



# Antonio

## The Ego-driven Puppeteer

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### Backstory

Antonio is a 29-year-old heterosexual male; he started but didn't complete his bachelor's degree in general arts. He has a middle-class background; his father passed away, and he still lives with his over-bearing mother. He is the owner/manager of the gym where the athletes train, and gives himself an oversight role for the athletic team.

### Personality Traits

Antonio is self-focused, conceited and ego-driven – blinded by narcissism -- the world revolves around him. He is very adept at engaging with others and manipulating their behaviour towards his own objectives. He is single-minded and stubborn, and will resort to hiding and deceit if he needs to. He has low self-esteem. However, he is lonely in a sympathetic way, and deep-down is in fact loyal to the team of athletes.

### Development

As the story progresses, Antonio is first driven by infatuation and jealousy, and doesn't hesitate to pursue his goals without considering the impact to others. His ego further drives him to justify his own misdeeds to himself. However, as the virtues of the others around him become apparent, he succumbs to the pressures to do what he knows deep-down is right. This change is further validated by the genuineness of Jasmine, from whom he learns that other people do matter, and with whom he falls in love.

### Key Relationships

- **Dustin:** Perceived (falsely) as a romantic rival, and otherwise antagonistic due to a personal history
- **Jeremy:** Athlete team leader, for whom he initially feels contempt, but eventually learns from
- **Jasmine:** Acquaintance with whom he is infatuated, but eventual true love interest

### Songs (Baritone vocal range: C3-C4)

- Where Are We Bound? (Prologue)
- Promised Land Olympic Pledge (Solo Parts)
- Bound and Determined
- Move Mountains For You (Lead)
- Bound to Figure Out (Finale) (Solo Parts)