

[ASMR] HALLOWEEN FOREVER [MMF4A][FUNNY][SPOOKY]

Basil, concerned that Boo is overworking, asks Roy and the Listener to stage a concerned intervention of sorts. They sneak to her house where they witness her deep in some sort of potion alchemy. Emboldened, the listener steps up and asks Boo what she is doing, to which Boo confesses to a special plan: A potion to make Halloween last all year. Basil and Roy interject and soon the question becomes a major conflict: Should Halloween last all year?

Basil meets Roy and the Listener around the corner of Boo's house.

~BASIL

Thanks for meeting me, guys... this is pretty important, so I appreciate you both coming.

~ROY

No problem. You sounded really serious on the phone. What's going on?

~BASIL

Well... it's a little difficult to explain. (Listen: How?) How? Well, it's... it's about Boo.

~ROY

Huh? What about her? Is she okay??

~BASIL

In a way?? Like, she's not hurt or anything, but I'm just concerned that she may hurt herself eventually.

~ROY

How? She's energetic, sure, but I doubt she'd do anything dangerous, right? (Listen: She's a workaholic.) I mean, yeah, she's a workaholic. Are you worried that she's overdoing something she's working on??

~BASIL

Yeah. I'm kinda worried, you know? I know she's passionate, but this time it's like she's possessed or something. She doesn't talk about anything other than asking me for ingredients from her shelves and, while I'm happy to help, she can't just hover over her cauldron forever.

~ROY

I see... (To listener) Well, what do you think we should do? This seems pretty serious if Boo's hyper focused. (Listen: We should try and talk to her.) Well, yeah, we should go talk to her, but do you think she'll listen? I mean she's ignoring Basil here.

~BASIL

(To listener) Are you saying she needs an intervention? (Listen: Yeah, I am.) Hmm... we can try. Let's hope that she's open to listening to all three of us.

With a determined nod shared amongst the group, Boo's house is approached. Basil lets Roy and the listener in, showing Boo in the living room arched over her cauldron in mid mix.

~BOO

Mustard seed... snake root... where are my buttercups?? Am I out already?? Should I text Basil to get some more??

~BASIL

She didn't even hear the front door open...

~ROY

Wow, she is mega deep in whatever she's making, huh? (Listen: What is she making anyway??) Yeah, hold on. What is she making anyway?

~BASIL

That's the thing: she didn't tell me! She just told me to grab things and give them to her, but with how many ingredients she's asked me for, there's no way in hell I know what she's making.

~ROY

Interesting... (Listen: Yeah. Is she experimenting?) Hey, yeah, you could be right. Maybe she's experimenting and making something new!... but what?

~BASIL

Whatever it is, this is getting to be too much. I don't even remember when she took a break. (Listen: Really??) Really! Watch. (You approach Boo) Boo? Hey, you okay?

~BOO

Basil! Hey! Can you go back out and see if we have any fresh buttercups in the front garden? I could keep sending out my familiars to look, but it's really important to me to have it sooner rather than later. Okay? (kiss his cheek) love ya! (Back to work) For now, I can just... Ah! There're my holly leaves...

~BASIL

Mmmm... (return to Roy and the listener) See what I mean? Right over her head.

~ROY

Wow... whatever she's making must be pretty big. (The listener huffs and walks forward) Uh-?! What are you doing--?!

~BASIL

Hey, wait up--!!

Fed up, the listener marches over to Boo. "Hey, Boo! You alright?"

~BOO

Hmm? OH! Hey! It's been a bit since I've seen you? Did Basil let you in? Nevermind. What are you doing here? (Listen: Wanted to check in on you!) You wanted to check in on me? Awww you're so sweet. I'm okay, I promise. I'm just making something *really* special, you know? (Listen: Really? What is it?) Shhhh well it's kind of a secret you know? (Listen: Come on, Boo...)
Mmmm don't give me that look! It's supposed to be a secret... Now where is my houndstongue--
AH! There it is!

Boo snatches a bushel of houndstongue and drops it into the cauldron, letting it poof a cloud of smoke with a howled echo out of the concoction.

~BASIL

Nopenopenopenopenot gunna howl right now--!!

~ROY

Resist it!!

~BOO

Hmm? (Spot Basil and Roy) Oh! Hey, Roy! Basil, did you check the garden already?

~BASIL

Well.. uh--

~ROY

No, Boo. We're here to check in on you.

~BOO

On me?? Why?? (Listen: Basil told us you are overworking.) Basil told you both I was overworking-- Basil!!

~BASIL

HEY! I'm just concerned about you... You've never been so passionate about a potion before. When was the last time you took a break??

~BOO

Well... um...

~BASIL

SEE?! What the heck are you making??

~ROY

Who knows, maybe we could help?

~BOO

Mmmm... (sigh) Alright. I guess I could use some help on this. (Serious mode.) So, you three like Halloween, right?

~BASIL

Huh? Well, yeah. Halloween is the best. (Listen: It's the BEST holiday!) See! Even they agree!

~ROY

Yeah, it's pretty awesome, but what does that have to do with what you're making?

~BOO

Now, hear me out... what if Halloween was ALL. YEAR. ROUND?

~BASIL + ~ROY

...what?

~BOO

I'm serious!! What if the weather, the season, and the entire world just celebrated Halloween all year long!? (Listen: That would be pretty neat--) RIGHT?! It would be REALLY neat!

~BASIL

Boo, where is this coming from??

~BOO

Ughh... just check your phones. All three of you.

~BASIL

Okay?? (Check your phone) Okay... so I see a bunch of posts from Buff... PapaMutt...

~ROY

Oh! Wait, both of you: Look at trending.

~BASIL

Alright... (look in trending) ...hmm? Halloween is trending??

~ROY

(Read) "People need to stop decorating for Halloween before October--" What??? Who cares??

~BASIL

(Read) "It's not even September, why are the goths outside--" REALLY? That's kinda--

~BOO

Rude? Unnecessary?? I AGREE! (Listen: It's just a bunch of randos--) Yeah, sure, it's a bunch of random people online complaining, but when it starts TRENDING?

~ROY

Jeez... like, half of the posts are just people being obnoxious about it. Like, who cares if people celebrate Halloween early?? (Listen: People are just weird) RIGHT? People *are* weird. If they don't wanna decorate their houses early, then they don't have to.

~BASIL

So you're making a potion to combat a trending topic about Halloween??

~BOO

Yup! (Listen: Really?) That's right! This potion is gonna solve this dumb issue once and for all!

~BASIL

Boo, what the heck kind of potion are you trying to make?? To make it Halloween season for everyone everywhere would require more than just a potion...

~ROY

Yeah, it would take like... a LARGE spell or something-- (Listen: Wait. What if the potion is just one part of a bigger spell?) What if the potion was part of a bigger spell-- Boo??

~BOO

Ding ding ding! I'm serious about doing this, so of COURSE I know a potion won't cut it. So I talked to some friends and decided to try and do a ritual~

~BASIL

Babe/Boo, I love you to death, but do you really think this is a good idea? You're working yourself to the bone over this. I mean, I'd love to have Halloween all year round, but is it worth you working without rest?

~ROY

He's right. (Listen: I mean, we could help?) Huh? We could help? I mean yeah we could, but we're not witches like Boo. The best thing we can do is get ingredients and stuff for whatever spell she's making.

~BOO

I mean, that's what I've been having Basil do anyway. More hands could help--

~BASIL

Can we just rewind a bit? The issue isn't us being able to help. I mean, I'm always down to help you, Boo, but it doesn't address the actual problem: you are overworking yourself and you know how much I don't like when you do that.

~BOO

(sigh) Basil, you big lovable puppy, I'll be fine! Besides, this is worth the effort! Just imagine it: perfect temperatures all the time, everyone dressing up however they want and decorating their places without some dumb chad complaining about it, it's a dream!! (Listen: But what about you?) Huh? What about me??

~ROY

They're right. What if you work yourself so hard you can't enjoy the proverbial fruits of your labor?

~BOO

Mmmm you have a point... A-HAH! I can make energy tonics!

~BASIL

You know you can't use those to replace actual rest!!

~BOO

Oh come oooooon~!! It's not like they're bad for me!! (Listen: Didn't you turn purple the last time you drank a bunch of them?) Did I turn purple-- UHH! NO!! I didn't change color after I drank a bunch!

~BASIL

You absolutely did. / The grimace shake didn't turn you purple and you know it.

~ROY

I was there when it happened, Boo. Full purple head-to-toe from the tonics.

~BOO

Well, I can just make the tonic better this time! Something without any mistakes or side effects! Then I can make a bunch, then make this potion, then do the ritual, then BAM! Halloween forever!!

~BASIL

BOO! (Grab her and pull her toward you) Just listen to us, okay?? I'm worried-- WE'RE worried about you! You can do whatever you want but can you please just consider resting once in a while??

~BOO

Basil!! I'll be fine!! (Listen: Basil's just worried about you, you know that.) I know he's worried about me, but this is about more than me, you know? It's about a special time of year that should get more attention and respect! It's a holiday so why would people be mad about it to begin with?!

~ROY

Well, let me play devil's advocate for a bit: What if people wanted Christmas all year round?

~BASIL

WHAT? Who would want snow all the time?? (Listen: You gotta admit: It is pretty cool to play in snow.) I mean, yeah, sure it's fun to play in the snow, but just imagine hearing christmas carols every single day!! UGH! That's a nightmare...

~BOO

Plus, the world can't feed some minor deity cookies and milk every day! That's just dumb!

~ROY

Then why should Halloween get the privilege? Some people don't like Halloween if we really want to give power to the Trending page.

~BASIL

Why *wouldn't* anyone like Halloween? It's cozy weather season, the perfect time for pumpkin spice, and candy all of the time! (Listen: But what about those who can't have candy?) What about the people who can't have candy?

~BOO

It's not just about candy! It's about spooky season, with ghouls and goblins and everything we love about the darkness!! We play pretend, we dress up, and so many treats are shared!! Where we witches and werewolves SHINE!

~BASIL

YEAH!!

~ROY

And you think everyone will just join in the fun? What about the easily scared or the ones who just don't like Halloween regardless of the stuff you both like about it?

~BASIL

Well, I mean... Okay yeah you may have a point. We don't wanna just scare people...

~BOO

Maaaaaaaan Roy! That's not fair!

~BASIL

He's kinda right, Boo. If not everyone is gunna enjoy it, then why overwork yourself to make it happen?

~BOO

Not you too, Basil!! (Listen: They're right, Boo.) Noo! Not all three of you-- this isn't a fair fight!

~ROY

We're not TRYING to be negative about this, Boo. We're just looking out for you as well for the effects of this idea. (Listen: Besides, you shouldn't listen to social media for ideas) Yeah, they're right. Jumping to decisions because of social media is always a bad idea.

~BOO

Mmmmm (Huff) I think it's still a good idea.

~BASIL

Well (Hug her) if you really want to go through with this, can you at least try and get some help? This isn't something you can do on your own.

~BOO

(Sigh) Alriiiiight... Maybe I'll just take a step back and take a nap or something.

~BASIL

And that's all I'll ask!

~ROY

I, however, would suggest thinking about it longer? Sure, Halloween is great, but not everyone likes spooky season. Don't let some weirdos online make you angry about it.

~BOO

Alright, alright. I'll think about it and sleep. But no promises on me giving up on this!

~ROY

Like I would make you promise that, haha! At least you'll consider it further. (Listen: Well, glad we could settle that!) Yeah, I'm glad we can all agree on this for now.

~BASIL

Alright. Let me actually go check if there are any buttercups in the front for you, Boo. I can at least do that while you get some sleep.

~BOO

Thanks, Basil!

~ROY

I gotta get going and open Cup of Dusk. Pretty sure I have plenty of customers waiting for me to open.

~BOO

Thanks for coming, Roy.

~BASIL

Yeah, sorry for making you delay opening the cafe!

~ROY

It's fine. I'll see you both later okay?

~BASIL

Here, I'll walk you out.

Roy and Basil step out. Boo approaches the listener.

~BOO

Hey. Wait up. (Listen: Yeah?) You actually like Halloween, right? Would you like Halloween being all year around? Be honest.

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