

## BIOSHOCK: THE RAPTURE WIVES (inspired by The Stepford Wives, 2004, 1975)

The secret to a Stepford wife lies behind the doors of the Men's Association.



**Set Up:** What if Andrew Ryan had been successful with his surgeries and collaborated with Frank Fontaine to produce the perfect Rapture Wives? And what if the avatar 50's housewife Jacqueline/Your Avatar crash land at Rapture where if you get caught by a gaggle of Splicers, you will be turned into a Rapture Wife?

**Build:** You navigate through Rapture following the friendly voice of a woman, Betty (based Bette Midler's Character) who has not yet been turned into a Rapture Wife and needs your help to escape. You kill the Splicer, the Big Daddy Husband's, and rescue the Rapture Wives. You enlist the help of the saved wives to hunt down Andre Ryan. Together, you form a very cunning, ruthless cadre of women.

**Payoff:** You get to Andrew Ryan and kill him, but not before his prisoner Betty, reveals you that.... You are the bully that turned other women into Rapture Wives. You wanted them to force them to be your friends, be compelled to invite you to social events. You were the Queen Bee of their society. You are Frances Fontaine genetic scientist using your skills to force people to like you. The women force you into being a Rapture Wife. You realize you deserve it, and you agree willingly.

**Additional Assets required:** modify Little Sisters to be Rapture Wives, Big Daddies to be Rapture Husbands, Turn the Hotel into the ruins of a Charity Ball, Feminize the color palette and textures throughout Rapture. Splicers remain as unsuccessful victims of Andrew and Frances's research. The weapon systems remain the same, but add appropriate barks of a 50's housewife firing.

### Bioshock: Stepford Wives Structural Diagnostic

- Weakness/need/flip -- need to dismantle AR's machine before I am transformed into a Rapture Wife.
- Desire -- Save myself, Betty, and any other women that I find
- Opponent -- Andrew Ryan, The world of Rapture, and Big Daddies
- Plan -- Work with the rescued women to search for clues as to the location of AR's transformation facility by tracking clues of the events (Charity Ball) and activities (grocery shopping, making dinner, grooming) that the women have done in the day before and after their transformation.
- Battle -- Fight Splicers and Big Daddies, then finally find AR and kill him
- Self-Realization of weakness/need/flip -- I am the woman who caused all of this.
- New world -- Women are free to clean up this world and re-claim it collaboratively. Player is now a willing Rapture Wife, ready to help in any way.