## Former 'TLC' Member Rozanda 'Chilli' Thomas Denies Dating Wayne Brady





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Despite the rumors, Rozanda "Chilli" Thomas and Wayne Brady are not a couple; Chilli denies that they are dating. Although the pair were spotted together in Las Vegas last weekend at the MGM Grand allegedly holding hands, the Whose Line Is It Anyway? comic and R&B singer want to make it clear they're not romantically involved. "They are not dating, they've never dated, they've only ever been friends, that's it," a rep for Thomas shares with <u>People</u>. "They had dinner together after New Year's because they were on the same show. They are old friends." How do you keep rumors about your dating life from escalating?

## Cupid's Pulse:

So we're not all celebrities who feel the need to publicly announce and clarify who we are and are not romantically involved with, but there are still times it's important to avoid rumors starting regarding your personal life. From a professional stand point, for example, you don't want anything flying around about your dating life, especially if it involves someone in the same workplace. So avoid anything getting escalated:

1. Be cautious of body language: It's normal for the opposite sex to be affectionate to one another, even if they're just good friends. But an innocent hug, arm wrap behind the chair, or kiss on the cheek between you and your friend, can be seen as flirting and foreplay to someone else. So be both cautious and mindful of how your body language can be perceived by an outside party. If you are seeing someone but are not ready to share your new relationship with the rest of your social circle, keep the hand-holding, hand-on-knee, and any other body language that might reveal l-o-v-e, behind closed doors.

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2. Be careful on social media: So you may think the picture you uploaded of you and [insert name] grabbing dinner and drinks one night is totally harmless; everyone knows you and him are just friends, you believe. But this is false and can actually be used as proof to confirm someone's suspicions. So if there's already some possible whispers about you and someone being more than just work pals, avoid posting anything that might add fuel to the fire.

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3. Confront the rumors: At the end of the day, the easiest way to dissolve rumors or gossip is by facing them head on. If you know there is someone spreading around something about your personal life, approach them about it and lay out the facts. Approaching them while other people are around is a way to publicly confront the rumors and set the record straight.

How do you keep rumors about your dating life from escalating? Share your thoughts below.