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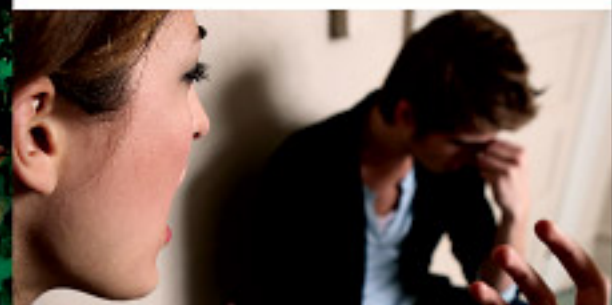
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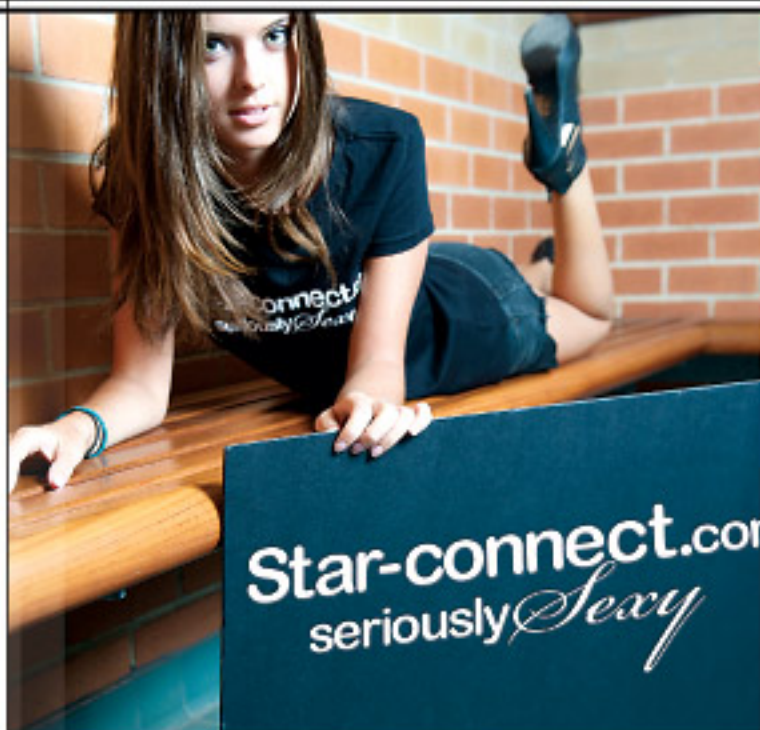


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## Editor's notes

Time flies fleetingly fast, the first of the 'ber' months has just arrived which means that Christmas is fast approaching and spring is just around the corner.

It has been a very busy yet fruitful year for StarCentral Magazine and the StarConnect network. We're just about to celebrate our 5th year anniversary this coming November 26 and we're also just about to launch 'Seriously SEXY ads' as well - an ingenious method of advertising that will be explained to you in more detail later in the magazine.

To give you a quick preview on what it is, 'Seriously Sexy Ads' is a form of social media advertising wherein we'll be utilizing our vast and massive 'Seriously Sexy' social media network. This will involve the StarCentral Magazine website, StarConnect network as well as popular social media destinations such as Twitter, Facebook and Youtube among many.

We definitely have big plans ahead for our Seriously Sexy network and I just hope that you will all continue to support us in this new endeavour.

Thank you once again for always supporting our websites and we hope to see you on October 15 at the StarQuest 2011 grandfinals as well as November 26 at the Fair grandfinals. God bless.

Mike Ilogan  
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## Who is Alain Bonus?



A regular kid who likes to hang out with his friends, play basketball, watch movies and have fun, Alain Bonus did not know that he would discover his talent and dream so late in life. The extremely popular singer and guitarist picked up a guitar for the first time in 7th grade when his brother started to teach him the instrument.

Interestingly, the motivation for Alain to learn how to play the guitar and to sing, was to impress girls. Little did he know that he would discover a talent and a love for singing to such an extent that he would never want to stop.

Once the ball was set rolling, Bonus decided to learn tabs online and sing along as he played the guitar too. YouTube gave him the much needed platform to showcase his talent. The 300,000 views that he's received on his YouTube page were motivation and encouragement enough to continue singing and playing.

At 20, Alain had his first performance at Cal State Long Beach at a Benefit Concert for a sorority where he played alongside the likes of Joseph Vincent, Kris Mark, Kevin Lien and Richard Tran. YouTube stars that the artist looks up to.

Since this is the beginning of his future into the world of music, Alain has not won many awards other than the 'Artist of the Month - May 2011' from StarCentral. But he knows that this is just the beginning and that he has many more years, performances, awards and accolades that are waiting for him.

This initial success has not made Alain believe that success can come easy to him. With the encouragement provided by his first award, he has started to take vocal lessons to train his voice and practicing scales to improve his playing capabilities. In addition to that, he is also learning how to play the piano and experimenting with how he can produce beats on his Macbook.

Alain is working towards creating some original songs since he does not have many as yet and dreams of a record deal just like the way Bruno Mars got one. But he is not sitting and waiting for things to just happen. There are chances that you may see this young talented dude in singing competitions like American Idol or X Factor. He believes that this is one way in which he can put his name out there.

With basketball still going strong and the pressure of academics in college, Alain finds it tough to find time for singing, practicing, learning and creating music. He has also had to fight against the jokes that his basketball teammates and coach has made about his inclination to sing. But once Alain started singing and playing the guitar, he knew that he was meant to do so.

The artist gives the credit for being able to make it this far to his family, his close set of friends and the Almighty. He also believes that it is his fans all across the world that keeps him going.

# The most Dangerous Mistake

## Women make with Men



Do you know the biggest misconception that women have about dating?

It's the fact that they think they have to play so "hard to get" to the point that they come off as too aloof and cold.

They don't contribute to the conversation, they don't call back at all and they act all distant and cold thinking that by doing this, they are actually making the men want them more.

Ok, so does anyone actually think like this??

Alright for those who do, I think you need a quick wakeup call here.

I want you to brace yourself and hold onto something hard ok, because I'm going to yell at you for your own sake . . .

**YOU ARE GETTING IT ALL WRONG!**

First of all, it's common knowledge that you don't want to date just any average Joe off the streets. You want a special guy, a quality type of guy right? Now, if your game plan is to be all aloof and cold thinking that you are attracting him by actually "gaming" him, then let me tell you right now . . .

Your game plan sucks. I guarantee that it will just backfire in the end.

You know why?

Because the quality guys you want have GAMES themselves.

They have plenty of options to choose from, they have a solid inner confidence, and they have great attitudes within themselves. They are pretty much measuring you up as much as you are measuring them up. So the moment you express any lack of interest their way, his automatic assumption is that you're just not interested so he'll move onto someone else.

**BIG mistake.**

That's why if you think that acting all aloof and cold will get

him interested, **THINK** again.

Don't get me wrong, it's ok to play hard to get, but just not TOO hard. Tease him . . . Mess with him a little . . . But then if he looks at you - smile at him if you're interested, if he asks your number - play with him and make him work hard for it a little, if he calls you - call him back but then minimize the conversation and make sure you try and end the phone call first. You're not playing easy here ok, but then you're not playing too hard to reach either.

Here's another point. Let's say you do manage to net a quality type of guy. And let's say for arguments sake that he also falls deeply head over the heels in love with you to the point that he turns out to be too "nice" and submissive to everything you say and do. He's kind of like a robot of some sort because he becomes so plain and scripted. In other words . . .

He becomes a **SISSY**.

He becomes so bland that most of the time you just want to slap him from his complacency!

Guess what happens next?

Yep, you guessed it. **ATTRACTION DEATH.**

When this happens, trust me, your attraction for him will slowly and surely evaporate as well. Once his confidence disappears, his attitude changes, he makes you his one and only world, and he becomes an all agreeing and all submissive, spineless **JELLYFISH** - then I bet you that you'll lose interest in him. I'm sure you don't want a man you can manipulate like a puppet, you want the confident and "take charge" kind of guy you initially met.

That's why you should never play too hard to get, stop the games and just focus on pulling across your "best self" out there. Be the most amazing woman you can ever be and you'll notice that you'll also be attracting the quality guys that you want. Stop hiding behind your master's degree, your fixed smile, your cashmere sweater, your Gucci bag, or the "awesome" cool friends you hang out with. Let him get to know the real you, not the "fake" you that's just putting on a "game face".

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# Food Frauds to Watch Out for

By Shiwani

There are specific foods that we believe to be healthy and fat free. When we think of controlling our diet and maintaining the amount of calories that we take in, we tend to consume these foods. However, there are some foods that seem to be perceived as healthy but they are actually sneaky little things that are not so healthy after all. Here are some foods that typically fall in this group.

**Caesar Salad** – A small bowl of Caesar Salad can have as much as 400 calories with about 30 grams of fat. This is mainly due to the dressing that is used in the salad, which we obviously prefer to add loads of.

**Smoothies** – Don't let the fresh fruit angle fool you. Smoothies contain a lot of sugar and most of them have about 80 to 100 grams of sugar taking the calorie count to about 350. In addition to that, these smoothies use fruit

concentrates and you really do not get any of the benefit of the fresh fruit in any case.

**Energy Bars** – Many people who diet tend to carry energy bars with them for the times that they have hunger pangs. Many of these bars are basically enhanced candy bars and just pack in a lot of sugar to give the pep.

**Multigrain** – Many breads and bakery products claim to be made from multigrains like oats, whole wheat, barley and more to give it the healthier feel. However, the back label will tell you the high proportion of refined flour that is used, reducing the goodness to almost nothing.

**Iced Tea** – The hype about iced tea and the antioxidants in the tea may be right. But the amount of sugar that one consumes when one drinks iced tea is far more damaging than the goodness of the few antioxidants that it may contain.



# Chic Petite Presents a 4 day fashion festival

By: Jade Middleton

Chic Petite Presents a four-day festival especially for creatives. Bringing together art, photography, graphic design, fashion, styling and installation in a public exhibition. The creators of Launch My Label fashion shows are combining all things creative in this four-day festival situated in an underground, industrial warehouse space dedicated to helping young creatives.

An exhibition open Wednesday until Friday from 1-5pm will feature two photographers Hayden Brochie and Eden Connel, and two artists Clover Love and Maria Milivojevic. They will be featured in live sessions throughout these times as well as including fashion hour on Friday, (a styling advice and trend session with pretty cupcakes and delicious champagne).

Tuesday, 26th July, was the starting point with the catwalk launch party and exhibition opening, then Wednesday to Friday the public was able to come and see the exhibition and live sessions between 1-5pm.



The reasoning behind this event emerging for creative individuals was due to the fact that both Sharon (the founder of Chic Petite Events) and Becky Black (creative director) are originally from England where emerging talent and street fashion is so apparent and influential. They feel it is important to acknowledge and assist the emerging creative individuals of today, as they will shape how the industry will evolve. Black comments that: "It is our passion to support these individuals and to showcase them to the rest of the industry." Chic Petite Events aims to produce an unpretentious space where everyone can enjoy art/fashion/music as individuals no matter how curious. The fashion festival will use raw underart. In the words of Black,

"this makes it accessible to ground spaces which compliments the exhibited all who want to support, find inspiration or just want to simply explore."

This event is perfect for emerging talent as it "offers a positive and empowering environment for young individuals to help them reach their full potential." The four day fashion festival gives individuals the opportunity to build their portfolio, gain industry contacts and learn from other aspiring talent.

But this festival is not strictly limited to emerging talent as while they are given the opportunity to network, the public are given an open opportunity to experience the behind-the-scenes of a fashion/ art event, including a live fashion shoot, live body art, live model casting and advice on styling.

The catwalk launch party will showcase 6 up-and-coming fashion international designers including: Dead Possum (Brisbane) Zero nOir (Hong Kong) Clover Love, Zshae, Vilani and Ama Garatshun Swim and Resort Wear.

Zero nOir is designed by Tiffany Blsley who has been developing her own fashion label since graduating from Fashion and Textile Design at UTS in 2003. The label has showcased at Australia Fashion Week at the Source, as well as Preview at Fashion Exposed in both Sydney and Melbourne, and 2010 Fashion Exposed Sydney. You can purchase these sophisticated styles throughout boutiques in Australia and Hong Kong. Zero nOir is perfect for any party girl who is after that stunning, trendsetting dress for that special occasion. Tiffany has a keen eye for detail and this is shown through each of her colourful and unique designs.

Fashion label Vilani is known for their formal gowns, specializing in dresses for brides, bridesmaids, mother of the bride, cocktails, balls and other formal occasions. Vilani dresses are made for exquisite and high quality fabrics including beautiful imported silk organza from India.

Elise Jordan is the designer of The Last Girl's 11/12 collection which has taken on inspiration from both the films, Peter Pan and the mysterious Picnic at Hanging Rock. The collection gives young fashionistas the ability to show off their style in wildly eccentric and fashion forward pieces, which are affordable, durable and wearable. The styles push the boundaries of stylish trends by incorporating long fringing and tony black petals, which add detail to bold designs.

Zshae is designed for the modern, confident, capricious and fashion forward woman who has a fun, flirty, elegant and edgy style all rolled into one. The wearer of Zshae loves to make bold statements and is guaranteed to be the stand-out sensation, in any situation. Zshae is for the girl who wants attention, she wants to turn heads, she's unique and original.

Chic Petite Presents recently launched the fashion event called Launch My Label which was highly successful and this event is planned to be bigger and better so make sure you don't miss out.

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Introducing an ingenious method of advertising, a technique that not many have thought of or have done before and a way guaranteed to catch on very quickly, make way for - 'Seriously SEXY Ads!' Basically what 'Seriously Sexy Ads' does is provide a service of marketing your URL, your brand name, your design/logo or anything else that you would like to advertise. The basis of this marketing technique is that once you patronize our services, we will employ one of our gorgeous models to hold up a banner with your logo, your brand name or your website URL displayed on the banner. In saying that though, we condemn sites or brands and/or services that relate to racism, violence or pornography.

The goal of this marketing technique is that once the pictures are taken of the model holding up your banner ad, it is then distributed amongst the vast and massive social media network that Seriously Sexy is a component of. A few of the amounts of followers that Seriously Sexy has are as follows: Massive e-mail list of 50,000 and growing everyday, we have four distinct Facebook fan pages that have over 30,000 fans; two popular websites that the combined traffic and absolute unique visitors per month is 100,000+. Other various networks such as Flickr are used to display and promote your advertisement as well. By opening up a Seriously Sexy account promoting your brand and/or URL with our models you can also advertise on our YouTube account that has over 11,000 subscribers. We also have an extensive twitter account with over 20,000 followers. StarCentral Magazine which is a component of the Seriously Sexy network also has a total readership of over 10,000 people.

It is a great, business-savvy move to partner up with 'Seriously Sexy Ads'. Not only will we display your purchased ad on the landing pages of our Facebook Fan pages, if you become the sponsor of the month, we will organize a professional photo and video shoot with one of our Seriously Sexy models to promote your brand. The model(s) would be wearing your shirt displaying your URL or brand and what makes it better is that it is free of charge. One of our skilled writers can also create a write up for your company and submit the article to popular websites such as Digg, Stumble Upon or any other form of media you would like.

The prices for the services of 'Seriously Sexy Ads' are a lot more affordable than you might think! Especially when you consider the professional, and high quality of the finished product, the amount we charge is a complete surprise! When the public sees a gorgeous model with your ad banner, it's normal for them to assume that a lot of money was spent - for the model, the photographer, studio time and the ad banner itself - but all of this is provided by 'Seriously Sexy Ads' at an eyebrow-raising, reasonable price.

So if you want instant brand awareness and more traffic to your business, you should use the services that Seriously Sexy Ads has to offer, you won't regret it!



### Meet Annabel Gottfried: The current face of our Seriously Sexy campaign

Applying labels to a person is usually regarded as a no-no but when you call Annabel Gottfried, 'seriously sexy', that's exactly what she is! A 'Seriously Sexy' model, that is. Annabel is the face of StarCentral's 'Seriously Sexy Ads' campaign launching on November 26. She was first discovered by a make-up artist on Bondi Beach who instinctively recognised her potential – she would know, she's worked on models like Miranda Kerr!

Since starting her career, Annabel has debunked a long-held perception about the modeling industry – it's just all about the looks. "If you are beautiful on the inside it definitely shines on the outside. It is important to understand the industry and that it's not just about your looks, your personality shines through!" Being game is also a valuable asset for a model. Annabel was once asked to do a swimwear shoot...in winter! It was for a Cadbury TV commercial which took 3 days – "It was the middle of winter and I had to swim around in a pool and pretend it was summer... won't forget that!"

There are definite challenges to her chosen profession but she credits being friendly and enthusiastic for her success – "this makes you easy and fun to work with. It is important not to have attitude!" She also credits her success to the support of her family – "They've always told me I could do anything I wanted as long as my heart was set on it."

Annabel knows that her whole life can't all be in front of the camera. To that end, she aims to finish her PR and Marketing degree and "get a great job in the media and entertainment industry focusing in PR." Her other talents, playing the piano and being a dancer, may come in handy as well. But for now, she'll enjoy her time in the industry for as long as she can and from the looks of things, she'll be around for a while longer.



## Lost And Found

By Jenny Aluring

Like a lot of other people, I read 'Eat, Pray, Love', an autobiographical tale of a woman (the author, Elizabeth Gilbert) who uprooted her life after a devastating re-education – the life she was living was not the life she wanted. As I read her book, a lot of what she went through resonated with me. Not so much the circumstances, but the toll it took on her self-esteem, her confidence and her outlook on life. Her search for faith and that closeness with God also struck a chord. To be honest, my relationship with God didn't stay intact when my life fell apart – even over a decade in Youth and Singles for Christ couldn't save it. I was too tired and too angry to try and understand where all this pain fit into his plan for my life.

But of course, it did all fit. Fit into a plan I did not even remotely envision. A plan that ended with me living in Chicago. A plan that ended with me being happy and looking forward to a life I want.

When I first moved here, it was inevitable that I would have some doubts. After all, it was such a big move! I left behind my parents, my brother, my two BFF's and my circle of friends, and not only that, I had left behind everything I had ever thought my life would be. Then one day, I was reading 'Eat, Pray, Love' on the train on the way home from work. Elizabeth was still in Italy (she would later travel on to India and Indonesia) and as usual, was eating with some

friends when the conversation turned to a city's "word". Confused, Elizabeth asked for an explanation. Her friend told her that a city's "word" is what defines that city. Like for Rome, it's SEX. For the Vatican, it's POWER...New York City, ACHIEVE. Then her friend also tells her that each person has their own "word". At that time, Elizabeth didn't have her "word" and she didn't end up revealing it in the book but I stopped reading and I thought about mine. I didn't expect it to just pop into my head like that, that quickly. After all, like I just said, I've been through a big life upheaval. But there it was, I could almost imagine a thought bubble like in the comic books floating above my head with this single word in it. And my "word"...FOUND.

It took every ounce of my willpower not to cry on that train. Not only because it was such a profound word with an incredible meaning, but that it felt so right. In this new city, I had FOUND my place. My place where I will live the life I want and become the person I'm meant to be. My place where I have found my heart and where I will find the one to share it with. My place where I have found my Lord again. My place...my place of new wishes, of new dreams and where all of them will finally come true.



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### Walking in a Winter Wonderland

**By: Jenny Alving**

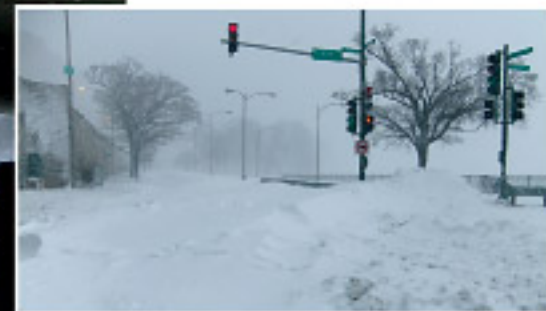
It was early December. There was snow forecast overnight so I went to bed hoping that by morning, I would experience my very first big snowfall.

It was just shy of 7am when I woke up. I rushed to the window and there it was. My neighbourhood was transformed into a beautiful, white, wintry landscape. Snow covered everything - turning the ordinary into something magical. I was so excited, I put on whatever I could get my hands on. I grabbed my beanie, gloves, coat, boots and of course, my camera, and rushed out. I walked out of my building and just stared. A feeling of wonder welled up inside of me - it was a feeling I haven't had in a long time. I walked in

this winter wonderland, grinning like an idiot, fighting the urge to dance and skip in the falling snow or stick my tongue out to taste it. I'm sure passersby were wondering who this crazy woman was!

My workmates - long time Chicago residents - kept telling me you'll get used to it, you'll come to hate the snow but I kept going back to that feeling of wonder and fervently hoped that I won't ever lose that childlike excitement I had.

My enthusiasm was proven yet again during the recent Chicago blizzard - the first in many years. There were predictions of 24 inches of snow with 5 to 10 feet snow drifts (that's when the snow accumulates in one place because of the wind),



accompanied by 50-70 miles per hour (80-112 kms per hour) wind gusts. It was going to be a crazy night.

I woke up Wednesday to a quiet morning. I peeked out my window and was astounded at the sight. Parts of cars were completely buried, snow was halfway up some buildings. I turned on the news and learned that there was a window of calm weather right now so I decided to take advantage and ventured out.

As I walked down the street, that feeling of wonder just continued to grow inside me. Normally busy roads (iconic Lake Shore Drive was shut down) were deserted, snow was piled high up to my knees and then up to my chest in some places! Cars were left abandoned because their drivers couldn't get anywhere. Snow completely covered the Lake Michigan shoreline that if one didn't know that was water, would have mistakenly walked out on it.

I stopped at that shoreline and just looked around. This was winter in Chicago - well, maybe a little more extreme than other years - but this was the reality of the Windy City from December to February. It's not for the faint hearted that's for sure. But, someone passed me by on skis, another was out for a morning run and a lady walked by with her 2 dogs - all three as bundled up as each other. This was Chicago in winter. It's cold, it's wet, it's tough but hey, you work with what you got.



## TV Review: Ringer by Jenny A



Working moms, Sarah Michelle Gellar would like to tip her hat to you all. And once you have Buffy's support, there is no cooler stamp of approval.

SMG is a working mom herself, and when she spilled to Entertainment Weekly for the magazine's cover story, Gellar talked about the heartache, reward and stress that goes into juggling career and family, plus great tidbits on her much-anticipated return to

TV with the CW thriller Ringer...

"It's been difficult," Gellar admitted to EW editor Jess Cagle. "My hat goes off to any working parent. It is the hardest to juggle. I know my job is by no means the hardest in the world, but to any parents, again, it is so difficult because you're trying to focus so hard but you're always wondering, 'What's my child doing? Are they OK? Did they eat their lunch? Did they eat their vegetables? Did they take their nap? It's how to separate both of them.'"

Speaking of separating things, SMG may be a seasoned television pro, but even the concept of playing twin sisters (one is impersonating the other), makes her head spin. "We joke that I actually play five characters," she said. "I play Bridget in the past, I play Slobhan in the past, I play Bridget in the present and Slobhan in the present and I play 'Shlo-vette,' who is Bridget pretending to be Slobhan. So it's very confusing."

Um, yeah. We're supposed to be TV experts and even we have a hard time wrapping our mind around that. Thankfully, Gellar is easily confused, too. "I get confused about almost anything," she laughed. "Every so often I might find myself in a top from one character and in the pants of another character and think, 'Wait, wrong scene. But once you get into the scene, you realize pretty quickly who you are. And it was actually kind of funny because a lot of the cast members hadn't done a scene with present-day Slobhan, and we just did the first one yesterday and people were like, 'Oh it's so weird, we haven't met Slobhan yet.'"

## Movie Review: 'Raunchy' movie prompts walk-out by Jenny



The movie features a hooker and a nymphomaniac dentist: Grandmas aren't amused.

Eighty seniors were left perplexed after watching *Horrible Bosses* at a free screening for seniors at cinemas in Gladstone, about 550km north of Brisbane, Australia.

Up to half the audience walked out in the first 15 minutes, a few with "wheeled walker" mobility aids spending more time navigating the stairs than they did watching the film.

Moviewgoer Dianne Gibb complained "every second word was 'F'. There was raunchy phone sex ... it was not a seniors' movie".

Organisers faced a "Hobson's choice" between *Cowboys and Aliens*, *Friends With Benefits* and for anyone older than 15 but moviewgoers believed

censors might want to consider an upper age limit.

At 62, Mrs Gibb is one of the younger generation.

"I stayed, though I did not like the language, I'm no prude," she said.

"I've worked on construction sites and I had four brothers, I just block it out."

Jenny Johnston, 55, loved the movie.

Her husband, Noel Johnston, laughed from start to finish but he wouldn't dream of taking his mum, aged 84.

"It's the difference between the young elderly and the elderly, isn't it?" Noel said.

All three say they think it was Hobson's choice for council, which put on the screening.

"They were offered a choice between this one, *Cowboys and Aliens* and *Friends With Benefits*," Jenny said.

Mayor Gail Sellers response was contrite.

"We put on this movie on the understanding that it was a comedy appealing to people over the age of 15," she said.

"We humbly apologise for hosting a movie that obviously offended some of our valued residents."

## Diet: How to Avoid Eating Late by Shiwani



If you have read anything on eating healthy, you will know that finishing your last meal of the day latest by 7pm helps in better health and weight reduction too. If you delay eating at the right time you are likely to feel extremely hungry later, wrecking havoc with your diet.

- The first thing that you need to do is to avoid watching television late into the night. This is one activity that is sure to get you hungry. In addition to that, research shows that if you are engaged in distracting activity, you are likely to consume

twice as many calories as otherwise.

- Planning your meals is a great way in which you can ensure that you eat right. Make sure that you have some cut fruits for consumption if you plan to stay up late to watch television or complete that report to meet the deadline.

- Stocking up on the right foods is one of the best ways in which you can avoid eating junk. Make sure that you do not have processed foods in your refrigerator all the time. On the contrary keep fresh fruits and snacks in the cupboard so that you are forced to eat right irrespective of the time you feel hungry.

- Track your late night consumptions and the manner in which it affects your weight. Doing this will prove the hazards of eating late to you so that you are more careful about it the next time.

## Fashion: Fashion crimes by Jade Middleton



I always love to find new fashion trends to try but the 3 examples I'll cite in this article may be a little bit quirky for me to start following just yet.

Japan brings us many kooky trends but these examples may be one step too far.

Say goodbye to nail art and tattoos because the new body art taking off in Japan, is yes, wait for it....Tooth art.

Bling on your teeth may be a tad OTT for some but for others it opens a whole new world of creativity to explore. This bling-for-your-

chompers trend gave the idea to see what other kooky trends are happening around the world.

Another women staple item trying to make the unisex transition is the 'manlyhose'. This trend which they are trying to make unisex has been seen on a variety of men including hunters in Michigan trying to stay warm to fashion forward fellas in Milan wanting to make a fashion statement. But would you really want your man asking to borrow your panty hose??

In 2009, Alexander Wang tried to make layering your pants popular but I don't remember this trend taking off do you? In his catwalk show he layered pairs of pants to create a unique look but I don't imagine this to be very comfortable or fashionable.

What do you think is the biggest fashion crime?

## Louise Nuss

At a young age of 20, Louise Ivy Nuss knows that life does not just fall into place and that you have to work hard to get what you want. Born in Philippines and raised in Australia, Louise recently moved to the Philippines to pursue a singing career with Viva Entertainment.

Though Louise started singing at the young age of 2, her first performance in front of a large audience was at the age of 7. With a home environment that oozed music, it was not difficult for Louise to embrace this career easily. Having an older sister who sang in concerts and a mother who was part of the Gospel Choir was a great boost to the escapades that Louise attempted in the music world.

The music career for Louise started with singing in the youth choir, school performances and family parties. But with her talent Louise was not meant to stop there. She also remembers her first performance at St. Mary's Band Club where she sang as a backup vocalist for a Filipino artist. In 2009, things began to take an interesting turn and she was asked to sing at a Reunion Celebration. This was the impetus that she needed. After that, singing at social events just kept happening. Singing at celebrity concerts got her noticed; which was a great thing since it was here that she was picked up by an entertainment company in Philippines.

Between 2009 and now Louise has won the title of Karaoke Radio International's Grand Champion 2010 and Star Central's Best Female look of the Year 2010. She was the first runner up at the St Joseph Singing Contest 2010 as well. Charity events, parties, weddings and fashion shows – performances just fell in her lap after this.

Despite all these, she particularly remembers the time when she was asked to sing the Australian Anthem at the Filipino Grand Kultura Fiesta in 2010 in front of Premier Kristina Kennedy. In addition to that, she recalls the thrill that she felt when she was singing live on television and hopes to do much more of that in the future.

StarCentral Magazine's Female Artist for the Month at June does not feel that she got it easy in life. Most of the things that she has achieved have been a challenge. But with the support of God, her family and her loved ones she has been able to sail thus far. With the 'go getter' attitude that she has, she is confident that she will be able to continue with her pursuits in the future.

Louise expects to complete her Nursing degree at UTS while she pursues her singing career. She wants to see herself on television again and expects to bring music to other forms of entertainment also.

Other than music Louise finds volunteer work and participating in charities gratifying. She likes listening to music in her free time. But just like other young girls, shopping, watching movies and spending time at the beach are her favorite pastimes.



## Jamie-Leah Perez

Originally from Spain, Jamie Leah Perez has lived in Australia all her life with her mother and sister. At 22, this Sagittarius has a lot of spunk and fire in the belly to achieve a lot as the years go by. A lot of credit goes to the creative environment that Jamie was brought up in. Most of her interests also lie in areas that allow for a creative outlet like writing, drawing and singing.

Jamie was made aware of her vocal gift when she was holidaying in Spain with her family. When her mother sprung up a makeshift microphone with some grapevines, sticks and a Fanta bottle cap, Jamie got her first exposure what it would feel like to sing with a microphone. With a promise that she would get a set once back in Australia, Jamie knew she had hit upon something she might like to do for the rest of her life.

Plumpton High School (a performing arts school) accepted Jamie with open arms and this is where she was able to hone her singing and musical skills; something that ensured her a part in all the school musicals henceforth. Even though she got through the music course at the Nimba College, she could not complete the course due to some unforeseen personal circumstances.

The first performance was one of the most memorable ones when Jamie was called to perform at the Sydney Opera House. She still remembers the mesmerizing hall, the astounding acoustics and the encouragement that she received when Miss Belle, her music teacher said that she could not wait to see her voice blossom. Another performance that she cannot forget is the one that she was part of via the church organization, Holy Spirit Parish in St. Claire, that led her to the Paramatta Diocese for a performance in front of a large audience. The performance was so good that it was featured in the newspaper.

Other than these memorable performances, Jamie performs from her heart at weddings, funerals, birthday parties and at every other occasion that she is called upon to sing. She is known in her network of friends and relatives as someone who has a great voice and therefore is called upon to sing at various events and occasions.

Jamie derives her inspiration from life itself and her main support has been her mother who has supported her all the time. Her learning also came from observing her mother and various other artists play. With the competitiveness in the music industry being the largest challenge in her life, Jamie is sure that she will be able to make a difference with the support of all her fans on YouTube and Facebook.



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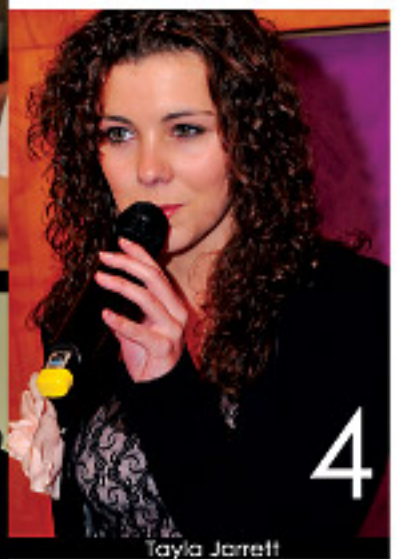
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