

RHONJ's Teresa Giudice Debunks Divorce Rumors



The Kardashian's aren't the only one's who've been hit hard with rumors this month, as Teresa Giudice of *Real Housewives of New Jersey* also found herself on the gossip train yesterday. The author confronted the media about her marriage with Joe in a statement to [Celebuzz](#). Here's what the reality star said:

"Joe and I are not getting a divorce. We aren't separated; never have been. We are happily married. I love him as much as the day we got married. My kids are wonderful. Yes, Gia cried in school one day, but everyone's been really sweet to her since then and she's tough, like her mom. I'm so blessed to have my beautiful family!

"Even Perez Hilton wrote about me being nice to a person on

Twitter who was making fun of me, wondering if did it on purpose of if I'm just stupid. Sorry, Perez, I knew they were making fun of me (I read people's Twitter streams before I respond to them so I know where they're coming from. And that person makes fun of everyone!) And I was still nice. That's how I am. I just think you can catch more flies with honey... I have never once in over 6,000 tweets engaged with a hater on Twitter (or Facebook). I know my other cast mates get into online wars with people, but I just don't. Never have. Never will. You have the right to your opinion, and I have the right to hit the delete button and not read it. Done, done, done."

On a positive note, Giudice has a reason to celebrate, as *Fabulicious* recently made it on the New York Times bestseller list. For more, including her response regarding her brother's actions on Monday night's episode, check out Celebuzz.

How do you handle public conflicts with your partner? Share your thoughts with us below!

The Real Housewives of New York City's Simon van Kempen to Release Debut Single





As if *The Real Housewives of New York City* doesn't provide enough entertainment already, now one of the reality show's main men, Simon van Kempen, is busting onto the music scene with a pop and dance track called "I Am Real." The single, to be released today at 11 p.m. EST on Bravo TV's *Watch What Happens: Live*, takes an ironic look at the reality star and others from *The Real Housewives of New York*.

Produced by JSM Music in New York City, the track was specifically written about van Kempen's experience on the hit show and is the first of its kind, according to a press release. "Not many people know this, but I spent my childhood and early 20's studying and performing as a musician. Music has been a huge part of my life, and although I never thought of myself as a singer, I was thrilled and a little nervous when Joel Simon and JSM approached me with idea of creating a song," said the star. "More than anything, I wanted the track to be fun, irreverent and to talk about my real experience on the 'Real Housewives of New York City.'"

Van Kempen, who was born in Brisbane, Australia and also grew up in New South Wales, moved to London at the age of 22. He

lived in London for 13 years before eventually moving back to Australia. On a business trip to New York, however, he met his future wife, Alex McCord. The duo fell in love almost immediately.

"I Am Real" will be available on CD Baby, iTunes, Amazon and other leading online music sites.

Music credits include:

Record Label: JSM Music, Inc.

Producers: Joel Simon/Ross Hopman/Koki Saito

Composer: Allison Beth Simon/Jon Jason Appleton/Koki Saito

Executive Producers: Alex McCord and Rob Goldstone

Beverly Hills Real Housewife Camille Grammer Reveals She Tried to Quit the Show During Filming





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By Seth Abramovitch

TV.com: Hi, Camille. How are you?

Camille Grammer: Oh, fine, thanks. It's a really crazy time in my life.

Why? What's going on? Describe your week.

Well, you know, my divorce is finalized. There's a lot going on.

How does that feel?

How does that feel? Bittersweet. I'm sad for what we had—we were together for 14 years—but you know, I don't regret his happiness. He's moved on, and I'm moving on also.

Now that the first season of Real Housewives of Beverly Hills has aired, and you're interacting with a public who knows you, or has a strong impression of what they think is you, do you regret having done it?

Well, after the first few episodes, yeah, of course I did. I didn't think that it was an accurate portrayal of myself.

Because they cut out stuff that made you look more sympathetic?

Absolutely. They didn't show a rounded-out sense of who I am as a person.

And then once you realized what was happening in your marriage, what stopped you from just turning to the cameras and saying, "Get the fk out of my house. I need to deal with this right now?"**

I wish I could have, but I had an obligation to finish the show. I don't know if I can say this, but I quit at one point. I did. Because it was too much. I didn't know how much I could expose at the time. I was holding a lot back because I had known for a while that things were not right between my husband and I. So it's very difficult filming a reality show while you're going through this process, and hurt, and devastation.

So what did they say when you said you wanted to quit?

I quit for, you know, a couple of weeks. And actually Kelsey called me and said, "You have an obligation to do the show. You have to finish the show." So I said, okay. He also asked me to come to the Tonys. Basically I found out [about Kelsey's affair] through a mutual friend, and then I tried to get in touch with him. By the time we spoke, he said, "I've been thinking about it, and I just don't want to be married any longer." I asked if there was anybody else, and he said no at the time, but there obviously was. So he said to me, "You have to come to the Tonys," and I said that I felt too uncomfortable and upset, and I don't understand why I would have to come. And he said, "Listen, you have an obligation to finish out the show. You have to come." He also mentioned that maybe we could talk things through and work it out. That gave me a glimmer of hope that maybe we could spark some romance that weekend. But at that point, he was already gone.

How intense was that Real Housewives reunion special? Because

it was really hard to watch at points.

I was very nervous going into it. I think most of the girls felt that way. [Laughs] They filmed for eight hours. It was a grueling day. Andy [Cohen] had a lot of questions for me from the viewers.

Did you feel like he was being unfairly hard on you?

I don't feel like that, because he gave me a warning. He called me before the reunion show, because I was very nervous about doing it. I told him I didn't feel comfortable, and he said, "Oh, it won't be that bad. There's a lot of questions. People want to know about you." So they prepared me—or not prepared, but he gave me a warning.

He didn't have to read out a list of the nastiest things people had written about you.

I thought that was harsh. I thought when he went through the list, that was very harsh.

Or when he said something to the effect of, "They say insecure people are always the ones who react most strongly to the word 'insecure.'" You agreed with him, but I never heard anyone say that before.

Neither did I. Look, we taped for eight hours, and they cut it down to 43 minutes in two parts. There were a lot of things said that didn't make it into the show, and for the other girls as well. It wasn't easy. I thought, well, at least the public is getting to see me, and who I am—the strength of who I am as a person.

What's your real life relationship with these women now? Would you not pick up a phone to talk to them?

I spoke to Lisa yesterday. She's been very supportive during this whole divorce process with Kelsey. Adrienne and I were friends from before, but I haven't talked to her in a while. Taylor and I text one another. I haven't spoken to Kim. And I called Kyle a week ago.

What did you guys talk about?

I just left a message, because I heard she was sick. She has the flu, so I wanted to make sure she was okay.

So you care enough about her to check in on her?

Absolutely. I think that's the side of me you really don't see in the first several episodes of *Housewives*. I mean it came across as boasting, but I really do care and empathize. I have a lot of empathy for people.

Had you never fought with her before the show started?

I met Kyle only once before I started the show. I only knew her husband.

So you're appearing on the season finale of \$#! My Dad Says. Are you pursuing acting now?

Everyone keeps asking me that. I studied acting years ago, and I gave up that dream after I got married to Kelsey 13 years ago. Am I pursuing anything? No. Not actively pursuing. This came about through my publicist, who asked me if I'd like to appear on the show, and I said, "Absolutely. I'd be thrilled to."

Was it in front of a live audience?

Yes, of course. It's a sitcom.

How did they react to you?

I think I got a pretty good reaction. I have to say, it felt really, really good. After everything I've been through, I felt really welcomed and embraced by the cast and the crew and the writers, and of course by the audience. It was nice. It was kind of like a mini-mini homecoming for me, because I know a lot of people who work in sitcoms through through, of course, my ex Kelsey. So it was nice to see some people who I hadn't seen in a while.

Did William Shatner say anything to you worth repeating?

He was fantastic. He was friendly, he welcomed me to the show, he said, "Hello, Camille," he asked about *Housewives*. For the

most part, we were just busy working. I love sitcom format. I have such respect for it, and performing in front of a live audience, you get such a rush with that.

Are you going to do another season of Real Housewives?

I don't know. The producers and I have been talking about that in the last week or so.

There's rumors that you might go to the New York version.

No! [Laughs] I can definitely say that's not happening.

'Real Housewives of Beverly Hills' Star Taylor Armstrong Plays Slipper Fairy





Love and caring is in the air this holiday season! Even reality TV stars like *Real Housewives of Beverly Hills*' Taylor Armstrong are taking part. Slipper Fairy Armstrong attended the 1736 Family Crisis Center's annual "Free Holiday Store" event in Torrance, CA, Tuesday (December 14th), and delivered 300 pairs of Dearfoams slippers for previously, severely abused mothers, and their children.