

Fashion Trend: The Modern Hippy



By Megan McIntosh

It looks like the 60s are making a comeback. Flower power and flowy dresses are in for the Spring and Summer seasons. Stars with great celebrity style like Zoe Kravitz and Vanessa Hudgens have been rocking that bohemian look for a while now, but it looks like the modern hippie [fashion trend](#) is here to stay.

There's something to be said for

being boho-chic while rocking handmade fashions with a celebrity flair. The modern hippie fashion trend is one with decades of creativity and it's making a comeback.

There are a few ways to start rocking that modern hippie look, you can start subtle or go all out. There's really no wrong way to dress like a free spirit with this fashion look. We have some tips:

1. Embrace the flowers: Whether it's a flowy shirt or a long, loose dress, it'll pair well with some flowers in the hair. The modern hippie look has comfort with nature combined. Anything loose, but flattering with a helping of florals is sure to fit Spring or Summer and the modern hippie fashion trend.

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2. Thrift shop: it's all about the bargain hunt. Find clothes that fit your modern hippie look without breaking the bank. Try old secondhand shops or vintage looks if you want to wear fashion from the original hippie age.

3. Try to keep it au natural: ...Or at least the appearance of it. Wear more neutral colors if you prefer to wear makeup when you go out. The focus is more on your clothes and all around vibe like Alicia Keys has been rocking of late.

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4. Free the hair: Let your hair be loose and relaxed or even

style it in some loose braids like Vanessa Hudgens during Coachella. Stay away from tight up-do's and unnecessary heat. If you want some cute curls or waves, go for the overnight braids or curlers.

How do you channel your inner modern hippie? Share some tips below.

Beauty Tips: No Makeup Is the New Best Look



By [Melissa Lee](#)

Beauty is an ever-changing market and there are always new beauty trends and tips taking the world by storm. But this season's trend has nothing to do with the best new foundation or eye shadow palette... it's actually wearing no makeup! This revolution was originally led by [Alicia Keys](#) and her decision to ditch makeup altogether. Keys looks even more gorgeous and healthier than ever – and her sans makeup look might be the reason why!

Looking for some beauty tips for those days you choose to skip makeup? Look no further, because Cupid's got your back!

1. Ice: Keys' makeup artist has actually explained that on days her skin needs a little tightening, ice is the best solution. She'll take a facial massager and put it in the freezer, then roll it over her face to bring the blood to the surface. This tip is supposed to make your skin look more alive, giving the illusion that you're well-rested and ready to take on the day, even when you're not.

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2. Cucumber: Remember when you and your friends would have sleepovers and put cucumbers over your eyes for absolutely no reason? Well, turns out cucumber is super beneficial for the skin. As a cooling agent, cucumber works to draw the heat out of the skin and bring the blood to the top. Be careful to avoid the sensitive areas of the eye, but don't be afraid to place it all over the face either!

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3. Oils: Regardless of your skin type, skincare oils can still work wonders for you! There are tons of different types of facial oils so it's important to find the ones that are most beneficial for you, but they can still reduce wrinkles, improve dry skin or patches, protect your skin, shrink enlarged pores, calm down rashes, and more. Keys' makeup artists swears by [MV Organic Skincare](#).

What are some of your tips for ditching makeup? Share your thoughts below.

Celebrity Couples: Music's 5 Most Powerful Pairs





By Jasmine Igwegbe

We all fantasize about [celebrity couple](#) relationships, and we hope our relationship can stack up to all of that amazingness. [Celebrity relationships](#) are often times portrayed as a fairy tale romances, and the couples may also influence our belief and high expectations for love. All of that is even more enhanced when the two celebs in question are full on music icons!

Cupid has the top most powerful celebrity couples in the music industry:

1. Jay-Z and Beyonce: Jay and Bey have been dating since Bey was 19 years old. Before these two publicized their relationship, they were the subject of relationship rumors from 2002 up until 2006. They tied the knot at a private ceremony at Jay-Z's Tribeca apartment in New York. Today, this powerful celebrity couple is happily married with a daughter,

Blue Ivy. They're all about secrets and continue to have their celebrity marriage on the low.

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2. Kanye West and Kim Kardashian: This powerful couple started dating in 2012 after Kanye met Kim in NYC while filming her famous celebrity reality TV show, *Keeping Up With the Kardashians*. The following year, they gave birth to a girl, North West. Recently, they welcomed their baby boy into the family. West and Kardashian married in May 2014 and continue to help each other grow in the industry with love and support. Let's not forget about how powerful Kanye's marriage proposal was to Kim.

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3. Swizz Beatz and Alicia Keys: We all remember Alicia Keys for her phenomenal work, *The Diary of Alicia Keys*. She has been singing about the struggle of love since 2003, and today she is considered one of the most powerful musical couples with producer Swizz Beatz. Swizz and Alicia wed in 2010 in Corsica.

4. Meek Mill and Nicki Minaj: Nicki and Meek are fairly new to the game, but they've displayed the features of a powerful couple already. They spend quality time together influencing the strength of their celebrity relationship in the last few months. Meek Mill finally got the girl of his dreams and is now in a committed happy celebrity relationship. Awesome!

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5. Janet Jackson and Wissam Al Mana: Even if you got secretly engaged, you can still be qualified as a powerful celebrity couple. Janet and Wissam met in Dubai in April 2010 at a hotel opening. The celebrity couple has a deep bond that can go a

long way. These two tied the knot and are happily together.

Who are some other powerful couples in the music industry? Comment below.

Secret Celebrity Weddings





Justin Theroux and Jennifer Aniston

After a three-year engagement, this celebrity couple finally tied the knot in a secret celebrity wedding at their Bel Air home. They surprised their famous friends -- like Lisa Kudrow and Ellen DeGeneres -- by claiming it was a birthday party for Theroux. Photo: Emiley Schweich / PR Photos

Cutest Celebrity Baby Announcements





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Ryan Reynolds and Blake Lively

In October 2014, this gorgeous couple almost broke the Internet with their subtle but powerful baby announcement. The

'Gossip Girl' alum posted a post titled Preserve Celebration of Family on her website with a photo of her holding her baby bump. The couple have openly expressed their desire to start a family, and we know they're excited to welcome their bundle of joy in 2015. Photo: AAR/FameFlyNet

Real Life Celebrity Duets





Beyonce and Jay Z

Known as the queen and king of music, this couple is one of the most powerful celebrity duos. Not only has the hot pair been together for over a decade, they collaborate regularly with too many songs to count and recently performed their On The Run Tour together for thousands of fans around the U.S. Photo: Janet Mayer / PRPhotos.com

Alicia Keys Is Pregnant With Second Child





By Sanetra Richards

Baby number two is on the way! According to [UsMagazine.com](https://www.usmagazine.com), Alicia Keys and husband Swizz Beatz are expecting their second bundle of joy. The singer announced the news to fans via Instagram on Thursday, July 31st. In the photo recognizing their fourth anniversary, the 33-year-old award winning musician and her music producer husband are smiling from ear-to-ear as he grasps her growing belly. "Happy Anniversary to the love of my life @therealswizz!!" the "No One" singer wrote. "And to make it even sweeter we've been blessed with another angel on the way!! You make me happier than I have ever known! Here's to many many more years of the best parts of life!" A few years ago, Keys had no interest in her [now] honey: "Honestly, I didn't really like him that much," she said to *Marie Claire UK* last year. "I thought he was too ostentatious." After a few projects together, Keys grew smitten and realized she was wrong about him. "I think we've taught each other a lot. He's taught me to live more fully, and I think I've taught him to live more deeply."

How do you know when to announce your pregnancy?

Cupid's Advice:

You just found out you have a bun in the oven, and you are having a hard time hiding the morning sickness, loss of appetite, and mood swings. On top all of that, you do not know when to share the big, exciting news. Should you wait? Should you announce right away? Cupid is here to give you a few tips on when exactly to tell everyone:

1. The first trimester is over: Many women choose to postpone sharing their pregnancy news until after the first trimester. Why? Because they can finally keep their food down long enough during conversation to spill the beans. Also, the percentage of miscarrying is significantly lower after the beginning three months. If you are one to want a steady support system throughout your pregnancy, maybe tell a few loved ones (in the case of the good and bad).

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2. It's a ____!: Are you all for surprises? The best way to decide on when it is time to make the announcement is when the baby's gender is revealed. Not only is it one shocker, but the gender is indeed the cherry on top. You can also share photos of the tiny human's ultrasound.

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3. The arrival: Some moms actually choose to wait until after the baby's birth to make the announcement. If you are a private person, this idea may work best for you. Your chances of being asked nearly a million and one questions or having others prying are slim to none.

When did you announce your pregnancy? Was it perfect timing? Share with us below!

Alicia Keys: Motherhood Has Made Me A Better Person



By Jenny Schafer for Celebrity Baby Scoop

Grammy Award-winner Alicia Keys opens up to *Scholastic Parent & Child's* December/January issue about her 2-year-old son **Egypt**, the joys of motherhood and balancing work and family life with husband Swizz Beatz.

On being a new mom: "Being a parent has made me more open, more connected to myself, more happy, and more creative. I'm more discerning in what I do and how I do it. It's just made me a better person all the way around."

On balancing work and family life: “What’s been surprisingly hard about becoming a mom is being away from him and trying to find that magical balance for everything, which I kind of expected. But on the flip side, what’s been surprisingly easy is just how natural parenthood feels. I feel great about how easily I’ve fallen into the role. I love it!

On family time: “We love to go to art galleries and to the park. We love to do painting days and to visit our family—and we also love to run around our house and just go nuts!”

12-12-12: Show Your Love & Support for the Victims of Hurricane Sandy





Here at CupidsPulse.com, we saw firsthand the true devastation caused by Hurricane Sandy. Our offices were located in the center of the storm, and we feel very fortunate that only a portion of our office was impacted. We were out of power for 13 days, but that is nothing compared to what so many other people faced – and are still facing. Many New Yorkers continue to experience distress: they have no place to live, their personal belongings are gone and they have no place to celebrate the holidays.

In hopes of helping these people rebuild their lives and their homes, a very special event takes place tonight: “12-12-12,” the biggest concert ever staged at Madison Square Garden, will begin at 7:30 p.m. EST and focus on the impact of Hurricane Sandy. The concert includes performers such as Bon Jovi, Eric Clapton, Alicia Keys, Kanye West, Billy Joel and The Rolling Stones. Additionally, stars including Leonardo DiCaprio, Jake Gyllenhaal, Adam Sandler, Kristen Stewart, Jessica Chastain and more will participate in the show to help the victims of the Superstorm.

Every single penny raised by the telethon will go to

organizations serving the victims of Hurricane Sandy through the Robin Hood Relief Fund, which provides money, material and know-how to local organizations that are serving those hit hardest by the storm. Moreover, Tommy Hilfiger has agreed to donate t-shirts as part of the merchandise offerings for “12-12-12.”

If you can't be there in person, “12-12-12” will be distributed to nearly two billion people through television feeds, radio and online streaming. Given that the holiday season is all about love, be sure to tune in and show your support to the many New Yorkers still suffering.

For where to watch or listen, click [here](#).

Alicia Keys and Swizz Beatz React to Hurricane Sandy by Reaching Out





By Nic Baird

Hurricane Sandy, a storm that shut down the New York Stock Exchange for the first time since 1888 and killed over 40 of the city's inhabitants alone, has left New York resident and singer Alicia Keys and her husband Swizz Beats without power or running water, reports [Essence](#). The couple and their two year old son, Egypt, were forced to evacuate their \$17-million Manhattan penthouse on Monday and take shelter at Keys' mother's apartment, which fortunately did have power. "God forbid there's anything else coming – but if it did, I want to be more prepared about how to handle it and be able to ride it out," Keys said. "My heart really goes out to all the people out there going through crazy circumstances." The singer added, "I really feel for people and am reaching out in any way I can."

What are some ways to participate in charitable causes as a couple?

Cupid's Advice:

Charitable causes can be a great way to work with your partner towards meaningful goals. If sudden disaster hits – like a Hurricane for example – share your altruistic passion with your significant other. Try these ways you can participate in charitable causes with your partner:

1. Grassroots kindness: You don't have to formalize your good deeds by scheduling them. Open your heart and your home to those in need. The most meaningful impact you can hope for is to change someone's life for the better. Having your partner to brainstorm with you on the best ways to lend your neighbor a hand will make things easier. Be ready for opportunities, your relationship can handle the spontaneity!

2. Local fundraising: You may not know how to build homes, or repair power lines, but you and your partner can think up tons of ways to raise money with friends. Bake sales, car washes, book/garage sales, casino nights, the list goes on. As a couple, showing your compassion together allows you to clarify your relationship's identity. The Red Cross is currently accepting donations for the Hurricane Sandy relief fund!

3. Volunteering with an organization: There are many great systems in place to accommodate volunteers in a range of charities for a range of positions. Don't expect any reward besides self satisfaction. Check the internet for groups that are active near you, or ask around at local churches and community centers. Having your partner volunteer with you will make the time pass painlessly.

What are some ways you've contributed to causes with your partner? Share your experiences below!

Celebrity Stylist June Ambrose Tells Us How Women Can “Find Their Fabulous”



By Daniela Agurcia

Celebrity stylist June Ambrose has worked with A-listers including Alicia Keys and her husband Swizz Beatz, Jay-Z and Sean Combs, and now, she's sharing her fashion tips with CupidsPulse.com. "Fashion is your voice, your expression. It's how one exudes confidence from the inside out," she explains. Watch our video interview with Ambrose to learn more about her personal style advice, her go-to date night outfit and her role as a Caress Fabulista.

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Alicia Keys Throws Husband Swizz Beatz Roller Skating Birthday Bash



Even superstars enjoy a shock. Alicia Keys threw her husband Swizz Beatz a surprise party for his 33rd birthday, reports UsMagazine.com. Many friends, including Carmelo Anthony and Lala Vasquez, joined the couple for the celebration at NYC's High Line outdoor roller skating rink. Keys tweeted earlier in

the week, "Happy birthday to the most INCREDIBLE man I know! [Here's] to a life of endless shining between us!"

What are some ways to make your partner's birthday extra special?

Cupid's Advice:

Though Valentine's Day and anniversary celebrations are special, they're focused on your relationship and not specifically on your partner. Here are a few ways to make your partner's birthday memorable:

1. Consider your partner's likes: Plan a celebration that your partner will enjoy. If your partner is laid-back and outdoorsy, disregard any notions of an elegant, classy party. Your partner will appreciate the thought that you put into the event.

2. Invite old friends: If you host a party for your partner, invite friends that they haven't seen in a while. Buddies from college or childhood pals can really make the day one to remember.

3. End the day together: After the birthday festivities end, don't immediately start cleaning up. Instead, take your partner out for a relaxing dinner. After talking and laughing with so many people, your mate will enjoy the casual time with only the two of you.

What did you do for your partner's birthday? Feel free to leave a comment below.

Alicia Keys Says Being Married Is 'Fly'



With her one-year anniversary on July 31, Alicia Keys can't complain about marriage. "It's so fly," the singer said in an interview with [People](#). "There's something great about feeling at peace and ease with your partner and knowing you understand each other. I really enjoy that friendship." Keys, who wed producer Swiz Beatz, real name Kaseem Dean, said the two are so similar it's "mind blowing." In fact, the relationship is moving so well that Keys said she seeks fashion advice from her hubby. "'I can say, 'I'm not sure about this look for the BET Awards. What do you think?'" and I know that he will honestly tell me exactly what's up," she said.

When you get married, what are the perks?

Cupid's Advice:

Most of the time, people say marriage is hard work, but they never mention the enjoyable parts. Cupid has a few pros of being married:

1. Snuggle buddy for life: One of the most comforting facts about marriage is that no matter how bad your day is, you have the evening to cuddle up to your best friend.

2. Ups and downs: A spouse is there to celebrate your successes and lend support during hard times. In short, he or she is dependable.

3. 'Til death: Although it can be scary to think about spending the rest of your life with just one person, it usually gets better with age (like fine wine, as the cliché goes).

What do you like about being married? Share your thoughts below.