

WITCH 1 (PORTIA)

People!!! Focus! Anton....the omens are not good! Last night as I was reading a pigeon's entrails....

DR FRANKENSTEIN

*(Comes to Anton's rescue rudely interrupting Portia)*

Now, now ladies...allow the man to breathe! It IS his Deathday. And I for one have acquired the Deathday gift to end all Deathday gifts! *(Dr F gets quite animated as he speaks, and his gestures include the audience)*

ANTON

*(Totally not believing his luck as he looks out towards the audience hungrily)*

Oh Doctor Frank....for me? You know JUST what a man needs... *(starts towards the audience licking his lips. All see him just in time and charge forward to stop him)*

ALL

*(ADLIBBING– except iWitches and Zombies)*  
No...Anton...stop...what are you doing....(to Dr F)...what did you tell him?!!!

*(They grab Anton back before he can jump off the stage)*

iWITCHES

*(ADLIB about pics of incident as MADELAIN enters from audience)*

iWITCH 1

Anton's so gone cray cray!

iWITCH 2

Would be in such trubs if he ate any of them

iWITCH 3

Nosforatu take their decrees totes seriously!

MADELAIN *(Arriving on stage)*

Daahhhhlings!

ALL

*(ADLIB greetings to Madelain, but it is obvious she makes everyone nervous.)*

MADELAIN

*(Glides up to Anton, grabs both his cheeks)*

What's all this? My dear brother causing trouble in his Deathday? Ah, he learnt from the best!

ANTON

Hello sister! Brought some fresh bunny rabbit for the party?

*(Sam and Dean enter carrying guns and blood covered sack with something medium size inside)*

SAM

Did someone order 'bunny rabbit'? *(throws sack down and all blood drinkers gather round and look longingly at sack).*

DEAN

Not as much fun as hunting YOU guys, but, well, since the whole "Monsters are our friends" thing, what's an old 'monster hunter' to do?!

SAM

But hey, we draw the line at Golden Retriever! *(Looks pointedly at Larry, who looks embarrassed but still defiant)*

*(Several vamps and others grab the sack and move upstage in a clump to eat the rabbit, while the non-blood drinking party-goers gather downstage right continuing party in mime, along with Anton who has indicated he's not in the mood for rabbit. The Three witches gather Sam and Dean, and head downstage left for a conversation. Portia hands them both a drink as they all sit)*

DEAN

*(In reflective mood)*  
How did we get here?

WITCH 2 (DEMENTIA)

Well that would depend on where you have come FROM!  
*(All look at her till she stops smiling)*

DEAN

I mean, how did we get HERE!? To this point in time!

SAM

To where Dean and I are reduced to hunting rabbit!

WITCH 3 (LARRY)

Blame it all on the Nosforatu's great new "Open Doors policy"! No more secrecy, no more mystery! No more terrorizing humans!

WITCH 1 (PORTIA)

They deny it, but I know they are the ones leaking information to selected humans: Ann Rice, LJ Smith, Stephanie Meyers...

WITCH 2 (DEMENTIA)

Oh....oh....I have one!! JK Rowling!!!

WITCH 3 (LARRY)

No fruit-loop, she thought THAT up all on her own! Good grief....if ONLY witches didn't have to run in packs of THREE.....!

iWITCH & ZOMBIE LINES

*(ADLIB lines about the unfairness of that necessity)*

*(While this conversation has been happening Madelain has wandered down to the audience again. She bumps into Wilfred.)*  
*(Spotlight on Madelain and Wilfred)*

MADELAIN

A Wilfred old boy, a bit late, what?  
*(Wilfred looks a little embarrassed and is hiding something behind his back)*  
What's wrong?

WILFRED  
Er...nothing...

MADELAIN  
Well what are you hiding behind your back, then?  
*(Wilfred chucks a life-size ragdoll into the audience nearby (so that Madelain can still reach it to pick it up.)*

WILFRED  
Nothing! There's nothing behind my back!

MADELAIN  
*(Sees what it is, grabs it unceremoniously)* Tsk, tsk, tsk!....  
You ate a HUMAN, didn't you.  
*(During next dialogue, they both walk down the aisle and stand in front of audience before the stage)*

WILFRED  
*(Mortified and panicked)*  
It's not my fault! Since the new decree, nothing is....RIGHT! The whole universe has gone crazy!

MADELAIN  
There, there, Wilfred. I understand.

WILFRED  
I used to have it all under control! New Moon coming along, I'd know the 'transformation' was coming, would scurry off to the woods, do my 'werewolf' thing....now there's just no warning! It happens any time, any place...

MADELAIN  
What, you kill people any time, any place?

WILFRED  
No!! The Transformation...the transformation happens any time, any place. I have no control!  
I'm....an..... INCONTINENT WEREWOLF!!

MADELAIN  
Look, we're all pretty much in the same boat these days. Not that I'm incontinent or anything, but I do understand the more...er....primal urges. But better make sure the others don't see the body!  
Tell you what, I'll help you take care of it. Mums the word, ey? *(She grabs the dummy and they both slink up on to the stage.)*

*(At this point Bride of Dracula claps hands and excitedly gets everyone's attention)*

BRIDE OF DRACULA

Now that everyone is here....There is no more perfect time to all get together and have a...

DR FRANKENSTEIN

A meeting! A Blood Drinker's Anonymous meeting! Fortunately, I don't have THAT problem!  
*(Takes out hip flask and takes a few swigs)*

COUNT DRACULA

*(Sarcastically)* No – blood drinking is NOT one of your problems. But how is the whole 'creating a man' business been for you lately?

DR FRANKENSTEIN

Oh slow! Slow! Reduced to raiding city morgues these days. No more scouring dark alleys for your left-overs, no, no! What with vampires and co. not killing humans any more, good, clean, intact, body parts are harder to come by. These days it's all those vehicle accidents, you know! Destroys a body, you know...hardly much use at all....*(rambles on...)*

COUNT DRACULA

*(Getting bored with Dr F's ramblings)* Yes, well, we are all suffering! Hard times, hard times.

*(While this conversation has been going on, everyone else has been reluctantly putting chairs in a semi-circle under BofD's supervision)*

BRIDE OF DRACULA

It's always good to re-affirm our mission! No time like the present! EVERYONE is welcome to stay and join us. The more support, the better!

ANTON

Mother, I thought this was my Deathday party!

BRIDE OF DRACULA

All the more reason, son! *(Continues to try to get everyone to sit down while Anton sulks)*

*(While this is all going on, Madelain and Wilfred arrive on stage and bump into witches who are trying to escape the meeting)*

*(Much "Oops"-ing and "Sorry" etc as they collide. Witches are immediately suspicious)*

WITCH 2 (DEMENTIA)

Wilfred, you're late! But never mind, you're here now!!

ZOMBIE & iWITCH LINES

*(ADLIB lines)*

WITCH 3 (LARRY)

Hey, what's THIS? *(sees the body behind Madelain's back and tries to grab it. There is a moment when all realize what it is, all try to hide the body from view of those at the meeting)*



