# Xanadu Shores

# Episode II

# "ALL THAT GLITTERS"



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The Xanadu Team becomes embroiled in a complicated gem heist, involving a beautiful Russian woman and her nefarious employer.

OPENING SCENE: MAJOR PLAYERS ARE INTRODUCED IN THE BANK LOBBY.

The Premier Bank is hosting a cocktail party offering a reward to **Sean Landers[SEAN]** for rescuing **Ace, Babs, and Daria,** capturing the criminals, and saving the bank's coins. The award generates publicity and a list of prestigious clients. Sean is front and center with Ace, Daria and Babs to his left.

SCENE #1 [INT] [AFT] BANK LOBBY.

# Premier Bank President

It is my pleasure to award this check of \$100,000 dollars to Sean Landers for his determination and bravery, rescuing his friends, and retrieving our coins. Thank you, again.

# **SEAN**

My pleasure sir. It was a total team effort, following the trail left by my partner ACE, [ALOYISIOUS COURTNEY EMERSON], with the help of Agent DARIA DEMARCO [DARIA] we were able to rescue Miss BABINGTON CHASE [BABS]. Xanadu Enterprises will use these funds to expand operations offering security and transportation by land, sea and air.

The well publicized coverage has caught the attention of Vladimir Vorbop [VLAD] a toupee- wearing international jeweler specializing in exotic jewelry and gems, standing at the front.



# VLAD

Congratulations Mr. Landers on your rescue and reward. My name is **Vladimir Vorbop [VLAD**]. Xanadu Enterprises seems to be the team everyone wants to hire. Your rescue mission was nothing short of spectacular.

#### **SEAN**

Thank you sir, Please call me Sean. This is our team, Ace Daria and Babs.

# ACE

Nice to meet you Vlad.

#### VLAD

I have a transportation and security job for you, flying myself and about ten million dollars in jewelry to a show I'm sponsoring at the Paradise Casino, Nassau. We'd like to leave as soon as possible, tomorrow would be ideal. My assistant NATALIA DRESVINA [NAT] will handle everything.

## SEAN

We can do that. Where is your office?

# **VLAD**

The Seybold Building in Miami, Say 11am. Here's my card:

Amantine International 111 Seybold Building Miami F1. 33302 Vladamir Vorpov-Owner/Designer 305-561-4072



There's a full body front shot of Natalia, a long haired platinum blonde with icy blue eyes, wearing an extraordinary short shirt, extending her hand to everyone.

#### ACE

Very nice to meet you Natalia. We'll be there Vlad.

As Vlad is leaving, he approaches [BABS] offering her champagne in his personal limo. Her feminine intuition is alerted by his attempt to impress her using prestige and wealth. She turns him down, walking away, telling no one, unsure if her psychological paranoia is the residual effect of her previous kidnapping.

#### VLAD

May I offer you some champagne and a ride somewhere?

# **BABS**

No, I never ride with strangers.

#### VLAD

Perhaps we can become more than strangers.

# **BABS**

Perhaps but not today.

SCENE #2 [EXT] [MORN] AERIAL BOAT & PLANE OVERLOOKING MIAMI.

The team converges in Miami with Sean and Daria flying in on the 'Atmospheric Dancer', Ace and Babs arrive on the 'Xcellent Sea'.

SCENE #3 [INT] [MORNING] INSIDE VLADS OFFICE.



# VLAD

Welcome, nice to see everyone again.

#### **SEAN**

This is a beautiful view Vlad. I'm impressed.

Daria oversees our security and Babs is our office manager.

# VLAD

Thank you. Clients and aficionados from around the world in need of an island vacation will be arriving at the casino tonight to participate in my silent auction. I want your team to fly me over with my jewelry and gems so customers can get a good look at my line. We have rooms for your team and Natalia has taken care of everything.

# NAT

Yes, welcome. I've already arranged accommodations for our guests and your team to stay at the Paradise Resort.

# ACE

That's definitely doable. Will you be flying over Natalia?

# NAT

No, I wish to travel by boat. I'm happiest on the water

## **VLAD**

I'll fly over with Sean and my current inventory.

#### DARIA

This is a great location. Are we transporting the jewelry in these cases? How much in total?



# VLAD

Over ten million. Much of the jewelry you see is on consignment, with more in the vault and more coming later. I'll have a complete inventory list prepared when we leave.

#### ACE

That's good news on the security, Daria and Babs can coordinate everything with Natalia.

#### **BABS**

We'll make it work.

Their egos soar, accepting his offer, with security reporting directly to Daria.

# SCENE #4 [INT] [LATE-AFT] VLAD'S OFFICE IN MIAMI.

Vlad changes the plan, Sean and Daria will fly Natalia over escorted by two Russian security guards on the 'Atmospheric Dancer' Ace and Babs come over on the Sea'. Vlad arrives later.

# **SEAN**

We're ready to load up and leave Vlad.

## **VLAD**

There's been a change in plans. The shipment hasn't arrived yet. It's in customs. You fly Natalia with my collection over now, and I'll bring the consignment jewelry later.

# **SEAN**



Sounds good to me.

# DARIA

Who's responsible for security?

# VLAD

I hired a few specialists to help Natalia, but you'll be flying me back. What's your plane's passenger capacity?

# **SEAN**

Ten or more if they're slender. Where's Natalia?

# VLAD

She's bringing some of my collection from the vault.

# NAT

I'm ready to go with the inventory you requested Vlad.

# **SEAN**

Is that all?

# NAT

The staging equipment and my luggage are downstairs.

# **SEAN**

Ok Vlad we're off. I'll notify Ace.

#### VLAD

Sure. I'll see you later tonight. Have a safe flight.



The two men downstairs have loaded the limo awaiting Natalia Sean, and Daria, driving to the marina, boarding the *Dancer'*.

# SCENE #5 [EXT] [LATE-EVE] THE OUTSIDE ENTRANCE TO THE CASINO.

Nassau's Paradise Casino is swarming formally dressed wealthy attendees wearing their best jewelry, anxiously waiting for **VLAD** to arrive. **ACE** is at the beach entrance working security, cordially screening attendees outside, when Natalia appears.

# ACE

I see you made it over with Sean. Did you enjoy the ride?

#### NAT

The flight was smooth and Sean was very pleasant. Actually I'm interested in your boat. Could we see it tonight?

## ACE

Sure. Everybody that's supposed to be here is here. Let's see if someone will cover the door for me.

# NAT

I'd like that. Vlad should be on the way. Maybe he's already at the dock.

Speaking in Russian, she calls a security guard, then leads Ace towards the beach, lifting her dress, slipping off her shoes, and letting her hair down.

# SCENE #6 [INT] [EVE] THE CASINO PARTY BALLROOM.



Sean, Daria and Babs are inside the venue coordinating security circulating in tux and gown.

#### DARIA

Has anyone seen our host?

#### **BABS**

No. Where is Ace? He's not at the door.

# **SEAN**

He and Natalia wandered outside towards the dock. She seemed curiously interested in the 'Xcellent Sea'. I overheard them talking about meeting Vlad at the dock.

#### DARIA

Who's watching the door?

## **BABS**

It looks like one of their security specialists.

# **SEAN**

That's fine. The place is full up waiting on our host. Let's go and have some fun, ladies.

# **BABS**

Wearing this gown makes me feel so beautiful.

#### DARIA

Babs, you are beautiful.

# SEAN



Absolutely. May I have the next dance, beautiful?

# **BABS**

Ready, willing and able, handsome, let's go!

#### DARIA

Have fun, I'll circulate.

#### **BABS**

She's always on the job.

# SCENE #7 [EXT] [MIDNIGHT] THE DOCK-BOAT.

ACE helps NAT onto the boat, as they squeeze into the bolster seat. She grasps the throttles with her lovely long fingers, as he puts his hands on hers, with her perfumed hair arousing him.

## NAT

It doesn't look too difficult to drive.

# ACE

Get a good grip girl.

[CONT] Raising the lids, obstructing the casino view, the loud engines mask the bandits on waverunners arriving on the beach.

## NAT

Do you have anything to drink, Ace?

#### ACE

Yes, champagne, below. Let me shut off the motors.



# NAT

Let's celebrate our meeting and the show's success.

#### ACE

Cheers sweetheart! How did you come to work for Vlad?

#### NAT

I grew up about 20 miles from St. Petersburg on Kotlin Island. There wasn't much to do except swim and get on the computer. I learned Java script while competing on the Soviet swim team. Vlad approached me in his jewelry store.

# NAT

Is Ace your Christian name?

# ACE

No, it's Aloysius Courtney Emerson, my initials ACE.

#### NAT

That's very cute. Ace sounds more romantic and adventurous. I miss the warm summer nights of Kotlin and skinny dipping.

# ACE

It never gets cold here.

# NAT

That's what I like about Florida.

#### ACE

The weather or skinny dipping?

# NAT



Both.

After the small talk below, Ace takes Natalia in his arms, her long blonde hair framing her beautiful blue eyes, which reflect off the moonlight, her long legs lay in the bunk as they succumb to each other's charm, passionately kissing.

# SCENE #8 [INT] [MIDNIGHT] THE CASINO BALLROOM VENUE.

The event doors are sealed as gas renders everyone unconscious. The gas-mask wearing bandits burst in stealing everyone's valuables as the music gets louder, leaving on souped up waverunners causing Ace to pause. Natalia tries restraining him.

# SCENE #9 [INT] [MIDNIGHT] ON THE BOAT-DOCK.

#### ACE

The music has gotten louder. Did you hear any motors?

## NAT

It's nothing darling, stay here.

# SCENE #10 [EXT] [MIDNIGHT] THE CASINO BEACH.

Alarms go off as smoke billows from the event with people staggering, gasping, watching the waverunners flee out to sea. A semi-disheveled Natalia exits the boat, almost expecting this to happen with a look of supremacy, as Daria runs towards them.

# DARIA



Go after them Ace, everyones been robbed.

NAT

Let them go Ace, please.

ACE

It's my job. I'll be back. They can't outrun me.

NAT

Smurf (smert)

[CONT] SCENE #10 [EXT] [MIDNIGHT] THE CASINO BEACH semi-BRAWL.

Ace gives chase disappearing into the moonlight. Natalia struts towards them, grinning like the prom queen who's just taken someone's beau. There's a <u>mild</u> struggle with Babs, as they roll on the grass[beach] before Daria separates them.

SCENE #11 [EXT] [MID] THE SHOALS-BOAT BLOWN UP.

Ace, unable to follow the bandits into the shoals, circles around, watching as they rendezvous with a cruiser yacht. Cautiously approaching, he calls the Marine Patrol when the boat and the waverunners explode. Idling towards the debris he sees a silhouette waving his arms signaling for HELP!

#### ACE

The authorities are their own way to pick you up, mon'. Make yourself comfortable on those rocks over there.

VLAD



Help me Ace, it's me Vladimir! They blew up my boat!

# ACE

What happened Vlad? Are you alright?

#### VLAD

Yes. My boat had electrical problems so I was unable to use the radio. I thought the waverunners were there to help, but they threw me overboard just before the boat exploded. What are you doing here?

# ACE

Apparently those bandits robbed the casino. I lost them in the shallows. Let's get back to shore and sort this out.

#### VLAD

Sounds good, your timing is impeccable. Thanks Ace.

# SCENE #12 [INT] [EARLY AM] THE CASINO LOBBY.

Vlad is grateful to Ace for saving his life, thanking him profusely, before reuniting with Natalia who explains everyone's been robbed. His demeanor changes from gratitude to anger.

#### **VLAD**

Where in the hell was security?

#### THE PRIMARY PLAYERS:

- 1. ACE Aloysius Courtney Emerson CDR US Navy, Hero, Friend
- 2. SEAN Sean Landers Lt. US Navy, Hero, Friend.
- 3. BABS Babington Chase Beautiful, Busty, Blonde, Witty.
- 4. DARIA Daria DeMarco Double DD's, Demure, Friend, Agent

- 5. VLAD Vladimir Vorbop Boss, Jeweler, Serial Criminal.
- 6. NAT- Natalia Dresvina- Beautiful Blonde Russian Woman.

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