

TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE

EPISODE 1: SEASON 3

"BARRY" SPEC - HBO

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Previously On:

Unable to bring himself to shoot Gene, Fuches flees the scene. Barry and Gene are taken into custody. Barry is soon released, while Gene is arrested on suspicion of killing Janice. Barry calls Fuches and promises to kill him. Gene's students, sans Gene, perform their scenes in a professional theatrical venue secured by Sally's agent, Lindsay. Sally changes her scene with Barry mid-performance, declaring to Sam, played by Barry, that they are finished before Sam can choke her, as originally scripted. Sally's performance is met with acclaim from the audience and Lindsay's colleagues, though the two of them are dismayed that they are getting attention from telling a lie.

Meanwhile, NoHo Hank and the Chechens move into the Buddhist monastery, previously held by the Burmese mob, and arm themselves for an imminent fight with the Bolivians and the Burmese. Hank reaches out to Barry for help, but Barry refuses to come. Fuches, seeking protection from Barry, brokers a peace between all three gangs, bringing Hank and Cristobal back together in a tearful reunion. The police release Gene to Leo, his son, after finding Hank's Chechen pin near Moss's body, planted there by Barry. Barry attempts to call Gene, but instead talks to Leo, who tells him that Gene has been cleared of all charges and released. Barry tells Leo that his dad was right, and people really can change their nature. However, Barry gets a text from Hank almost immediately afterwards revealing Fuches's location.

Barry travels to the monastery and kills nearly all of the gang members, including Esther and Mayrbeck, as he pursues Fuches, who successfully escapes. NoHo Hank's successor Batir, sent from Chechnya, finds Hank alive at the temple, and is pleased with him for killing Esther. Later, Gene remembers something Fuches whispered to him before he left Gene with Moss's body: "Barry Berkman did this."

Synopsis Of Season 2; Episode 8:

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Barry sits there looking devastated.

INT. CHECHEN UNDERGROUND SAFEHOUSE - LATER

Batir stands looking over a table of evidence with other Chechen gang members. Noho Hank is on the outskirts of the circle trying to peak in.

CHECHEN GANG MEMBER #2

The police are occupying our former headquarters. They found a Chechen pin in the trunk with a dead body and are now looking to connect us with the murder.

BATIR

How did the pin get there?

CHECHEN GANG MEMBER #3

Noho Hank gave it to Barry as a thank you for him training us.

All eyes glare at Noho Hank.

NOHO HANK

Come on guys. I didn't know-

Fuches steps in front of Noho Hank coming to his defense.

FUCHES

I think what this points to is; what we need to focus on is Barry, not Hank.

NOHO HANK

(pleased, thanking him
while correcting him)
Noho Hank.

FUCHES

We point the police in the right direction. All the blame falls on him and you-we, are out of the doghouse.

NOHO HANK

(whispering to Fuches)
Will Fleetwood Mac never play together again?

FUCHES
 (ignoring Hank)
 I can get you Barry but I need
 protection.
 (beat)
 Do we have a deal?

Batir walks over slowly to Fuches. We are not sure if he is going to kill him or hug him. Batir extends his hand.

BATIR
 (speaking in Chechen)
 Deal.

Fuches takes his hand and shakes it, smiling. Noho Hank leans in.

NOHO HANK
 (whispering)
 He just said "Deal" in Chechen.

Fuches looks at Noho Hank, annoyed. The 3 other gang members CHEER and bust out Vodka and shot glasses. They pour everyone a shot except Noho Hank. Noho Hank goes to reach for one but they are quickly all snapped up by others. He waves his hand.

NOHO HANK (CONT'D)
 No worries guys. I'll get the next
 round.

As they shoot the Vodka they all CHEER. Noho Hank's phone RINGS. He steps aside to answer.

NOHO HANK (CONT'D)
 Noho Hank here.

EXT. SHIPYARD - CONTINUOUS

CRISTOBAL SIFUENTES leans against a cargo storage bin.

CRISTOBAL
 (whispering/relieved)
 Hank!

INTERCUT BETWEEN SHIPYARD AND CHECHEN UNDERGROUND SAFEHOUSE

NOHO HANK
 Cristobal?

CRISTOBAL
 Yes!

NOHO HANK
You're alive?

CRISTOBAL
Yes!

NOHO HANK
(starting to get teary)
I was so worried.

CRISTOBAL
Me too. Listen, I need you to meet
me.

NOHO HANK
Anytime, any place.

Noho Hank hangs up the phone with a big, excited grin across his face. The grin quickly fades to concern.

NOHO HANK (CONT'D)
I didn't ask what time or place.
(beat, playing off)
I'll just text him.

Back to his chipper self, Noho Hank starts to text Cristobal.

INT. BARRY'S APARTMENT

Barry's PHONE RINGS. Screen reads: INCOMING CALL FROM SALLY.
He answers.

SALLY (O.S.)
Barry?

BARRY
Hey.

INT. SALLY'S APARTMENT - CONTINUOUS

SALLY
I've been calling you. I haven't
heard from you since the showcase.
I just wanted to talk.

DIVISIVE CUT BETWEEN SALLY'S APARTMENT and BARRY'S APARTMENT

BARRY
Do you think people can change?

SALLY

Aren't you even going to fight for me asshole? After everything I've done for you?

BARRY

Why would I? You sound like your mind's made up anyway. You are so focused on your own stupid life you're so disconnected from what I'm dealing with and don't seem to care at all so I think you're right. We should break up. I don't think I ever want to date another actor.

SALLY

How dare you!

INT. BARRY'S APARTMENT - CONTINUOUS

BARRY

Goodbye Sally.

Barry HANGS UP. Barry's phone RINGS again. He answers.

FUCHES (O.S.)

We need to talk. Meet me in one hour. I'll text you the address.

Fuches hangs up. Barry stands up and begins strapping on VARIOUS WEAPONS he is bringing with him. He means business.

EXT. SHIPYARD - NIGHT

Noho Hank is trying to discreetly sneak around. He sees Cristobal and rushes to him. They EMBRACE.

NOHO HANK

(almost crying)
I'm so happy.

CRISTOBAL

We are blessed.

NOHO HANK

So blessed. Oh my god are we blessed.

They slowly loosen their hug. There is an awkward moment.

NOHO HANK (CONT'D)
So, what did you need to tell me?

Beat.

CRISTOBAL
I love you Hank.

NOHO HANK
I love you too Cristobal.

CRISTOBAL
No, I love you love you.

NOHO HANK
Are you sure?

CRISTOBAL
Yes. We almost died at the
monastery. I can't keep lying. Life
is too short and I see that now.

NOHO HANK
You're right. Life is too short as
they say.
(beat)
I love you love you too Cristobal.

Noho Hank takes Cristobal's hand. They EMBRACE and KISS. It
is passionate. They almost FALL over leaning against cargo.

NOHO HANK (CONT'D)
Wow. Is this love?
(beat)
Wohoo! Yipee! I'm in love with
Cristobal Sifuentes and I don't
care who knows it.

Cristobal LAUGHS and SHUSHES Noho Hank.

CRISTOBAL
I'm flattered and we still have to
be careful.

NOHO HANK
Absolutely. Are you kidding me?
Super secret. Criss cross my heart
hope to die.

CRISTOBAL
Listen. I will follow you anywhere.
I don't care about being the leader
anymore.

(MORE)

CRISTOBAL (CONT'D)

There are only three of my people left and they support our love. So what's next boss?

Noho Hank and Cristobal GIGGLE.

NOHO HANK

So funny story, Batir just came in from Chechnya and I sort of got demoted. We just found out the police are after us cause Barry left this pin I gave him in the trunk of this car with a dead body and now the plan is go with Fuches and kill Barry so we can pin it on him. No pun intended.

CRISTOBAL

Is that what you want to do?

NOHO HANK

No, absolutely not. I love Barry. I don't want to kill him. I don't want to kill anymore people. I feel like I had a, what they call, an epiphany at the monastery. I don't want to be a mob boss anymore either.

CRISTOBAL

I feel exactly the same way.

Beat.

CRISTOBAL (CONT'D)

But it seems like we'll need to kill Batir, Fuches and the rest of your men for us to be free to live our new enlightened life.

NOHO HANK

Absolutely.

CRISTOBAL

But after that we are done with killing.

NOHO HANK

Oh totally yes. No more killing after that.

Noho Hank and Cristobal look into each others eyes and KISS.