Bethenny Frankel Is 'Ecstatic' After Finalizing Celebrity Divorce





By Nicole Caico

It's finally over – the <u>celebrity divorce</u> of Bethanny Frankel and Jason Hoppy, that is. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, "Three years and six months after they first announced their split, Bethenny Frankel and Jason Hoppy have finalized their divorce." Neither Frankel nor Hoppy commented, but legal representatives for the former<u>celebrity couple</u> vouched for their relief upon settling. Frankel is looking forward to selling her Tribeca apartment.

This celebrity divorce has been 4 years coming. What are some ways to streamline your divorce proceedings?

Cupid's Advice:

Making the decision to divorce from your partner is difficult enough, but when the divorce process drags on for years, that's about as bad as it gets. Making your divorce as swift a possible subsequently makes it as painless as possible. Cupid has some tips:

1. Stay on top of it: Know what papers you need to have, communicate with your legal team, and show up on all necessary dates. Staying organized and making it to all court dates will eliminate bumps in the road and setbacks.

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2. Keep a level head: Letting your anger take control of you and fighting for every last thing in your divorce will undoubtedly slow the process. Try to remain calm, cool, and collected. Know what you absolutely need to get out of the process, but also know what you are wiling to compromise on.

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3. Be patient: When it comes down to it, you can be 100% on top of your stuff, have a great legal team, and still have a slow divorce. A lot depends on how the other party is handling things. If you're on speaking terms with your ex-to-be, try your hardest to see eye to eye. If not, just be patient during the process—there's only so much you can control.

How did you streamline your divorce proceedings? Comment below!

Celebrity News: 'Bachelorette' Contestant Robby Cries About JoJo Fletcher Hearing Rumors About Past Relationship





By Nicole Caico

Contestant Robby Hayes is one of the last men standing on this season's *The Bachelorette*. Hometown dates were on the July 18 episode, and according to *UsMagazine.com*, Hayes' mother informed him while he was home, "Your ex's roommate has made it look like you broke up to go on the show." This isn't the first time Hayes' past relationship with Hope Higginbotham has threatened the possibility of his new <u>celebrity relationship</u> with <u>JoJo Fletcher</u>. Higginbotham's roommate, Alex, and excontestant Chad Johnson have both claimed that Hayes ended the relationship to go on *The Bachelorette*.

This celebrity news has us indulging in the reality TV drama. What are some ways to keep things that happened in your past relationship out of your new relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

No matter how long or short a past relationship lasted, pieces of what happened between you and your ex can bounce around in your mind for a long time after. Don't let side effects from your last relationship spoil something good you have going on now. Cupid has some <u>dating advice</u>:

1. Cut ties: If you haven't already, cleanse your life of your ex. Unfollow your ex on social media, block them if necessary, and delete the contact information in your phone. Communicating with your ex, or seeing posts, will keep reopening your history. In order to keep your past relationship out of your new relationship, follow an "out of sight out of mind" based strategy. **Related Link:** <u>Celebrity News: Patti Stanger Talks</u> <u>'Bachelorette' and Dating Tips</u>

2. No deja vu: Don't bring up the topic of your ex to your new significant other out of the blue. If you're visiting a place you used to go with your ex, try to keep that to yourself. If you're in a fight and your new significant other says or does something that your ex used to do, don't point it out. The moral of the story is, you're in a new relationship with an entirely new person. Your new boo shouldn't have to feel constantly compared to or reminded of the last person you dated.

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3. Move on: Focus on what makes your new relationship different or better than your last and dwell on that. You should be looking ahead, and planning new experiences with the person you're involved with now. Remind yourself that what's done is done and move forward without baggage.

Have you ever let drama from a past relationship creep into your new relationship? Comment below!

Celebrity Interview: 'Botched' Star Dr. Paul Nassif Discusses Being

Single, Skincare and Spin-Off Shows





Interview by Lori Bizzoco. Written by Stephanie Sacco.

Dr. Paul Nassif is more than a doctor on reality TV. He's a renowned facial plastic surgeon and skincare specialist. Though people may remember him from *The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills*, he's even more recognizable for his *E*! reality series, *Botched* which he co-hosts with former RHOC star, Dr. Terry Dubrow. The success of *Botched* has even led to a few upcoming spin-off shows, *Botched By Nature* and *Botched Post-Op*. Last week, Nassif spoke to us in an exclusive <u>celebrity</u> <u>interview</u> about the upcoming spin-off shows, his new antiaging skincare line and his very single relationship status.

Reality TV Star Dr. Paul Nassif Talks 'Botched' Success

Back when Nassif first developed the concept for *Botched* and pitched the show, his co-host was doubtful, calling Nassif "crazy" for wanting to put plastic surgery on TV. "Now look at us," the former *RHOBH* star says. *Botched* is in its third season and the show has led to multiple spin-off series. One of the many reasons for the show's success is that all the cases are legitimate, and Nassif and Dubrow are passionate about their clients. The doctors really enjoy helping their patients through their issues. Nassif says the role of a plastic surgeon is "part doctor and part therapist." Although extreme cases are common in this line of work, the reality TV star shares that the worst is yet to come. "For me personally, once you see the episodes of *Botched By Nature*, those are going to be the most riveting and the hardest cases we've had to do," he admits.

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One of the differences between *Botched By Nature* and *Botched* is the client's reason behind getting plastic surgery. "Some people got struck by lightning, went through severe accidents, and had deformities," the plastic surgeon says about the spinoff series. This brings the doctors even closer to the clients. "You really get into the heart of it by going into these people's homes," he shares. "You see their families and loved ones, and you're allowed to discuss these incredible human interest stories about what they've had to go through their entire life." That added personal layer is something the fans haven't seen before. Due to the extreme cases that they're dealing with, *Botched By Nature* has the surgeons on the road, traveling all over the country. But it's not all serious business. The two friends have some adventures along the way. Nassif explains, "We'll be going to different parts of the country and doing something fun in each city." Being on the road has its perks and these two won't disappoint. "You're going to see more of a reality between Dubrow and I because we're traveling. So you get to see a little bit more of that bromance," Nassif says.

Reality TV Star on Dating & His New Skincare Line

Though he's always been successful in the operating room, Nassif hasn't been as successful with romance. He admits that he isn't dating anybody right now and that he's found that dating takes a lot of time and energy. "I cleared my slate so I could come home, work out earlier, and get more sleep. Dating is fun, but it's very taxing," shares the father of three. He's already been a part of a celebrity couple for many years, and he isn't interested in having it again at the moment. While his career flourishes, he's putting his love life on hold and is focusing on his new skincare line. The NassifMD Bio-Rhythmic and Bio-Clock Dermaceuticals skincare lines are out already, and Nassif uses the collection. When asked how the products differ from others on the market, he explains that he has an understanding of the face and body, and is qualified to know what works. "As a plastic surgeon, I look at skin differently than a dermatologist," he says.

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As a facial reconstruction specialist in Beverly Hills, Nassif also knows that there are many different motivations for getting plastic surgery. The idea that women get work done for their man sometimes happens, but when it comes up in his office, Nassif is strongly against it. "If there's a wrong reason, I simply won't do the surgery," he shares. Typically, his clients are aware of the problem and want to fix it for their own health. "When it comes to facelifts, eyes, and noses, my patients are pretty spot on about wanting to do it for themselves." The reality TV star has also had some work done himself, such as some reconstruction surgery on his nose here and there. But, the most recent celebrity news is that the doctor hinted he may potentially get Botox on television. He says, "You gotta watch the show. Watch *Botched By Nature* to see something different regarding me."

Botched By Nature premieres on August 3rd at 9/8c.

You can follow Dr. Paul Nassif on <u>Twitter</u> and watch Botched on Tuesdays at 9:00 on E!

Celebrity Couple Rob Kardashian & Blac Chyna Tease New Reality TV Show with Instagram Post





By Cortney Moore

If you haven't been keeping up with Rob Kardashian, then you might not be aware that he and his fiancée Blac Chyna will be getting their own reality TV show on *E*!, which will be titled *Rob & Chyna*. Kardashian posted a snapshot of himself and Chyna filming the show on Instagram. *UsMagazine.com* reports that the docu-series will follow the <u>celebrity couple</u> as they prepare for the birth of their baby. The series will consist of one hour segments and six episodes, and that there will be an hour long special documenting the birth of their <u>celebrity baby</u>. "Very few love stories have created as much pop culture buzz as Rob and Chyna's, and we are thrilled to see Rob in such a happy place," said *E*! Executive Vice President Jeff Olde about the network's newest <u>reality TV</u> show. "We are excited to share the next chapter in their relationship."

This celebrity couple is getting "real!" What are some ways to work

on effective communication in your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Communication is absolutely essential for successful relationships. Even if you and your significant other feel like you communicate fine, there is always room for improvement. Cupid is here to help you get better at communicating:

1. Make small talk: Conversations don't always have to be "deep." It's okay to be friendly and talk about lighthearted topics. This is a great way to learn about your partner's day and how they're currently feeling.

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2. Ask questions: Being able to ask questions shows you're an engaged listener. Your partner may not say it, but they'll be glad you're showing interest in what they're saying, and may even appreciate that you're not afraid to ask for clarification.

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3. Share stories: In relationships, we often focus on the present and future. Take a moment to get to know each other better and exchange stories based on your experiences. You'll gain insight that you hadn't noticed before. Sharing personal details will definitely make you feel closer to your partner.

How have you worked on communication in your relationship? Share your stories below. Celebrity News: 'Bachelorette' Star JoJo Fletcher Says Chad 'Wasn't Meant to Be My Husband'





By Cortney Moore

In the latest *Bachelorette* <u>celebrity news</u>, <u>JoJo</u> <u>Fletcher</u> reflected on saying goodbye to her prospective beau Chad Johnson. According to <u>People.com</u>, Fletcher opened up about her <u>celebrity relationship</u> with Johnson, saying, "Chad Johnson was one of my top guys, but I started hearing about drama." The 25-year-old reality TV starlet was truly surprised by Johnson's behavior in the house. "When I finally saw, it blew me away," she said. Fletcher went on to say that Johnson wasn't meant to be her husband, but she wishes him the best. However, it appears Johnson isn't too broken up about the split and is scheduled to appear on the <u>reality TV</u> spin-off *Bachelor in Paradise*.

This celebrity news isn't exactly shocking. What are some ways to get rid of an obsessive ex?

Cupid's Advice:

Breakups are rough. At some point you'll get over the split and will go on with your life. Your ex may not be as fortunate and may try to cling onto the past. Let Cupid help you get rid of your obsessive ex:

1. Tell the truth: Be honest with your ex and let them know that you no longer see a future with them. Telling the truth might be hard, but it's unfair to mislead and string them along. Your ex may finally let you go in peace if they understand there's no hope for a relationship.

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2. Cut them off: Another great option is to cut off all communication with your ex. This includes ignoring texts and calls. You may even need to use the block features on your phone and social media accounts. It might seem harsh, but disappearing from your ex's life is a sure way to get rid of them.

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Johnson Claims Contestants Are Cheating on Their Girlfriends

3. Move on: If for whatever reason you still want to stay in contact with your obsessive ex, another option you may have is to show that you moved on from them. If you're happily single, make sure your ex can see that. And when you're finally dating again, make sure your ex is aware of that too. A happier and busier you may deter your ex from pursuing a romantic relationship with you.

Have you ever had to get rid of an obsessive ex? How did you do it? Share your comments below.

Celebrity News: Patti Stanger Talks 'Bachelorette' and Dating Tips





By <u>Stephanie Sacco</u>

This season of <u>The Bachelorette</u> has been slow going. Some of the guys have been hesitant to kiss JoJo Fletcher and others haven't been getting the time they need. In <u>celebrity</u> <u>news</u>, Patti Stanger of <u>Millionaire Matchmaker</u> had something to say to them. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, she says when it comes to kissing, "Take her hair, throw her against the wall and give her a big one! What is the problem? You're a man. Go in there and grab your wench." Stanger doesn't have patience for shy guys. Her top three <u>dating advice</u> tips are: Don't talk about your exes, don't be a sloppy drunk and make sure to say please and thank you.

In celebrity news, Patti Stanger says the first kiss is super important. What are some things you can learn from a first kiss?

Cupid's Advice:

Kissing is the first step to finding a romantic connection. It can create the spark between you and your partner. Cupid is here to help you find it:

1. If there's a connection: When the two of you decide in the moment that it's right to kiss, you can see if there's a connection between you. The first kiss can make or break a relationship. Take your time and really build up to it, but only if you feel something real.

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2. If he's boyfriend material: If he kisses you softly and romantically, you know he's more than just a fling. The way he kisses helps you to figure out where the relationship is going. The way he pulls away can also help you to understand how he's feeling.

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3. If he's going to kiss you again: If the first kiss is good, there's almost certainly going to be a second. You can really get a sense for your man based on how often he wants to kiss you. Let the first lead the way to many more.

What have you learned since your first kiss? Comment below!

Celebrity News: 'Bachelorette' Star JoJo

Fletcher Says Goodbye to Two Suitors Pre-Hometown Dates





By <u>Nicole Caico</u>

On this week's episode of *The Bachelorette*, <u>JoJo Fletcher</u> sent home Alex and James. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, while Robby got the rose at the end of this week's group date, Jordan is looking like the front runner in the competition to become the other half of JoJo's <u>celebrity couple</u>. Remaining competitors Chase, Robby, Jordan, and Luke will have to pull out all the stops in the upcoming hometown dates when JoJo will travel with them to meet their families.

In celebrity news, the hometown dates on *The Bachelorette* are almost upon us! What are some ways to prepare to meet your partner's family?

Cupid's Advice:

No matter who you are, meeting your partner's family is probably one of the most nerve wracking things you'll ever have to do. Even if you know that the family who raised the amazing person you're with must be the nicest people on the planet, being nervous comes naturally. First impressions are important, so it's best to prepare as much as you can before meeting your partner's family:

1. The family tree: Before meeting your partner's family, ask your partner some questions about them, especially if you're meeting extended family and not just Mom, Dad, and siblings. Hearing some names beforehand will help you to feel familiar upon arrival, and some background won't hurt either. Who is on what side of the family? What ages are your partners' siblings? Get some info.

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2. Contribute: Most people consider showing up to a first meeting with the family empty handed a mistake. First impressions are important, and it's beneficial to be as polite as possible. Bring your significant other's family flowers or a dessert. What your bring does not have to be extremely personal or a gift wrapped present, just bringing something to show you made an effort can go a long way.

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3. Take a deep breath: Above all, just be yourself. It is worth it to prepare, but there is only so much you can do. Put on some nice clothes, grab a small gift, review names of family members, and just breathe.

How did your first meeting with your partner's family go? Comment below!

Celebrity Interview: 'Famously Single' Star Dr. Darcy Reveals Her Favorite Cast Members & Those Who Surprised Her Most





By <u>Rebecca White</u>

Over a year ago, Dr. Darcy Sterling received an email inviting her to audition for a new reality TV series, *Famously Single*, which focuses on helping eight single celebrities work through their relationship problems. Having made her television debut on E! in 2011, the network was familiar with her, so she flew out, auditioned, and the rest is history. Her experience as a licensed clinical social worker and relationship expert facilitates her work to help individuals and couples who want more out of life. She hosts workshops focused on psychology and runs a Q&A blog. In our exclusive <u>celebrity interview</u>, Dr. Darcy dishes on the *Famously Single* cast members, from who was her favorite to who surprised her the most, and shares her best <u>relationship advice</u>.

Dr. Darcy Dishes On *Famously Single* Cast In This Celebrity Interview

In the latest <u>celebrity news</u>, before filming the show began, Dr. Darcy reveals that she was most concerned about working with Jersey Shore star Pauly D. "Based on what I knew of him, which was very little, he's a big prankster always making wise cracks. I thought he was going to be the difficult, oppositional child in the classroom," the social worker shares. "He actually turned out to be one of my favorites! Not that a mom really has favorites, but he was a delight to work with. He came in so earnest and really showed up with an openness to the process that made it so easy to work with him." However, now that she's finished filming the show, Dr. Darcy says that Somaya Reece surprised her the most. On the show, Reece shared her story of domestic abuse and became a poster child for resilience. "How she bounced back from that was mind-boggling," Dr. Darcy says. "It speaks to human resilience and she is such an inspiration."

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The main premise of the reality TV series is to teach relationship skills to celebrities who are infamous for being single. But since filming ended, the celebrities who have the best chance of finding love after this experience are those who were able to learn about themselves. "Those celebs that walked away learning about themselves, taking personal responsibility, recognizing that they've made mistakes in the past that having nothing to do with being famous are the ones who have the best chance at finding love," the therapist says. While being famous supersizes relationship problems, notoriety doesn't create problems that didn't pre-exist. With Dr. Darcy leading the group therapy sessions, these celebs can't use fame as the reason for their relationship issues. "The fact that they're famous is not justification for why they're single," the psychologist shares. After discussing their issues and teaching them relationship skills, the celebrities have had a chance to practice these skills through interacting with each other and mock dates.

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The celebrity couple who made the biggest splash in the headlines was Brandi Glanville and Calum Best, who began dating on the show. Although their courtship has ended, Dr. Darcy says both celebrities have learned a lot about themselves from the experience. "Brandi is much more aware of certain things she's done and Calum has thrown himself into yoga, which is major progress for him," she adds. "The show wasn't meant to create long-term sustainable change, though. It was intended to provoke a level of awareness in everyone and ignite a desire in each individual to go on their own journey and do their own work." After working with the celebs, the therapist says that Glanville does tend to pick the wrong people for her, but that there is a reason she's attracted to certain types of people. "Brandi has done a lot of work on herself and her work's not done," she says. After all is said and done, Dr. Darcy said filming Famously Single was an amazing and challenging experience, saying, "I would love a second season."

Reality TV Therapist Shares Best Relationship Advice

From filming a hit reality TV show to managing time with her clients, Dr. Darcy has a busy schedule. However, she knows that her relationship needs to be her top priority. "You cannot give everything you have away at work," she says. "You have to come home with a little reserved. It's unacceptable to come home on empty." The reality TV therapist says that relationships require work every single day and that it's a fallacy that relationships "shouldn't feel like work." If you're struggling to manage your relationship and busy lifestyle, think back to what created your relationship. Think back to the beginning when you courted, seduced, supported, encouraged, and admired your partner. After the honeymoon phase, relationships are about self-discipline. "You have to incorporate it into your everyday life," Dr. Darcy says. "This is the person you want to show up most for, not the least." In her own relationship with her wife Stephanie, it is all about self-care. The duo makes sure they are highly involved with hobbies, such as yoga, dance, meditation, and CrossFit. "Steph and I try to walk the walk," she shares. "There have been times when we haven't engaged in the level of self-care we need to and our clients reflect that. They don't absorb the information if we don't walk the walk."

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The most important skill to maintaining a healthy relationship is communication. "You have to be willing to listen to your partner, even when you're tired and feel like they're picking on you," Dr. Darcy says. It is crucial that you actively listen, remain guiet, and control the impulse to be defensive. You have to mirror back and paraphrase what they said so they know you listened to them and you know you understood. Most of the time, your partner just wants to be heard. "If you can deliver that to your partner, you have a basis of a great relationship," she says. Once you learn the basic relationship skills, all of your relationships will improve because you will use these same skills with your family and friends. "I really hope people are motivated to learn about relationship skills because the quality of our lives is predicated on the quality of our relationships," Dr. Darcy reveals. "It's the most important thing in our lives and nobody teaches us." At the end of the day, the best love advice from Dr. Darcy is the metaphor: "Use the good china every night." Relationships are about showing up for your partner the same way you would for a stranger or company that you're trying to impress. Make every day a date and bring romance into everything you do.

Famously Single airs on Tuesday's at 10 p.m. on E!

You can keep up with Dr. Darcy on her website or Twitter.

Celebrity Interview: E!'s 'Famously Single' Dating Coach Laurel House Says "Every Episode Has Drama!"





Interviewed and Written by Cortney Moore.

Last month, *E*! debuted it's newest reality TV show, *Famously Single*, which features one of Cupid's own, Laurel House. As an experienced relationship expert, House has had the opportunity

to work closely with celebrities to fix their love lives, so it was only natural that *E*! selected her as one of the dating coaches to bolster their celebrity cast. In our exclusive <u>celebrity interview</u>, House opens up about her experience on the show and the <u>relationship advice</u> she offered the celebrity cast members.

Celebrity Interview: Laurel House Talks E!'s Newest Star-Studded Reality TV Show 'Famously Single'

Famously Single explores the dating lives of eight celebrities: Brandi Glanville, Aubrey O'Day, Pauly D, Jessica White, Willis McGahee, Somaya Reece, Calum Best and Josh Murray. With House's expertise and guidance, each celebrity is able to examine their behavior and past experiences in order to understand why their relationships have failed. But why do celebrities often experience failed relationships in the first place? House says, "The reality is that just because they're celebrities, doesn't mean that they're really all that different when it comes to entertaining difficulties and insecurities." She went on, saying, "Anyone can relate to the dating problem the celebrities are struggling with." In her expert opinion, celebrities are relatable because their insecurities stem from fear. Their careers require them to have both public and private personas, which sometimes conflict and are damaging if revealed.

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Prior to meeting the cast, House expected the celebrities to be "high maintenance or catty," but was pleasantly surprised when she was able to work with them. "They were all truly amazing human beings, with the most gigantic hearts," she says. She also expressed how delighted she was to see these stars open up and reveal their more vulnerable sides. Two celebrities who stood out in her mind when discussing authenticity and kindness were Pauly D and Calum Best, both of whom are known for their wild party sides. "There is so much more than that," she reveals, referencing who they truly are. As far as which cast member inspired her, House says it was Somaya Reece who opened her eyes. She adds, "She's been through a tremendous amount of pain and difficulty in her life, and she's overcome it more than anyone I've ever seen." House believes the challenges in Reece's life made her fragile, which is similar to the stories of many celebrities. "There is some fragility with these celebrities. Yes, they're very strong and put up strong exteriors, but that's for public consumption. They do have a very fragile and soft side, and that's the beauty of them."

Though House was able to get most of the celebrities to open up, her experience as their dating coach was not all smooth sailing. A number of the celebrity cast members gave her a difficult time at some point or another while filming. Two such celebrities were Willis McGahee and Josh Murray, both of whom she met in episode 2 during the cast's outing to a club. "I was personally very surprised by Willis's request to join him in the bathroom," House admitted when asked about the incident. Although she was surprised by his invitation, she wants audiences to understand that a situation like this isn't uncommon for a professional athlete. "In the sports industry, women are throwing themselves at you," she explains. "So while it was surprising to me, it's not a surprise that it happened. And it's not reflective of Willis as a human being because he's a really good man; it's just that he has been shown that this is the norm throughout his life as a football player." Murray's standoffish behavior towards her, on the other hand, was very disheartening. "Instead of taking the connection that we had and turning that into a conversation, he took the

connection and immediately thought that I was conniving," House says about their interaction at the club. Despite Murray's harsh treatment, she understood where he was coming from. "He's the newest celebrity in the house and he's not used to all this additional attention," House says. She went on to explain that many celebs are defensive because they're unsure of people's ulterior motives.

Another challenge House faced while trying to mentor the celebrities were changed personas when the cameras were rolling. With Calum Best in particular, House's skills were tested in getting him to show his real self while the cameras were on. Aside from changing personalities, House reveals that the most challenging and fun celebrity to mentor was Aubrey O'Day. "She didn't just take my advice and do what I said. She wanted to discuss it and really come to wrap her head around it and understand the theory behind it and why," House explains in our celebrity interview. "The questions that she asked showed me that she was invested in making change and analyzing herself so she could be in a real sustainable, loving and happy relationship, which she found in Pauly D." And O'Day isn't the only celebrity who has found love through the show. According to House, Reece has also found love with a woman where there is "mutual respect and mutual adoration," which were essential pieces she was missing in her past relationships.

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House hopes the other, currently single, celebrity cast members will be able to find love through the <u>relationship</u> <u>advice</u> she provided for them during the show. The piece of advice she believes is crucial to their success is having real and substantive conversations. For celebrities, she says it's important "to get away from the 'I'm a celebrity' conversation and get into the real conversation where the celebrity no longer feels like a celebrity, but feels like a normal person." Aside from valuable love advice, House assured us that *Famously Single* is still a reality TV show packed with entertaining drama. "Every episode has a big surprise, every episode has drama. Truly every single day I could not wait to get into that house and see what was going on." But despite having fun on set, cast members on the show took their roles very seriously. There was not a single person House doubted and she hopes viewers will see how pure everyone's intentions were. "Everyone at their core is looking for love and connection. No matter what they say, that's the desire."

Famously Single airs Tuesdays on E! at 10 p.m. EST.

You can keep up with Laurel House on <u>Cupid's Pulse</u> or find more information on her Twitter @DatingLaurel and <u>website</u>.

Celebrity Interview: Brandi Glanville Is More Than a Housewife on 'Famously Single'





Interview by Lori Bizzoco. Written by Stephanie Sacco.

Brandi Glanville is more than a "real housewife" and reality TV star. She's also a single mother looking for a good man. Known mostly for her infamous (drinking) escapades on *The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills (RHOBH)*, the mother of two has joined the cast of the new reality television series, *Famously Single*. The new E! series centers around eight single celebrities living in a house together with the goal of mending their broken hearts and relationship issues once and for all. The singles are advised by relationship coaches, practice dating techniques and attend group therapy sessions throughout the season.

Glanville opened up to <u>CupidsPulse.com</u> in an exclusive <u>celebrity interview</u>, where she gave us the scoop on her recent Instagram booty post, filled us in on her tryst with Calum Best and dished on all things marriage, love and her experience on the new reality TV show, *Famously Single*.

Reality TV Star Brandi Glanville reveals who the booty Instagram & Tweet were for in our celebrity interview.

Glanville has kissed a lot of frogs in her dating life but last week she addressed her most recent (ex) flame on social media by sharing two pictures of her booty on Instagram and on Twitter, where she reclaimed her body and said it no longer belonged to him. The photo created a lot of <u>celebrity</u> <u>news</u> headlines but Glanville gave us the real scoop on who that booty shot was intended for saying, "There's always that guy that you go back and forth with and you know it's not good for you, but he's there when no one else is."

She says the relationship was on again, off-again for about a year before she decided to end it for good on social media. "We would just hook up but we would never really go out together," explained Glanville. "He's an actor and he didn't want to be seen with someone on a reality show because I guess it makes him less legitimate as an actor."

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Glanville decided to go along with the half-relationship and let it play out. But last week, on her way to his Fourth of July party, her love interest called and told her not to come because it wasn't the best idea that she be there. Her response? "I got a bottle of rosé, I went to my gay husband's house, we made Instagram videos, and I taught him how to walk on a runway, and that was my Fourth of July." Instead of letting her flames rejection consume her, she took to social media and ended it-her way!

Reality TV Star Addresses Recent Celebrity Gossip

The most recent <u>celebrity gossip</u> has focused on the fact that Glanville claims she never wants to get married again and while she admits that to be true she also says that she "would love to meet someone who changes her mind." Glanville says that she is open to the possibility if it happens but "she doesn't need a paper to define the relationship." I guess never say never. On *RHOBH*, Glanville says that she wasn't seen as a mother with emotions and a woman with a romantic side, but instead as 'your drunk friend Brandi.' *Famously Single* shows a different side to the former model and allows her to be herself.

The former RHOBH star says that she was skeptical about doing another reality show and unsure how open she should be about the process. "I used to be very touchy feely, and I used to snuggle and now for seven years I don't do PDA, I don't snuggle," she says. Her doubts proved unnecessary because she did connect emotionally on the show with her new Bestie, Calum Best. "Luckily I met someone in the house that I ended up having feelings for," says the *Famously Single* star. "It made me feel good again. It made me feel like I'm ready for this again and I don't have to be so tough and scare everyone off. I really just need to put myself out there and if I get hurt, I get hurt." The most important part of life is learning how to cope with change and moving on after hard times.

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Famously Single taught Glanville a lot about herself, although she didn't find lasting love in the end. She says Best, her equally famous and single love interest, played a huge part in helping her figure things out. "Ultimately I love him, I adore him. If he was five years older and lived here, things would be different."

Being on the show was a life changing experience for Glanville and she received plenty of great <u>relationship advice</u>. "I realized that I have to be softer. I have to let people in and give them the chance to get to know me."

Instead of exploiting single celebrities and trying to make them look bad, the dating coaches on *Famously Single* try to help them fight through their dating past to make a better future. "I want to be a girl sometimes. I want to let that side of me down and I want to be vulnerable, but having said that I know that's how I get hurt," Glanville says. "So it's just about finding that recognition and Laurel and Darcy helped me find it."

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Glanville doesn't want to dwell on the past and she isn't interested in ever going back to the RHOBH show that made her famous. According to Glanville, her time on *Famously Single* was nothing like *RHOBH*. "It was completely different," she says. "They weren't trying to have us fight with each other. We were all there to work on ourselves. I fell in love with all of them a little bit. It was nice. It was a completely different experience."

Famously Single airs on Tuesdays at 10 p.m. on E!

You can read all about Brandi Glanville's love life in her books on <u>Amazon</u> or follow her on <u>Twitter</u>.

Celebrity News: 'Bachelorette' Star 'Bad Chad' Johnson Claims Contestants Are Cheating on Their Girlfriends





By <u>Nicole Caico</u>

In the <u>latest celebrity news</u>, <u>Chad Johnson</u>, a former contestant on the current season of *The Bachelorette*, continues to cause drama. Though star <u>JoJo Fletcher</u> has already eliminated Johnson from the competition for his bullylike behavior toward the other guys, he's not done yet. <u>UsMagazine.com</u> reported that in a <u>celebrity interview</u> with Andy Cohen on Monday, June 27, Johnson claimed that guys on the show are "acting all nice and like they're such good guys when at the end of the day, they're cheating on their girlfriends, half of them broke up with girlfriends to go on the show." On June 20th, Johnson posted a picture of himself kissing contestant Robby Hayes' ex-girlfriend. Johnson chalks his behavior up to the fact that the show is a competition, saying, "It's a competition … I'm going to do what I have to do. I treat my women very well. That's my thing, like yeah, I'm willing to do what I gotta do to get what I want when it comes to competition, but I'm very nice to my girls."

In celebrity news, *The Bachelorette* drama continues! What are some ways to tell that your crush is still attached to a former fling?

Cupid's Advice

It's clear that Chad isn't letting go. While causing drama on a reality television show is not something people do on the regular, falling for someone who is still attached to a former fling is a pretty common occurrence. Here's how to tell if your crush's heart isn't up for grabs:

1. Wearing your heart on your sleeve: If your crush is still wearing the clothes his or her ex left behind, the attachment is probably still there. If the person you're crushing on has made no attempt to remove or get rid of reminders of an ex, take it as a warning sign.

Related Link: <u>Celebrity Couple News: Lindsay Lohan & Egor</u> <u>Tarabasov Are Red Carpet Official</u> 2. Topic of conversation: If all your crush can talk about is an ex, watch out. Whether your crush is praising or bashing the past relationship, the fact that it is being frequently brought up means it's still on his or her mind.

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3. BFF: If your crush claims to now be best friends with an ex-texting, liking pictures, and maybe even meeting up-steer clear. These two could be on their way to getting back together. No matter what, it's a threat to your relationship .

How have you dealt with crushing on someone who is still attached to a former fling? Comment below!

Celebrity News: 'Bachelorette' Villain Chad Johnson Defends Bad Behavior





By <u>Stephanie Sacco</u>

One of the biggest villains in the history of <u>The</u> <u>Bachelorette</u> came from JoJo Fletcher's season. Chad Johnson, the luxury realtor and nobody's favorite housemate, had something mean to say about just about everyone in the house. He also threatened one or two of them. However, according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u> he told Jimmy Kimmel post-elimination, "At the end of the day, it is a show so things are amplified. We try to be ourselves and we try to be who we are, but at the same time, whoever you are is amplified up about a million times." In <u>celebrity news</u> and gossip, Johnson has been seen with an ex of one of his fellow competitors, Robby Hayes. He'll be sure to start some trouble this August when he appears on <u>Bachelor in Paradise</u>. We'll have to wait and see.

This celebrity news has us skeptical about Chad's sincerity.

What are some benefits to avoiding the bad boy?

Cupid's Advice:

The idea of a bad boy is always better than the reality. You see them in movies and books and believe that deep down they have a soft spot. Cupid is here to set the record straight:

1. Nice guys finish first: Bad boys might look nice (think James Dean), but deep down they may not always be the right guy. If you're looking for fun and no commitment, maybe you'll find that in a bad boy. However, most of the time it's just trouble. A nice guy will always treat you well.

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2. Less heartbreak: A bad boy doesn't always stick around, and you need somebody who isn't going to break your heart (at least not on purpose). Find a guy who is all about you and who won't let you down. Don't settle for anything less than the best.

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3. They're immature: Wearing a leather jacket or riding a motorbike isn't cool forever. After a while, it just gets old. There's nothing cool about being treated badly, and if your bad boy isn't respecting you, kick him to the curb.

How do you dodge the bad boys? Comment below!

Celebrity Interview: Virtually In Love's Kansas Discusses Falling In Love Online



Interviewed and Written by Cortney Moore.

Kansas met Natiece on Instagram, which many wouldn't think of as a reliable platform for dating, but they made it work and began a relationship. This story isn't too unusual in this day and age. However, their story is just one of the many relationships followed on Oxygen's newest reality TV show, *Virtually in Love.* This show that has been a hit with audiences since its debut because it takes online dating faceto-face. Couples on the show encounter their own series of challenges, and Kansas and Natiece were no exception. With sneak peeks of their episode released by Oxygen, Kansas and Natiece have not been completely honest with each other. Will love prevail? Cupid had the pleasure of getting to know Kansas and heard her side of the story in our exclusive <u>celebrity</u> <u>interview</u>.

Virtually In Love's Kansas discusses online relationships & provides relationship advice in celebrity interview.

It would seem that specialized dating websites are no longer the only tool for making a connection online. In an unlikely series of events, the photo sharing app, Instagram, brought Kansas and Natiece together. "Well, when I saw her, she had posted something sad," Kansas said regarding their first online encounter. "When I see people post sad things I just let them know that if they need someone to talk to, they can talk to me. And she wanted to talk, so that's what happened." Their initial interactions were platonic. Kansas helped Natiece get through a break-up she was going through, and as time went on, the pair eventually found themselves in a relationship.

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Kansas, who also happens to be a Kansas state native, wasn't worried about meeting the North Carolina basketball star. She admits that she was more concerned about whether or not she could fulfill Natiece's expectations. In regard to her first reality TV appearance, Kansas said, "It was fun in a sense." However, at the same time, she was there to meet Natiece and get to know her better. "We had stuff that we wanted to talk about, and it kind of felt like we were talking to everybody." Despite the cameras following their journey, Kansas expresses gratitude at having an opportunity to share her story.

As seen in past episodes of *Virtually in Love*, the couples aren't only meeting each other for the first time, but thev are also facing their issues head on. Online video teasers released by Oxygen show that Kansas and Natiece have been keeping secrets from each other. For instance, Natiece refrains from telling Kansas that she was engaged before and still holds on to her ring. Also, Kansas doesn't tell Natiece that she had been seeing someone else for a time, while also keeping her relationship with Natiece a secret from her mother. To shed some light on her actions, Kansas explained, saying, "I didn't know what to expect, that's why I wasn't really ready to say anything." Pertaining to the situation that involved her mother, who doesn't approve of same-sex relationships, Kansas said, "I thought it'd be better to have [Natiece] there." Kansas went on to say that having Natiece present when she talked to her mother would force her to tell the truth about her sexuality.

When asked whether or not a long distance relationship impacted her views positively or negatively, Kansas said that her experience has been both. "I've had, with dating online, good experiences and bad experiences. I think it could be very similar to dating someone in real life, except they're not there." Additionally, Kansas expresses her sadness at the tragedy that unfolded in Orlando this past week at the Pulse nightclub. "It didn't just affect the victims and their families; I feel that it affected the whole United States." Kansas also went on to express that she believes the world needs to stop hating and start loving. "We just got to figure out where to start."

Related Link: <u>Celebrity Interview: Virtually In Love's Iyanya</u> <u>Discusses His Online Relationship</u> When it comes to <u>relationship advice</u> and online dating tips, Kansas believes it's important to do research and stay true to oneself. "If you're going to do it, go in a hundred percent because you don't know what the other person is feeling for you," Kansas said. "You don't want to be confused in an online relationship." After her experience on the show, Kansas stresses honesty as the best policy, but of course online daters need to do their research to avoid instances like catfishing. "Be yourself," she advised. "If you start off being yourself there won't be any surprises."

Keep up with Kansas and Natiece's relationship on Virtually in Love, and find out if they stayed together or drifted apart.

Virtually in Love airs on Tuesdays at 9 p.m. ET/PT on Oxygen Media.

Celebrity Wedding Tips: 'Bachelorette' Alum Desiree Hartsock Offers Wedding Tips in New Book





By <u>Nicole Caico</u>

Former Bachelorette, Desiree Hartsock, has a new book out that is full of wedding planning tips. In her book, *My Fairytale Wedding*, Hartsock promises to help brides achieve their own fairytale weddings "without breaking the bank." According to a <u>celebrity interview</u> for <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Hartsock spoke about wedding planning, saying, "It's very stressful and a lot of people don't realize how stressful it is." She had her own <u>celebrity wedding</u> in January 2015 and now brides everywhere can get Hartsock's wedding planning advice.

This *Bachelorette* alum already planned her own celebrity wedding! What are three important wedding tips to keep in mind as you plan your nuptials?

Cupid's Advice:

Hartsock is definitely right on this one. Couples spend thousands and thousands of dollars on their weddings, but creating the same experience for much less money is possible. Whether you're financially splurging or trying to save money where you can, there are always things to keep in mind during your wedding planning:

1. Keep your eyes on the prize: As Hartsock says, wedding planning can be stressful. It's important to remember during the planning process what you're really planning for. Don't get so stressed out that you fight with your betrothed on a daily basis. The reason your wedding is happening is because you love each other. You also want to remember that the wedding is about your love not how much you spent on flowers and impressing your guests.

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2. A little piece of you: A surefire way to make your wedding special on a big or small budget is to include personalized aspects in the ceremony and the reception. Talk to your parents or in-laws and see if there is anything from their weddings that you might be able to incorporate for your own-from the actual gown, to a piece of jewelry or a recreation of the bouquet. When planning, remember that you can personalize any part of your wedding, there is no real wedding rule book. Get creative with invitations, decorations, or your wedding cake.

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3. Looks aren't everything: What is most important to keep in mind during wedding planning is that as long as you and your fiancé feel good about the plan, that's all that matters. Whether you're writing your own vows and DIY-ing your decorations, or reserving a luxurious reception hall and covering every inch of it in flowers, your wedding should reflect you as a couple and make you happy on your special day.

What are your wedding tips? Comment below!

Celebrity News: 'Bachelorette' JoJo Fletcher Deals with Chad's True Colors





By Stephanie Sacco

If you're following this season of The Bachelorette, then

you've heard of the infamous Chad, one of JoJo Fletcher's suitors who is arguably one of the biggest villains on the show. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, JoJo finally saw Chad's true colors in the latest episode. She dealt him on a two-onone date, not exactly an ideal <u>date idea</u>. Arch-enemies Chad and Alex had to endure sharing JoJo for this date. Alex was able to convince JoJo who Chad really is. After they talked, she responded, "I feel like I learned a lot about Chad that I didn't know." And then, "I'm honestly shocked about the things that I'm hearing." Chad's response to this was an attack on Alex. He said, "It's just unfortunate I can't hurt you right now without getting in trouble." In <u>celebrity news</u>, JoJo may have finally gotten rid of this toxic bachelor, but will she find love?

This celebrity news had us eating up the drama. What are some ways to combat anger issues in a relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Drama and jealousy is a lot of fun and is entertaining on television, but not so much in real life. Nobody wants to date a "Chad." Cupid is here with some <u>dating advice</u>:

1. Counseling: If your partner has anger issues or if you just can't stop arguing, try counseling. There's nothing wrong with asking for a little help. Sometimes you have to ask the experts.

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2. Break-up: If it's unhealthy or a toxic relationship, definitely cut ties with your partner. If it's beyond helping

and you can't find your way around it, don't suffer through it. Send him packin'!

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3. Communication: If it's not working out, but it's not worth giving up on, communicate your feelings. Express yourself to your partner so they know where you stand. Help each other to get through it and to change it.

How do you handle anger issues in a relationship? Comment below!

Celebrity News: 'Bachelorette' Guys Share Embarrassing Sex Stories with JoJo Fletcher





By Nicole Caico

In the latest episode of <u>The Bachelorette</u>, <u>JoJo Fletcher</u> had all the guys reveal their most embarrassing sex stories. The guys, who are all hoping to become the other half of a <u>celebrity couple</u> with JoJo, did not hold back. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Alex, Dan, and Nick had the most cringe-worthy stories. We won't go into the details, but suffice it to say it was tough to watch! Hey, at least they were honest.

This celebrity news has us cringing for the guys on *The Bachelorette*! What are some ways to be open and honest with your potential partner?

Cupid's Advice:

As terribly awkward as it is to dig up your most embarrassing intimate stories, chances are you won't be doing it on television like these guys—so what do you really have to lose? Not being honest with a potential partner will most likely lead to another embarrassing story, so it's important to remember that honesty is the best policy:

1. Right from the start: The best way to open up and be honest with a potential partner is to establish open conversation from the beginning. Before things get to serious, or too steamy, talk about your sexual histories and desires.

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2. Lead with a joke: Conversations about intimacy with a potential partner are no laughing matter, but they're also not strictly business. Joke around to break the ice and in the end, the truth will come out. If you have a positive and lighthearted take on the situation, your potential partner won't fell threaten or judged and the conversation will flow.

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3. Make it about them: If you have a feeling that an open conversation about intimacy isn't going to go over well with your potential partner, make the conversation about them. Instead of sounding nosy or accusatory, just tell them that you need to know some things in order for you to make the experience as good as it can be for them.

How have you been honest with a potential partner? Comment below!

Celebrity News: 'Bachelor' Star Ben Higgins Considers Running for Political Office





By Stephanie Sacco

<u>Ben Higgins</u> isn't just a pretty face, but he's also a potential politician. He might get another opportunity to wear a suit, since he's running for a seat in the Colorado House of Representatives. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Higgins has already launched an official campaign website. In <u>celebrity news</u>, Willie Pinkston, the Republican nominee, said he'd drop out if Higgins jumped in. He said, "I definitely plan on stepping aside." And on endorsing Higgins, "I'd be happy to." Things are looking up for the <u>The Bachelorette</u> reject who found love on his own season of <u>The Bachelor</u> with Lauren Bushnell. Let's hope this <u>celebrity couple</u> is making the right decisions together.

In celebrity news, Lauren Bushnell could be supporting her man in office. What are some ways to encourage your partner's passions in a relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

When choosing a partner, be sure to pick someone who is going to support you no matter what. Just don't forget to support them back! Cupid is here to help you balance:

1. Attend their events: Whether it's an art show or a softball game, be there to show your support. Cheer him on in the stands and take pictures to document his passions. Even better, bring your friends, too, and make a day of it!

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2. Ask them about it: If you are looking for dinner conversation that isn't surrounding work, bring up their hobby. Be completely up to date with what your partner has got going on. When asked about him, be sure to discuss his interests and prove that you know him inside and out.

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3. Join them in their endeavors: If sitting on the sidelines isn't getting you anywhere, join the team. Be his classmate or teammate and bond over something you both care about. Try

something new, and be spontaneous to create a chemistry like no other.

How do you show your partner support? Comment below!

Celebrity Interview: Virtually In Love's Iyanya Discusses His Online Relationship





Interview by Lori Bizzoco. Written by Dena Linzer.

Iyanya and Maria met and began dating online. Their story is just one of the many relationships followed on Oxygen Media's new reality TV show, *Virtually in Love*. The show takes the popularity of online dating and creates an exciting reality TV experience, where we follow young and eager couples as they progress in their relationships. Cupid's Pulse had the pleasure of getting to know Iyanya and Maria in our exclusive <u>celebrity interview</u>.

Virtually In Love's Iyanya Discusses Online Relationship & Provides Relationship Advice in Celebrity Interview

An unlikely place to find love, the social networking app, Instagram brought Maria and Iyanya together. "I was not looking to date anybody. I liked her humor and I thought she was attractive," Iyanya says of Maria, a 33-year-old lash stylist living in Sweden. After several months of talking through direct messenger on Instagram, the two got to know each other and soon found themselves in a relationship.

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The Brooklyn native was not concerned about the distance between himself and Maria, although he resides in Brooklyn, NY and she was living in Sweden. He considered it a "low-pressure situation." At first, Iyanya did not rush into the relationship, wanting it to form organically and not feel forced. The current model, actor, and DJ had no intention of dating and was focusing on his career. But the couple instantly fit together, "It didn't take long to realize we actually enjoyed each other."

The concept of Virtually In Love is that audiences get to know

a couple that has been in an online relationship while watching them as they break down barriers by meeting in person and being introduced to their significant other's friends and family. For Iyanya and Maria, they dated for four months before deciding to take their relationship to the next level and meet in person. Their initial meeting was in Brooklyn, in front of the show's cameras and they definitely felt the pressure. However, Iyanya said he was happy to finally connect with Maria face-to-face, "I felt alive," he says of their first encounter. Maria stayed with Iyanya for a week. "I loved the way she smelled," something unattainable and unknown through an online connection.

When asked if there was anything unexpected that he felt when they first met, Iyanya mentioned that Maria was shorter than he expected. But meeting in person did not change the emotional part of their relationship too much,"the vibe was always there" he said in our celebrity interview. He went on to explain that there were some big differences between talking online and meeting in person, and the emotional aspect of their relationship was online, but now in-person they introduced the physical aspect as well.

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When it comes to relationship advice and tips for dating online, Iyanya stresses the importance of naturally getting to know someone and not forcing a relationship. "In relationships, people tend to prematurely get together," he says. The self-described people person feels it's crucial to be true to yourself in online relationships because the truth will come out either way. "Know yourself," he advises.

Keep up with Iyanya and Maria's celebrity relationship on *Virtually In Love* and find out if they stayed together or drifted apart. Virtually In Love premieres Tuesday, May 24 at 9 p.m. ET/PT on Oxygen Media.

Celebrity News: JoJo Fletcher Celebrates End of 'Bachelorette' Shoot with Instagram Post



By <u>Stephanie Sacco</u>

The <u>celebrity news</u> surrounding <u>JoJo Fletcher</u> is that she didn't find love with Ben Higgins on his season of <u>The</u>

<u>Bachelor</u>, but now she has her own chance at love. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Fletcher has finished shooting her season of <u>The Bachelorette</u> and the <u>celebrity gossip</u> is that she's got some interesting guys to choose from. Occupations like 'Bachelor Superfan' and 'Hipster' are just a few of the descriptions chosen by her men. Fletcher has her work cut out for her.

We're on edge to see if this celebrity news means JoJo has found love! What are some unique ways to go about finding love?

Cupid's Advice:

You can find love anywhere if you're looking. Even if you aren't looking, it can still appear out of the blue. Cupid is here with some <u>relationship advice</u>:

1. Online dating: Join a dating site where you can talk to, flirt with, and meet up with various guys. As hesitant as some people are about online dating, it's very promising and can be your path to love. Give it a try!

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2. Blind dates: Have your friend set you up with somebody they know from work or that they met at the gym. Trust that your girlfriends know you well enough to play matchmaker. Be open to love and sooner or later you'll find it.

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3. Date a friend: If you're having trouble finding love and need to spice it up, ask out one of your guy friends. It's

harmless if the friendship is solid so give it a shot. Who knows, it could be a great story for your kids.

Do you know a unique way to find love? Comment below!

'Rich Kids of Beverly Hills' Reality TV Stars Play Brides Magazine Nearlywed Game



By <u>Dena Linzer</u>

The days before your wedding are exciting, nerve-wracking, and

very very busy. It's a time to test your patience as a couple and get to know one another even better. This is no different for celebrity couples and reality TV stars. The *Rich Kids of Beverly Hills* reality TV stars and soon-to-be-newlyweds, Morgan Stewart and Brendan Fitzpatrick, play the Nearlywed Game, hosted by E.J. Johnson to test how much they pay attention to their significant other and answer questions about their celebrity wedding.

How well does the reality couple know each other? Find out!

The video is now live on <u>Brides.com</u> and <u>Brides</u>' channel on <u>THE</u> <u>SCENE</u>, the video platform from Condé Nast Entertainment.

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Celebrity News: Former 'Bachelorette' Andi Dorfman Calls Juan Pablo Season 'Stupidest Thing I've Ever Been a Part Of'





By Brooke Crawford

In <u>latest celebrity news</u>, <u>Andi Dorfman</u> shared her true feelings about *The Bachelor* Season 18. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Dorfman expressed that she felt that her experience on the reality TV show was quite pointless, at least during Juan Pablo's season. She felt as though she was doing things out of her comfort zone. While her experience on *The Bachelorette* was better, Dorfman claims that her time on season 18 of *The Bachelor* was one of her worst experiences. Although neither of her <u>celebrity relationships</u> worked out, Dorfman has been able to find happiness within herself since.

This celebrity news isn't exactly surprising, given Juan Pablo's infamy. What are some ways to stay real in your search for love?

Cupid's Advice:

Love in the purest form while staying yourself can be a tough thing to achieve. Cupid has some <u>relationship advice</u> about how to stay true to yourself during your search:

1. Boundaries: Take a moment to write out your boundaries within a relationship. This will allow you to have set ground rules that you can reference if you feel that things are not as they should be. It eliminates the ambiguity and leads to less arguments.

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2. Standards: Make sure that you have clear standards for the type of person you would like in a lover. You can ensure that you choose someone who has the same goals, mindset, and relationship standards as yourself.

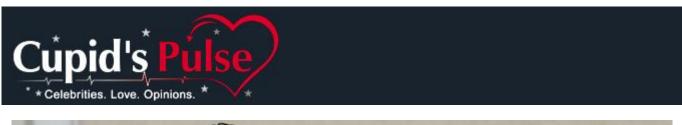
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3. Honesty: You need to be able to be honest with yourself about what you are looking for in a relationship. Honesty in your relationship is also of high importance. This will ensure that you are both on the same page.

Finding true love can be quite difficult. What are some of your love stories? Share your experience below!

Celebrity Interview: 'American Idol' Winner Trent

Harmon Is the First Contestant to Sing Justin Timberlake





By <u>Katie Gray</u>

Last Thursday night, April 7th, Trent Harmon, who chose the Harold Melvin and the Blue Notes classic "If You Don't Know Me By Now" and Sia's hit "Chandelier" for his final performances, was crowned the winner of the 15th and final season of *American Idol*. That's right – Harmon is the final American Idol! He now has a record deal with Big Machine Records, and his first single "Falling" – which was co-written by *American Idol* judge and country superstar Keith Urban – will be on country radio. Harmon, a 25-year-old former waiter from Mississippi, auditioned for the reality TV show in Little Rock, Arkansas. The country boy grew up on his family farm and would perform at his family's restaurant. During his time on *American Idol*, he wowed the crowd with a Lynyrd Skynyrd cover and a rendition of Chris Stapleton's "Tennessee Whiskey." He's the third winner to pursue a career in country music, following in the footsteps of Carrie Underwood and Scotty McCreery. In our exclusive <u>celebrity interview</u>, Harmon discusses his relationship with God, his love for country music, and his journey on *American Idol*.

Celebrity Interview with the Final American Idol

After he won, the singer thanked his mother, family, and God. He's a man of faith, and it's easy to see that being a Christian is a big part of his life. When he had mono during the reality TV show and was essentially quarantined and isolated from the rest of the cast, he would pray, "It's just me and you. It's just you and me, God." He didn't have his parents with him and relied heavily on his faith. "If you can make it through this competition without believing in something, I wouldn't say that's impressive," he shares. "Instead, it's kind of scary."

His relationship with God has been a part of his singing for as long as he can remember. He recalls his mom teaching him "Amazing Grace" at the age of 5. Of his deep connection to the song, he says, "That song means something. There's a reason it's considered a classic." It was while singing "Amazing Grace" that he realized he could sing harmony.

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As important as his faith is, when it comes to his music, the

country classics really have his heart. "Whenever I got the opportunity to pick the song myself, I was singing country," he shares. It's no surprise, then, that Harmon's musical influences are country singers. "I've always enjoyed the classics," he says. "I love Conway Twitty. I'm a big Elvis fan – you know, Elvis did country. I'm a Ray Charles fan, and he did a country album."

Of his future fans, he explains, "Country music supporters – they go to the shows; they go to the festivals; and they buy the songs. If you can make it in country, you can have a career." Willing to move anywhere, he may even relocate to Nashville.

Trent Harmon Opens Up About His Reality TV Journey

Given the intense schedule of American Idol, Harmon hasn't had time for a break. "I have sleep scheduled for next Friday," he says with a laugh. Being the Final Idol is still completely surreal to him. "It hasn't really sunk in. I jumped in the shower and started doing my warm-ups and practicing my songs, and then, I realized I don't have to do that anymore," he reveals in our celebrity interview.

Perhaps the most special moment of his journey was getting to perform a song by Justin Timberlake, who had never granted anyone permission to use his music on the show. Earlier this season, Harmon performed the hit "Drink You Away," which Timberlake released to country radio after a performance with Stapleton at the Country Music Academy Awards in November 2015.

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He also had the opportunity to speak with some of

the people on his bucket list, including Jordin Sparks and David Archuleta. Of the advice that he received from former contestants, he says, "They told me, 'Don't ever, ever, quit being genuine. Don't ever get out of that head.'" He was lucky enough to exchange numbers with some of them and looks forward to networking and applying their tips to his future endeavors.

Harmon never wanted "to coast along" and wasn't going to give anything less than his best. Ultimately, he credits this mentality and a lot of hard work with winning *American Idol*. "I knew that if I pushed myself and worked really, really hard, I could be more than just a pretty voice. I practiced every day," he says. "I practiced every different angle to be good, to be better, to be the best."

You can keep up with the American Idol winner on Twitter @TrentWHarmon!

Celebrity Interview: 'American Idol' Mackenzie Bourg Channeled JLO During Love Songs





By <u>Katie Gray</u>

The 15th and final season of American Idol is coming to an end! Next week is the finale and the 'Final Idol' will be announced. Last night Mackenzie Bourg was sadly eliminated after a great season. The 23-year-old from Lafayette, Louisiana put on quite the performance for his hometown visit before being cut. Bourg who was first seen on season three of The Voice on team CeeLo Green, also plays the guitar and piano. In our celebrity interview with this Idol star, Bourg opened up about the way in which he channels emotion while singing love songs, who he would like to perform a duet with and his plans to tour in the future.

Former American Idol Contestant Talks Reality TV & Loyal Fans In This Celebrity Interview

The singer discussed how American Idol allowed him to be his true self. "I think American Idol has done me so many favors,

just by not trying to change me — by letting me be myself," he explained. With this platform, he has had the opportunity to expand his audience and reach people on a broader spectrum. "I get on Twitter and Instagram, and all these things, and there's so many people I don't even know, sending me nothing but love and support." He continued, "And those people want me to succeed as much as the people at home." From his presence on social media, it's evident that Bourg has a close connection to his fans and followers. Some of them have even started calling themselves the 'Mac Pack.'

<u>Celebrity Interview: American Idol Sonika Vaid</u>

Hometown Hallelujah:

During his hometown visit, he did a fantastic rendition of Leonard Cohen's famed 'Hallelujah.' Bourg said, "Hallelujah's one of the first songs I ever learned." The television star used to perform it when he was starting out his career years ago, so he says it is a track that is near and dear to his heart. This weighed heavily on Bourg's decision to perform this song for his hometown visit and ultimately what ended up being his final performance. He explained, "I just wanted to go out with something that left a good taste in people's mouth about me."

For Bourg, the song was a metaphor. "To me, the song was more than just the lyrics," he explained. "It's kind of like a reminder of how far I've come." This explains why we were able to see the passion and emotion in his performance. He clearly gave it his all and went out with a riveting performance. "I sang it so passionately, just because I remember five or six years ago when I first learned that song, how bad I was at the song and how I never thought that in my wildest dreams I'd be on the biggest stage in the world – performing it." Every one can take a cue from him, that life is about learning and growing. Nobody is perfect at something in the beginning, but with hard work you can achieve your wildest dreams. From his time on American Idol and The Voice, it is apparent that Bourg performs love songs very well. Not only does the singer perform them, but he also writes them! This is why his favorite love song to perform is one of his very own. "I like the love song that I wrote, called, 'Roses.' It's a pretty cool love song."

Relationships go hand in hand with love songs. On American Idol we saw that Bourg has found a mentor in Lauren Alaina. Unfortunately for fans who were hoping for a Bourg-Alaina romance, they're not going to be a celebrity couple any time soon because she is already taken. "She's been awesome, I know she has a boyfriend so we're definitely just friendly. But yeah, she's been so supportive of me." Furthermore; "She's been a great mentor, not just musically but in the encourage department too." Bourg let us know that Alaina sends him positive text messages and genuinely congratulates him for his success on the show.

Bourg performed a variety of love ballads on American Idol. He even sang the classic 'I Want You To Want Me' by Cheap Trick for rock week! When asked where he gets his emotion to sing these deep love song he explains, "The easiest way to sing love songs on the show is to kind of stare at JLO in the eyes," said Bourg. "It kind of works sometimes when she realizes, she commented on it a few times this year. But yeah, that's definitely who I'm channeling when I'm on the show."

<u>Celebrity Interview: American Idol Contestant Tristan McIntosh</u>

Not only is Bourg open to expressing emotions in his love songs, but he is open to performing a duet. If he had to pick someone to do a duet with, it would be Taylor Swift. "I would probably say, I mean just picking it vocally, I would say Taylor Swift would probably sound really good singing with me. I know she did a song with Ed Sheeran that was really awesome." He added, "That would definitely be a cool song that I think I could do with her." As for his plans for the future, he will be furthering his career in the music industry and going on tour. "Yeah, there's definitely a chance I'll be touring. I don't think the show will be touring, but that's definitely the plan and to release 'Roses' – a song I wrote and played on the show." 'Roses' is set to be his next single. In fact, he tweeted today that he is recording it tomorrow!

Tune in next week to see who will be the Final Idol!

You can keep up with Mackenzie Bourg by following him on Twitter @mackenziebourg!

Celebrity News: 'Bachelorette' JoJo Fletcher Has Another Ben In Her Life





By Cortney Moore

If you aren't up to date on the latest dating show <u>celebrity</u> <u>news</u>, ABC's season 12 of *The Bachelorette* will star JoJo Fletcher, the 25-year-old who had her heart broken in the season 20 finale of *The Bachelor* with Ben Higgins. Fletcher and her illustrious Texan family are no strangers to reality TV. Aside from appearing on *The Bachelor*, she is also sister to *Ready For Love* reality star Ben Patton, who we had the chance to interview twice at Cupid's Pulse! See <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>.

This celebrity news has us realizing that reality TV stars JoJo Fletcher and her brother Ben Patton share more than bloodlines. Cupid discusses below.

Last time we spoke with Patton, he was set on pursuing a relationship with his final pick and former Miss Texas winner,

Angela Zatopek. He even proposed to her in the final episode of *Ready For Love*. Side note: Zatopek wrote episode recaps for us at CupidsPulse.com (see <u>here</u>). Unfortunately, the magic didn't last for this <u>celebrity couple</u> and they separated shortly after the season finale. Zatopek, beauty queen and self-proclaimed virgin, opened her heart for Patton and all of America to see, going as far as to make the first move with a bold kiss in episode 4. "I've never done anything like that in my life," she told us. "As I watch it back on television, I realize it wasn't the smoothest move..but hey, I was a rookie."

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Patton may have hinted that his relationship with Zatopek was on the rocks when he told us, "I keep telling her that we shouldn't force the relationship for the sake of the show or to prove America wrong. If it's not working, then it's not working." Will this be the advice he gives to his sister? Surely his experience would be a great asset to her as she tries to weed out potential suitors that are interested in her for not so genuine reasons.

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Is it a coincidence that Patton's younger sister has followed in her big brother's footsteps, or should it not be that much of a surprise since Fletcher had a role in helping her brother on *Ready For Love*? According to recent reporters, she's friends with other reality TV stars, like the infamous *Bachelor* Jake Pavelka. It looks like reality TV stars run in the same circles, and family is no exception.

Related Link: <u>NBC's 'Ready for Love' Contestant Ben Patton</u> Says, "When You've Fallen in Love, You Can't Deny That It <u>Exists</u> We all know that big brother Patton was extremely tough on Higgins when they met on the hometown dates, so we're sure that wasn't the last we'll see of him. If he's looking for more air-time, no doubt he'll be appearing on Fletcher's upcoming season of *The Bachelorette*. In fact, if Patton is still single, would ABC reconsider changing the format to a brother/sister season? Now, that's something we would all like to see!

Regardless of what happens or who ends up winning Fletcher's heart in this season of *The Bachelorette*, we cannot wait to see more of this sister/brother tag team. Maybe Patton and Fletcher can convince their brother Matt to join their pursuits next!

Are you excited for the next season of *The Bachelorette?* Share your thoughts below.