# GRASTMAS LIES

Welcome to Hollywood!

It is award night and Tom Speed's latest film, *Christmas Confidential*, has just swept the board and won four "Santas" for Best Picture, Best Actor, Best Director and Best Screenplay. Sadly, Tom Speed's award for Best Actor was accepted posthumously by his friend, Hayden Vicars, as Tom was killed in a driving accident late last night...

Despite this note of sadness, celebrations are in full swing at the *Christmas Confidential* post-award party. Deals are being cut for future productions and everyone is having a good time enjoying the atmosphere and mingling with Hollywood's movers and shakers.

Is there anything suspicious about Tom Speed's death? Who will win next year's Santas? Find out at *Christmas Lies*.

In *Christmas Lies*, not everyone is as they seem – some have dark secrets they need to keep hidden . . . and someone is the murderer.

All those invited to *Christmas Lies* are given a character. As they arrive they are greeted by the Master/Mistress of Ceremonies (MC), and welcomed to the party. Each character has goals and objectives that they must complete before the end of the evening. The characters have various skills and abilities that will help them uncover secrets and achieve their goals.

Players can form alliances, blackmail each other, steal items and even try to make the best movie for next year. Along the way they may solve some of *Christmas Lies's* mysteries. What is the Post-Modern Freeform Movement up to? Who will get tickets to the charity ball? What *really* happened on the set of *Snow Business*? And of course, how did Tom Speed die? Find out in *Christmas Lies*.

# LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!

### What do you get with Christmas Lies?

- A step-by-step guide on how to run the game.
- Character booklets for each guest, including background, goals and objectives, rules, and special abilities.
- Item cards for each guest
- Handouts and other essential items.
- The solution!

#### How many people are needed for Christmas Lies?

*Christmas Lies* has been written for 16 to 32 guests – plus one host (the game co-ordinator). The step-by-step guide explains which characters to omit should you have fewer than 32 guests (you do need at least 16, however).

All the characters have been written so they are gender-neutral, so you can have any combination of male and female players.

And if you have even more guests, we have a few free extra characters for *Christmas Lies* available on our website.

#### How does Christmas Lies work?

*Christmas Lies* runs over the course of three or four hours and suits a buffet meal. The host takes the role of the Master/Mistress of Ceremonies (MC), and acts as organizer, responsible for making sure everything runs smoothly. The host does not count towards the maximum or minimum number of players.

The guests are stars, producers and other Hollywood characters with their own goals. How they choose to achieve those goals is entirely up to them. *Christmas Lies* is an evening of blackmail and movies!

As the evening draws to a close next year's movies are acted out and the game ends. Then everyone has a chance to find out what was really going on!

#### Is Christmas Lies suitable for kids?

Yes! As well as being ideal for adults, *Christmas Lies* can be enjoyed by kids aged 12 years and up.

## Where can I purchase Christmas Lies?

*Christmas Lies* is available from <u>freeformgames.com</u>. We accept all major payment methods.

When you purchase the game, you'll be taken to a page where you can download it right away.

We will also email you a download link and password, so you can collect your game later if that's more convenient.

#### What if I don't like Christmas Lies?

We offer a cast-iron, no quibble guarantee. If you're not completely satisfied with *Christmas Lies*, let us know within 30 days and we will refund you.

"Freeform Games will definitely be my first stop when I decide to host my next murder mystery game :) keep doing great work!" Vlad Dogaru, Romania

"As I've always said you guys are great!!!! You think of everything! You've found a loyal customer in me!!" **Doris Arnett-Gary, USA** 

"Love you guys. Love your games. I always had them for my teenaged daughter and her friends and they were a big hit. I was often impressed with how far young minds took their characters." **Susan Bull, California**  "You make really great games. My friends and me are fond of mystery murder games and tried quite a number of them, and yours are the most interesting and elaborate ones :)" Lyubov Sharonova, Russia

"I just want to say thank you for your fantastic games! We've played at least 6 of them, and every single one has been great fun. We have played a lot of murder mystery games over the past 5 years, and yours are absolutely the best." Mary Lantz, USA

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