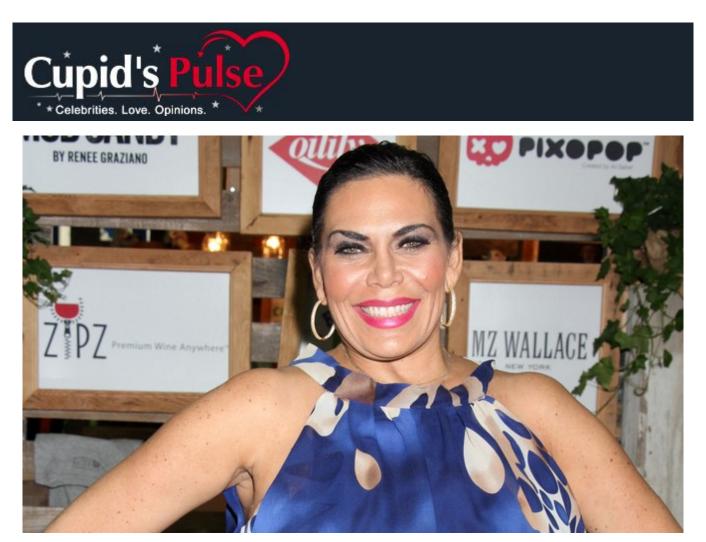
Celebrity Interview: 'Mob Wives' Reality TV Star Renee Graziano Says She's "Dating and Enjoying Being Spoiled Like a Princess"



Interview by Lori Bizzoco. Written by Emily Hoff.

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

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

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

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

What will you miss most about the show?

The paycheck!

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

I don't give up secrets!

The last time we met, you had just launched your book *Playing* with Fire. How did the book do? Any plans to write another?

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

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

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

Be sure to watch Mob Wives on Wednesday's at 8 p.m. on VH1! Stay tuned for our upcoming interviews with Mob Wives stars Brittany Fogarty and Drita D'Avanzo!

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





Interview by Lori Bizzoco. Video by Damian Kolodiy.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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### 'Mob Wives' Star Renee Graziano Releases Romance Novel





By Maria Darbenzio

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

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

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

Tuesday, April 8 – 7:00 PM Barnes and Noble #2609 3981 US HWY 9 Freehold, NJ 07728

Wednesday, April 9 – 6:00 PM Barnes and Noble #2255 97 Warren St. New York, NY 10007

Thursday, April 10 – 7:00 PM Barnes and Noble #2021 2245 Richmond Ave. Staten Island, NY 10314

Monday, April 14 – 7:00 PM The Book Revue 313 New York Ave Huntington, NY 11743

If you can't make it to one of the signings, check out barnesandnoble.com to purchase a copy.

## Valentine's Day Giveaway 8: Signed Recipe Book from VH1 Mob Wives Star



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By Kristin Mattern

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

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

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

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

This Valentine's Day, CupidsPulse.com will be giving away a signed copy of "How to Use a Meat Cleaver!"

To enter for a chance to win please email <u>cupid@cupidspulse.com</u> with your full name, address, email, and daytime phone number NO LATER THAN 4 p.m. EST today. In the subject line, please write "Cookbook." Winners will be contacted on Monday, February 17, 2014. You can enter each contest only once. Good luck!

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