

# Celebrity Interview: 'Mob Wives' Marissa Jade Says Marriage & Kids Are Not In Her Future



Interview by [Lori Bizzoco](#). Written by [Dena Linzer](#)

*Mob Wives* reality TV star, Marissa Fiore (also known as Marissa Jade), may come across as the ultimate diva and tough girl on television but in our recent interview with her, we learned that there's a lot more to this doting mother of one than meets the eye. This goal-oriented actress may not be very well known in the "mob" community, but she does hope to become a household name for her acting, modeling and career endeavors. In our latest [celebrity interview](#) on

CupidsPulse.com, we had the pleasure of chatting with Jade about her career, her son, and her relationship status.

## **Reality TV Star Marissa Jade Talks About Her Relationship In Celebrity Interview**

Despite it being the show's last season, *Mob Wives* added a few newcomers, including Fiore and Brittany Fogarty. Fiore was infamous for arguments with some of the other cast members, but does not have any regrets. "I'm very happy with the way I portrayed myself," she says. While some reality TV stars may watch their show and have a cringe worthy moment, Fiore says looking back on the episodes there was no cringe-moment for her. However, she does recall an episode where she showed up in the 'wrong' outfit, but says that she doesn't regret it. "I thought that I was attending a beach party." she confessed. Little did she realize she was having a sit-down and fight with Fogarty.

As an actress, Jade has been in scripted shows, including *Gossip Girl*, *Law and Order* and *The Good Wife*. So, people may question the true reality of the *Mob Wives* given her acting background. "*Mob Wives* is definitely real, however it is also improvisation at the same time," she verifies. When asked which genre of television she prefers, she says that she wouldn't mind doing more reality TV as long as it is not drama based. She is also open to the idea of doing a spin-off show if the opportunity presented itself.

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The final season of *Mob Wives* had its fair share of emotion and drama, especially with the passing of beloved Big Ang. "It was hard at first," the model shares. "We got to see what she was going through and we thought she was okay. When the cancer came back, it came back so aggressively." Fiore says she felt

like Big Ang got worse overnight. During her time on the show, Fiore did get close with Big Ang and says it was very sad when she passed. "I just started to have a bond with her on the show," she says. "I liked her. We got along, had great moments, and a lot of great times." If there's one thing for certain, the emotions on this season were very real.

Fiore knows that sometimes she can give off the diva image on television, but she says the one thing viewers didn't see is that she is actually pretty laid back. "I'm really a cool chick...I'm chill," she says. She also described herself as a tom-boy growing up and one of the dudes. "I hate catty drama," she added.

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In regards to her celebrity relationship, although Fiore is with O.Z. right now she doesn't see a celebrity wedding in the near future noting that she's anti-paperwork. "I don't feel like I need a piece of paper to justify what I am to somebody," the career-minded actress and model admits. In terms of children, she's just not interested right now but, "You never know," she adds. "I want to be a successful model and actress. I want to be a household name," Right now, she's a young 31-year-old mom looking to focus on her career she reveals in our one-on-one celebrity interview.

Fiore is definitely making a name for herself, but her 7-year-old son is her biggest fan. He chose his famous mother as the person he looks up to most for a school project. "He's proud of me," the celebrity mom shares. Being a single mom cannot be easy, especially with a booming career like Fiore. "My life has always been crazy like that, but I have a lot of support."

*You can keep up with Marissa Jade by following her on Instagram [@msmarissajade](#) and Twitter [@MsMarissaJade](#)*

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Interview by [Lori Bizzoco](#). Written by [Rebecca White](#).

Being born into a family involved in criminal activity is nothing new for the cast of the reality TV show *Mob Wives*. However, the newest member Brittany Fogarty is only 25 years

old and spent most of her childhood in Pennsylvania after her family was relocated when she just two years old. In our exclusive [celebrity interview](#), Fogarty gives us the latest celebrity news about the upcoming drama on the final season of the VH1 hit and dishes about her relationship and love life.

## **Reality TV star Brittany Fogarty Talks About The Final Season and Dishes On Her Relationship and Love Life In This Celebrity Interview**

**Welcome to the show! How has it been being the newest member on *Mob Wives*?**

It's definitely been a fun experience but also very dramatic.

**Is there anything you want people to know about you before they see any of the show?**

The show focuses in on a lot of the conflict and aggression. I think people should know that there is a lot more to most of us than just hostility and arguments.

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**Not only are you the newest member, but the youngest. Do you think this has changed the way the other ladies have treated you? For better or worse?**

Absolutely. I think many of the women see my age as a threat and it's hard for them to accept the fact that someone so much younger like myself can stand my ground, form my own opinions and outwit them.

**What was the hardest part about joining the show?**



The hardest part for me was learning how to publicly open up about my family and personal life. I'm a pretty private person so that was a big change for me.

**We know you love Drita. What do you think about her calling Karen out publicly on social media recently?**

From what I see from Drita, she never really does that kind of thing on social media. So in my opinion, Drita must have been fed up with all the constant rumors and verbal attacks on her family.

**What made you so close to Drita?**

I just genuinely liked her off the bat. I felt she was different from all of the other women on the show in that she is the most down to earth. She never had a superior, controlling, or judgmental attitude with me unlike many of the other women.

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**Why did you decide to join the cast this season? Is there anything in particular that you hope to gain by doing the show?**

I joined the cast because I saw it as an exciting opportunity and as a great platform. I also thought the show could use more people who don't idolize "the lifestyle."

**Did becoming a part of the *Mob Wives* cast bring up emotions from your past?**

Absolutely. Mostly emotions about my relationship with my father and what we've had to go through because of the life he chose.

**Has your relationship and love life changed now that you are a reality TV star?**

I'm a lot busier and I am focusing on myself and my career right now.

**What would be an ideal date night for any eligible bachelors that are reading this?**

I love food and being outside, so a relaxing outdoor dinner with some good conversation is always a safe bet with me. And being by a beach is even better.

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**What can we expect from you once this season is over?**

I love fashion, so of course I'm going to continue modeling but I will be working towards moving into the design world of fashion. I'm always working on growing my jewelry business but I would like to start expanding. Designing my own collections of clothing is definitely in my plans.

*Be sure to watch Mob Wives on Wednesday's at 8 p.m. on VH1! Check out our celebrity interview with Mob Wives star Renee Graziano and stay tuned for our interview with Drita D'Avanzo coming soon.*

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## **Celebrity Interview: 'Mob Wives' Reality TV Star Renee Graziano Says She's "Dating**

# and Enjoying Being Spoiled Like a Princess”



Interview by [Lori Bizzoco](#). Written by Emily Hoff.

After five mob-tastic seasons, the VH1 reality TV show *Mob Wives* will be coming to an end. The series sixth and final season premiered last week on Wednesday, January 13th. In our exclusive [celebrity interview](#), we got the latest scoop on the drama from Renee Graziano, one of the original cast members. She reveals why she didn't want to film the show and opens up about her friendship with Natalie Guercio and her relationship and love life!



# Reality TV Star Renee Graziano Talks Final Season of *Mob Wives* in Celebrity Interview

**We can't believe it's already the last season of the show! What do you hope to leave viewers with during the final season?**

I would like to leave viewers with the knowledge that they can also work through adversity and overcome obstacles. Never give up.

**What will you miss most about the show?**

The paycheck!

**We saw Natalie Guercio tweeted at you with her best wishes after you were reportedly hospitalized over the summer, despite altercations you two have had in the past. What is your relationship with Natalie now?**

I acknowledged that she did that, but we're not friends and never will be. That ship has sailed.

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**There was some speculations that you would be leaving the show due to health concerns. Were you really debating about filming this season?**

I had let the bullshit get the best of me for a minute, which caused me to want to leave. However, I am back in the saddle and happily riding off into the sunset.

**Is it true you stopped filming mid-show because of drama with Drita?**

Absolutely not. I have nothing to do with the Drita drama for

once.

**What made you decide to stay on the show?**

I started with my sister and will finish with my sister because that's what family does.

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**Can we be expecting to see you on the small screen again? Any spin-offs in the making?**

You'll definitely be seeing me in a few other productions. So stay tuned – I'll be letting fans know shortly.

**Is there currently someone special in your life? If so, can we expect to see them on the show?**

I still haven't found Mr. Right. However, I am dating and enjoying being spoiled like a princess...but not a mob princess this time around!

**What relationship advice would you give other single mothers on the dating scene?**

Don't bring strangers around your kids until you're 100 percent sure it'll work.

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**What would be your perfect date night?**

My perfect date night is ordering takeout and watching a great movie, all spooned up on the couch together.

**Any spoilers you can leave us with for this upcoming season?**

I don't give up secrets!

**The last time we met, you had just launched your book *Playing***

*with Fire. How did the book do? Any plans to write another?*

My book did well. I'm actually meeting with networks to turn it into a series...fingers crossed!

I loved my past celebrity interview with Jenn. How is she doing? She's such a superstar with all that she's done and created.

My sister is my inspiration. She's amazing and has several projects that'll make you wanna watch more TV, so look out for them! She makes me proud.

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## **'Mob Wives' Star Renee Graziano on New Book, Possible Spin-Off Reality TV Show and Dating Italian Men!**





Interview by [Lori Bizzoco](#). Video by Damian Kolodiy.

Last Wednesday, Apr. 9, CupidsPulse.com Executive Editor Lori Bizzoco met up with *Mob Wives* reality TV star Renee Graziano at Barnes and Noble in Tribeca to discuss her new book *Playing with Fire*. Describing the novel as “loosely based” on her own life, she explains in our [celebrity video interview](#) that she has stacks of notebooks about Reign Grazi, the character who she’s developed since she was young.

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Of the hero in her book, the author says, “I’ve been searching for this man all of my life.” However, she now knows he doesn’t exist. “But I exist; I’m the hero. I definitely saved myself. I found my hero; now, I’m just looking for a man of his word who’s close to God, has a good heart, loves his

family, and wants to build with me.”

Of her current relationship and love life status, the reality TV star reveals that she’s “very much single.” As for whether or not her future partner must be Italian, she says, “Not saying that I wouldn’t, but after my past experiences, I pretty much got turned off to my nationality. The Italian men that I was around didn’t work for me anymore.”

Fans may be surprised to hear that she has a great relationship with her father Anthony Graziano. “We made up over two years ago, and our relationship is amazing,” she shares in our celebrity video interview. However, they don’t discuss anything to do with *Mob Wives*, and he’ll never read *Playing with Fire*. Still, she adds, “But he’s my dad – he’s my hero.”

## Reality TV Star Talks About Season Four of *Mob Wives*

Of course, we had to ask the reality TV star about her hit show *Mob Wives*. When discussing the ups-and-downs of season four, she explains, “I think there was a lot of tension because the new girls felt they had to prove themselves. They’re not New Yorkers, and they’re not of direct descent of that underworld.”

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While *Mob Wives* has been renewed for season five, Graziano remains mum about whether she’ll be returning to the VH1 series again. There are rumblings of a spin-off show, which she says is “absolutely” a possibility. “I hope it does happen for me,” she admits. “The second I know, everybody else will know! Trust me – that will not be something I’m able to hold in.”



*Check out Playing with Fire on Amazon or at your local bookstore. To keep up with Graziano, follow her on Twitter @reneegraziano.*

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# **‘Mob Wives’ Star Renee Graziano Releases Romance Novel**



By Maria Darbenzio

*Mob Wives: New Blood* reality star and original cast member Renee Graziano released her new sexy thriller, *Playing With Fire*, on April 8th. The story takes the reader on an adventure filled with strong moments of passion with a look into life with the mob. Reign Grazi, the main character, lives a life much like that of her creator.

The title of the book *Playing With Fire* is more than just a familiar phrase. In this case, the book is loosely based around the life and experiences of Graziano over the years. This includes her fair amount of run-ins with dangerous men, much like the book's Nick Fattelli, during the heyday of the mob reign.

Graziano will be appearing for book signings in and around New York City on the following dates:

**Tuesday, April 8 – 7:00 PM**

Barnes and Noble #2609  
3981 US HWY 9  
Freehold, NJ 07728

**Wednesday, April 9 – 6:00 PM**

Barnes and Noble #2255  
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**Thursday, April 10 – 7:00 PM**

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**Monday, April 14 – 7:00 PM**

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Huntington, NY 11743

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# JWoww Celebrates Birthday at 'Mob Wives' Star Big Ang's Drunken Monkey



On Friday, February 21st, at Drunken Monkey in Staten Island, owned by Big Ang of VH1's *Mob Wives*, reality stars came out from all over to support star of MTV's *Snooki & JWoww* star, Jenni Farley.

Everyone from cast members of *Ru Paul's Drag Race* to *Jersey Shore* to *Mob Wives* was there to celebrate with the five-month pregnant star, who looked fabulous.

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“I wanted to do my party here last year, but we couldn’t make it happen,” Farley explained. She’s a big fan of Big Ang and worked with Illumination PR and Specialty Empire to put the event together.

Shutterball was the main sponsor of the party. All attendees got a Shutterball upon arrival and were shown how to use the cool new device to take instant, perfect selfies!

SAAS Hot Sauce were also a sponsor of the event. The birthday girl’s nearest and dearest left with a goody bag filled with Saas Hot Sauce (which Farley loves even more while pregnant), Soul Ku necklaces, Australian Gold Tanning creams, JWoww’s own line of skin care, Bootie Babe nail polish, Sweet Loren cookies, *The AstroTwins’ Love Zodiac* book, and an item from Sister-Bliss Extreme Aromatherapy.

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There was quite a buzz all night about how much everyone loved the Shutterball! Check out the fun on Instagram by searching #JWShutterball.

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## **Valentine’s Day Giveaway 8: Signed Recipe Book from VH1**

# Mob Wives Star



*This post is sponsored by Jennifer, Renee, and Lana Graziano.*

By Kristin Mattern

One of the greatest ways to show someone you love them is by cooking them up a delicious meal. Another way some couples and families show their affection is by having a rousing argument around the dinner table while surrounded by a yummy landscape of food: a tradition carried on by the stars of *Mob Wives* and the Graziano sisters.

*Mob Wives* creator and executive producer Jennifer, *Mob Wives* star Renee, and restaurateur Lana have come together to provide you with sensational recipes that will make you a star in your own kitchen and give you something to banter over this Valentine's Day.



Their new book, "How To Use A Meat Cleaver" is a full-color cookbook which features 100 of their most-coveted family recipes including Lana's Famous Meatballs, Lobster Arriagiatta, Sunday Gravy, Sausage and Peppers, Fillet Mignon and more. The girls also share some personal family stories with their readers.

Instead of braving the crowds and eating mediocre-mass-produced-food this Valentine's Day, cook like a Graziano and create cuisine that will impress your partner or your girlfriends with your culinary prowess. After all, sometimes the way to someone's heart is through their stomach! Especially if you're dating a foodie.

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**'Mob Wives' Executive  
Producer Jenn Graziano Says,**

# “I’m Not Anti-Marriage; I’m Anti-Ball and Chain!”



Interview by [Lori Bizzoco](#).

From VH1's *Mob Wives* to *Miami Monkey*, Executive Producer Jennifer Graziano transformed the realm of [reality TV](#). She now continues to expand her resume with exciting new projects like releasing a classic, family-inspired Italian cookbook and continuing the recent launch of reality TV star Big Ang's new wine line.

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# Celebrity Video Interview with *Mob Wives* Producer

Graziano recently sat down with CupidsPulse.com's Executive Editor Lori Bizzoco to talk about the *Mob Wives* franchise and how the series impacted her family and the rest of her career. And, of course, they talked relationships and love: Despite her hectic schedule, this accomplished bachelorette is open to the idea of getting married one day to someone who's willing to support her ambitions as a thriving businesswoman. As she told us in our celebrity video interview, "I'm not anti-marriage; I'm anti-ball and chain!"

*To learn more about Graziano, follow her on Twitter @jenngraziano. Don't forget to tune in on Thursday, December 5th at 10 PM ET/PT for the new season of Mob Wives: New Blood on VH1!*

*Video by Erik Erikson.*

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## **"Bigger is Better": Mob Wives "Big Ang" Launches New Wine Line in NYC!**





By Priyanka Singh

“Bigger is better” is the motto this vivacious star lives by, and she’s certainly living up to that reputation! Angela Raiola, otherwise known as “Big Ang” from the popular reality television series *Mob Wives*, had an official launch party for her new product, BigAngWines on October 24th at Tello’s NYC. The authentic Italian restaurant was an intimate gathering of friends and family celebrating her newest liquor venture, which included Cabernet, Chardonnay, and Prosecco. Attendees were invited to taste samples from her collection, check out the elegant wine bottle design, and enjoy a customized cake made to replicate the bottle design itself!



Big Ang poses with her customized wine bottle cake at her official launch party.

When asked what inspired her to create her own variety of wine, the VH1 star said, "I do own two bars; my family was in the bar business; and my mother and father were bartenders too. I just thought, 'Bars, bartenders, wine – it all went together.'"

Between launching her new product and shooting for her new reality series *Miami Monkey*, this lady is pretty busy. So we wanted to know how she finds time to balance her work and her relationship while keeping things so young and fresh. "It's hard. As you know, I have a husband, and he just comes along with whatever we do. He's there for me. I also have a family who stands behind me, and someone needs to make the money! It's all about the money," the star says with laughter. "I'm not home much, but it works! The less you're with the husband or wife, the better. When you're with each other constantly, you get under each other's skin."





Big Ang and her husband, Neil pose for the camera at her official launch party.

'Big Ang' adds that, when it comes to the dynamic between a couple, "the husband should always love you more than you love him." And for all of you singles out there looking for some premium dating advice, the reality star herself suggests, "Don't ask any questions and don't tell them anything. Just enjoy the dinner and the drinks!"

*To purchase any one of the three varieties of her new collection, check out [BigAngWines.com](http://BigAngWines.com)! Don't forget to follow her on Twitter @BigAngWines and 'Like' Miami Monkey on Facebook.*