Celebrity News: Amanza Smith Says Ex Taye Diggs Supported Her & Kids for 5 Years



By Nicole Maher

In the latest <u>celebrity news</u>, Amanza Smith revealed that she was financially dependent on her <u>celebrity ex</u> Taye Diggs during their relationship. According to UsMagazine.com, the couple dated for five years following Smith's divorce from NFL star Ralph Brown. During their relationship, Diggs "took care" of Smith and her two children as Smith did not have a consistent job. Following the couple's split in 2018, Smith was motivated to be financially stable on her own and began working as a real estate agent on *Selling Sunset*.

In celebrity news, Amanza Smith says her ex Taye Diggs took care of her and her kids for the five years they were together. What are some ways to rebuild your life (and your finances) after a break-up?

Cupid's Advice:

Among the many challenges people face following a break-up, rebuilding your life and finances are some of the most difficult. If you are looking for some ways to get back on the right track following a break-up, Cupid has some advice for you:

1. Scale down: Whether it is downsizing where you're living or canceling a few memberships/subscriptions, scaling down might be necessary following a financially dependent break-up. Don't be disheartened by the need to cut back in a few areas after a relationship ends. Scaling down is only temporary, and these novelties can be added back into your life once you're on your feet again.

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2. Create a new budget: Your style of living usually changes following a break-up, especially if you were living with your ex partner. These changes will also mean you need to recess your budget and spending habits. By keeping track of your new sources of income and expenses, you will feel like you have more control of your finances moving forward.

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3. Explore new opportunities: You will probably be looking for some kind of change in your life following a break-up, so use this as a chance to explore new opportunities. If there is a career field you have always wanted to break into or a product you have always wanted to create, now is the time to do it. Not only could it serve as a source of income, but it will also have you feeling like you're headed on a new track in life.

What are some other ways to rebuild your life (and your finances) after a break-up? Start a conversation in the comments below.

Idina Menzel Discusses 'Slutty' Dating Style





By Amanda Boyer

Post-split from Taye Diggs, Idina Menzel wants to get out and date, but there is one problem: lack of time. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u> and her recent interview with <u>Redbook</u>, the performer has a busy schedule, including being a mom to her son as well. Menzel does not want her dating style to look "slutty" as she states how most of her dates would have to be at midnight after her shows are over and she can relax.

What are three different dating styles to consider?

Cupid's Advice:

Thinking about changing up your dating style? Read ahead for some ideas:

1. Flirty and fun: Want to have a fun and flirty relationship? Go out and mingle at the bars and clubs. You can meet strong willed guys who are just like you.

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2. Classic: If you want to be traditional, your dating style can simply be the lack of any style at all. If you go through your day and then meet someone randomly, you're letting fate do the work.

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3. Fairy tale: If you're looking for your Prince Charming and a fairy tale ending, let the magic happen. You know your ideals and wants in the relationship and want to be treated like a princess.

Have another dating style we did not cover? Comment and share below!

Taye Diggs and Idina Menzel Separate





By Brittany Stubbs

After ten years of marriage, it appears Taye Diggs and Idina Menzel won't be having a happy ending. "Idina Menzel and Taye Diggs have jointly decided to separate at this time," reps for the couple told <u>People</u> exclusively. "Their primary focus and concern is for their son. We ask that you respect their privacy during this time." The couple married in 2003 and had their son, Walker, in September 2009.

How do you know when you've done all you can to save your marriage?

Cupid's Advice:

Despite what your reasons may be, divorce can be one of the most difficult things a person experiences. No one wants to let someone they once agreed to commit their life to, go. But there comes a point when you have to face the facts:

1. You've communicated your issues: No matter how long you've been together or how well you think you know one another, most marriages fail because of the lack in communication. If you've

both communicated your issues, listened to one another, made compromises and still haven't seen a difference, then there might be nothing left for you to do.

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2. You've tried professional help: Many couples steer clear of counseling because they think it's admitting defeat. But the truth is, if you truly want to save your marriage, you'll try anything before giving up. If you've been seeing a counselor consistently and both been putting in the effort, it might be time to rethink things.

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3. Your partner doesn't care anymore: It takes two to make any relationship work, just like it takes two to restore one. No matter what your issues are, if your partner is not committed to help repair the damages in your marriage, it may be time to call it quits.

Have you experienced a divorce? When did you know it was time to walk away? Share your experiences below.

Celebrity Dads Who Are Doing It Right





By Kelly Rouba for GalTime.com

TV dads, like Cliff Huxtable and Ward Cleaver, often made fatherhood look easy. They effortlessly juggled their work schedules so they could spend quality time with their children and, of course, they were always around to set their kids straight if they stepped out of line. While we all know parenting isn't always as easy as it seems on TV, there are plenty of celebrity dads who've managed to set the bar pretty high when it comes to balancing fame and fatherhood as least as far as we can tell from the outside!

Sarah McKeever, a mother of three from New Jersey, thinks Will Smith is a great role model for fathers around the globe. "I adore him, and he seems like a great father and husband. I've seen a few interviews with him and his wife and kids. They seem to keep a healthy balance with all the fame," McKeever said. There may be a lot written about the Smith marriage and their parenting style (a la lack of punishment)" but Will is one dad who definitely focuses on his kids.

Dorothy Cascerceri, an on-air news, fashion, and celebrity

trend expert for *In Touch Weekly*, agrees. "(Smith) loves his kids Trey, Jaden and Willow and has done everything possible to encourage all of their careers in the family business, Hollywood."

Since Smith isn't the only dedicated dad out there, GalTime asked Cascerceri to name the *Top 10 Celeb Dads Who Are Doing It Right*, and here's what she said (in no particular order):

1. David Beckham— This ultra-hot soccer star is more than dedicated to his four kids, Romeo, Brooklyn, Cruz and Harper. He even has the boys' names tattooed on his back!

2. Ben Affleck— Not only is this Oscar-winner an all-star dad to daughters Violet and Seraphina and son Samuel, but he's also a dedicated hubby. He even thanked wife Jennifer Garner is his Academy Awards acceptance speech.

3. Brad Pitt– In addition to being one of the sexiest men in the world, Brad is tirelessly dedicated to his clan 6 and works extra hard to make sure the entire crew is taken care of.

4. Liev Schrieber– Forget strollers! Liev is usually seen transporting sons Alexander and Samuel around on his back and shoulders.

5. Tony Hawk— He loves his daughter Kadence so much that he Instagramed a photo of the two of them with his nails painted with pink sparkly polish.

6. Taye Diggs— He shares everything with his son Walker, even ad campaigns! The duo flashed their milk mustache smiles for a Got Milk? campaign.

7. Gavin Rossdale— Gavin always pays close attention to the style of his kids Kingston and Zuma, and he always makes sure they have the same rocker look as their dad.

8. Jerry O'Connell- He"s a doting dad to his twin daughters

Charlie and Dolly, and oftentimes brings them to the set of his latest projects so they can see their dad at work.

9. Jay-Z— This rap mogul is smitten by his daughter Blue Ivy and even wrote a heartfelt song about her when she was born.

10. J.R. Martinez- Last but certainly not least, GalTime couldn"t resist adding new father J.R. Martinez to the list. Even though his daughter Belle just turned one, he's got quite a handle on fatherhood and there's no denying how deeply devoted he is to his precious baby girl.

"I believe I'm a great dad, thus far, because I don't shy away from getting my hands dirty, whether it be by changing her diaper (constantly), making the bottle or setting up for bath time. I believe these are great opportunities to bond with your child," Martinez said.

Martinez also has a piece of advice for all those dads out there who just might be reading this. "I know we're working hard to provide, but don't leave it up to the mom to be handson. Show them you're more than capable, because you are."

'Between Us' Tests the Boundaries of Old Relationships





By April Littleton

In this comedy drama directed by Dan Mirvish, two couples reunite over two evenings. Grace and Carlo (played by Julia Stiles and Taye Diggs) are newlywed New Yorkers who decide to visit their old friends Sharyl and Joel (played by Melissa George and David Harbour) in their Midwestern home. Behind closed doors, the hosts are in a disastrous marriage, but an unlikely meeting between the couples years later, shows the roles have reversed.

Should you see it:

If you're a fan of Hollywood actresses like Julia Stiles and Melissa George, then this is the movie for you. Let's not forget to mention the eye candy that comes in the form of Taye Diggs. If you're familiar with David Harbour and some of his previous roles in films such as *W.E.* and and *Kinsey*, you won't be disappointed with his performance in *Between Us*.

Who to take:

This film will be perfect to see with a best friend, family

member or spouse. Don't feel left out if you're in the early stages of a new relationship, you and your new boo will be able to relate to some aspects of this movie as well. *Between Us* isn't just your typical "chick flick." Considered a dark comedy, this film is sure to have intense moments and plenty of comedic scenes, so the fellas won't be sitting in the back of the movie theater bored out of their minds.

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How do you turn a failing marriage around?

Cupid's Advice:

Marriages begin to self-destruct for many reasons — whether it be from lack of trust, intimacy or communication.When your marriage reaches a certain point, it's time for you to decide whether you're going to fight to save the relationship or let it go. If you choose to take the steps toward reconciliation, you have to know where to start first. Cupid has some advice:

1. No fighting: When you and your partner have an issue to address, don't resort to verbal abuse. Think about what you say before you say it, no matter how emotional you may be feeling at the time. If you feel yourself reaching your boiling point, take a step back and cool off. Don't let your rash decisions and emotions ruin a relationship you considered perfection not so long ago.

2. Get to know each other: Sometimes you have to start all over to get back to the relationship you used to have with someone. You've probably been out of touch with your partner for so long that you don't even remember the little things that make him or her smile. Start from scratch. Let go of all the bad memories and try to rebuild from the good ones. Talking to each other again – even if it's just about the basics (like your spouse's new favorite song) is taking a step in the right direction. **Related:** <u>Second (and Third) Marriages: Destined For Divorce?</u>

3. Be patient: Don't assume your marriage will be fixed overnight and don't give up at the first sign of struggle. It's going to take some time to gain back the love and trust the two of you once had in each other. When you do finally bounce back, the two of you, as a couple, will be stronger than ever.

Are you in a marriage that almost didn't last? How did you turn the failing relationship around? Share your experience below.