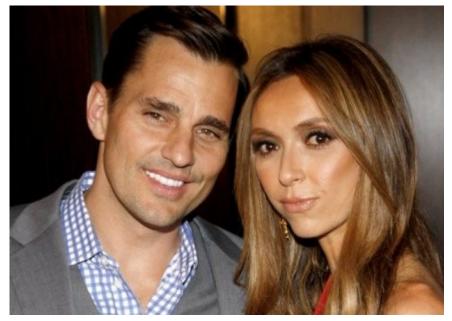
'Ready for Love' Host Giuliana Rancic Says, "Having a Strong Marriage is the Greatest Example You Can Set for Your Child"





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Giuliana and Bill Rancic have a relationship that many of us admire, so it only makes sense that the couple was tapped to host NBC's upcoming dating competition show *Ready for Love*. They've opened up their personal life to fans on their own reality show *Giuliana and Bill* on the Style Network, and now, they'll be taking on a new role in front of the camera. "We absolutely love working together," Giuliana says of the experience. "We banter back and forth quite a bit, but it's all in fun." She adds that deciding to host the show was a no brainer. "We're always traveling and working apart, so it was the perfect opportunity for us to not only be a part of such a great show with amazing people but to spend some time together while doing it."

The premise of *Ready for Love* is different than other dating shows. The three bachelors – Ben Patton, Tim Lopez and Ernesto Arguello – were each paired with twelve ladies by three matchmakers, Amber Kelleher-Andrews, Tracy McMillan and Matt Hussey. Giuliana knows firsthand that *Ready for Love* is the real deal. "By using relationship experts, the compatibility between the bachelors and each girl is really tested," she explains. "This is, by far, the most realistic dating reality show I've ever seen."

So did the Rancic's share any of their wisdom and experiences as a madly-in-love couple with the single men? "Well, the matchmakers are experts, and they don't necessarily need help from us, but we did throw in little pieces of advice to the guys here and there. You'll have to tune in to find out!"

That's not to say that the couple didn't get to know the bachelors both on and off the set – Ben and Ernesto even came to their baby shower! "We really bonded with each of them and truly rooted for them while they searched for love," the host says. "They are all such great guys."

If the men had asked for their advice, the twosome believes that communication is most important for a successful relationship. When they're in different cities for work, they're "always checking in and trying to put each other first – that's what keeps us strong."

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Of course, they have a new member of the family who they have to make a priority too: their seven-month-old son, Edward Duke. Even so, becoming parents hasn't changed their relationship. "If anything, it's just brought us closer. We're both so happy and grateful."

"Baby Duke is so adorable, and we're loving every minute of parenthood" the first-time mom adds. "Every 'first' he has is the greatest moment in the world."

For new parents who are struggling to fit romance into their lives, the television personalities say spending one-on-one time together is a must. "It's so important to stay connected to your spouse as a new parent," Giuliana shares. "Having a strong marriage is the greatest example you can set for your child."

Be sure to check back next Monday, April 8 for our interview with Ben Patton and Tuesday, April 9 with Matthew Hussey! Catch the premiere of Ready for Love on Tuesday, April 9th at 9/8c on NBC. For more information about Giuliana, you can follow her on <u>Twitter</u> and watch her on E! News.