

Keeping it Quiet, Don't ask me why

A couple enters the space, laughing. It's a first date.

JENNI: So then I was like well if you just opened the draw like I told you to-

ARNIE: Wait, the what?

JENNI: The dr-(struggling to pronounce it) awer

ARNIE: That's not what you said, hahah, you said draw-where are you from?

JENNI: (Begin underscore)New York, I told you.

ARNIE: Yea but, where...

Jenni freezes. She breaks off. Starting to sweat. She sings.

JENNI:

Fuckity Fuck, he's figured it out
Betrayed by my own jappy mouth
No amount of speech therapy
Can hide that I'm from-
Off the LIE

I'm from New York but no not from the city
But an island filled with sand and fake titties
Listen not everything you hear though is true
We're not all rich and we're not all Jews
Well I mean I'm half, but my mom's mom converted so I guess maybe I'm a
whole Jew

But I mean wait
It's a beautiful place
If you really like geese
Then you might like Long Island
And I mean yeah
If you want to leave
If you want to get in
You have to go through the city

But I'm not from the city
I'm from Long Island
And I'm keeping it quiet

Thanks a lot BRAVO TV.
Now how will this guy take me out for cawfee (she struggles)
I mean Cafeeeee COFFEE. Sigh. Dessert.
Now he'll think I'm a spoiled little Brat (phone rings)
Hi hello, (to audience) It's my dad
No yeah I have enough in my account, Love you

But I mean wait
If you like Howard Stern
If you like Chris Rock
Then you might like Long Island
And I mean yeah
I don't mean to brag
And you don't have to say thanks
But we've also got Seinfeld
But also Amy Fischer
And also the Gottis
And I'm from Long Island
But I'm keeping it quiet
OY

I know every lyric to every Billy Joel song
We drink beer on the beach we don't fist pump in clubs
And my dad's a cop and my uncles one too
So is my neighbor I'm fucking red white and blue
It's the LIR train not the LIRR

Oh my gawd
Like G-A-W-D gawd!
I'm from Long Island!
(Repeat with chorus)
And when I take you there
We'll be ON Long Island
Not IN Long Island
Because it's an Island
And I'm from Long Island

So yes I did, I said the word draw.
I also say mirrah, and axe and dawg.
Like our home girl, Pat Benetar
Go on and hit me with your best shot

She braces herself for the inevitable bad reaction. The rejection. Instead, he turns and says.

ARNIE: Oh man, I can totally relate. I don't usually say this out loud but-I'm from Jersey!

JENNIE: Oh hahah (nervous) oh really, um. Like (starts fist pumping)? Yeah no I can't do that.