# **Jumelles**



Genre: Psychological drama / science fiction / auteur film

Tone: Intimate, dark, minimal, cybernetic, haunted by grief and memory

World: A near or undefined future. Cold, dehumanized society. Few secondary characters.

Sparse dialogue, strong visuals, pervasive silence.

## **CENTRAL CONCEPT**

In a world where bioethics allow memory implants of the dead into the living, a teenage girl lives with the implanted consciousness of her twin sister — who died at birth.

The procedure was forced. Believed to have failed, she's placed in foster care. But the memory is alive.

And the dead sister quietly grows inside her.

# **MAIN THEMES**

Implanted memory / fractured identity

Sisterly bond (intimacy, fusion, pain, solitude, unspoken ties)

Unresolved grief / absence of the mother

Inner survival and search for meaning

Ethics, technology, and mental resistance

Silence as resistance - madness as poetry

## **MAIN CHARACTERS**

The living sister (Saneca): Outwardly ordinary, inwardly haunted. Her loneliness is deafening.

The dead sister: Nameless. A presence, a whisper.

Sometimes visible - silent, powerful, protective or oppressive.

• The mother (deceased): Never known. Becomes central at the end.

Two names: Saneca and Tarah.

Saneca: A gentle echo of Seneca, evoking stoic pain and philosophical detachment.

Tarah: Final name. Spoken like a blessing. Echoes Terra (earth), Tara (goddess of compassion), or a deep, round vibration.

#### ARTISTIC AND VISUAL CHOICES

• Cold tones, minimal sounds, still frames, slow

movements

Silence louder than words

Cybernetic, sparse sets - inner psyche mirrored in space

Ghost-like presence of the sister in peripheral spaces: balcony, mirror, room corners, bathroom

Faces often hidden or veiled: through light, curtains, reflections

Blade Runner 2049

# **KEY SCENES**

• Bathroom: Living sister in the tub, cigarette in hand.

Dead sister sits beside, gently

stroking her hair. No words. Still frame. Silence.

• Balcony: After a fight or moment of life, living sister sleeps with her lover. Dead sister stands on the balcony, hidden by curtains, watching the city.

Search for the mother: They investigate. She's already dead.

Dead Visit Card: A technology allows one final meeting with a deceased person's recorded consciousness.

Final scene (heart-wrenching):

The mother, through the device, says:

"I had thought of a name for your sister...

I held onto it, never able to give it to you.

Tell her her name is... Tarah."

The dead sister - who never had a name - hears it at last.

Silence. Tears. End.

#### SIGNATURE TOUCHES

The living sister always calls her twin simply: "Sister."

Tarah remains nameless until the very last moment.

No music in key moments — only breath or absolute silence.

Constant ambiguity: real or imagined? Doesn't matter.

The audience feels it.

# **AMBIANCE FOR JUMELLES:**





