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Hi Kevin, we're happy to have you at PPMC. Tell us more about yourself. Who is Kevin Narain?

I was born and raised in Johannesburg, specifically on the West rand. I am mixed race and had a multi-cultural upbringing. Professionally I am an actor, filmmaker, model, singer, fine artist, content creator and influencer. Over the past few years I have taken my skills and turned them into something sustainable for a sustainable business venture as well.

Was modeling something you always wanted to do, or did it just kind of happen?

Modelling was something I only took note of when I started as an actor. I knew about it and would try it out when the opportunity came about. It wasn't very hard for me to pick up and I found it to be fun.

How did your career in Modelling take off?

Being an artist is no walk in the park, or strut down the runway. I went to acting and film school for 4 years and during those years I educated myself about the techniques behind acting and modelling. When I graduated I had a few productions behind my name. I got signed to my first modelling agent in 2010, but it was only once I was in my final year, in 2013, that I really started to book good jobs.

Do you recall your first shoot? How did you experience the first job you did as a model?

I don't recall that first shoot... Oh wait I do. I was a little confused with some of those earlier shoots. The very first shoot I did was with Robin Rhode. I was 18 at the time, he was/is this a super vibey, modern and contemporary artist in the world. To this day I still believe it was God's plan that I would happen to be best friends (since we were children) with his brother Wesley. Robin asked me to pose for him for an art piece he was working on. I was nervous but I wanted to collaborate with him and needed the distraction from the my depressing difficult home environment. And so, I did it. I felt like a brainless mannequin but at the same time I loved it. The rest is history.

What's the best piece of advice you have gotten?

This changes all the time. I get advice so often, both directly and indirectly. Now that I think about it, I recall sitting in an actor's guild meeting and the chairman said this:

"The Industry owes you nothing." This is still resonating in my head. It humbles me when I question why I haven't booked anything or when I am in short moments of doubt. It reminds me to not to wait on my dreams to become real but to make it them real for myself.

What have been your most memorable experiences in your modeling career thus far?

There are plenty of memorable moments. Good and Bad. Moments like when I appeared on my first billboard, when my image appeared in malls across the country, working for Robin Rhode, being a contestant in a reality show, travelling the world, meeting super talented creatives, appearing in magazines like Vogue, NY Times, shooting in different part of South Africa. I cherish all the good moments.

What are the projects you enjoyed working on the most, and the ones that were the most challenging?

I love very conceptual projects that push the creativity envelope. Avant Garde shoots are fun. I love productions where I can exercise my other talents like drawing, singing and dancing. As well as working on productions where there is are deep conceptual meanings behind it the work. This is why I love the works of Robin Rhode and Francois Ferreira. They are perfectionists. Every detail has a meaning behind it. These are fun and challenging. Then, of course, there are those shoots that I really did not like and just, which drained me physically and emotionally. The horrible ones.

Is there a dream modelling job you haven't done yet and would like to?

I have not yet done what I know I can do. The dream is to make fashion films that get recognised internationally. I want to be invited to all the major fashion weeks of the world and show case my creative skills there.

Tell us a little more about your acting career.

I am an Actor. I have done a few some film/tv work that I am proud of. It has been the most exhilarating experience. I have travelled the world and worked on big productions. I am still growing as an actor, the big role is still coming my way.

Was acting something you dreamed of doing?

Acting was always something I was more drawn to. I found that I was good at it as I pursued it. I have always loved it and admire the work that actors put in when they take on characters.

Who do you look up to when it comes to acting?

The list is long. Lawrence Olivier, Marlon Brando, Joaquin Pheonix, Daniel Day-Lewis, David Dennis, Meryl Streep, Rami Malek, Morgan Freeman, Daniel Kulya, Will Smith... There are so many to draw inspiration from.

What does a typical day in your week look like? What do you like to do when you have time off?

My day starts off with meditation. It can be me listening to a sermon or some affirmation as I shower and brush my teeth. Then it is off to gym/ yoga. Get back home and work. I sometimes gym at noon if I haven't in the morning. Most afternoons I have different activities planned on different days of the week. The life of a Freelancer.

5 facts about you people may not know.

- I love my space
- I am a child at heart and not afraid to look silly if it makes us happy.
- I am not from Cape Town
- I don't do have a big hair regime.
- I can draw incredibly well.

Fitness certainly plays an important role in the life of a male model. How important is fitness to you, and what does your usual fitness routine consist of?

It is vital that I am in good form physically. This body is my money maker. I have to take care of it. So, I do yoga, dance, and weight training in the gym. This is done I do this more than 3 times a week.

Do you have any beauty routine you stick to daily?

It is simple, Cleanse, Hydrate, Exfoliate, Moisturize. This goes for my whole body, head to toe. I also believe that what you put into your body will show. So I try to eat healthy too.

What kind of music are you into? Tell us what you're listening to these days.

I listen to everything! Right now as I answer these questions I am listening to a James Blake playlist. This morning I was listening to Kanye West's Sunday Service and the other day I was jamming to Backstreet Boys, Westlife and Boys 2 Men. It all depends on my mood to be honest!

Describe your personal style. Where do you get your inspiration from?

I love fashion. I don't usually dress for the occasion but more so for how I feel. There are people who love the more formal look, others the love casual streetwear. It just can't be a plain and simple piece. Ad colour if there's colour, shape, pattern or something cool on it that which makes it unique, then I want it. I find that my style is a mix of everything, provided I own it. I support a local and international. Ideally, I would love to have my whole wardrobe be filled with local pieces. I am inspired by life, culture and art. Why be simple when you can look like a piece of art?.

What makes you happy?

Good food, Art, Music and good company. Just make me laugh and I am content.

If you weren't a model what would you be?

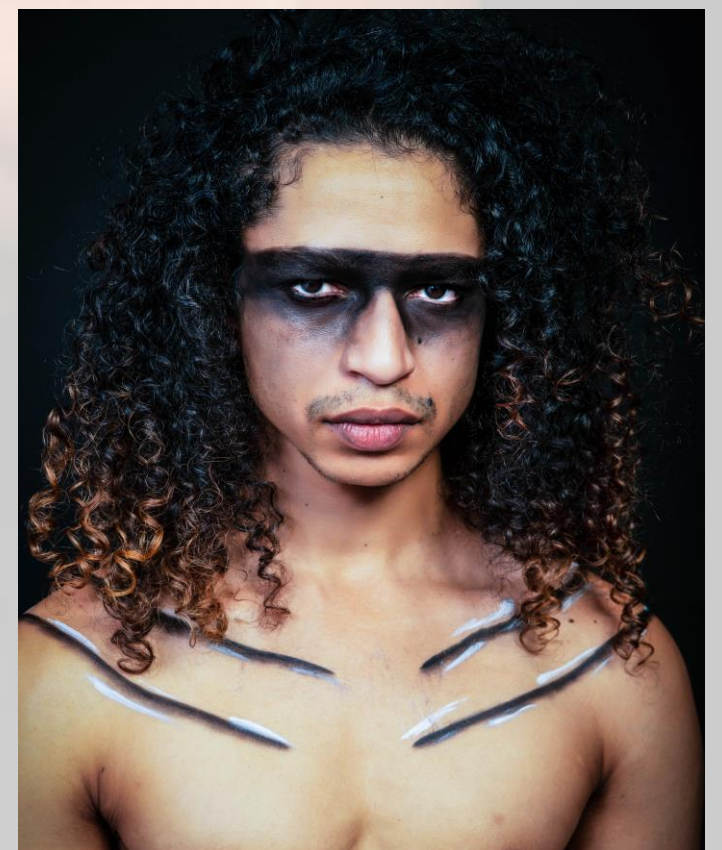
If I wasn't the creative that I am I would probably be an archaeologist, unearthing something great in Egypt.

And finally, what's next for Kevin Narain?

The next thing for me is to continue on my creative journey. I have some acting jobs in the pipeline, more shoots, more TikTok videos and growing my business. I take it day by day.

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Shooting the May 2021 Cover

with Photographer Hannes Spookels



How does it feel to see your work on the cover of PPMC Magazine?

It's hard to describe how it feels to get a Cover I am overwhelmed with joy and truly grateful and blessed.

How did the idea for the shoot come about?

It was a back and forth discussion on what we were going to shoot, exchanging some ideas on what we can do, so we got a Designer involved Ronaldo Engelbrecht. I didn't really know his style of clothing as Kevin knew him, so was a bit surprised when I saw the clothing for the 1st time and the ideas just came in on the possibilities we can do.

Can you tell us more about the theme?

Considering that the clothing style from Ronaldo's designs gives off a form of Japanese Warrior feeling by being "futuristic, structured and utopian authentic" we felt that we needed to keep to the theme and add some props on the day, testing the creativity from the team.

How was your experience working with Kevin?

Kevin is an outstanding individual with a lot of creative ideas, he knows what he wants and open to exchange ideas and willingness to try something new to capture the moment, while being friendly, kind, and very playful in front of the camera just made the shoot so much easier to do and so much more fun.

Who was the make-up artist for this shoot?

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Where are you located and what services do you offer?

I am based in Centurion, I am a full-time all round photographer, I don't really specialise in any type of photography but would rather say I do as much as I can. I believe a photographer must be able to adapt and learn to be able to do all types of photography.

How did you get started?

Interesting story, when I just finished school 2007 and started studying 2008 - I started to go out with friends to night clubs. On the 3rd night out I notice we are having so much fun together but there were never any photos taken to keep the memories going. So I started to take a snap shot camera with to these outings taking photos, and that is where my love for taking photos started. I stopped it after a while, but the love of taking photos never left me.

Then in 2016 I got my 1st semi-pro camera where I started to attend a few workshops at Nikon House, mainly theory based, still didn't even really know how the thing worked. I attended a Shooting in Manual course closer to the end of 2017 where I actually started taking photos for the 1st time.

I called up a few friends in time to do some shoots and played around. In 2017 I made the decision to quit my job and I became a full time photographer, still not really knowing anything in the industry and what it was all about, but I had the willingness to learn, work hard and strive as an individual.

What is your favorite thing about being a photographer?

I would say a part of travelling, meeting new people, seeing new faces will be capturing a moment in time that can be remembered for a lifetime. As well as the feedback I get from my clients when they receive the photos after the shoot.

What was your most memorable shoot?

There is quite a few that I would say is hard to forget. Each and every shoot I do speaks in different way, the people, the atmosphere, the venue and the concepts. Some of my most memorable shoots was a trip to Mozambique, 3 week Sports event in Pietermaritzburg, my very 1st photography open day and many more.

Are you a full-time photographer?

Yes I am indeed a full time photographer.

What do you do for fun?

Other than photography I can't really say much, spending time with family and friends with, the occasional braai, travelling when possible. Pretty much always have music on in the background.

What has been the highlight of your career?

Excluding for getting a Cover on this Magazine, I have been published and featured in a few magazines and art galleries both national and international. 1 of my sports action photos is printed on a billboard at a School in Durban/KZN.

Who are your biggest influences?

I would probably have to say my parents as they helped me when I struggled. They are my biggest supporters and have pushed me to work harder each and every day. From time to time I hear how my mom brags about me at her work.

How have you developed your career?

From being a newbie with no knowledge on how a camera worked to where my work gets featured on a Cover of a Magazine. I see every shoot I do as an opportunity to learn something new. Being a full-time photographer is not easy, so you need to be committed and work hard each and every day, doing marketing, getting new clients, networking, constant new content and creative ideas to explore.

What are you most proud of to date?

Probably the fact that I have made it this far in the industry, no matter how hard it may have been to get where I am today. Just keep on pushing forward to learn and improve what and where I can. Then to see some of the people I know in the industry that have grown with me.

What is your favourite quote?

I can't really say that I have 1. Think outside the box. Just live 1 day at a time, work hard and never give up, follow your dreams and goals.

What advice would you give an aspiring photographer?

If I can give anyone advise - never stop, never give up and never quit, don't be scared, see each opportunity as a challenge, an opportunity to learn something new, challenge yourself to learn, work harder each and every day and be yourself, anything in life is possible if you work hard for it.

I strive by working hard, challenging myself to be a better person than I was the day before, improving my skills and learning whatever and where ever I can, creating magical memories for my clients by capturing a moment in time that would last a lifetime.

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Tell us a little about you! Who you are, where you are from, etc!

My name is Minette and I am a makeup artist in my free time. Makeup is freeing to me as I can express myself in a different way. I love trying new things and making an idea my own. I turned 30 this year and I am excited for the next stage of my life. I am married and enjoying life at every second of my life.

Where are you located and what services do you offer?

I live in Eldoraigne, Centurion and I offer makeup in all shapes and sizes.

How did you get started?

I have always had a passion for makeup and after starting my professional career I wanted to do more creative things as my 9-5 is within the corporate environment and makeup was my breaking free and expressing my creative side.

You have an incredible career – what have been your highlights?

To be honest my highlights is and always will be Brides, it is an absolute honour to be apart and have part in someone's Wedding Day. Making them feel as beautiful as they are and having part in making them feel like a princess on their special day.

What has been the biggest challenge of your career?

The biggest challenge that I face regarding makeup is doing something outside of my comfort zone as I want the makeup to be perfect and with some looks it is not always possible as it is an innovative makeup look that does not require perfection.

Where do you get your inspiration from?

I enjoy watching various people and makeup artists' channels on YouTube and I draw inspiration from them as well as Pinterest. I feel that you can take a makeup look and create it with your own twist.

What is Beauty to you?

Beauty to me is being confident and comfortable with who you are. Every single person is beautifully made and you just need to showcase this to the world. If you as a person live and do everything with confidence no one will ever doubt that you are insecure and the world will be at your feet.

What is your favorite celebrity makeup look and why? ...

A clean and crisp look with flawless skin and a dramatic eye is always a winner in my book.

Can you give us any insight into your creative process and how you conceptualise a look?

I am a visual person when it comes to makeup and I like having ideas and then working and combining different ideas together to fit the shoot. I usually ask the photographers to give me an idea of the feel of the shoot and whether there is a theme for the shoot.

I will then usually go and find ideas that I like regarding the theme or feel of the shoot. I like communicating these ideas to the photographer and model as I want to get a feeling from them whether we are all on the same page.

Are you actually friends with any of your clients? Who's in your "squad"?

I am friends with some of my client and I must say we have the most fun when it comes to makeup as I usually know what they like and dislike. I have had the privilege to work with Hannes Spookels, who is a friend and we challenge each other regarding our work.

I also work with the gorgeous Shane Swanepoel quite often and together the three of us create amazing looks and photo's.

Who is your style icon?

This is a difficult question to answer as there are so many gorgeous women out there. If I have to choose I would have to say it is mixture of Katherine Hepburn and Bailey Sarian. We have the classic Katherine with her flawless style always on point and then the young and vibrant Bailey with her sometimes over the top looks but always clean and crisp.

What was the biggest risk you've ever taken?

I had a shoot with Hannes and Shane where we did a half face black and white and colour look. The magazine featured this look. It was nerve wrecking as I had never done anything like that before and I wanted the makeup to look perfect as the concept for the shoot was so different and unique. Thereafter I was more willing to do unique looks for shoots.

What, in your opinion, is the most important quality in a Makeup Artist?

Precision and blending, if you can blend your makeup and apply a liner perfectly then you can do pretty much anything.

How do you stay abreast of the latest beauty trends?

I must say with celebs and the social media platforms that we have available we all tend to catch on fast when it comes to new trends. Fashion houses show case their latest work on all their social media pages for the world to see and experience.

What three makeup item should no woman leave home without?

- A good concealer – this hides all the little imperfections that every woman has.
- Mascara – you do not need a full face of makeup to look beautiful. By emphasizing the eyes the attention is drawn to your eyes and focus remains there.

- Blush and bronzer – this is to put some colour in the face and can create illusions of sun kissed and brighter skin.

What is the most important beauty advice that you can give to women?

Take care of your skin from an early age and love yourself as there is only one of you and there is a reason for that. You are perfect and beautiful in every way.

If you woke up tomorrow and gained any one ability or quality, what would you want it to be?

To be ambidextrous. That would be amazing as I will be able to do makeup in half the time.

Where do you see yourself in the next 5 years?

I would love to expand into different industries where makeup is used. Fashion, Model shoots, runway and promotion. This will be great, and of course expanding into the bridal industry will be amazing.

What is your idea of happiness and success?

Happiness to me means being yourself and being content with who you are. No one is going to make you happy if you are not happy with yourself. Success is learning and growing constantly as you go about your life.

If you could visit any place in the world where would you go? Why?

Greece, I feel that it is a magical part of the world that is rich in culture and traditions.

If you could change one thing in the world, what would it be?

I would love to give every single abandoned animal and child a home with more love than they can ever think of. I feel animals and children are helpless and can't fend for themselves and therefor we need to assist in any way we can.

What keeps you motivated?

The support of my family and friends in everything that I do. With the right support structure you can achieve any goals you set for yourself.

What are your future goals, dreams and plans?

I would love to expand my business and do makeup more regularly and get more involved within the different industries. I would also love to expand my family and become a mother.

Do you have any advice you would like to give to other?

Once again, love yourself and the person you are as no one will love you if you do not love yourself. Dream big and work hard to achieve those dreams. Having no dreams can just be boring.

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Fashion Designer - Ronaldo Engelbrecht



I was born 14 January 1998 in Phalaborwa, Limpopo. Moved to Heidelberg, Gauteng when I was 3 where I grew up and lived there till I finished my matric. I was born with the privileges of being mixed where I was exposed to different cultures and ideologies within my parents and families. I lived with my mother (white) and stepfather (coloured) but maintained a great relationship with my biological father (African). I grew up in a very conservative and traditional town where I faced a lot of social challenges being a child of colour.

Grew up speaking Afrikaans at school and home and lived your normal small town boy life. Since growing up I have always had a passion for sport to the point where I wanted to make a career out of it. Played rugby from the day I could carry the ball till the last day of my matric year. I absolutely loved to draw and always found myself drawing instead of spending time in front of the TV. I have always been creative by talent. This means I've never had the opportunity to develop my skills and ability.

My mother is probably responsible for my eye in creativity as she is truly the most creative person I know. She always used to sew, paint, build something, bake "cake boss" level cakes, like she literally could do anything and did do everything. And with that I guess that's where my passion for being a creative started.

How does it feel to see your designs in PPMC Magazine?

Truly grateful to be featured in a magazine such as PPMC. As a fashion graduate I am fully aware of how hard it is to get yourself out there with very little resources. This is an opportunity to widen the demographic of people that might know about me as a designer and what I have to offer. Exposure also leaves possibility for networking and this experience alone has helped me build a great relationship with other people in the industry such as models, photographers and make-up artists. This is my very first cover shoot I have been a part of and it's truly such a blessing.

When did you first realize you wanted to pursue a career in design?

Growing up I have always wanted to pursue a career in design. It was my absolute dream to pursue a career in architecture because that was simply the only career in design I have been exposed to growing up in a very small town.

It was of course my fathers dream for me to become an engineer so for most of my matric year I was dedicated to studying so I could be eligible in studying civil engineering. Went to the University of Johannesburg after passing with exceptionally good grades and in the middle of the year I decided that I was going to drop out as I could find any motivation or drive within myself to study what I applied for.

I worked for the rest of the year trying to find myself in which I was then exposed to the ability of studying Fashion Design (which I didn't even know was possible to study). Took some convincing but my application took a lot of interest within the institution and they ended up convincing my father that I had the passion, drive and talent to pursue a career in fashion. So I basically knew on the day of applying.

What do you love about being a fashion designer?

Our clothing and what we wear are symbols of how we would want to be perceived by others, whether you wear designer clothing that could suggest that you are either wealthy or fashion conscious or whether you wear all black to suggest that you belong to some punk/emo fashion culture. Fashion is a language spoken by many but understood by only a few.

I love being able to understand that language. I also simply see myself as an artist supposed to just be a fashion designer. What we do is art and a form of expression. I simply love fashion and the direction I'm going in especially because I get to express myself with no filter.

If you could go back and tell yourself one thing before beginning your career what would it be?

I probably wouldn't tell myself anything, "As cliché as that sounds". But I had no type of guidance, knowledge or understanding when I first started. My curiosity is simply what drove me.

What was the biggest rookie mistake you made when just starting out?

Thinking that everything will happen very quickly. In this industry we tend to look at others above us and want to achieve what they have in the time we are still trying to discover ourselves. We tend to forget that those people started somewhere and had their own sets of challenges. It's important to always remember to have our own story and face our own challenges, because your story is what nobody can take or replicate from you and that you should remain centred and be in the moment.

What is your favorite part about being a designer?

The simple fact that I have the ability, skills and knowledge to create. The ability to "wow" an audience/viewer with my craft and possibly start a conversation about it whether good or bad.

Was there ever a moment since showing your first collection where you just felt like you had arrived?

My first ever collection is the one presented in shoot which was my graduation collection for 2020. The moment arrived as soon as it was announced that I had won the category for "BEST CONCEPTUAL RANGE" at Studio's School of Fashion Design. A category I had set myself to win since I have joined the institution.

Who and which things are the inspiration while creating any design?

When creating any design I find inspiration in literally anything visible to the eye and audible to the ear. As everything has design elements within its creation whether it be the shape of a chair, the structure in

architecture, the colours in a sunset or the motion of water. There is inspiration that can be found in every simple thing. The difficulty comes in finding those and conceptualizing them into designs. From a design aesthetic a designer that inspires and influences me a lot of Yohji Yamamoto – absolute visionary.

According to you, what are the skills that are necessary for becoming a successful fashion designer?

I have no room to answer how one becomes a successful fashion designer. We all measure our success differently and to me I have yet to become a successful fashion designer. Being a creative is very beneficial whether you are a musician or artist. I started with no skills but a passion for drawing and art. Your drive and ambitions are the best skills you can possess when you are within the industry of art and design. It takes no more than a few lessons to learn how to sew, make patterns or design clothing.

How do you stay updated with the trends in the fashion industry?

I simply do not believe in conforming to the societal norms and expectations of the industry. I am not a seasonal nor trend based designer. One can not ask an artist to paint western art like Vincent Willem van Gogh because of its technique burning that time. Same for designers. I simply design what I feel and what contributes to my aesthetic and brand identity. I humbly aspire to set trends not follow them.

How would you define your personal style?

I am known for my reference to futuristic, structured and utopian aesthetics. My fashion brand "Odlanor" is an aspiring luxury fashion brand that represents the reverse perception of African fashion and aesthetics. Black within my fashion represents how the colour can be modest yet arrogant at the same time. It symbolises mystery, darkness, class, power and luxury. The Blackness is infinite in the collection and contributes to the utopian society it wants to create.

The Blackness of the collection makes a point to focus more on the shapes and proportions as colour tends to disturb the essence of silhouette and design.

5 facts about you people may not know.

1. I was always labelled the class clown, never took life too seriously and found a lot of joy in making people laugh so I have thought about pursuing a career in comedy.
2. Absolutely love everything that comes out of Japan. I fully believe I was a samurai warrior in my past life.
3. I have 7 siblings in which I am the first born.
4. I love pineapple on pizza.
5. I have only been to 2 fashion shows in my entire life of having an interest in fashion.

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Tell us a little about you! Who you are, where you are from, etc!

I am Yolandi Rossouw, owner of Glamlight Models. I actually grew up on a farm in the Kalahari, near the Botswana border - strange hey!! I am happily married with 2 beautiful sons, living in Centurion, Pretoria.

When did you first decide that you wanted to own a modeling school?

From a very young age I started with modeling and I wanted my own modeling school since I can remember. This was a dream of mine for many, many years and it materialized in 2005.

Can you tell us more about your modeling school and what you have to offer?

Glamlight Models was established in 2005. We offer classes from the age of 4 years onwards. We are not only a modeling school, we also focus on helping both girls and boys improve on many modeling related areas such as, technique, posture, self-confidence, etiquette etc.

What do you enjoy most about giving pageant training?

The best feeling in the world is to see a shy, withdrawn young girl, over time develop into a confident, groomed young lady who takes to a modeling stage in front of a whole crowd of people, owning the moment and drawing everyone's attention as if she had done this a thousand times before.

I have, over the years, been so privileged to have seen this metamorphoses in so many young ladies and that is what makes all efforts worth while.

How did you manage classes during the pandemic?

This was a massive challenge and huge setback to all of us. Modeling are presented on a face-to-face basis and although we attempted other solutions such as Zoom classes etc, this was not effective. We partially managed by providing the Models with certain challenges followed by rewards, however I missed my Models immensely. Us human beings are social packs and we need physical interaction.

How would you describe your own personality?

I would say that I am a caring and loving person, focussed on bringing out the best in people.

What are some of the issues and causes you are raising awareness and advocating for?

Currently we are focussed on helping less fortunate people with an emphasis on less fortunate girls who are not able to attend their Matric Farewell or have a Birthday Party. Our gracious sponsors and my Team all help in turning possibly the most important evening in many girls' school careers from a massive or challenge or unattainable event into a dream night. I am extremely grateful and proud to have helped many young ladies in various Schools with a dream Matric Farewell or Birthday party.

Let our readers know some of the things you are currently working on and some exciting things we can expect from you in the future.

Over and above the various Modeling Competitions the emphasis for 2021 now onwards is on the big annual Mr and Miss Gauteng Schools Competition taking place in October. I am also exploring the opening of more Glamlight branches and I am opening a Pamper Party venue where girls of all ages can relax and have a great time with their friends whilst being treated and pampered.

How do you see yourself fifteen years from now?

Hopefully on a Island, retired.. hahaha

Who is the most influential person in your life?

I can not single out one person. I would say that everyone in my daily interactions influences me in one way or another. All those separate influences affects and shapes one's life in my view.

If you were given the chance to change something from the past, what would it be?

Nothing.

What is your greatest contribution to the community?

Firstly, I would hope that the skills and knowledge that the modeling classes provide to my models do have an impact on them and the people they interact with in our community. Secondly, the contribution from Mr and Miss Gauteng Schools to the Matric Farewells and Birthday Parties for less fortunate girls. We are so blessed and grateful to have received so much positive feedback from so many School Principals on the difference that this cause makes in so many girls' lives.

What is beauty according to you?

Beauty is for me from the inside and if you have it from the outside as well it is a bonus...

What do you like to do for fun?

Spending time with my family and friends and to workout.

What have you learned about yourself today?

To better version of myself...To get up, show up and Never give up!!

What are your future goals, dreams and plans?

I have a simple approach to these, I want to ensure that my business is and remain a success, that I am a good mother and wife for my family and that I use the time that God have given to me in the best way possible.

What advice would you give someone who is entering a pageant for the first time?

Smile relax and enjoy every moment you are already a winner just by taking to the stage.

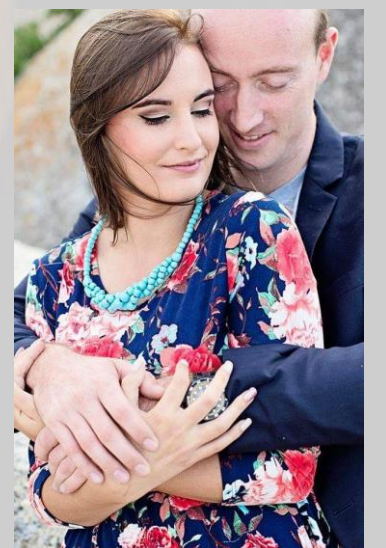
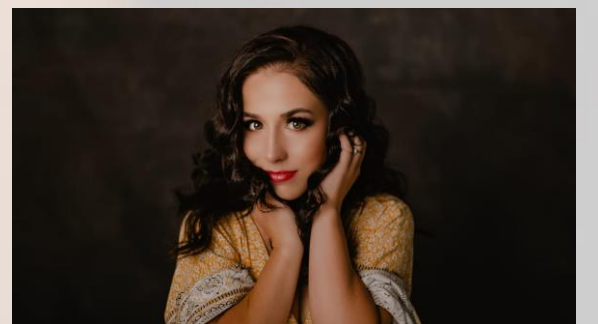
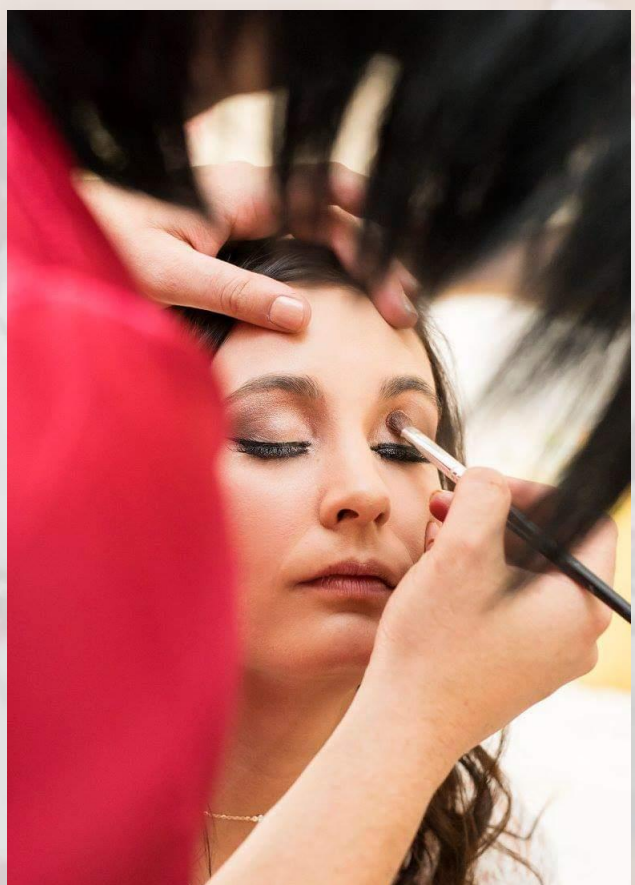
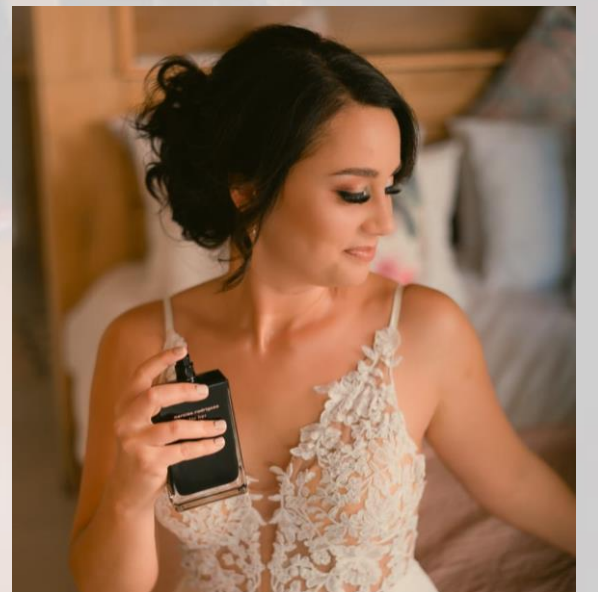
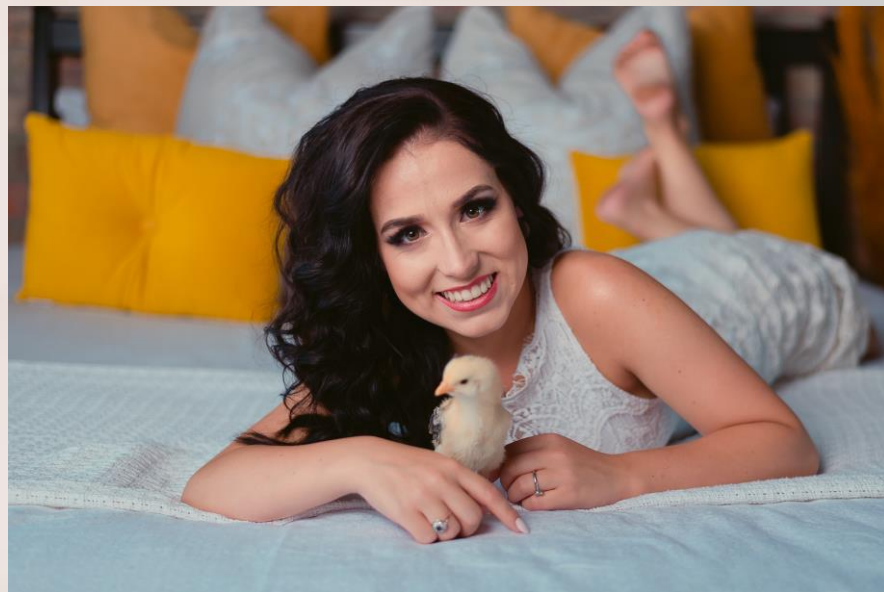
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Skye Blanckenberg was born and raised in the Northern Suburbs of Cape Town. After completing High School at DF Malan HS, they worked as an entertainer and explored avenues to enter the beauty industry. They studied Makeup and Aesthetics at Face to Face and completed their ITEC International Makeup diploma in Fashion, Film, Theatre, Special effects and Media Makeup.

Skye opened La Bootwa Beauty Salon in November 2020, offering a range of services, including professional makeup and skincare treatments. They have been fortunate to be able to work on both television and films as a makeup artist. Skye dreams of establishing a presence in the beauty industry and taking up opportunities to display their artistry across a variety of media platforms.

Motivation

"Don't be afraid to experiment and play around with makeup, and don't allow your fears to stand in the way of your dreams. Do the work; practice, practice, practice. Be resilient and your time will come to shine"

Tip & Tricks

Don't overthink things, be bold, make a statement, if you make a mistake, wipe it off and start again, it's just makeup.

Company Profile

La Bootwa was founded on the principle that beauty is for everybody. The clientele range from teenagers to pensioners and the aim is to unlock the beauty inside every person. Everyone who leaves La Bootwa, should feel like they have been pampered and look like a million bucks.

La Bootwa supports Proudly South African enterprises stocking Creative Glamour and SalonCare as their primary product suppliers. The business is young and eager to grow and Skye splits time between running the Salon and taking to the field to do freelance makeup work.

You have an incredible career – what have been your highlights?

Skye is very proud of each and every makeup that they have done whether the work was featured on television or film or was for a private client. They relish the prospect of unlocking the beauty in each person and expressing their creativity on nature's greatest canvas.

What has been the biggest challenge of your career?

The biggest challenge of Skye's career came working on an international film on the subject of human trafficking. The shoot involved long hours and challenging conditions, including filming at sea, performing touch-ups on a rubber dinky in the dark.

Where do you get your inspiration from?

Skye is inspired by many phenomenal artists but counts Hannon as a role model as a business person and makeup industry pioneer. Hannon's impact on people's lives is something Skye would love to emulate. Like Hannon, Skye dreams of building their own makeup and beauty empire. Mario Dedivanovic, makeup artist to the stars is someone who Skye looks up to as an artist.

What is beauty to you?

"I think beauty is just a concept, everyone is beautiful in their own way and makeup is one of the ways we can unlock and enhance our natural beauty. Makeup helps us put our best foot forward and present ourselves in a way that showcases our inner glow"

What is your favourite celebrity makeup look and why?

Kim Kardashian's wet look from the Met Gala in 2019. Dedivanovic's artistry in creating this look was simply jaw-dropping and the work tied in beautifully with the wet look illusion that carried through the look as a whole. His use of highlights inspires me in so many ways.

Can you give us any insight into your creative process and how you conceptualise a look?

Skye's creative process varies from client to client as everyone's face is unique. Every one of their looks is bespoke, tailored to the individual client or model. The process is very much outcome-driven, starting with what the final goal is and then working to achieve that.

Are you actually friends with any of your clients?

While some of Skye's friends have visited La Bootwa or booked makeup services, they like to keep business and pleasure separate. Skye tries to avoid partying with clients and the like as it blurs the lines between separate areas of their existence.

Who is your style icon?

Twiggy and Marilyn Monroe, because their iconic makeup styles remain in use even today. Twiggy has the cut crease and Marilyn the iconic winged liner.

What was the biggest risk you've ever taken?

I take risks almost every day. Rules are made to be broken, and you would be surprised at what you can achieve with unconventional product choices and a little bit of experimentation.

What, in your opinion, is the most important quality in a Makeup Artist?

The most important qualities in a Makeup Artist are creativity and determination. With these two traits, the sky is the limit for any artist.

How do you stay abreast of the latest beauty trends?

"Through social media and just scanning the internet for inspiration"

What three makeup item should no woman leave home without?

Lip gloss/balm/stick, face powder and mascara.

What is the most important beauty advice that you can give to women?

"Don't take makeup too seriously, have fun and enjoy the process. Wear your heart and your skin and just BE!"

If you woke up tomorrow and gained any one ability or quality, what would you want it to be?

"I want to be able to wave a magic wand and make people look on the outside how they feel on the inside."

Where do you see yourself in the next 5 years?

Skye would like to be at the helm of their own makeup and beauty empire. Dream big.

What is your idea of happiness and success?

To be in a comfortable position myself and to be able to help other reach their goals and dreams. Success is being able to give someone else a hand up.

If you could visit any place in the world where would you go? Why?

"Florida, because I dream of visiting Disney World and also want to visit Universal Studios, to witness first hand the movie magic, including iconic makeups."

If you could change one thing in the world, what would it be?

"The concept of beauty and how it is portrayed in media. We are all created beautiful and it is time to showcase diversity and send the message that everyone is a work of art."

What keeps you motivated?

Skye is motivated by their passion for making people feel good about themselves. They love to see people marvel at the transformative power of makeup, and the ever-evolving beauty industry.

What are your future goals, dreams and plans?

Skye wants to build the base of their business and they hope to travel, see the world and influence the industry as a whole.

Do you have a hidden talent?

Skye is also known as Sasha Le Strange, a drag performer with over a decade of experience on the Cape Town scene, performing at the city's bars, clubs and events.

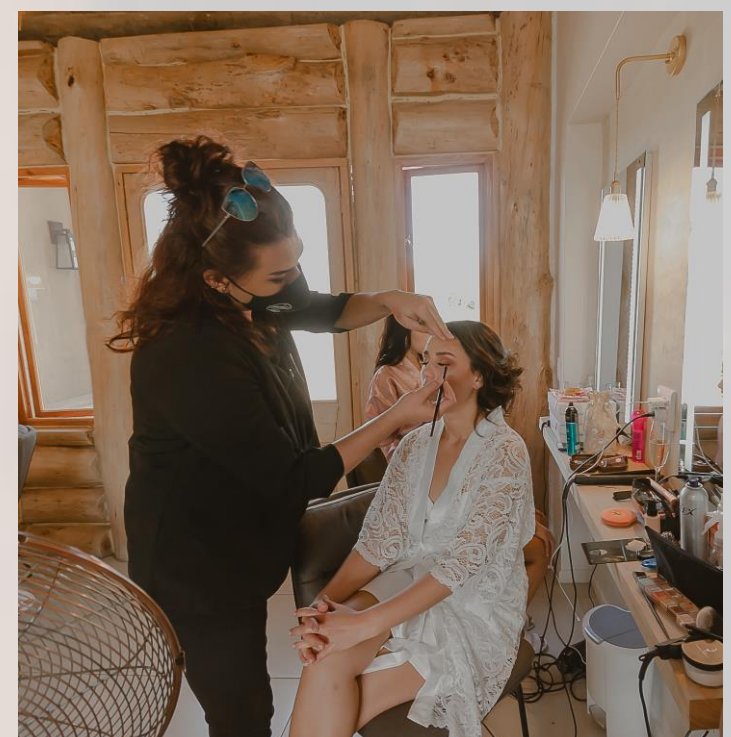
Do you have any advice you would like to give to other makeup?

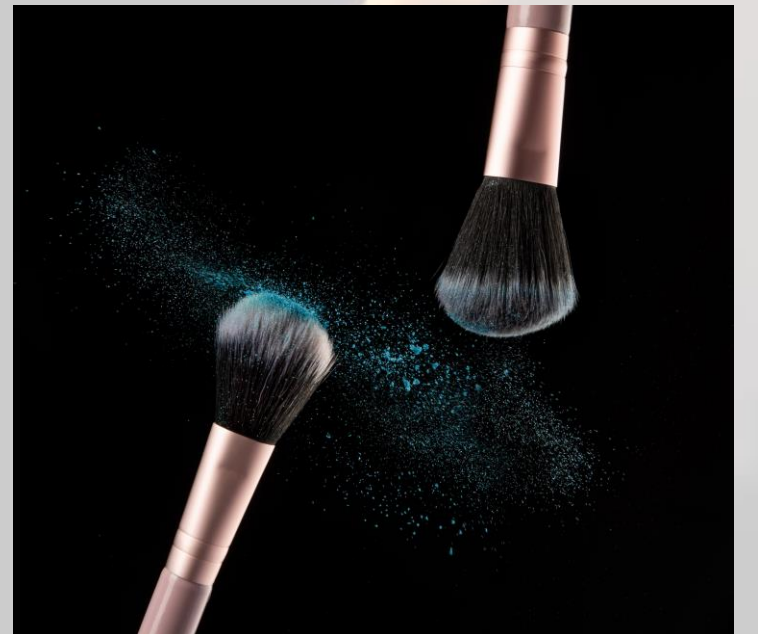
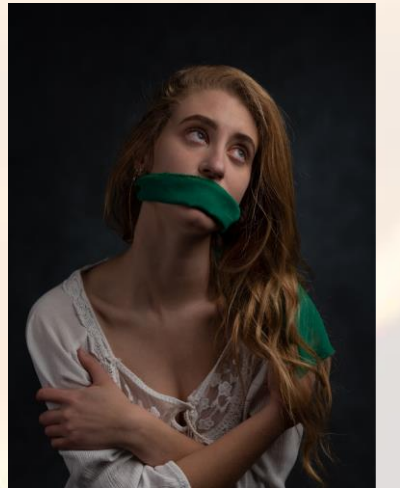
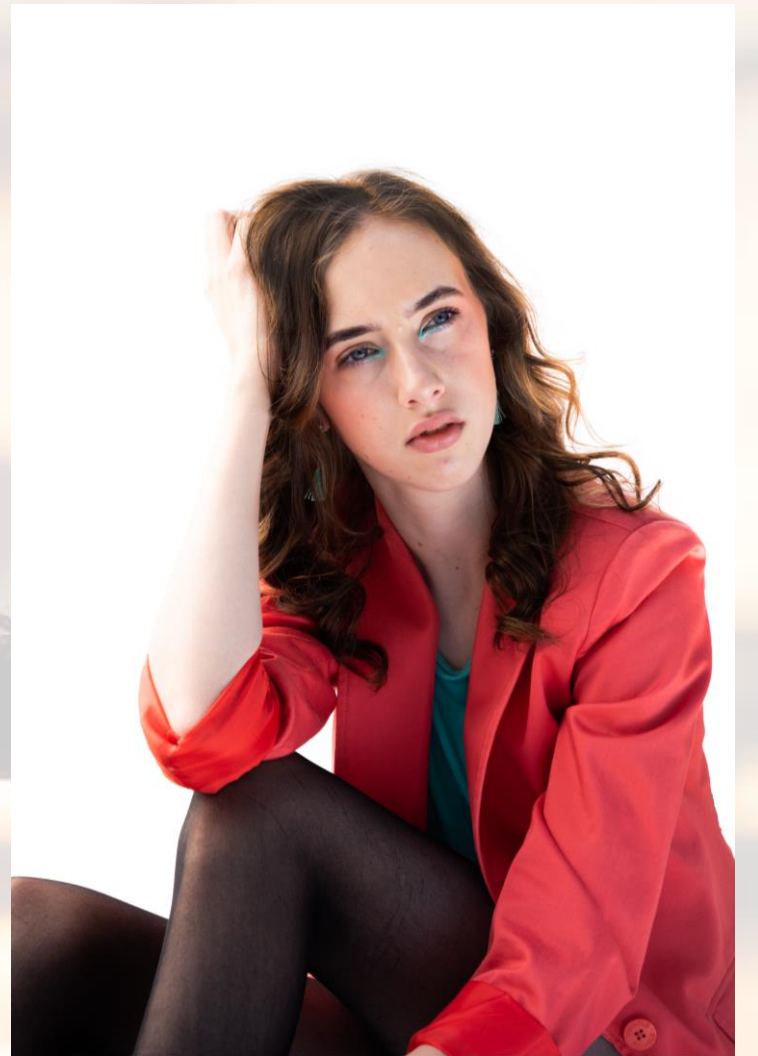
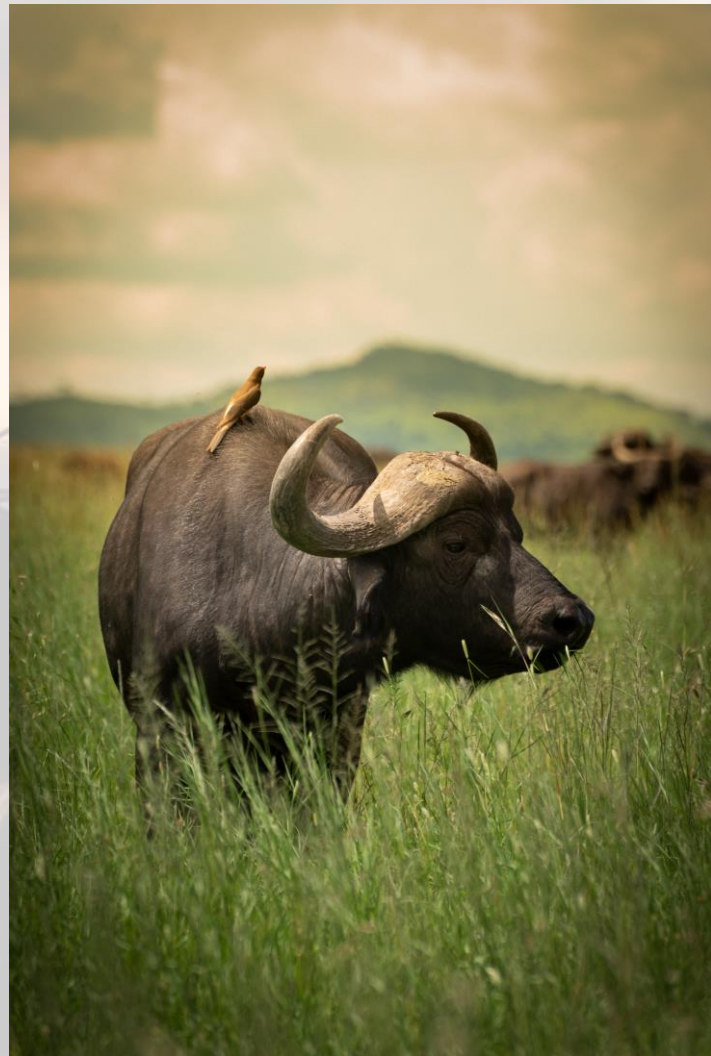
Never give up on your dream. Follow your passion, set goals, fight for what you love and stay positive.

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Hi my name is Lientjie Broodryk and I am the owner, photographer and designer of Laluka Photography & Design. I am currently a final year student at The Open Window Institute completing my Bachelors degree in Visual Communication Design. I started modelling at the age of 3 and completed my modelling instructor course in 2013 under the watchful eye of Charmain Taylor. Modeling has taught me to love myself for who I am and to be a proud young woman.

During this time I was mainly the model in front of the camera but soon opted to rather be behind the camera. Today I am a passionate young photographer and designer who enjoys the creative industry tremendously. I see the perfections of life in the small details and use this to create something curious and authentic in my designs and photographs. I live for the small moments that often turn out to be life changing.

Where are you located and what services do you offer?

I am located in the small town of Fochville which is situated in Gauteng but often travels to the North West province for work opportunities and recreation. I offer a wide variety of services in photography as well as graphic design. For photography this includes the following, Portraiture, Product Photography, Editorial Photography, Advertorial Photography, Pet Photography and Event Photography to name a few. I have also done some Videography work for ACE Models Potchefstroom. My graphic design services include corporate identity design, editorial layout, advertising and packaging design.

How did you get started?

My love for photography started out with wildlife photography at the young age of 16 when we often visited our family game farm. I have found the bushveld to be uplifting and inspirational with all the textures, patterns and colours. I also started doing art classes at the age of 9 where we were often encouraged to take photographs of something we like and to then paint or draw it to make the process more personal.

After I graduated matric in 2016 I took a year off to decide on what I would like to pursue for the rest of my life. When visiting The Open Window Institute for Arts and Digital Sciences in this year I was mesmerized by the possibilities of a creative career. In 2018 I started with a Bachelor's degree in Visual Communication Design at The Open Window. When I complete this bachelors degree at the end of 2021 I will be specialised in Photography and Graphic Design.

What brand do you use and why?

I have always used Nikon camera bodies and find them to be very user friendly. I own Nikon, Sigma and Tamron lenses and I am very pleased with the quality

they offer. Godox gear is my go to brand when it comes to studio lighting and flash products.

What is your favorite thing about being a photographer?

My favourite thing about being a photographer is to have an end product (photograph) that you can experience with your senses. I take my photographs in such a way that you can feel the emotions of the model or the sun rays falling on their skin. I want the viewer to smell the food in the photograph or the models surroundings. I want the viewer to see the pain or happiness in the model's eyes. I want the viewers to "touch, see, hear, smell and feel" my photographs and give it their own story.

What was your most memorable shoot?

My most memorable shoot can rather be called my most memorable trip. In 2018 / 2019 I had the honour of being able to do an 38 day overland tour with family friends visiting six African countries. We crossed the South African Border to Botswana early in December 2018. Zambia was our next destination followed by Malawi. I had the opportunity to celebrate my 21st birthday in the wonderful Tanzania at the foot of Mount Kilimanjaro. After visiting Rwanda for a few days we started making our way back to South Africa.

Every single photograph I took has a special meaning and specific memory. Every portrait, landscape and animal photograph I took made a lasting impression as I had the opportunity to put all my photography skills into this "one" shoot. If I had to choose my favourite photography destination on this trip it would be Ngorongoro Conservation Area.

Are you a full-time photographer?

I guess you can say that I am a full time photographer. I am currently a photography student and I do at least 3 shoots per week for my degree. This is mainly for my commercial portfolio with some extra tasks. Even though I am not focused on client based shoots at this moment I do still make time if someone needs my services, be it a matric farewell or product shoot.

What do you do for fun?

Mark Twain said to choose a job you love, in order to never have to work a day in your life. I take photographs and do some personal design work in my spare time for fun. I love to spend time in the bushveld and have always found nature to rejuvenate my spirits. I enjoy birdwatching and often find myself taking pictures of them. However I will never give up the chance to have a peaceful day on the couch with my loved ones watching movies and eating popcorn.

What has been the highlight of your career?

I would say the highlight of my very short photography career is definitely the opportunity of completing my first overland tour. Very few people will have the opportunity to complete a tour like this and will most probably not have an opportunity to the extent that I had it. I had the opportunity to see and experience the culture and landscapes of six African countries from a photographic point of view.

I saw all the little details of nature and the gestures of people sitting next to the road. When we just crossed the border from Tanzania to Rwanda a local saw me with my camera and telephoto lens. He approached me with a big smile asking for his photograph to be taken. After having a quick conversation he mentioned that he thought I was a National Geographic Photographer. In that moment it sure felt like I was a National Geographic Photographer.

Who are your biggest influences?

My biggest influences in photography is definitely my lecturers at Open Window. In first year Jorina Botha opened a new world to photography for me. She started teaching me about all the masters and their processes. I learned key concepts like that there is a

decisive moment in taking a photograph as well as all there is to natural light. In second year Suzette Du Plooy taught me everything I needed to know on a technical level with artificial lighting and creating my own photography business. Currently Daniel Robberts is teaching me everything there is to know about concepts and the meaning behind a photograph and what you see in the photograph. I can not thank them enough for all the knowledge I have obtained from them.

How have you developed your career?

In the last 4 years I took it upon myself to take as many risks with photography as possible and to learn from these risks to the best of my ability. When possible I experimented to see what I could produce. This has sometimes been difficult to do as you never know what you are going to get. I had to learn to trust my instincts and just go with the flow.

Let our readers know some of the things you are currently working on and some exciting things we can expect from you in the future.

As I have mentioned I am busy completing my Bachelors Degree in Visual Communication Design specialising in Photography and Graphic Design. My primary focus this year will be on putting together my commercial photography portfolio which will consist of portrait photography, editorial photography, advertorial photography, still life photography and some of my own choices. I also aim to create my first Artist Book by the end of the year.

Currently I am busy preparing for a student exhibition titled "Surveillance". At this moment I can not say too much, but what I can say is that I am very excited for my first photography exhibition. The exhibition will open on the 5th of June 2021 at 6pm at The Open Window NOW Gallery in Centurion for the public.

What are you most proud of to date?

This is a hard question because I am proud of so much I have accomplished. I am proud of myself for never giving up when things got hard. I am proud of myself for always pushing my ideas to the utmost limit to achieve beautiful photographs. I am proud of every single photograph I have taken no matter how small, be it that I liked the lighting or the emotions. Each photograph has its own achievements.

What is your favorite quote?

My lecturers at Open Window often refer back to old photography masters and their work. Henri Cartier-Bresson has made a lasting impact on my life and this quote specifically. "One eye of the photographer looks wide open through the viewfinder, the other, the closed looks into his own soul." - Henri Cartier-Bresson. I always try to put a little bit of my own soul in each photograph I take.

What advice would you give an aspiring photographer?

Advice I would give an aspiring photographer will be that photography is an art of observation. You should find something interesting in an ordinary place no matter how small it is. Photography is not about what you see but rather the way you as an individual see it. Make it your own. If you can't feel what you are looking at, then you're never going to get others to feel anything when they look at your pictures. Once this happens you almost never stop seeing and feeling. You always find a way to frame an "imaginary" picture. You can't turn it on and off. It is part of who you are now. You should take these "imaginary" pictures and then create your own magic.

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Life is an adventure and I often choose to go left when most people turn right. As an artist my canvas is always full and I get to decide what to leave out.

I love people, and meeting new friends is a pleasure. We all have a story to tell some are at the beginning of the journey, while others are nearing the end.

I fell in love with photography as a teenage girl while studying visual arts; since then it's been my passion and desire to capture true emotions, the raw essence and soul of those special moments that we treasure.

At age 18 I embarked on a mission to document Africa; a journey that took me almost 4 years. In this gallery of life I have seen light fade from every view, passionate lovers, lonely men, new mothers and senior citizens longing to be young again.

Through my lens I hope to reveal those true moments, passionately, and capture the moments as I see it. To preserve your memory is my honour so that you can relive them all over again.

Where are you located and what services do you offer?

Based in Ballito – KZN North Coast

Services:

- Family Shoots
- Corporate Events and portraits
- Real Estate
- Product
- Schools
- Landscape

- Wedding / Engagements
- Maternity

Basically a all rounder lol!

How did you get started?

I fell in love with photography as a teenage girl while studying visual arts; since then it's been my passion and desire to capture true emotions, the raw essence and soul of those special moments that we treasure.

What brand do you use and why?

I love Canon. The camera is easy to use especially if you need to change your settings fast, as I only shoot in RAW. Canon is a reliable brand and they have excelled back-up service in Durban. I own 2 Canon 6D II's.

What is your favourite thing about being a photographer?

Life is an adventure and I often choose to go left when most people turn right. As an artist my canvas is always full and I get to decide what to leave out.

What was your most memorable shoot?

Was my 1st wedding. I was soooooo nervous - was so worried that we would miss something lol!!

Are you a full-time photographer?

Yes, I am and LOVING it.

What do you do for fun?

I love to go out and socialise with family and friends. I love to go and sit and have coffee at our local "The Market" in Ballito. It's always busy and you are sure to bump into somebody that you know and have a chat.

What has been the highlight of your career?

Its always great to see you work on display on Billboards. I was asked to "put together" and shoot a billboard marketing campaign a few years ago. It was such a awesome experience.

I had to design and shoot the images for the billboards – Its such a awesome feeling of pride and joy to see your work in a LARGE format. Its AMAZING.

People would take pics of the billboards and forward it to me lol!!

Who are your biggest influences?

I fell in love with Joe Buissink's work. He is such a humble and talented photographer. His photography tells a story and it shows emotion – I love that.

How have you developed your career?

I love to try new things, even if I don't know how to do it lol!! It's so easy these days to learn a new skill. You just Google and watch a few YouTube videos and "Bobs your uncle" lol!! I've devolved my career by doing online international photographic Diplomas. You are never to old to learn new tricks.

Let our readers know some of the things you are currently working on and some exciting things we can expect from you in the future.

I'm currently doing lots of design work for flyers and smaller billboards. I'm also shooting products for Takealot as well as high-end cars for advertising in a national magazine. I have nothing planned for the future as yet, but I am a pretty impulsive person, sooooo that can change at any moment lol!

What are you most proud of to date?

I have 2:

At age 18 I embarked on a mission to document Africa; a journey that took me almost 4 years.

I was asked to fly out to Mauritius to shoot a wedding! That was awesome, and we (myself, hubby and kids) had a great holiday too lol!!

What is your favourite quote?

People do business with people.

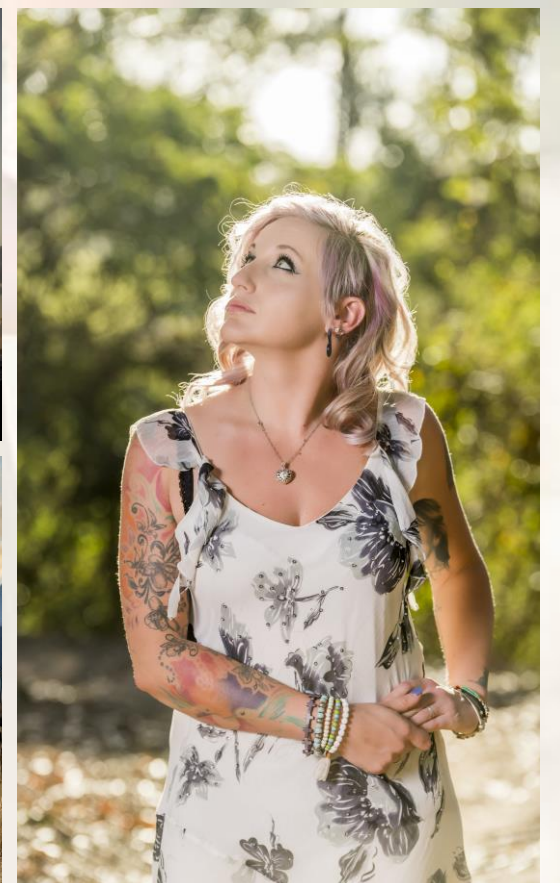
What advice would you give an aspiring photographer?

Do photography because you love it! Shoot, shoot and shoot some more, the more you shoot the better you will become.

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Makeup Artist - Megan Uys



Tell us a little about you! Who you are, where you are from, etc!

My name is Megan Uys, I am 21 years old. I am a qualified hairstylist and Makeup artist. I worked in a salon for the last 2 years, until I started Moira MU Artistry.

Where are you located and what services do you offer?

I am based in Pretoria and I do professional makeup on location.

How did you get started?

I started this journey with a mentor of mine, Suna Robberts. I was a junior makeup artist for Classics is Groot, and have worked with Armand Aucamp, Karlien van Jaarsveld, Demi Lee Moore etc.

You have an incredible career – what have been your highlights?

Working on Classics is Groot, and meeting these celebrities was definitely the highlight of my career until now.

What has been the biggest challenge of your career?

The biggest challenge of my career was finding my feet in a industry that has a lot of competition.

Where do you get your inspiration from?

I do not get my inspiration from only one person , I have multiple role models in this industry , there are such amazing makeup artist that I look up to and learn from !

What is Beauty to you?

To me , the word beauty holds such power. Beauty comes from within. Beauty begins the moment you decide to be yourself. I do not use makeup to make someone beautiful , I use makeup to show them how beautiful they are.

What is your favorite celebrity makeup look and why? ...

My favourite celebrity makeup look is a wing liner , and a classic red lip , as seen on Selena Gomez and Kendall Jenner.

Can you give us any insight into your creative process and how you conceptualise a look?

Every client is different , so my creative process starts with meeting the client. Personality plays a big role in a makeup look. For some people , dramatic makeup will not work , and for others it feels like home.

Are you actually friends with any of your clients? Who's in your "squad"?

I do have friends that started of as clients , but I do believe work and personal life should not mix.

Who is your style icon?

My style icon is Kendall Jenner , and Mienkie van der Westhuizen. Both these woman are so strong and confident in themselves, and they inspire me in every way.

What was the biggest risk you've ever taken?

The biggest risk I have ever taken is quitting my job to pursue my own business.

What, in your opinion, is the most important quality in a Makeup Artist?

In my opinion is the biggest quality in a makeup artist, to be able to listen to your client , and make their vision come to life.

How do you stay abreast of the latest beauty trends?

I stay ahead of the beauty trends by being active on social media , following the latest style icons , and being up to date with what the new look is that has everyone talking. I make sure to never stop learning. Practise makes perfect.

What three makeup item should no woman leave home without?

3 makeup items to never leave at home are , sunblock , lipstick and lip ice. And confidence of course.

What is the most important beauty advice that you can give to women?

The best advice I can give to women is to keep your skin hydrated , and to wear sunblock every day under your makeup.

If you woke up tomorrow and gained any one ability or quality, what would you want it to be?

If I could have one ability it would be to be able to show women how beautiful they really are , how other people see them. I would want to change every women's perspective of themselves.

Where do you see yourself in the next 5 years?

In the next five years , I want to be a well known makeup artist in the entertainment industry , and I am currently working towards that goal every day.

What is your idea of happiness and success?

My idea of happiness and success is to be happy with yourself. Wealth is not money , wealth is seeing my clients happy , and that makes me happy.

If you could visit any place in the world where would you go? Why?

If I could visit any place in the world it would be New York , I would love to attend Fashion Week.

If you could change one thing in the world, what would it be?

If I could change one thing in the world , it would be a bigger punishment for gender based violence.

What keeps you motivated?

Seeing my clients happy , and getting a hug saying thank you , that is what keeps my motivated.

What are your future goals, dreams and plans?

My future goals and dreams are to be a very well known makeup artist in the entertainment industry.

Do you have a hidden talent?

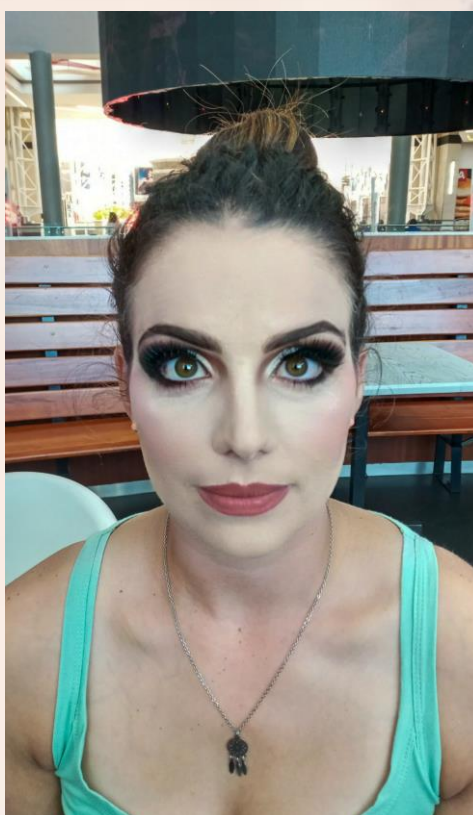
I am very creative , and keep discovering talents every day.

Do you have any advice you would like to give to other?

If I could give advice to others it would be to never give up , follow you heart and your dreams. If you're dreams scare you , you are not dreaming big enough !

If someone wants to connect with you, where can you be found?

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Tell us a little about you! Who you are, where you are from, etc!

I have been a professional photographer for over 10 years. I initially worked as an assistant photographer but decided to start Vidtography Studio Productions about three years ago. I have a passion for people and photography. I love capturing moments that are impossible to reproduce, with all of its emotions so that they are never forgotten.

Where are you located and what services do you offer?

I am based in the East-Rand. I enjoy travelling to different Wedding destinations and do it quite often. I offer Engagement shoots, Wedding photography and Videography, Lifestyle shoots, Maternity shoots and also Corporate events.

How did you get started?

My Father was a Wedding Photographer back in the day. When I was at an age where I could start assisting him, I did not hesitate to start learning the craft. The first 3-5 weddings I only carried his bags and watched him work. (The way he interacted with the couples) I then started playing with the camera at home and familiarized myself with the settings of his old Canon 350d, with a 18-55mm kit lens. I wanted to figure out how the camera works.

To be honest, when he said I can be his second shooter at the next wedding I was extremely excited and completely forgot what I had learned. I left the camera on the Program setting throughout the whole day and stayed clear of Manual. I was forced to work with a 4GB memory card as my father wanted me take the right shots at the correct time and not just press down the shutter button every chance I get.

What brand do you use and why?

I use Canon! Canon was the first camera that I picked up and played with. I love the way the camera feels in my hand.

Current Gear:
Canon EOS R with 70-200mm F2.8 Tamron
Canon 6D with 24-70mm f2.8 Tamron

What is your favorite thing about being a photographer?

I love working with people and getting along with different personalities. The feeling you get after a long wedding day when you know that you have nailed the day and can't wait to send the couple a sneak peak just to get their response

What was your most memorable shoot?

When I first started I had the opportunity to work with a TV personality and South African Actress. It was a pre-wedding shoot with my father that took place at the Sheraton Protea Hotel in Pretoria.

Are you a full-time photographer?

Yes, I quit my 'day-job' about three years ago and I have not looked back since.

What do you do for fun?

I enjoy playing cricket on Sundays and when the editing gets to me I like to go play a round of golf.

What has been the highlight of your career?

It is difficult to choose only one occasion, especially when I get to be part of every couple's special day.

Who are your biggest influences?

My biggest influence would be my Dad, also Marius Kruger who got me interested in photography and gave me the base to develop my own style.

How have you developed your career?

I developed my career by setting achievable goals. I am aware of my strengths and I am always working on my weaknesses.

What are you most proud of to date?

Also a tough one to answer but to me it was the day that I could leave my day job and start my Photography career full time!

What is your favorite quote?

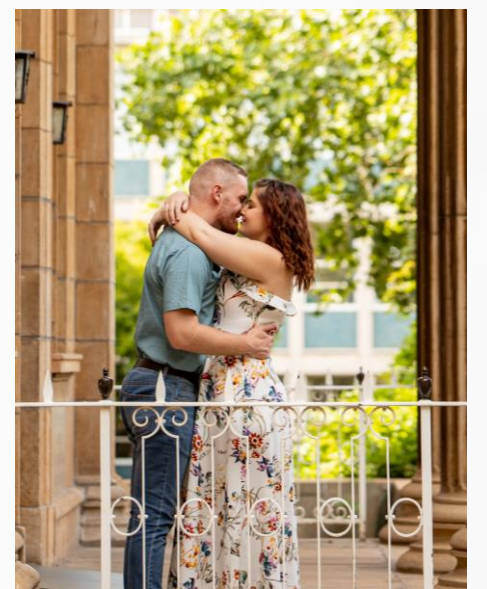
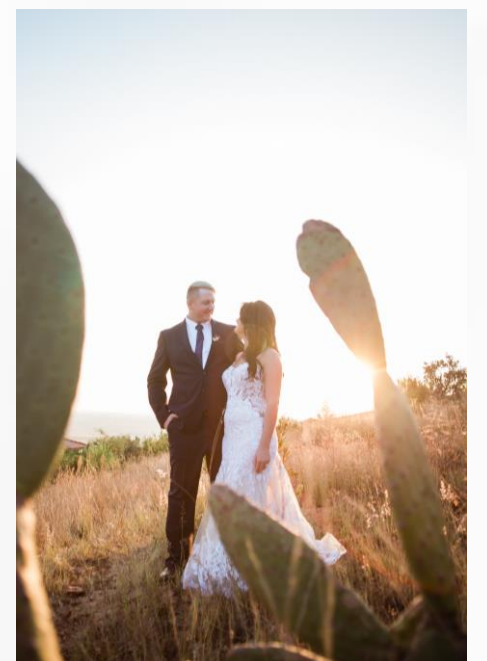
I know this is a cliché but my favorite quote is 'Carpe Diem'. It is something my father said when I started assisting him. He said that as a wedding photographer you don't have the opportunity to say cut or ask for a redo, you have to seize that moment and capture every emotion in a single shot.

What advice would you give an aspiring photographer?

Don't give up. If you are passionate about something, go for it. Never be afraid to ask for help, everyone's willing to teach if you are eager to learn. Work on your 'people skills', you will be spending the whole day with people that you only met once over a cup of coffee.

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Neenā Bezuidenhout - Founder, Owner and Director of Splendure International Modelling Academy

Tell us a little about you! Who you are, where you are from, etc!

I am Neenā Macaïre Bezuidenhout from the beautiful province of KwaZulu Natal. I am a well-known public figure and philanthropist. I have been in the Modelling and Pageant industry for 22 years (I was entered into my first competition at 3 months old and officially started modelling at 2 years old). All of my qualifications, training, techniques and skills are nationally and internationally recognized, accredited and certified.

My titles over the past 7 years:

- Miss Zululand 2014-2015 (First ever Miss Century 21 Miss Zululand 2014).
- Miss uShaka Marine World 2015-2016 (I was also a brand and face ambassador).
- Miss Signature Charity 2015-2016 (Miss Face of Signature Cosmetics 1st Princess).
- Miss United Continents South Africa 2016-2017 (I was the first ever MUCSA and first representative in Ecuador, Gauyaquil where I placed in the Top 10 and was ranked 8th in the world at Miss Continents Unidos 2016).
- Miss Tourism Metropolitan South Africa 2016-2018 (I was the first-ever MTMSA and first representative in Phnom Penh, Cambodia where I was awarded the Miss Tourism Metropolitan International Miss Friendship award that was judged by a panel of 20 judges and 60 fellow delegates).
- Miss Glam World - South Africa 2018, I was the first ever representative and I made it as a Top 8 Finalist. It was held in India, Kochi.
- Miss Jewel of the World 2018 was held in Philippines, Manila where my goal became a reality and I am finally a titleholder at a 4th International pageant that I have entered and also the first South African representative and honor to have been the first edition Jewel of the World 2018-2019.
- Current reigning Miss Asia Pacific International - South Africa 2020/21.
- I am an Internationally trained, certified and accredited professional make-up artist, airbrush make-up artist, fashion hair stylist and image consultant.

When did you first decide that you wanted to own a modeling school?

Modelling is part of my genetic code and a passion that I live out on a daily basis. I love inspiring the youth to become and be the best possible versions of themselves and to have a beautiful heart that radiates from the inside-out. I want to be able to teach and train/coach upcoming South African models in the making of the International Standard

way with the correct techniques and skills. With that being said let them be given the same International opportunities to represent our beautiful country abroad on an International stage. Splendure International Modelling Academy was founded and established in August 2019.

"I believe in creating opportunities and providing a platform for those that follow their hearts, live with a burning desire to aspire to inspire and motivate themselves and others to work hard, remain humble and reach for their goals one step at a time.

I work with the genuine hearted and believe each individual should live out their purpose with a true heart, be a helping hand to assist others, grow and build their empires together while making their dreams a reality." - Neenā Macaïre Bezuidenhout

Can you tell us more about your modeling school and what you have to offer?

"We see everyone's beauty." Splendure International Modelling Academy Vision: Beauty with a heart and purpose, vision, and talent under one roof. Our main focus is Mental and Emotional upliftment, health and creating holistic individuals with holistic wellness training.

Aim - The pure essence of Elegance, Brilliance, and Sophistication. It is important to possess qualities of being graceful, stylish, and simply elegant in both manners and appearance.

Splendure focuses on building on a holistic image as well as implementing etiquette training and skills that can be utilized in all parts of life. Let us help you find your soigné.

Mission - "Keep your feet on the ground and your thoughts at lofty heights." - Peace Pilgrim

Reach Grandeur Heights Together. Embrace unapologetic and raw beauty in its grand splendor. Celebrate magnificence and coronation on all achievements no matter how big or small. Teamwork makes the dream work. When you work together you are able to accomplish much more, as you are kept together as a group going through a progressive journey and this will result in further success hence the importance of collaboration.

- Together
- Everyone
- Achieves
- More

Teamwork and Collaboration are of utmost importance and it should be a group of people with the same mindset, vision, dream, intentions, and heart that unite forces to create change and more mountains together.

At Splendure International Modeling Academy we are a team because we work together. We are a team because we truly respect, trust, and care for one another. We want everyone to excel, do their best, grow, and flourish in every part of their life. At Splendure International Modelling Academy We see everyone's beauty and believe your dreams are valid.

We want to help you to achieve and succeed in making your dreams a reality. We will be delighted to have you on board and join our Splendure Team/Family.

Services Available:

- Group Modelling Classes

- Photoshoots (Photographic/Editorial Modelling)
- Fashion Ramp Modelling
- Pageant Training
- International Pageant Training
- Confidence Building
- Image Building
- Etiquette and Protocol Training
- Wellness Training and Workshops
- Grooming
- Advertisements and Castings
- Styling Basics
- Make-up Master Class
- Basic Acting and Master Class
- Private Class
- Public Speaking, Interview, and Speech Training
- Fashion Shows
- Posing Master Class
- Online Training and Coaching
- Charity Projects, Programs and Events

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Judy Bezuidenhout (Botha) Co-owner and Co-Director of Splendure International Modelling Academy

What do you enjoy most about giving pageant training?

I enjoy training and coaching upcoming models in the making with all the International training, techniques, skills and expertise that I have received abroad.

I love to see everyone's unique style, signature walk, personality and talent shining through every training session. As a coach a major bonus is to see pure hard-work, perseverance, passion and growth in every individual.

How did you manage classes during the pandemic?

We did online training and coaching on Zoom, WhatsApp video call and had demo video's done and produced by the coach & director that were sent to the models in the making to use as an additional reference of training and practicing skills and techniques. We focused on social media presence and platforms upliftment & following. Our main focus is Mental and Emotional upliftment, health and creating holistic individuals with holistic wellness training.

How would you describe your own personality?

I am a strong, loyal, courageous, hard-working, persevering, out of the box (innovative), kind and generous person. I have always loved to bring out the best of people and let others see the beauty that I see in themselves.

What are some of the issues and causes you are raising awareness and advocating for?

We have our own charity and community outreach programme called, The Gift of a Pure Heart, where we advocate and raise awareness to be a beauty with a heart serving their purpose to be a helping hand to uplift, support, and take a stand for all living beings that need help, upliftment and empowerment. We support Mental and Emotional Upliftment and Health Stability, stand up for the voiceless and every living being that cannot fend for themselves.

We support the coach and director of Splendure International Modelling Academy, Neenā Maccaire Bezuidenhout's, Anti-Bullying campaign called, Never Look Back, that has been running for the last 7 years and counting. This campaign advocates for standing up and being the voice for both the victims and perpetrators of any abuse, violence and bullying as everyone has a story to tell and everyone's story matters.

Let our readers know some of the things you are currently working on and some exciting things we can expect from you in the future. We have a lot of exciting plans that are in the pipeline and are becoming dreams that will be a reality very soon. Stay tuned! View our page and see what is coming soon...

How do you see yourself fifteen years from now?

I see myself as a successful business woman, business owner, motivational speaker and being internationally known for my training and coaching not only nationally but, world wide.

Who is the most influential person in your life?

I am inspired by strong influential women figures that have left behind legacies, have made their mark in history and let their voices be known and heard.

If you were given the chance to change something from the past, what would it be?

I would not change anything from my past because, without it I would have not known life experience or learnt valuable life lessons. I believe everything in our life is there to build character, develop and mould you into the individual you are supposed to/ meant to be and use your life story as a testimony.

What is your greatest contribution to the community?

I am and have always been involved with NPO's, NGO's and Charity drives/events/organisations ever since I can remember. My Mom has taught and shown me from a very young age to always support, be involved and help all charitable organisations. I am involved with SPCA (SPCA Committee Member), Zululand Hospice Association (Ambassador for Zululand Hospice Association), and have been supporting various other organisations such as CANSA Association SA, Down Syndrome SA, Reach for a Dream, D.I.C.E. and wherever there is a need I am involved, ready to help raise awareness, support and serve.

What is beauty according to you?

Beauty is when you can be true to yourself and others without pretence or ulterior motives but, to purely be your unapologetically real self. Beauty is only skin-deep and beauty radiates out from the depths of your heart onto the surface.

What do you like to do for fun?

I love to be outdoors and to find an adventure in everything and anything. I love going to the beach, going for long walks/hikes, visiting local markets, and going to the game reserves/animal farms.

What have you learned about yourself today?

Every day is a day where there is an opportunity to work harder to achieve my goals on my goal digger list. I become a stronger, wiser and empowered woman as each day goes by and never give up on anything as I will always try my best, work hard and persevere through any and all situations/circumstances.

What are your future goals, dreams and plans?

I have too many to count but, to name a few to launch my own personalized brand products and to continue to tick off every goal on my bucket list/ goal digger list. I do not want to reveal the planning process of my dreams but would like my goals to speak for themselves through every success story that is destined for my career path and journey.

What advice would you give someone who is entering a pageant for the first time?

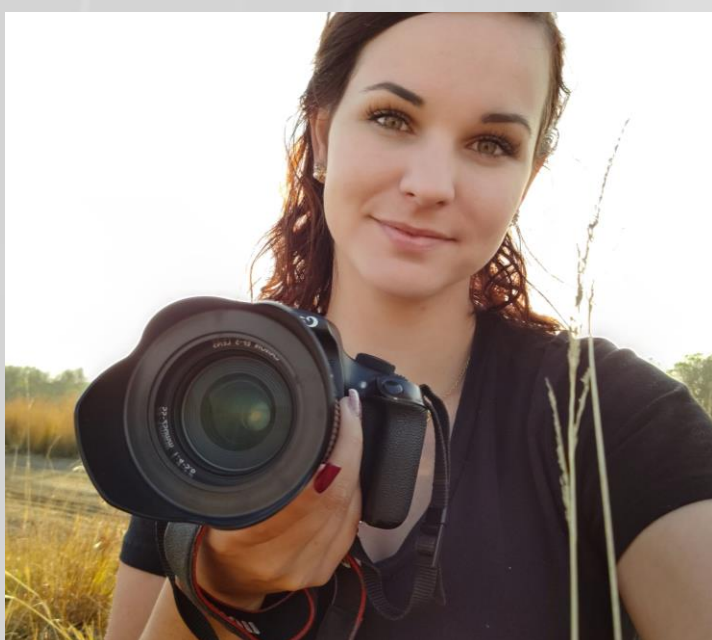
I always tell my students to be themselves, do the best that they can do, to enjoy every moment, make memories and learn from the experience.

One cannot win everything but, you can gain many things through trying, working hard, giving your best, and being yourself throughout the whole process. You are already one step closer to reaching your goal by starting and putting yourself out there.

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Photographer - Monique Ackerman



I am a 21 year old freelance photographer who started her own small business named Mystic Balance Photography.

I love doing people photography and nature photography. My photography started as a hobby and now it's my passion. Sharing and creating memories with wonderful people.

Mystic Balance Photography is a small Photography business who loves to capture your special moment of you and your beloved one's. We share your beautiful individuality with the rest of the world. We capture moments and memories that will last a lifetime. Creating photo's to your liking.

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Make-up Artist - Anrie Keulder



My name is Anrie Keulder. I am 32 years old and am currently a professional freelance makeup artist and owner of FabulouslyFlawless - Makeup Artistry.

I grew up in Vaalpark in the Free state. Went to Primary school in Vaalpark and then I graduated high school in Vanderbijlpark in 2007. Since I was a little girl in primary school I already discovered my passion for makeup and how amazing it is and dreamt about someday becoming a professional make-up artist.

In 2008, I trained at the Face to Face Make-up Artistry and Design School in Potchefstroom to become a makeup artist.

In 2009, I started as a freelance make-up artist at Head to Toe Beauty Salon in Vanderbijlpark doing bridal make-up, matric farewell make-up, make-up for work functions and gradually started doing bigger weddings, photoshoots for models and photographers on a freelance basis. I also started selling Hannon Makeup and hair care products.

I relocated to Alberton in December 2017 and continue to work as a freelance makeup artist.

Currently, I am using different makeup brands like Kryolan, Giffarine, Wet & Wild, Essence, MAC and Dermacol. Through all the years I have worked with so many amazing photographers, models, and vendors. I specialize in make-up for any special occasion and am also open to new experiences.

My aim is to make each one of my clients look and feel radiant, flawless, confident and beautiful.

Motivation to other girls who are interested in becoming a professional makeup artist or also dreaming of working in the beauty industry is - never give up, always keep dreaming and anything you set your mind to you can do and make a success of. Do not let anyone or anything change it.

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INTERVIEW - Manuella Pillay

Tell us a little about you! Who you are, where you are from, etc!

I am Manuella Pillay a model and television actress.

How was your experience working with the photographer?

Amazing experience as Casper Willemse is renowned in the industry and it was an honour as he photographs Miss South Africas and Miss Universes alike.

How would you describe your own personality?

Surprisingly enough I was a very shy quiet little girl, but on stage and on set there is a transformation into a confident actress and model.

What are some of the issues and causes you are raising awareness and advocating for?

Cause very near and dear to my heart is the Anti Bullying campaign, helps children speak out against bullying, in society.

Let our readers know some of the things you are currently working on and some exciting things we can expect from you in the future.

Currently I can be seen in the Latest Dstv commercial, and on my clothing Line Little Bossy.

How do you see yourself fifteen years from now?

Definitely on your Tv screens and in your department stores, as I am in currently but I strive to be better than I was Yesterday.

Who is the most influential person in your life?

Most influential person in my life, is my parents as they push me daily to be the best person that I can be.

If you were given the chance to change something from the past, what would it be?

I would not change anything as I believe every failure is a lesson and a stepping stone to greater things.

What is your greatest contribution to the community?

Is your time offering it up volunteering and lending a helping hand in your community where needed.

What is beauty according to you?

- Beauty to me is Knowing who you are.
- It's being kind and caring to everyone you meet.
- It's loving yourself and celebrating your uniqueness. It's being a beauty on the inside and it will show up on the outside.

What do you like to do for fun?

For fun I enjoy horse-riding and the great outdoors. I enjoy playing tennis and spending time with my family.

What have you learned about yourself today?

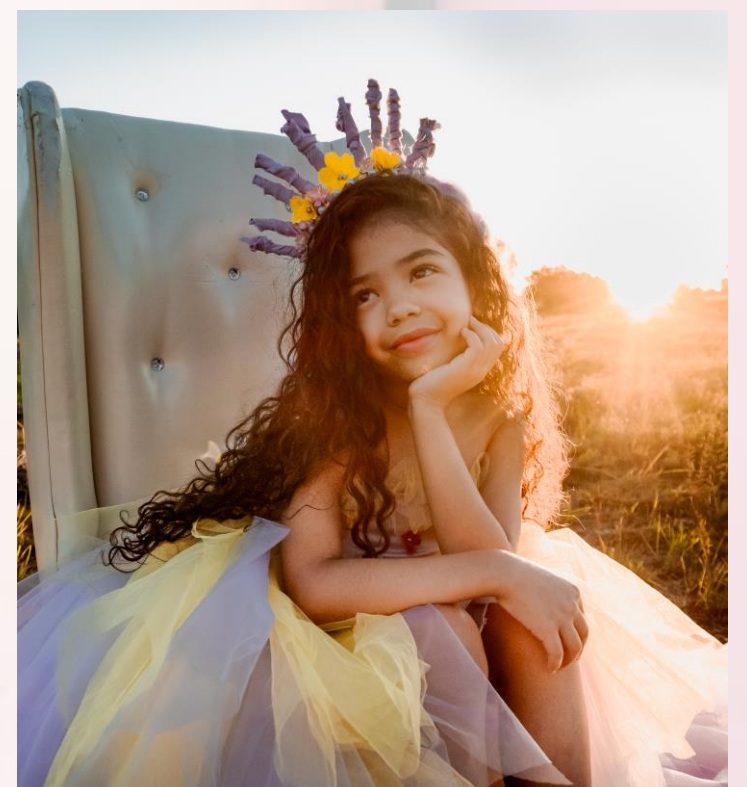
I learnt that I'm very resilient and it doesn't matter what life throws at me I will bounce back. I learned that I'm very confident and Can achieve anything I put my mind to.

What are your future goals, dreams and plans?

I aspire to be one of the countries leading actresses and household names.

What advice would you give someone who is entering a pageant for the first time?

Have fun, it can be a stressful environment but remember to have fun and enjoy yourself regardless of the outcome, know your worth and know that you are a Winner, take lots of photos and videos and have fun.



Make-up Artist - Asanda Jilaji

I've had the privilege of being a Make up Artists for 16 years, working with prestigious International brands from Chanel to Dior to Estee Lauder amongst a few. My journey in Creativity started with Mac and my passion for creativity and education started with my journey as National MUA for Bobbi Brown.

I adored looking at a my clients' before and after looks, and most of all how it made them feel - the confidence they felt when they looked beautiful. I then decided to start my own journey by bringing creativity & beauty with tranquillity, which allowed my clients to relax and enjoy some time for themselves. I started freelancing for SABC and became an artist to many celebrities.

I was booked for events, corporate functions, photo shoots, bridals & magazines. My diverse beauty creations attracted women and men from all ethnic groups. I initially began my creative journey in fashion designing but it was inevitable - I had a natural interest and flare for Make up.

Motivation

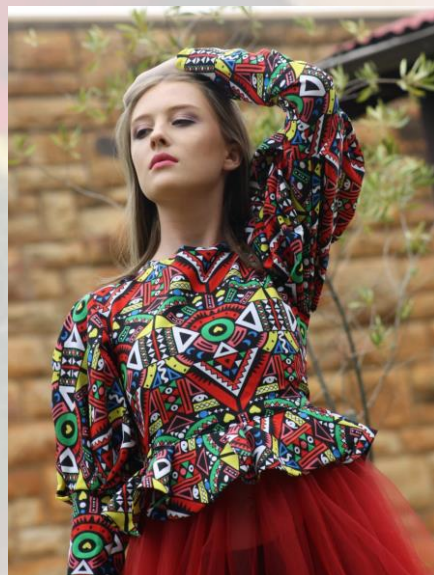
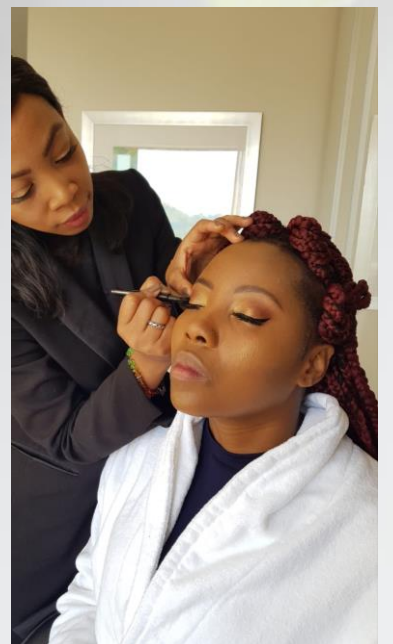
Coming from a small town all I had was my dreams and ambitions. My motivation to anybody wanting to become a Make artist is: Don't let the opinions & judgments of others limit your passion, artistic side & creativity Whatever you do, make sure you do it with Love , Creativity, Soul .

Tips and tricks

Great Make up start with a good skin care routine. Hydration is important for all Skin type before any makeup application so that your Makeup can go on Flawless and prevent premature aging.

Company Profile

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Aspiring Photographer - Jaun-Marie Moore

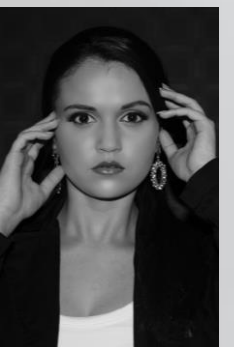
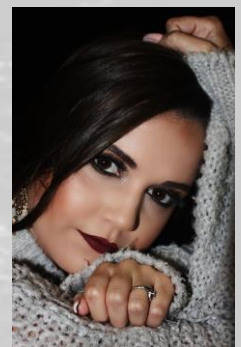
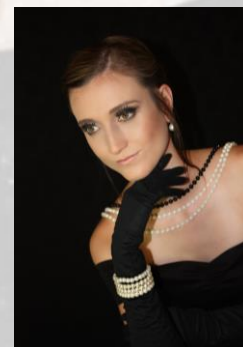
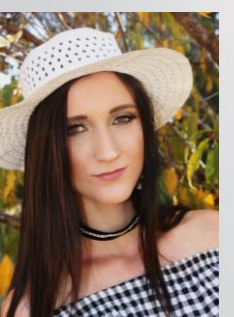
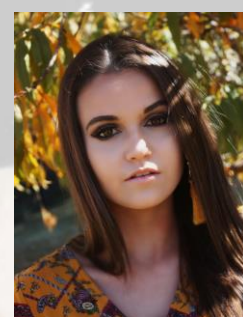


I am Jaun-Marie Moore, a upcoming photographer in Hartbeespoort. I love Photography because when I see something absolutely beautiful, I just have to capture it. I believe that photography allows you to one day look back and see all the memories that you made. I BELIEVE THAT GOD CREATES THE BEAUTY. MY CAMERA AND I ARE A WITNESS.

Company Profile:

I started my business, Da'Moore Photography when I was 16. I mostly do Studio and Portrait Photography but when I see that beautiful sunset I just have to capture it. One day I also would like to do Weddings and Animal Photography, but my biggest dream and goal is to become a Photographer for a Company like Nike or Adidas.

Instagram: Da'Moore Photography
Facebook: Da'Moore Photography



Make-up Artist - Katerina Reglula



Photographer: Candace Heyneke

In 2019 I moved to South Africa and successfully built a brilliant reputation in local society. I take pride in my skill and continue to challenge myself to learn and grow by trying new things all the time and participating in different projects, working with the best photographers of Richards Bay where I currently stay.

I like working with very natural transformations. I do not change women beyond recognition, but I reveal their special, natural beauty potential. At the same time, creating absolutely fantasy and bold looks is my big passion!

Among other things I give a Self-makeup master classes so that every woman can better know herself, emphasize her dignity, feel more confident and love herself!

My slogan is " Be different to stay unique", and a lot of girls after spending some time with me carry this idea with them and spread it with others.

I am happy that I can inspire women not to be scared to change and be different, let their inside SHE to go out and proudly show the world "Look who I am today huh?!" :)

In my social network I share useful information on personal care, show different facial massage techniques, give advice on applying make-up, correcting blemishes and imperfections etc.

Beauty is not just what we see, beauty is far from how social media displays it. It is inside of us. This is kind of psychological thing. If we are happy, our eyes are even more beautiful without any touch of make-up and lips look so juicy and beautiful when we smile without a hint of lipstick.

So what I want to say is just be yourself and let go of all your doubts and fears, you are already perfect and beautiful. Beauty is whatever you want to be, you define it!

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My name is Katerina Reglula (originally from Moscow, Russia), I am a professional make-up artist with 8 years of positive experience in private and commercial services. Graduated from 3 International schools of make-up and style.

And I think this is one of the most interesting and inspiring professions ever. I have successfully collaborated with leading modeling schools in Russia, participated in fashion shows, been invited to International fashion exhibitions etc.



Photographer: Ferdie Muller - Model: Danika.



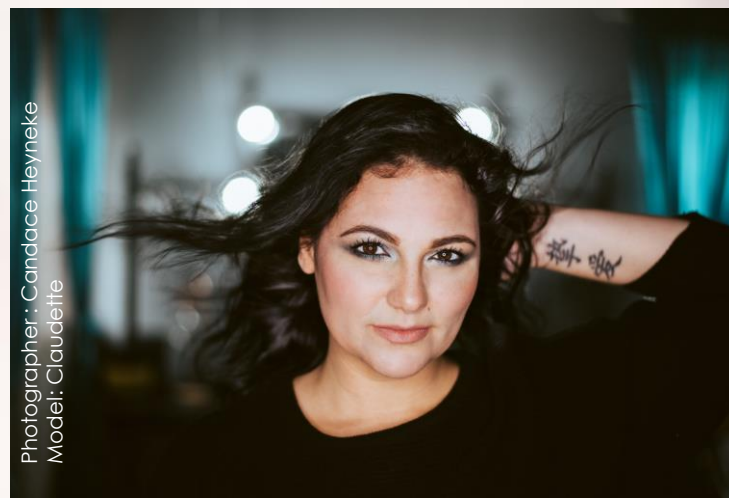
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Photographer: Candace Heyneke Model: Susan

How do you differentiate between a model or a beauty queen – *Written by Carolyn Botha*

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There is a distinct difference between being classified as a Model or a Beauty Queen. Many young ladies and gentlemen have the opinion that they have what it takes to be a Model or Beauty Queen, however if you do not know the difference between these two careers then one could easily be in for a few surprises along the way to finding out exactly which path you should actually follow and where you actually fit in.

Firstly, A Model is someone who is used to advertise clothing, accessories or products. There are various types of models such as ramp models, photogenic models, stills models or simply High Fashion Models. Only a small portion of successful candidates make it into the High Fashion Modelling Industry, however you do get many companies that look for a specific look in a model to advertise their products so don't be put off just yet.

Some basic requirements of being a Ramp Model or High Fashion Model would be that you need to be a minimum of 1,73m tall. Most Designers cater for even taller models when designing a new label or outfit and in saying this, your measurements and weight, are really critical here. Unless the client is looking for a plus size model you really need to be tall and slim to get the higher paying jobs.

Every Model needs to have a really good portfolio which will include various head photographic shots in colour as well as in black & white. Full length photos in various poses are also a requirement. These photographs should not be overly photo-shopped as the clients prefer to see natural photos of potential models. It is a good idea to have facial photos of yourself without make-up as well as with make-up in your portfolio.

Bikini shots are also a good idea so that the potential client can see your body and shape without layers of clothing. NEVER have nude photos taken for a portfolio as this could cost you in the long run.

Always take every opportunity to get onto the ramp, no matter if it is a Big job or a Small job, as you never know who might be in the audience who could change your destiny for you forever. Ultimately being a model consists of a lot of luck, a relative amount of wisdom and a technical ability to ultimately become a glorified clothes hanger on the ramp. This is a list of qualities that a Potential Model would have.

- Potential models should not be shorter than 1.73m tall.
- The figure of the model is less curvaceous than that of a beauty queen.
- Contestants should be slim and not carry any 'puppy fat' or extra weight.
- The body should be well proportioned and should be well toned.
- Deformities are not acceptable.
- Skin should be flawless.
- Hair and nails should be healthy and well groomed.
- Eyebrows should be shaped correctly.
- There should be no evidence of cellulite, body art or body piecing's.
- Models under 12 should not wear make-up or have their hair dyed.

On the flip-side, a Beauty Queen or King requires much more grooming, training and hours or preparation ahead of a Pageant. A Beauty Queen should have impeccable grooming at all times, fantastic posture, have a perfect figure, not have any tattoos / body art or body piercings and most of all should be intelligent.

Inner Beauty as well as outer Beauty will complete the perfect picture of a potential Beauty Queen or King.

Your nature, personality, confidence and ability to have a good attitude will take you far in the Beauty Industry. If you have a dull personality and a lack of manners, no matter how beautiful you are of face, this will ultimately count against you in a beauty pageant. In general, to become a perfect Beauty Queen or King and one who has the potential of winning Miss World or Miss Universe, you need to make sure you have these attributes.

In addition, having the ability to perform a talent of singing, dancing, acting etc will take you a long way to winning International Pageants. It is always easy to take a talented person and turn them into a beauty queen, however, just because you have the pretty 'girl next door' looks and are kind and liked by everyone, this will not get you that International title or crown on your head. Your genuine compassion for charity work, the ability to have a gentle nature, yet have strong character with a fantastic talent, will ultimately benefit you of your crowning glory.

Dressing well and wearing trendy outfits suitable to the occasion will also get you noticed in a crowd, therefore a Beauty Queen needs to keep abreast of all the latest clothing, make-up and accessory trends to stay ahead of their competitors. Exercise and a healthy diet are extremely important to keep your body in trim and regular salon visits are equally important to make sure that your skin and hair is always in perfect condition. The qualities that a Beauty Queen or King should have are as follows:

- There is not really a height requirement for being a beauty queen or king, but in the older categories the winner should ideally still be taller than 1,62cm for age 16 & over. To enter International competitions the height minimum can sometimes be 1,75m
- A beauty queen should have a really good figure. Preferably the 'hour glass' type of figure.
- A beauty queen should be naturally beautiful – perhaps even a stunner!
- Hair & nails should be impeccable.
- A beauty queen's complexion should be flawless
- Hair should be in perfect health and can be long or short.
- The hair style should be age appropriate.
- Teeth should be perfect and white.
- Eyes should reflect good health!
- A beauty king or queen should be an Intelligent and confident person who can converse with various people from all walks of life.
- A beauty queen or king should have perfect manners and have good etiquette.
- Should have a bubbly nature and be outgoing.
- Should get on well with everyone around them.
- Have respect for all people.
- Should be able to communicate with passion, honesty and most of all intelligence.
- Should have a good voice tone and speak clearly.
- Must be able to think on her/ his feet.
- Clothes should be age appropriate.
- A beauty Queen or King should never 'bare all'. Slits should not be too high and cleavage should not be over exposed.

I will follow up with my next article on HOW a Model or Beauty Queen / King walks on the ramp so don't miss out on this.

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Where are you located and what services do you offer?

I am situated in Centurion. I offer a wide range of services:

WEDDINGS - Making your perfect day memorable with an unforgettable set of photos.

MATERNITY - Capturing the special bond with the belly in a magical setting.

PORTRAIT / ARTIST - I unlock the beauty within, capturing the glow, strength and power within breathtaking portraits.

COUPLE / FAMILY - I feel the love and create timeless memories with your loved ones. I love couples and families of every preference.

MUSICIANS - I like taking an individual or group picture to a stadium level.

BOUDOIR - Come and express yourself with a set of unique, classy and stylish boudoir photos.

How did you get started?

The Kaalvoet Photographer was established in 2017. I graciously pursued a career in photography starting off as a mineral photographer. After a couple of years I parted from the mineral company working really hard to build a name for myself. My passion and my immense talent was what made me stand out from the crowd and soon The Kaalvoet Photographer became known as an artist with a keen eye for spotting perfection in every moment I captured.

What brand do you use and why?

People often ask me this question. To be honest I think a good photographer will get great images no matter the brand of camera they use. In the end it is a cognitive decision of comfort. When I first started my career in photography I was given an Olympus but soon after made my way to Nikon as I completely fell in love with the feel, comfort as well as the ease of the interface by Nikon.

What is your favorite thing about being a photographer?

To have the wonderful opportunity to walk KAALVOET within the beautiful moments of others. To share in their love and to take a piece of that with

me on my journey through life. When I am old I would like to look at myself as a puzzle put together by all the unforgettable memories I have captured.

What was your most memorable shoot?

Oh my goodness I have many!! But if I must pick one it would be the one were I was asked to shoot a boudoir session for a senior client. She was in a head on head collision, truly a very bad car accident many years ago where the engine of the car almost took off her entire leg. It was only the main arteries and nerves that remained attached. She arrived at my studio and got out of the car with a crutch to assist her.

She looked up at me and smiled, her presence immediately blew me away. We made our way up the stairs, reaching the top she presented me with a gift and we started chatting like we were old friends. It was in that moment when she asked me: "Please do not hide my scars." Now you can imagine the look on my face as everyone here knows we assign professional photographers to take our picture to look absolutely flawless. To edit away our imperfections so that the world can view us in total admiration.

This however was not the case. I could feel the emotion building up inside of me as the lump in my throat grew more intense. I fidgeted with my camera to avoid her noticing the tears dwelling on the edge of my sentimental eyes. I started off by shooting her in my studio but the more I took her picture the more her soul shouted it wanted to be free! I can remember asking her "how daring are you?" She laughed and said "You can do with me whatever you like, I picked you for a reason!"

We got into my car and drove off to a nearby field, the wind was blowing a slight bit, just enough to carry her marvelous white safin garment on the whispers of the wind swirling through the air. These moments where truly unforgettable and life changing. Every morning after the sun hit a certain spot in my studio where it would reflect of a piece of glitter that was left behind from one of her dresses. Every morning I was reminded that life is precious and that we must shine no matter our circumstances.

Are you a fulltime photographer?

I am a full-time photographer. I love working for myself, managing my own time whilst enjoy the privilege of freedom in this very busy concrete jungle we live in. It is not always easy, earning enough money to maintain a certain lifestyle. It comes with many challenges and lessons but in the end it is completely worth it!

What do you do for fun?

I enjoy spending time with my family. My family is small, only my wife Michelle and my cat Tunga. We recently extended our family by adopting a young teenage girl. God left a fallen red apple in our hands, how blessed are we to love, care and provide for her! We love exploring coffee shops, visiting new places and going to markets!

What has been the highlight of your career?

Being nominated as Women of Worth's business woman of the year award.

Who are your biggest influences?

My passions were casually mellowed by flicking through the seasoned pages of the magazine Cowboy Kate, my role model Sam Haskins. (11 November 1926 - 26 November 2009), Sam Haskins was a British photographer, born and raised in South Africa. He started his career in Johannesburg and moved to London in 1968 Haskins is best known for his contribution to in-camera image montage, and his books, Five Girls (1962), Cowboy Kate (1964) and Haskins Posters (1973).

How have you developed your career?

There is a world within a world where camera meets existence and just there, photography is the instrumentation in which I use to demonstrates my sample of creation. Eyes eating the dust through my lens I finds delirium in a picturesque jungle. Not only does I vamp my viewers but customers stay ensnared with delight. My photography reaches no constraints and my individuality speaks for itself. I am a one of a kind in female photographers, I am a must to accommodate and surely a diamond in the cross-grained.

The Kaalvoet Photographer's pride lies in customer service and satisfaction and it is always my goal to keep in touch with past clients, because to me they become so much more, it is an honour to share in their moments whatever they may be.

What are you most proud of to date?

I am the Ancestor of the 1st Baronet Sir James Young Simpson, inventor of chloroform; granddaughter of David Johannes Hendrik Bonthuys, beloved Free State figure and artist; daughter of Sonja Bonthuys, whose authority lies in the title for being one of the world's four best leather burning artists, my roots were well formed through a line of well-known discoverers, legends and artists. I am most proud of my roots and how I see the world.

"It is not what I see, it is how I see. It is the full measurement of perfection born out of my soul that overflows to my supreme senses. I take into possession the complete content of what art is, the comprehensive depth and share that beauty as well as that gift with the world"

What is your favorite quote?

"Don't rush through life, take a deep breath, be present in the moment and keep rocking!"

What advice would you give an aspiring photographer?

Photography is not what you see, it is a 100% how you experience. Channel your energy into your photos and capture the emotion, not just what is physically visible. Enjoy what you do and learn to be patient. Master your craft and love what you do. After all you are the artist, stay true and believe in your own magic!

If someone wants to connect with you, where can you be found?

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Client reviews:

Chris Nell - "LeSonne is the John Huston of her time - the camera lens is the paintbrush, her subjects are the easel. No matter how commercial or intricate, she manages to churn an output reminiscent of Picasso and Pollock. And that's only at the click of the camera! My name is Chris nell and I endorse #Kaalvoet"

Lindi Blomkamp - "What is #Kaalvoet? It is love, it is passion, it is fun, it is inspiring, it is comfort, it is an absolute experience. LeSonne Forbes has a talent no one else has. She captures through her lens what you can't see. One of my favourite persons to be around with. Always happy, always smiling, always professional, always caring."

Ansie de Beer - "There are no right words to describe you. As a person you are extremely unique, colorful, bubbly, serious, professional, creative and just unique. As a photographer you have an eye for the special moments. You see what others don't, and then you capture it beautifully. I don't trust anyone to take my pictures more than you."

Riana Jacobs - "LeSonne Forbes took me and my shyness and created amazing wonders. She showed me that any shape and size can be beautiful and captured it in a photo for me to treasure for life."

Make-up Artist - Chantelle Manesa

Channalexis Beauty Parlour



Passion is my forename, brevity my second name and uplifting the beauty and ambition of women my surname... Driven by the passion to make women realize their amazing selves, talent and inside out makeup has been my tool in spreading the message of self belief. CHANTELLE Chennesoul MANESA is my name, a 23 years old self taught makeup artist and a qualified SKIN CARE THERAPIST AND CONSULTANT, based in Cape Town South AFRICA.

TIPS AND TRICKS

Makeup is confidence its deciding to look different everyday in a way that motivates you, makeup is an art of dynamic, it's being a super women so as the founder of Channalexis Beauty Parlour my tips and tricks are:

1. Go easy on the makeup;
2. Go for the makeup colours and type that suits you;
3. Wear the correct shade of foundation;
4. Don't go to bed without putting off your makeup
5. Always have wipes, a Gloss, moisturizer and a, lipstick, pencil liner, powder and a powder applicator in that bag of yours.

COMPANY PROFILE

Founded by CHANNALEXIS CHENNESOUL AND TENDAI MUCHERO CHANNALEXIS BEAUTY PARLOUR major dreams is to help women realise their beauty through grooming and makeup artistry.

WE want women to believe that they are all beautiful despite backgrounds. we believe that beauty goes beyond boundaries.



It is our sincere passion to help uplift women empowerment through makeup artistry that why WE have stepped into sponsoring pageants like this year around we working with UNSEEN INTERNATIONAL, MRS SNOW QUEEN, MISS CULTURE SA, MISS CAPETOWN AND OTHERS to help girls and women realise their potential. We offer all makeup services... To nail services.. As well as makeup products to facials.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook & Instagram: @channalexisbeautyparlour
Facebook products: channalexis beauty products

Photographer - Michelle Hart



I am Photographer in South-Africa Free State Sasolburg. I was born and raised here. I do both Human and Nature shoots but my professional is nature I have recently started on portraits and must say I enjoy it.

I started about 3 years ago but only took pictures on my phone, it was always a dream to be a photographer, I used to enjoy as a child to take pictures of everyone and still with a very old camera.

What Brand do you use and why ?

I use currently Canon because I trust the brand and did my homework before I bought a camera.

What is your favourite of being a Photographer?

My favourite of being a photographer, that's difficult to explain because I really get excited, well to be honest is to capture the rare moments either of wildlife or human and to look at it afterwards and say damn that is so rewarding. I don't like a posed shoot it must come naturally how the client feels comfortable and that's the moments I like to capture the surprise the emotions.

What is your most memorable shoot?

My most Memorable shoot was a 1st Birthday shoot, it was my first time doing background and preparing for a small girl it was really fun. She was fin to work with.

What do I do for fun?

Well I am busy with my first crime -romantic book wish I could reveal more of it but what fun will that be. I am a artist, I do tattoo designs and kids Disney drawing for fun. Being a mother takes most of my time and I enjoy every moment of it because raising a mini-me is so much fun.

Who are my biggest influence?

My biggest influence are my family, and friends(also photographers) there are days that I feel I am not good enough then they will help me up and say let's do this.

How have I developed a career?

I am not a full time Photographer I try to be but business is quite still around where I live because here a many. I woke up one morning and said stuffed that I love what I am doing and want to do it Professional. I am still busy with my courses and I think there will always be something to learn.

I am currently preparing for a motorbike pose shoot it will be outdoors in a workshop but different scenes it will be a 4 hours shoot and can't wait for it.

I am the proudest of my nature shots I am a nature lover but more a moon lover and capture it every night or when it is rising time. My biggest dream would is to be at the coast and capture moonrise.

Favourite Quote

Never do to another you don't want to be done to you.

Advice for others?

Always remember your photos and another will never be the same it is like art each have their own unique mark and way. Never compare yours work to another.

Connection:

Facebook: Michelle Hart Photography
Instagram: michelle_hart_photography





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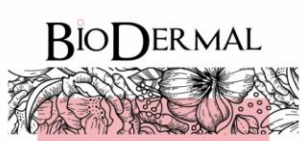
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With Wayne Strafford
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Gwendeleen (Photo left)

My name is Gwendeleen Jooste. I am 12 years old. I live in Gauteng Carletonville, I am in Grade 7 pupil of Laerskool Dagbreek and I am a prefect this year. I started modeling at the age of 18 months at Body Fit Fashion in Carletonville.

I am at Body Fit Fashion 11 years this year. My teacher and mentor is Sandra Jansen van Vuuren. Miss Sandra is also my dress designer and maker. The lady that took this photo is one of my friends at the models mother.

At competitions I have the help of my mother to do my hair and make up. My favourite moto is win or loose you stay a princess just enjoy your self every one is winners.

My hobbies is singing, dancing and most of all doing modeling.. My number one fan is my Grandmother Diane..

Phawulothando (Photo right)

Photo credit: Riaan
Social Media: Instagram

I am Phawulothando Ncwana, I am 6 years old. I am a model, I have a huge passion for modeling and stand in front of the camera. I enjoy creative projects such as painting the body, clothes or dress up. I am currently a model at Extreme Model and Beauty Agent.

Motto: Dream Big

Hobbies: Playing rugby, socialising with friends and family and playing cars

- I won Photogenic award (2021)
- Style award (2021)
- Philanthropist award and (2021)
- Title of Tiny Mr Port Elizabeth 2021



Lisakhanya (Photo right)

My name is Lisakhanya Mkoto I am 15 years old . I am a model at Motherwell Modeling Foundation. My photographer is Siya Buluta .

I was 1st princess in 2018 , also finalist on Miss sparkle 2020/2021 and finals on miss Photogenic 2020/2021. The reason why I joined modeling its because I wanted to boost my confident because when I grow up many kids use to tease me about my body .

Also one day I want to be on TV and teach girls that you don't have to be a slender to be a model.



Siphokazi (Photo left)

Photo credit: Miss Teen Universe South Africa Photographer
Social Media: Instagram @k.azzzzzzi
Facebook: Siphokazi Sithole
Make up Artist: Ntandokazi Sithole
Modeling agency: Samantha Carelse

Here before you is a hard working, confident model. A Proud community philanthropist of Randfontein. A Pageant queen at heart and just love the excitement of being on stage but most of all giving back to the community.

Favourite Motto: I'm Fearless in the pursuit of what sets my soul on fire. Hobbies: My Hobbies include playing hockey, walking the high fashion ramp, Pageantry and recently started my new adventure in karate.

Miss Teen Universe South Africa is a Charity and youth empowerment based organization/Pageantry that helps young girls to be who they are and believe in what they stand for to help the community thought Pageantry. The Director of the Pageant is Ntombi Gumede.

I won Miss Teen Universe South Africa Charity 2021. Which given a platform to the young out there that Pageantry is not only about winning and walking on stage but also caring for your community and wanting the best for it.

Zanè (Photo right)

Photo credit: Susan Fourie
Social media FB Jacqueline Britz
Make-up artist Jacqueline
Modeling school Vogue models
Hobbies modeling dancing and judo

I only started competing in pageant recently. Miss Enchanted Mermaid was my second pageant. I placed 1st Princess in my age category and won the mini Debutant overall. What a amazing experience!



Ameria (Photo right)

Photographer: S.Fourie Photography
Agency: Vogue Catwalk models - Charmain Swart

Ameria has been in the modeling industry for 5 years. She has competed in various pageants in Gauteng South Africa. She is involved in Charity and she hopes that she can make a difference. Her favorite charity is the Vogue Food drive.

They feed around 50-60 people every Friday. The Vogue Food drive is managed by her Modeling Teacher Charmain Swart. One simple act of kindness can go a long way.



Anel (Photo left)

Modeling agency: Vogue Catwalk SA Meyerton
Charmain Swart

Favorite quote : lets do this

Hobbies: Modeling, playing outside, riding bike, playing with my pets and my neighbours daughter Zandri (that I call my sister)

This was our inhouse Easter pageant on 21 March 2021.

I won most beautiful hair



Reamogetse (Photo left)

Makeup: Refifa makeup studio
Agency: Rand models academy

Challenge are what makes life interesting and overcoming them is what makes life meaningful. I am Reamogetse Mangope all the way from Randfontein, West of Johannesburg. I enjoy dancing, singing and mostly modeling.

I am currently studying cosmetology in Artistry. I am the CEO of Refifa makeup studio and I also have my own collection. My motto in life is BELIEVE IN YOURSELF AND YOU WILL BE UNSTOPPABLE!



Dewald

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Photo credit: Leandi Photography
Modelling School: Glamlight Models
Instagram: @dewaldmienie

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Didintle (Photo left)

Photographer: HMSPOOKELS
Fashion: Runway
Hair & Makeup: Nomzi
School/Agency: Vogue Modelling Agency in Randfontein

I am a 9 year old student of Randfontein Primary School, a proud ambassador of Greenhills in Randfontein far West of Johannesburg. My hobbies include singing and swimming but my real love lies with pageantry.

When I grow up I want to be a Doctor, as I would love for everyone to have access to excellent treatment, good health facilities and most importantly good quality and reliable Doctor like me. I am finalist of International Junior Miss SA 2021, Miss Southern Hemisphere 2021 and chosen to represent South Africa in New York.

I am signed contestant at IMTA. I believe that God created us all to be a change in someone else's life.

Freda (Photo right)

Photo credit: Freda Niemann
Agency: PPMC Kids Polokwane Branch modelling school and talent agency
Hair: Lize Botha
Hobbies: artistic painting and drawing, coaching models, modelling, singing, pageant judging

My motto is: If I die one day and I stand before God, I must be able to say, I do not have a single talent I haven't used that He has given me.

I was asked ad PPMC Brand Ambassador 2021 by my school Northern Academy High School that is one of the largest private schools to judge the Mr and Miss Northern Academy that took place on 31 March 2021.



Charlotte (Photo right)

Photographer: Susan Fourie
Modeling school: Chàntenique

Im the 17 year old Charlotte Malherbe from Sasolburg where I'm currently busy with my last year of school. My hobbies include modeling and dancing of which I love modeling the most.

Modeling made me gain self-confidence as well as the confidence to speak in front of a crowd and the most important thing it thought me is to never say never. A fun fact about me is I can change my high heels for my sneakers in a heart beat. Cant wait to see what the future has in store for me next and that's me the 17 year old Charlotte Malherbe.



Nobuhle (Photo left)

Occupation: Pageant and Fashion Model.
Photographers: Prince Majozi Shomela (photographs) and Skyboy Photography.

My name is Nobuhle Ngubane and I am 19 years old. I was born and raised in a village called Tugela Ferry in Msinga, KwaZulu Natal where my love for modelling started. I started modelling in 2018 and I have done 9 pageants to date. Over the past four years I have been fortunate enough to have grown and become better from the feedback I get after every pageant.

Even though some of the feedback was discouraging and quite harsh I had not given up but rather improved each time I competed. I have learnt to keep my head high, wear the high heels confidently and keep walking the stage gracefully.

The Highlight of my career so far has been moving to Cape Town and competing in and winning the first Miss Ambitious Cape Town pageant and becoming an Ambassador for Signet Delane's Signature Queen Models.

As an aspiring model I always look for a chance to improve my skills and to establish myself. Whilst modelling is my passion I am also working hard to become a young person that will contribute to making South Africa a better place for us and the coming generation. What makes me a unique model is that I am not in it for glitz and glam but to take up space. My background does not stop me from becoming the best I can ever be. I Never Stop Dreaming and working hard to achieve my dreams.

My hobbies include playing netball and reading books. My Facebook account is "Nobuhle Ngubane" and my Instagram account is "noliswer".



Amber (Photo right)

I am Amber Jacobs 21 years of age from the beautiful town Paarl in the Western Cape. I am a proud founder of Life Of Giving Foundation an NPO that aims at eliminating poverty in the community. My NPO mainly focuses on Promoting Menstrual Hygiene and education and also donating clothes and essentials to families who lost their belongings in an event of Fire or Storms. I aspire to be a Social Worker in the near future as I am very passionate about fighting against Gender-Based Violence and Promoting Mental Health.

On the 1st of March I was announced as a Ms Unseen International semi-Finalist. This is an unconventional pageant that overlooks a beautiful face but rather a beautiful heart. Unseen International is referred to as "The Body Positive Company" as they accept celebrate and dance around all shapes and sizes, emphasize the imperfections as beautiful uniqueness.

The owner of Unseen International is Charina Joubert a phenomenal mentor that helps and guides each finalist every step of the way.

As a Finalist for Ms Unseen International we are encouraged to bring awareness of Gender-Based Violence which is a shadow pandemic many women and children experience daily in South Africa. As an Ambassador for StandunitedSA (an organization that fights against Gender-Based Violence).

I am dedicated to bringing awareness and breaking the silence of Gender-Based Violence by having an open conversation about GBV, encourage others to report and educate others about GBV.

I believe that one person can change the world. By helping one person this can have a ripple effect leading to an endless cycle of kindness.

Amber Jacobs - Ms Unseen International Semi-Finalist



Beulah (Photo left)

Photo credit: Skyboi photography
Make up: Wakanaka beauty
Dress: Cryescollection

A Zimbabwean fashion and pageant model aged 17 years old residing in Cape Town. Fierce, passionate and altruistic young woman who strives to make a change through modelling.

I stand against the omitting of certain body types and sizes in modeling. Modeling is not about wearing expensive clothes and having photoshoots however what defines a model is their simplicity, courageous, outspokenness, braveness, intelligence and excellence should be prioritized.

I am Beulah Murasiranwa, Teen Miss Ambitious 2021 1st Runner up.





Chanty

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Photo credit: Carel van Vuuren Photography
MUA & hair: Elaine from EA Academy
Modelling school: Vogue Catwalk Models
Instagram: @princess.chantymartin
Facebook: Chanty Martin

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Karen (Photo left)

Instagram@ x_karen_x
Facebook@ Karen Carstens
Agency: 33 and Me talent agency
Modelling: Vogue Welkom
Favourite quote or motto: "Be the change you want to see in the world"
Hobbies: Dance, Modelling, Acting, Netball and singing in the school choir.
Pageant: Miss, Mr and Mrs Golden SA 2021, 6 March 2021 at Arto Theatre Pretoria. Titles won: 3rd Princess novice 16 - 18 Years, Charity winner 16 - 18 Years, Directors, Choice and Photogenic 1st place 16 -18 Years for Free State.

Karen Carstens is a 16 year old aspiring Dancer, Model and Actress represented by 33 and Me Talent Agency. In 2020 Karen Auditioned for the International Arts and Talent Showcase and received her first call back to perform at the 10th Annual Showcase in October 2020 that was held at the Silverstar Casino, Krugersdorp in front of a panel of International Judges.

On this international platform Karen was handpicked by Joey Hunter the Co-founder and President of Ford Models in New York to represent South Africa this July in Orlando, Florida at the International Modelling & Talent Association Convention (IMTA). The venue changed from New York to Orlando, Florida due to Covid related issues.

Since her auditions for the IMTA her life had changed. She has been presented with opportunities to explore and nurture other talents such as acting and over the past 5 months, she has grown so much as a person and as an aspiring performing artist. Karen's goal is to study at the New York Film Academy in New York City after she finish high school.

She wants to gain as much experience from the IMTA conventional as possible in performing arts to establish herself as a performing artist. She is confident and determined in every challenge that comes her way.

Tarryn (Photo right)

Photo credit: Riyaad Hassan
Facebook: @Tarryn Naidoo
Motto: It's okay to live a life other's don't understand.
Hobbies: Writing, reading, acting

About the pageant: Mr and Miss youth voice south Africa is a platform where models can stand up for themselves and other youth of SA. Also a finalist in Miss Ekurhuleni 2021 and Miss Legacy 2021

My name is Tarryn Naidoo, I'm 18 years old, and soon, I'll be famous, and I won't ever have to introduce myself! I've been in 3 movies (Broken promises for ever, the first last tour, the good the old and the greedy) as a background extra and in 3 adverts (Nescafe, Samsung, Chicken Licken) as an extra.

I've also been doing modeling for 7 years and acting for 3, but despite all that, I feel I'd make a bigger impact with my creativeness behind the camera as a writer; I believe that sharing authentic South African stories in the movie industry will motivate and encourage others to pursue their dreams and be proud of who they truly are.

I'm a feminist, an equalist and a proud supporter of the LGBTQ+ community. It is only with determination and strong will that we can move forward as human beings against racism and sexism.

I believe everyone should be given a fair chance based on their mind and heart, not their skin colour, gender or sexuality.



Tyrone (Photo left)

Photo credit: Riyaad Hassan
Facebook: @TyroneNaidoo
Instagram: @Tyronenaidoo11

My name is Tyrone Naidoo, I'm a 31 year old South African Indian who's laid back and always ready to take on the world. Not only do I enjoy a good movie with my sister, cooking chicken breyani with my mother and watching sports with my father, after all, I am one die-hard Liverpool supporter, who thinks family is everything.

I'm passionate about taking care of those and giving towards those who are less fortunate and aren't as privileged as myself to have a shelter, a warm meal everyday and clothes on my back.

I'm a freelance model and actor who also works full time at a pharmacy as a health consultant and food specialist. My family and close friends would describe me as a free spirit determined to take over the world of entertainment. I have featured in 3 movies: Broken promises 4ever, The Good the old and the greedy and the first last tour. I've also featured in 2 series': Legacy and Skeem Saam. I'm a winner for summer holiday photogenic 2020 & currently a finalist for Mr Youth Voice South Africa 2021

Motto: "We may face defeat but we must never be deemed defeated" Hobbies: Adventurous activities (Sky diving, the big swing, road running, snorkelling)

About the pageant: Mr and Miss youth voice south Africa is a platform where models can stand up for themselves and other youth of SA.

Faheem (Photo right)

Instagram: curly_hairedguy
Facebook: Faheem Nathoo
Modeling school: Sky Models SA, Pageant & Grooming Academy
Hobbies: Volleyball, soccer and modelling
Motto: You don't need a title to be a leader

I had the privilege to take part in Mini Mr RSA that took place on the 27th of March 2021, whereby I was crowned as the new Mr RSA 2021. I had so much fun with my fellow contenders.

A sport fanatic participating in soccer and volleyball, but also a person who appreciates the finer things in life, an aspiring model working to become a runway model one day.

A passionate, companionate, reliable, optimistic individual who choose to see the good in the world and in every person. I started my modelling career 5 years ago at Sky Models SA Pageant & Grooming Academy.

I believe we are placed on earth to serve one another, not to be served, therefore, I love to interact with everyone I meet. I won't let anything stand in my way to uplift people. I believe that being positive in a negative situation is not naïve, it's leadership!



Chanty (Photo left)

Photo credit: Carel van Vuuren Photography
MUA & hair: Elaine from EA Academy
Modelling school: Vogue Catwalk Models
Instagram: @princess.chantymartin
Facebook: Chanty Martin

I am the vibrant 12 year old Chanty Martin. I come from Rustenburg in the North West province. I'm a grade 6 learner at Nova Learning Academy.

My favourite animals are horses. They are so big, but yet so calming. When I grow up I would like to become a horse trainer.

Ever since I had photoshoots with horses, my interest just grew so much. It's so calming to ride them. But for now I'm just learning myself. I also started playing golf with my parents. I quite enjoy that as well.



Tofé

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Miss Regal International SA 2019
& Miss Global City Cape Town 2019

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Eduard and Jeanne Labuschagne

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Cherisé (Photo left)

Photographer: Chantelle Mans
MUA: Mischa Fitzpatrick
Fashion: Michelle Howell
School/Agency: Trelique modelling & Promotion Agency

I am the 20 year old Cherisé Mans from Middelburg in the beautiful province of Mpumalanga. Being involved in Pageants for the past 7 years has taught me so much and helped me with my platform "Invisible Perfections" by creating awareness for all types of Invisible Illnesses. I believe it is not about winning or wearing the crown its about making a difference and that takes hard work and determination to achieve your goals and making a change in not only your community but also the country and worldwide.

"Being a Role Model dedicated to mentoring today's youth and tomorrow's leaders" is a quote I live by.. My passion is to make a change in others lives, putting a smile on someone's face which can be with only small acts of kindness..

As current reigning Queen RSA 2020/21 I would say that being a model is not about the beauty on the outside, but about having a heart for serving your community..

I absolutely love doing volunteer/charity work, doing everything with a big heart and love without expecting anything in return... During the years I have committed myself to making a change, I have supported and visited various charity projects and organization.

Lungile (Photo right)

Instagram: @lungile_siyaphi
Facebook: Lungile Siyaphi
Make-up artist: Cleo Siyaphi
Modelling school: Vouge Alberton

Motto: Strive to excel, which means if you work hard you can archive great things. My name is Lungile Siyaphi and I am a confident 17 year old girl. I am a co-founder of the MaMlangeni Feeding Scheme based in Soweto, which helps to feed young children in the community of Orlando East.

I believe in empowering young people because I believe that we are the future of the world and by growing together we can ensure a better future for everyone.

Miss Teen Universe South Africa is one of the biggest pageants in South Africa currently. I have been chosen as one of the semi-finalist for 2022 and the journey has officially begun with voting lines open.

Among the many pageants I have placed at in my 5 years of modeling, one of the greatest achievements is being selected as part of the top 25 for Miss Teen South Africa 2021. I am currently the title holder for Miss Starlight 2020.



Mnqobi (Photo left)

Photo credit: Ashleigh Wegener
Instagram (Mnqobi_Gumedede) Facebook(Thobe Mdluli)
Motto: You must the change you wish to see in the world.

I reside at Woodlands, in Durban. I go to George Campbell School of Technology. I am doing grade 9. I chose the school because my dream is to own my workshops one day as a Mechanical Engineer.

I have started modeling at the age of 5. I have gained a lot in confidence. I have won couple of titles, like Overall winner at Mr Christmas Royalty 2016(organized by Strive Modeling Agency), Mr Winter Royalty 2017, Mr Junior Tux 2018 and Mr Junior Kwazulu Natal 1st Prince 2018, to mention a few. I would love to do fashion modeling in future as the height is on my side, while working hard to tone my body.

I love sport because it keeps my body fit and my mind free. I play rugby, soccer and I am a great swimmer. I made it to the first team rugby at school but due to the pandemic we didn't have a chance to play matches. I am patiently waiting for an opportunity. I ma also a good hockey player from senior primary school.

I love doing charity work as I have visited crow a number of times, donating whatever I can to assist in keeping the animals necessaries.

Animals are very close to my heart. I have also visited safety homes for orphanages. I have realised that it is important for every child that still have parents to appreciate them and those parents that are still alive should extend their love to the orphans as every child need a parent's love.

Tamryn (Photo right)

Photo Credit: John David Filmalter
School or agency: Model Manifest

I am a scholar at High school Kempton Park. My hobbies include dancing, music, playing guitar, fashion, modelling. I do various charities to give back to my community. I am the girl on the go, striving to leave a positive mark on my community.

Beauty pageants aren't all about glitz and glamor, it's what happens inside that really matters. I am a model because I want to motivate people, promote self-confidence, and I get to show off what I love to do.

My biggest strength are definitely my attitude! My short term goal is that I want a platform where I can grow my career as a model. Beauty is not about having just a pretty face.

It's about having a pretty heart and soul! The secret to modeling is not being perfect. What one needs is a face that people can identify in a second. You have to be given what's needed by nature, and what's needed is to bring something new.

My motto: "When you do things for the right reasons, eventually no matter how long it takes, people will take noticed of it and can't help but respect it." - Gina Carano



Lesley-Rae (Photo left)

I was crowned the new Mrs Jhb 2021 last year November. This was my very first Pageant ever. This was most definitely a very big challenge as I was also diagnosed with an auto immune disease last year and had to get very intense treatment as well as Chemo therapy while competing.

Winning this title has meant so much to me as I want to inspire other woman to always fight no matter how bad your situation is. We are so much stronger than we think. I also run my own business and while this is also very challenging, very much awarding. I was so honored to receive the Hero of the year award by the Rolemodels Foundation last year at our high tea event.

I was also awarded:

- Jhb philanthropists
- Jhb debutant
- Jhb personality
- Overall personality
- Business woman of the year award
- Jhb public choice
- Overall public choice award
- And of course MRS JHB 2021.

My favorite quote is to live for a cause not the applause, live life to express and not to impress.

I hope that my story can give hope to anyone going through a difficult time and to always remember that even though we don't understand why we have to go through certain things, it will come together one day, we just have to learn from it all but mostly appreciate life and the people around us. A new life is only 1 choice away.



Gizzelle

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Miss Eco International 2020
Photo credit: ModelConnect
Eduard and Jeanne Labuschagne

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Charné (Photo left)

Facebook: Lesydie
Photo credit: S. Fourie Photography
Make-up artist: Shelby Maura
Modelling school: Splendure International Modelling Academy
Favourite quote: "Don't judge a book by it's cover"
Hobbies: Ringball, art, reading & modelling

I am the bubbly recently turned 17, Charné Lesydie van Rooyen, from Richards Bay, KZN, South Africa. I have recently attended my first National Pageant in SA – National Beauty Pageants. And from this I have learned a lot. I have enjoyed it so much and cannot wait to do more in the future as I have achieved some titles.

I was diagnosed just over a year ago with Anxiety Disorder & IBS. Therefore my goal in life is to raise awareness for people with anxiety and depression. Because living with it is like a constant reminder of pain and flaws everywhere, not having confidence in themselves is something I want to change in the future!

Giving those without a voice, someone who will give them a chance. To stand up for those without a voice against the bullies. In modelling I can do this to show the world to be brave, no matter what your circumstances are.

My motto in life is not to judge a book by its cover. As beauty can precede you outside, but not on the inside. Some of my hobbies include sports as I do believe it is important for the youth of today to be active and healthy. I am a SA Ringball Player and love the sport and the family it represents.

I love expressing myself through the use of art and photography. My love for modelling also opens doors to helping with Charities within our Agency and Community.

Social media links:
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<https://www.facebook.com/charne.vanrooyen.18>
https://instagram.com/_rooimier_?igshid=esye2o683oe
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Jacqueline (Photo right)

Photo credit : Van Vuuren Photography
Make-up artist: Milly Roos
Designer: Mamilla Fashions Boutique
Favourite quote or motto : Be the best version of yourself
Hobbies : Going to the Gym , spending time with friends.

The Mrs Pretoria-Tshwane pageant is a charity fundraiser for RoleModels Foundation (RMF) (084-422NPO). It is the mission of the RMF to intervene in communities by creating self-sustainability through education and skills development.

- Mrs Pretoria-Tshwane 2021
- AWARDS:
- Mrs Pretoria Public Choice
- Mrs Pretoria Debutante

- Mrs Pretoria Philanthropist
- Mrs Pretoria Style
- Overall Style for Mrs Pretoria, Mrs Johannesburg and Mrs Gauteng thanks to Elzaan van der Merwe from Mamilla Fashions Boutique

I want to challenge every woman to become involved in the Rolemodels Foundation Pageants, which is not only a platform to help people but also forms a 'sisterhood' and family that you will have forever.



Jayden (Photo left)

Agency: Elite models south Africa - vaal triangle
Photo credit: HD Xtion photography

Jayden is very artistic! He can draw the best pictures from when he was very little.

He loves animals and drawing animals, his favourite subject in school is art and its also the best grade on him report. He entered Mr & Mrs sweetheart. It was his first pageant he was a bit shy but he practised hard he was first prince.



Ceadrin (Photo left)

Agency: Elite models south Africa - vaal triangle
Photo credit: HD Xtion photography

Ceadrin is a very amazing big brother that loves to play with his 3 year old brother, he loves rugby and playing keyboard. He has a big heart and gives his all to anything he tries to do.

Was also Mr & Mrs sweetheart at first he was excited but then just before he went on stage he was very shy the older girls motivated him and he was 2nd prince.

Zandri (Photo right)

Agency: Vogue catwalk models Meyerton
Hobbies: modeling, acting, sports and spent the with the ones I love

This was a Easter pageant 2021 , and I was the Easter Princess and also get a beautiful face

Zandri, 11 year old girl doing modeling for 2 months know. I love doing model, acting, gymnastic and listening to music, and to dress up.

Doing modeling is helping me to help others and this makes me very excited. I am a proud Vogue model and just love my couch Charmain Swart. She is my inspiration and teaching me to dream big.

My Motto: Be yourself... " one person can make a difference "



Zoë (Photo right)

Photographer: Hennie Coetsee
HC Click Photography
Outfit, Bettie Malan

I am a 17 year old with a passion for dance and modeling. I started modelling at the age of 13 to help boost my self confidence. I was very very shy and afraid of people, modeling taught to believe in myself, and that's why my Motto is "all your dreams can come true, if. You have the courage to pursue them" Walt Disney

I have a keen interest in make up, fitness and been healthy and plan on pursuing a career in health and beauty therapy.





Fatima

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Miss Free State Finalist

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Dewald (Photo left)

Photo credit: Leandi Photography
Modelling School: Glamlight Models
Social Media: Instagram - @dewaldmienie

I am Dewald Mienie, 11 years of age. I am a proud student of Laerskool Bakenkop in Centurion. I am best described as friendly, energetic, kind, outgoing, very compassionate and caring. While my driving passion is modelling, I also enjoy playing chess, rugby and hockey. It follows that I am a team player, problem solver and eagerly and efficiently contribute to all my interests.

I started my modelling career at the age of 7 with Yolandi Rossow from Glamlight Models in Centurion. I wholeheartedly live the motto to decide what I want and act as if it were impossible for me to fail. It is through this focused, perseverant and positive attitude that I have enjoyed much success and hours of enjoyment pursuing my bliss.

I am exceptionally proud to be the title-holder of Mini Mr RSA 2021. The glamorous 8th annual Mini Mr RSA took place at Eagles Crest Lodge, Rayton - Gauteng. The competition consisted of interviews, talent judging, casual and evening ramp.

As the winner I have to have the privilege of engaging and leading at least three charity projects; a challenge that I keenly look to realizing during my reign.

I am also the winner of Mr Gauteng schools 2020. Mr Gauteng schools is a charity competition currently in its 5th year of competition. This competition is open to all Gauteng schools, and serves as a platform to help so many people in need. I believe that you don't need a sash or title to make a difference in people's lives.

However, by winning these two prestigious modelling competitions, I will be able to get more people involved to make a difference in more people's lives. My goal is to ensure that I leave every person I meet with a smile on their face, a dream in their heart and the hope to achieve any dream.

By using the privilege of the titles I hold, and accepting the social responsibility each of my titles holds, I want to be a true ambassador for both my school and country. I wish to lead by example and leave a lasting impression on others.

Ntando (Photo left)

Photo cred :S Fourie Photography
Make up artist : Chantel Swart
Facebook page :Ntandokazi Ramatsitsi
Instagram : @Ntandokazi_101
Modeling school : Vogue Catwalk S.A (East Rand)

I am Ntando Ramatsitsi age 13 , a grade nine (9) pupil at Dalpark Secondary school , I stay in Tsakane in Ekurhuleni East. I started modeling at the age of 4 , I have entered numerous pageants and placed on them to name a few , Queen of the world , Little Miss World , jnr Miss Tsakane Mall , Grand S.A top Model , Miss Valentine , Miss Easter , Miss Grand Royal ,Miss

Grand Classic , Miss Tourism S.A, Miss Benevolent , Miss Teddy Flair ,Miss face of winter , Miss Fontein fees , Pageant Festival , National Supermodel R.S.A ,the list goes on.

I'm currently a Miss Teen S.A 2021 finalist and looking forward to doing more pageants this year to cover up for 2020 as we were affected by the Pandemic, my hobbies include Modeling , Swimming , watching t.v and reading .

My favourite Quote is "Develop an attitude of Gratitude, thank everyone you meet for everything they do for you"



Inam (Photo left)

Agency: Sophisticate Models
Photo : Pro design photographers
Fb : Inam "mariri" Gqobele
IG : @inamgqobele

Greetings South Africa, My name is Inam Gqobele I'm from the Eastern Cape, in the beautiful city famously known as the windy city Port Elizabeth. I'm ten years old and currently doing grade 6 at Sydenham primary. My hobbies are reading and writing, Netball, Modelling is my Passion.

My goals are to growing my brand as a Model, be an international model. Academically I want to be a doctor and help those in need of medical attention. Winning from the Miss Jnr SA competition has motivated me more on wanting to give back to the world and closely my community.

Being involved in charity work with my community and my province keeps me going.

My titles are :-
Miss Pre-Teen Globe SA 2020
Miss Pre-teen Jnr SA 2nd princess 2020
Miss Mini-teen Eastern Cape Ambassador
Face of South Africa 1st Princess 2020
Photogenic Award
1st Runner up Miss East Cape teen 2020
1st Runner up Model hunt 2019
Miss Sydenham Jnr 2019
Miss International Princess 2019
Miss International interview 2019 (New York)
2nd runner up Talent Award 2019 (New York)
2nd runner up Model Award 2019 (New York)
3rd runner up Beauty Award 2019 (New York)
Top achiever Award 2019 Sophisticate Models
Miss Greenacres Pre teen 1st runner up 2019

Jade (Photo right)

Modelling School: Vogue East Rand
Quote – Be your own kind of Beautiful
Hobbies – Modeling, Gymnastics, Hokkie, Drama and Chess

Doing pageant since she was 3 years old. The following award was at Pageant Festival 2021 that took place in April. Awards:

- Best Dress
- Hollywood Glam Queen
- Best Contestants Souvenir – 1st Princess 2021
- Royal Beauty SA 2021 – Sapphire 1st Runner Up & Gauteng
- Royal Princess SA 2021 – Emerald Winner
- Royal Queen SA 2021 – Sapphire 2nd Runner Up
- National Beauty SA 2021– Sapphire 1st Runner Up & Gauteng
- Global Beauty Queen SA 2021 – Sapphire 1st Runner Up & Gauteng
- Nov'20 Voting Top 5

- Dec'20 Voting Top 5
- Jan'21 Voting Top 5

This is Jades 3rd year participating in Pageant Festival (2018-2019 & 2021) she enjoys being part of an amazing team Vogue – East Rand!. Jade is currently a Mini Miss RSA National Finalist that is taking place in September 2021.

She is not just a Pageant Princess but also makes time for Gymnastics, Hokkie, Chess and Drama.





Lianae

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Modeling school: TMA Models
Dress by: Yvette Peo from Elegant Ivy
Little Miss Port Elizabeth 1st Princess 2021

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Kungawo (Photo left)

Photo Credit: Extreme Models & Beauty
Agency: Extreme Models and Beauty

My name is Kungawo Mpini and I am 7 years old and I am passionate about modelling. I live in Port Elizabeth in the Eastern Cape, I am currently doing grade 2. I am a model with Extreme models and Beauty, I love modelling because it helps me build self love and self confidence, and also to celebrate the fact that I am unique and different. It has also taught me how to be healthy and to take care of my personal appearance. I also got an opportunity to build relationships.

My Achievements: Pageant: Miss Tiny Port Elizabeth 2021 & Founder of Kungawo Foundation



Antoinette (Photo left)

Photographer: Steven Esterhuizen
Facebook handle: Antoinette van Zyl
Instagram handle: _the_ana_banana_life_
Make up artists Facebook page : Ana'sMUA
Model school : Ace Models International

Favorite motto : "Always be kind to everyone because you never know what someone else might be going through".

Hobbies : Hiking, Dancing, gym.

I am a make up artist, personal trainer, massage therapist and business owner in a small town and just won Miss Cape Rose 2021 and Charity Ambassador 2021 and starting my own charity called Ana's Feed and Protect where I collect donations, cook for and feed the less fortunate and stray animals.

Waldo-Duane (Photo left)

Photo: Monica Potgieter
Modeling school: Chantenique Modelling School
My motto in life is "Live your Dreams".

Currently I am living my dream, enjoying every moment. I started modelling four years ago and accomplished so much. I enjoy pageants and photogenic competitions.

I am taking part on a Provincial and National level and have won several titles and placed overall winner in many competitions.

My greatest achievement thus far as at Talent Africa Nationals 2020 where I received 11 gold medals. I also received two special awards: National First Place Junior Duet and National Third Place Junior Boys.

I qualified twice to participate overseas. On 15 May 2021 I will be taking part in THE PERFORMING ARTS INTERNATIONAL STARS 2021 competition in Poland / Ireland. I will be receiving my International colours for participating in an international competition.

I am very proud of what I have accomplished in the past four years. I am a proud model of Chantenique Modelling School with many dreams still to fulfil.



Charné (Photo left)

Photographer: Deon Van Wyk
Facebook: Charné van Eeden Princess with a Purpose International 2019
Instagram: @charne_v_eeden
Makeup artist: Michelle Draper, Private M Collection
Modeling school: Vogue Catwalk Models SA Johannesburg

Charné van Eeden is a 20 year old model from Kempton Park, Johannesburg. In her spare time, she likes to reach out to the community and help where possible. She has her own project at Tembisa- and Tzaneen Hospital, where she collects baby goodies and donate it to less fortunate mothers in the NICU.

She is currently busy to collect prem booties and beanies for these hospitals as it's a big need right now with winter quickly approaching. Prem babies' feet and head need to be kept warm in order for survival. If you want to get involved and help these babies in need, please come in contact with Charné via her social media handles.

Charné has completed her adjudicator course and is a qualified, certified judge. She has judged numerous pageants and photogenic competitions. She has 8 years of experience in the modelling industry and 7 years of experience in the pageant industry.

She has won numerous titles over the years. Her most recent titles are:

- Face of S.W.I.T.C.H Ambassador 2018
- Best of the Best 2018 Senior Overall Winner
- Junior Miss Posh SA 2018 Winner
- Princess with a Purpose International 2019 Winner
- Miss Exquisite 2019 Senior Overall Winner
- National Beauty 2019 Winner
- National Supermodel RSA 2019 Pro winner
- Royal Beauty SA 2021
- Diamond 1st Runner up
- Royal Queen SA 2021
- Diamond 1st Runner up
- Global Beauty Queen SA 2021
- Diamond 2nd Runner up
- National Beauty SA 2021
- Diamond 2nd Runner up
- Royal Princess SA 2021
- Sapphire Winner
- and many more

She's a firm believer that you can achieve your goals and dreams with hard work and determination. Nothing will happen until you make it happen.

She always strives to be a role model for the younger generation.

Ina (Photo right)

Photo Credit: Awesome Hubby
Social Media: Facebook - Ina Wurz &
Modeling school - RVT

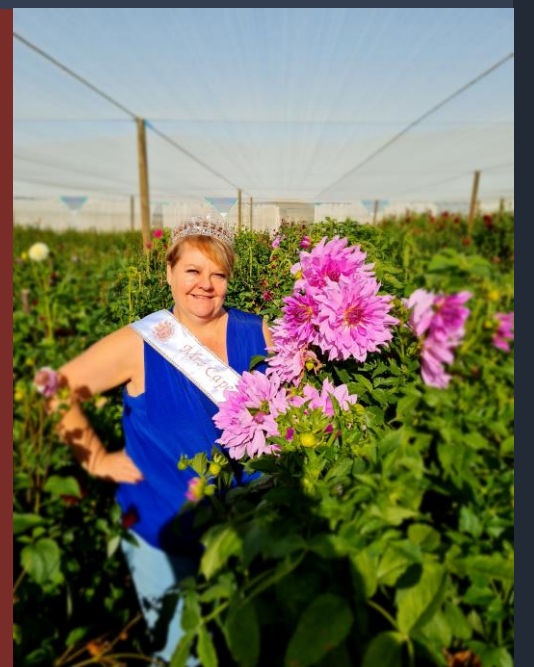
Before I met my husband I was in an physically and mentally abusive relationship for 10 years where I totally lost myself. I didn't believe that I was good enough for anyone or anything. I finally had the courage to walk away from this relationship and had to overcome difficult obstacles in my life. With the help, love and understanding, from my husband Jacques, I started to believe in myself again, and be the person I used to be.

Five years ago a friend of mine introduced me to the modelling world, and I started competing just for the fun. As a plus size woman it took a lot of courage to get onto a stage and do a ramp. I soon realized that every time I step

onto that stage, I get more cheers than ever before, and every cheer, whistle and applause was an inspiration for me just to do better and to proof to the world that modelling isn't just about beautiful, skinny girls.

I have won numerous titles, and placed as 1st or 2nd princess. My current titles are Mrs Western Province Ambassador 2021, Dazzling Dream Queen Mrs Gracious 2021, and Mrs Cape Rose 2021. I wear these titles with pride. I wouldn't have come this far if it wasn't for the love and support from all the supporters, friends, and family. During this time I founded my NPO - Bags of Joy, where we support less fortunate people in our community with food parcels and clothing. This is just a small way or me to give back to others.

I also started an after hours business - Cincere Dress Hire & Nail Studio, hiring out Evening, Matric and Wedding Dresses and doing Nails, because I feel that every person should feel beautiful. I want to be an inspiration for others to believe in themselves again and follow their dreams.





Lesley-Rae

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Mrs Johannesburg 2021

Photo credit: Van Vuuren Photography

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Jennifer (Photo left)

Photo credit: Black Spot
Moesha Sefuthi [Facebook , Twitter and Instagram]

Favourite quote: Allow your light to shine

I'm a young girl who believes in self-independence , against gender inequality and promotes women empowerment .I was born and bred in Kimberley, a young girl who lives with her beautiful family. I attend school at Tetlanyo high , one self motivated learner and a hard worker. We never know what we good at or what we love until we give it a shot and that is what happened to me.

My love for modelling is something I can not explain but express. 2020 I entered Miss Kimberley teen and did not win but that did not discourage me as I already own a tittle, As the "face of Frances Baard". It is not about winning but building a sisterhood. I live to motivate and inspire others like me, to never give up . Let words build you not destroy you so that you can become a better person. I thank you!

Yaadavi (Photo left)

Greetings to a beautiful South Africa. I am the energetic, fun loving, 10 year old, Yaadavi Raganan Bedassi. I live in Rynfield, Benoni. I am in Grade 5 and attend St Dunstans College, where I am currently in the academic Top 10 in the grade. I work hard to get good grades because I believe in the saying "Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today".

My hobbies include modelling, bollywood dance and playing Minecraft. I started modelling at the age of 5yrs and won my very first pageant just 3 months later.

Some of my titles include Miss Tiny South Africa 2017, where I also grabbed Junior overall winner at just 6 years of age, TV Start model 2018, Junior Supreme queen of Iceland 2019, National Supermodel RSA 2019, Miss Premier model Supreme 2019 where I also got Junior Overall Winner. I recently won the Junior Ultimate Supreme title at Pageant festival which is the title for the highest score from all models on the day I am currently training with Vogue Catwalk Models.

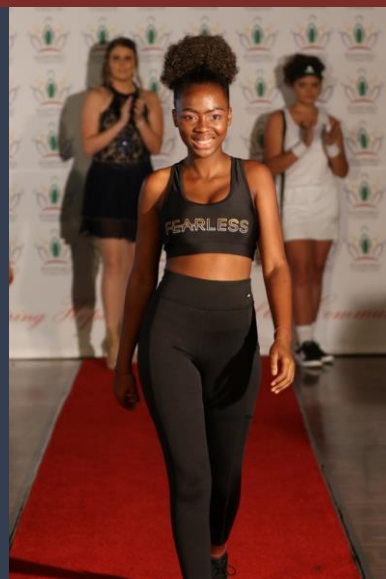
My motto is ' Don't aim for success, just do what you love and believe in it'. Career wise, I am still giving careful thought as to what I would like to do. I believe that with the right mindset, hard work and determination anything is possible, so I will never give up on my dreams.



Lianae (Photo left)

Modeling school: TMA Models
Dress by: Yvette Peo from Elegant Ivy

Little Miss Port Elizabeth 1st Princess 2021 - My name is Lianae Petzer and I'm 9years old. I have been doing modeling for almost 3 years where I'm part of TMA Models EC. Recently I was crowned as Little Miss Port Elizabeth 1st Princess 2021. Since then I have been involved in the community. I collected Easter eggs for the less privileged children as part of our local radio stations Easter drive. I'm also involved in my school's recycling program. Modeling has taught me that confidence is key. With confidence you can achieve your dreams and a person must never give up.



Avuziwe (Photo left)

I Avuziwe Mongo is interested in modeling because I love being on stage doing what I'm best on.

I was recently modeling for "Jnr Teen Miss Port Elizabeth" and I would like to take my modeling career forward and I loved modeling since I was 9years old , I would like to be a role model to the youth and set an example.

I love beauty pageants and my photographer was Riaan Trosse.

Kungawo (Photo left)

Photo Credit: Vuvu Atonisi
Hair and Makeup: Abby Salon

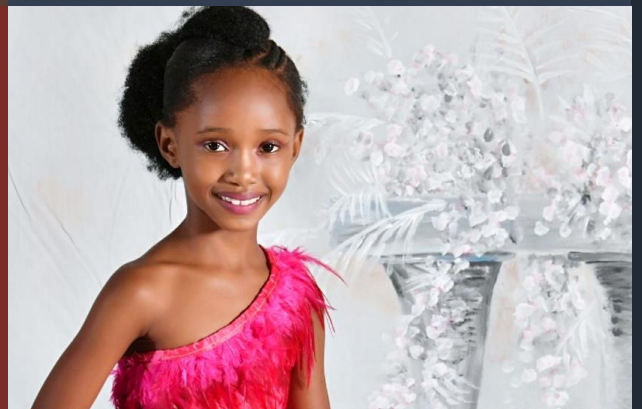
My name is kungawo mpini and I am 7yrs old and I am passionate about modelling. I live in Port Elizabeth original from Rural Area Tshomonqa , East London. I am Current doing grade 2 at Happy home Primary School. I am model with extreme model and beauty ,I love love modelling because it helps me build self love and self

confidence, and also celebrate the fact that I am unique and different. It has also taught me how to healthy and to take care of my personal appearance I also got opportunity to build relationships.

My achievements

- Pageant- Miss Tiny Port Elizabeth 2021
- Founder of Kungawo Mpini Foundation
- Finalist Little Eastern 2021
- Finalist Jnr South Africa 2021

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Lehanke

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Photography: Belle Lumiere Photography & Design

MUA: Private M Collection

Modelling school: Coached by Tem

Instagram: @lehankeb

TikTok: @lehankeb1



Tell the readers more about yourself, what you do, about your title:

I am Lehanke Beets and I am 9 years old (almost 10!). My friends describe me as spontaneous and my family recons I am an energy overdose as I am always talking or dancing. I enjoy netball, modelling and art. I believe the wise words of Nelson Mandela: "A winner is a dreamer, who never gives up". I guess that makes me a winner as I will never give up on my dreams. My biggest dream is to become Miss South Africa and I believe my participation in modelling is already preparing me for this.

I was privileged to be crowned as Petite Miss RSA 2020/2021 in September last year. What a prestigious title and event!! Aunty Drieka does so much effort for her contestants and royalty. I would definitely recommend this pageant for any girl... it really is AMAZING to be part of the Mini Miss RSA family.

What came first, modelling or pageants?

I started modelling when I was 5 years old. I was extremely shy and my mother hoped that this would help improve my self-confidence. Oh boy where her expectations exceeded! I did my first pageant after 4 months of training and won! Since then there has

been no stopping me... I absolutely love being on the ramp!

How would you describe your own personality?

I am friendly, spontaneous and helpful. I am loud and I talk a lot! I like being silly.

What are some of the issues and causes you are raising awareness and advocating for?

I have a special place in my heart for animals and children and have selected my projects as such to uplift the lives of the abandoned, abused and less fortunate. I am actively involved in the local animal- and children shelters in my community. I also like to support other causes like Autism Awareness, Tekkie Tax, Slipper Day, Earth Day, Cupcakes for Kids with cancer and a few others.

Let our readers know some of the things you are currently working on and some exciting things we can expect from you in the future.

We are currently collecting blankets for the animal shelters as winter is here.

What would you like to be remembered for as a titleholder?

I would like to be remembered as kind and caring; for making a difference in someone else's live and for making a positive impact in my community. If I can make others realise that giving is better than receiving, I have helped to make the world a better place.

#GBV is trending on social media to bring awareness to gender-based violence. What is one positive and one negative of the movement?

I don't think there is anything negative about the movement. It is definitely for a good cause and it is creating a lot of awareness. Gender based violence is a reality and we should talk about it to make it stop. Equally important is bullying. It has reached critical stages in schools.

How do you see yourself fifteen years from now?

As Miss South Africa!! Fifteen years from now I will be 25 years old... I will have completed my tertiary education. I want to be a veterinarian. Or maybe I will be an international model! Or representing my beautiful country at Miss Universe or Miss World.

Who is the most influential person in your life?

I would say my parents... they are my foundation and pillars of strength. They teach me how to love, to do what is best and to look out for others.

If you were given the chance to change something from the past, what would it be?

If I could turn back time and had the power to "erase" something, it would definitely be the outbreak of the world pandemic Covid-19. This has stolen so much from us.

What is your greatest contribution to the community?

Being involved! I urge everyone to become involved in supporting their communities. No matter how big or how small. Your giving does not have to reflect any one else's. Be your own kind of ripple. If you have extra time, give it to a shelter. If you have a special trade – mentor or give advice. If you have a business – help with food, clothing or samples. If you have arms, give hugs!

Just give in your own capacity and watch what a difference once gesture can make. Do whatever little you can to help the not so fortunate. I believe that God gave us two hands – one belongs to you and the other to help our fellow man (or animal).

What is beauty according to you?

Beauty is only skin deep. Anyone can be beautiful from the outside. True beauty is being beautiful on the inside. Being kind and caring and having a hearts for others.

What do you like to do for fun?

For fun I like to socialise with my friends, watch movies, shopping and making TikTok videos. I also like doing arts and crafts.

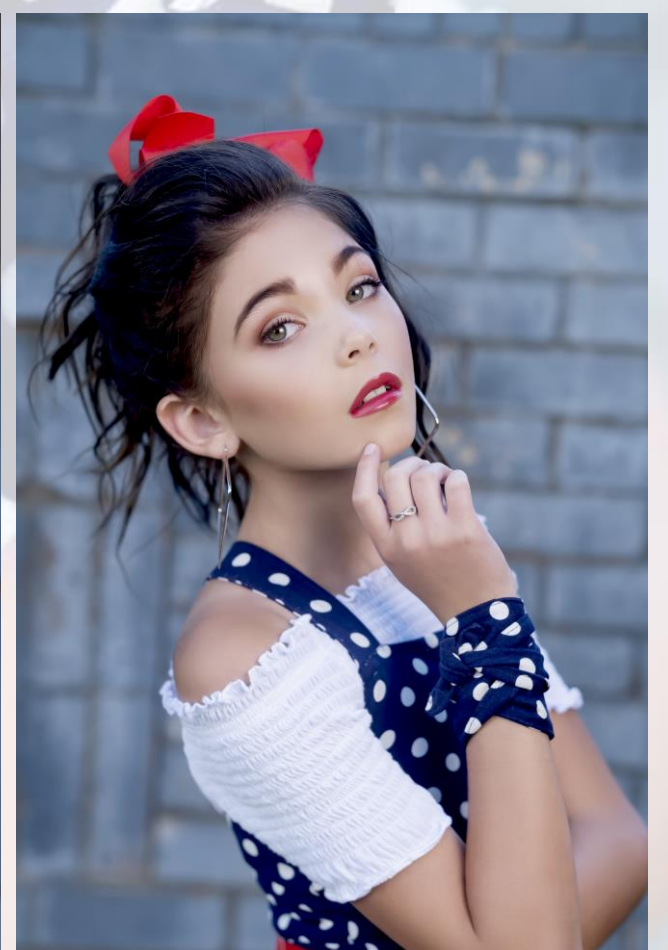
What have you learned about yourself today?

I am adaptable! Even though it isn't always easy – I can adapt to a new situation and make the best of it.

What advice would you give someone who is entering a pageant for the first time?

It is the best thing to do if you want to build your confidence. We are all beautiful and everyone brings their own unique qualities to the ramp. It is not only about winning, but about the opportunity to grow and to be the version of yourself.

Pageants will teach you discipline, determination and courage and these principles you will be able to apply to many more aspects as you grow up. ENJOY it and make lots of new friends!



Danè

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Instagram: @westhuizendanevd

Photographer: John Filmlter

MAU: Mana Zita Bosch

Modeling School: RVT Models



Tell us a little about you! Who you are, where you are from, etc!

I am a 12 years old Danè van der Westhuizen Born in Durbanville Western Cape. My goal in life is to become a public figure who inspires others. I am a very friendly fun loving girl. My love for pageantry started at an early age of 4 at RVT Modeling School. I absolutely love modeling and photoshoots .I really enjoy helping others, it gives me a warm feeling when I see the smiles on other people's faces. I'm an absolute animal lover. I have 4 cats Bubbles, Charlie, Oliver, Toby.

What can you tell us about this shoot?

It was a car themed photoshoot. This shoot was amazing as it was different from the normal shoots I done before. The shoot was done at Wijnland Auto Museum

How was your experience working with the photographer?

Uncle John David Filmalter is kind, caring and completely respectful. Uncle John is professional and his work is stunning. He always helps me to improve myself.

How would you describe your own personality?

I'm ambitious, driven honest, creative and friendly. I'm an Introvert but with my experience in modeling, I have adapted a extrovert personality when I am on stage.

What are some of the issues and causes you are raising awareness and advocating for?

- Stop Violence Against Women
- Childhood Cancer Awareness
- Autism Awareness
- Human Trafficking Awareness

What would you like to be remembered for as a titleholder?

Definitely the titleholder that give her all and who made a difference in the community.

How do you see yourself 10 years from now?

In 10 years time I will be 22 I would like to become a famous International model. It's my dream to see my face on a Billboard. Cover Model Sarie Magazine and Vogue Magazine.

Who is the most influential person in your life?

My Modelling Coach Nadia Langedyk as she motivates me to become the best version of myself.

If you were given the chance to change something from the past, what would it be?

There's a lot of things that we all wish we could have done differently. But if you spend too much time of your life trying to change the past your biggest regret will be that you spent your life wishing you could change a done past when you could have changed your present and unwritten future

What is your greatest contribution to the community?

Goodies for Girls is a Non profitable community outreach organisation and don't get any help from the state. We rely on the public and businesses for donations. Our target is to reach as many girls to stay in school. Every girl has the right to education

What is beauty according to you?

Beauty begins the moment you decide to be yourself.

What do you like to do for fun?

- Playing online Games
- Spending time with friends
- Shopping

What have you learned about yourself today?

It's time to...

1. Love yourself
2. Respect yourself
3. Admire yourself
4. Forgive yourself
5. Accept yourself
6. Nurture yourself

Today's the Day!

What are your future goals, dreams and plans?

I want to be Miss South Africa when I grow up as well as a Marine Biologist

What advice would you give someone who is entering a pageant for the first time?

Wear something that will compliment your skin and figure. Nothing too tight or revealing. Stay "optimistic" there will always be people who will try to bring you down and its very important to stay confident and keep doing what you set your mind to.

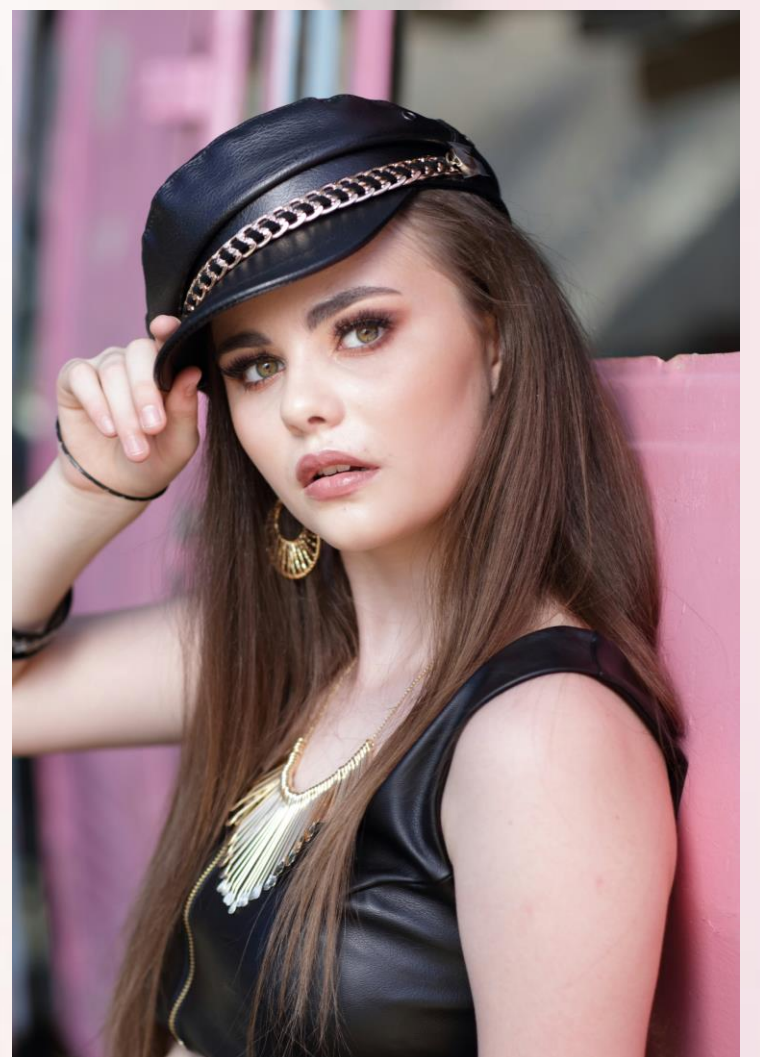
Can you name a few of your titles?

Miss Mini Teen World South Africa 2020
Face of South Africa 2020
Miss Mini Teen Western Cape 2020
RVT Junior Model of the Year 2020

If someone wants to connect with you, where can you be found?

Facebook: Danè vd Westhuizen
Instagram: @westhuizendanevd

Photo Credits -
Photographer: John Filmalter
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Willie

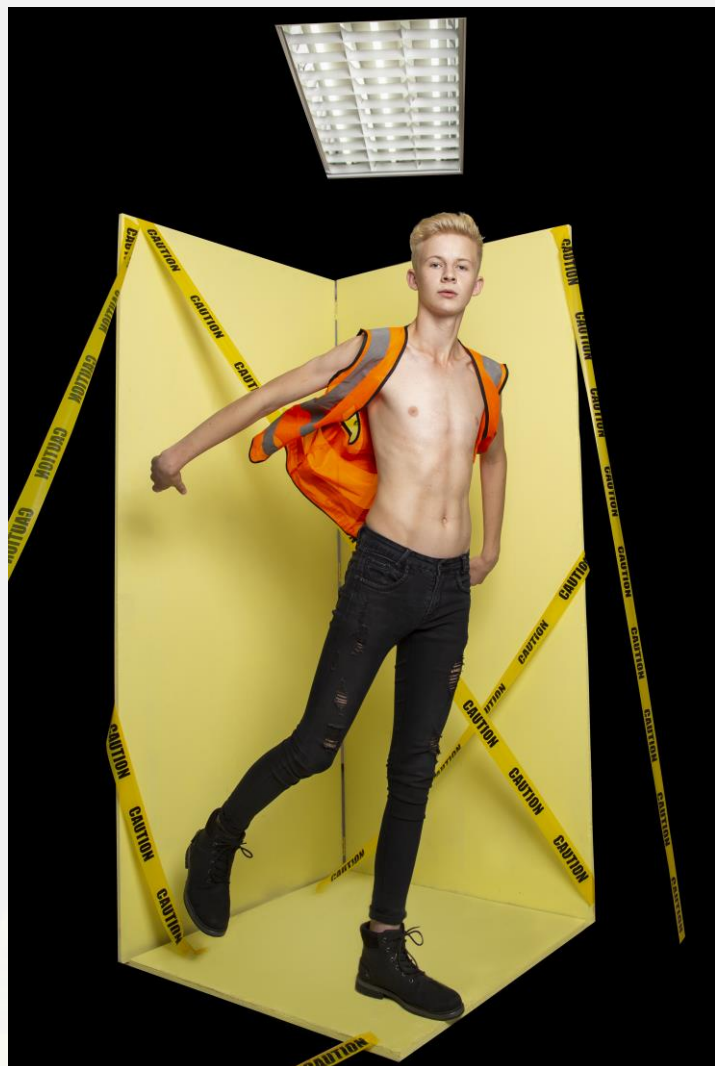
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Photo credit: Audrey Boniwell

Instagram: @willie.smuts

Agency: 33 and Me Talent Agency

Modeling school: Younique Modelling Academy



Tell us a little about you! Who you are, where you are from, etc!

I am a dedicated, talented young model. Determined to make a success of my modelling career on a National and International level. I would describe myself as a confident, daring and passionate young man who is also a gentleman with very stylish tastes. I have various hobbies that I enjoy which include Karate, modelling, dancing and swimming. I go to gym every morning before school and even though it means being out the house before five every morning I feel that looking after my health has been very rewarding and a key factor in my self-development.

I come from a big, happy family. I have two brothers and I have a foster brother and two foster sisters. I don't consider them foster siblings however as they have completed our family and definitely aided in making our house a home! Having a big family has taught me patience, kindness and not to put myself before others. The spark that started my passion for modelling and the pageant or fashion ramp, happened when I was only 18 months old, being used as a prop in a modelling competition. Although this can be debated as I cannot remember much of this day and am mostly recounting it on facts told to me by my mother.

My modelling career, however, only started in September 2017. I joined my modelling family, Younique Model Academy, and my coach Cecilia Marie Van Eeden and there was no stopping me from there. I started off as a shy and introverted boy and I can definitely say modelling has changed me completely. I have grown into a self-assured and confident man who is a go-getter. With excellent coaching and hard work, I achieved a wide variety of pageant titles, which includes, Mr Supreme King 2017 and 2018, Best Model SA 2018, Mr Teen Tourism SA 2019 and Mr Rainbow Nations 2019.

I also am currently Mr Gauteng 2020. These achievements have proven to me that any dream can be achieved through self-belief and dedication. I auditioned at the International ARTS and Talent Showcase in 2019 and was invited to the International Talent and Modelling Convention in New York in July 2020. An honour I am truly grateful for and excited about.

Travelling to New York is not only a dream come true but a privilege. I am so happy that I am being given a platform to showcase my abilities on an international scale. I have a solid and dependable support structure in the form of my parents and

modelling coach. Anything I attempt is met with enthusiasm, not only by myself, but my parents and coach as well. With such a great support system I definitely believe that I can achieve anything and everything set before me. I believe that you do not have to be great to start, but you have to start to be GREAT.

What can you tell us about this shoot?

Every month my modelling school, Younique Modelling Academy, under our great leader, Cecilia, has an in house photoshoot, and every photoshoot has a theme. This photoshoot was our Caution Photoshoot. Each model has the opportunity to think outside the box and come up with their own unique look and poses, in order to build confidence in front of the camera.

How was your experience working with the photographer?

I love working with Audrey Boniwell. She makes you feel comfortable and adventurous every time. Her work is outstanding and we use her services on a regular basis for photoshoots at Younique.

How would you describe your own personality?

My personality has undergone some major changes since I started modelling in 2017. I used to be an introvert, shy and incapable of speaking in front of others. Modelling has changed this for the better. I am definitely not an extrovert, but my ability to communicate and my confidence has skyrocketed.

What are some of the issues and causes you are raising awareness and advocating for?

I believe that our future is our children, therefore most of my causes revolve around children. I have a foster brother and two foster sisters and therefore always have child welfare as my main focus. At this stage, I am actively collecting clothing that we donate to Loerie Jeugsentrum in Bronkhorstspuit, for the 32 children in their care, as well as for their second hand shop. I also support caused from my modelling school and fellow models.

Let our readers know some of the things you are currently working on and some exciting things we can expect from you in the future.

I have entered and are currently training for a pageant called, Mr Premier Star 2021, hosted by Cecilia van Eeden. This pageant is on 8 May and with more than 100 entries, will be extremely tough. Further I was invited to New York for the International Talent and Modelling Convention. I plan to represent South Africa there in 2022, as with the current pandemic, travel restrictions make it difficult to travel.

What would you like to be remembered for as a titleholder?

I would like people to remember me as a kind-hearted and humble person. I would like to be an example of what pageantry is all about – giving and not receiving.

How do you see yourself fifteen years from now?

I would love to still be actively involved in the modelling industry. I will however, after matric, be studying Chartered Accountancy, and believe that in 15 years, I will have my own company, able to help children reach their own potential.

Who is the most influential person in your life?

My grandfather is the greatest influence in my life so far. He taught me generosity, humbleness, loyalty and self respect. I lost my Grandfather Willem in 2016, but his spirit and what he taught me lives on in me every day.

If you were given the chance to change something from the past, what would it be?

I would change the inequality that used to be

between the genders, and sometimes still are. I have a lot of very strong female role models, without whom I would not be who I am. Both my mother, Marycke and coach Cecilia is hardworking and brilliant in their chosen fields. I feel if more women get the recognition for what they bring to society, it will definitely make our lives so much better.

What is your greatest contribution to the community?

My greatest contribution to the community is not something that can be measured. I live each day to do something that can make another person feel special, even if it is just a smile or a kind word to a stranger on the side of the road. I feel you reach more people with kindness and love.

What is beauty according to you?

Beauty is not external. Yes, a pretty face can be a blessing, but if you are not kind and generous on the inside, a beautiful face will not make you beautiful. To me beauty is being better, being the person others look up to and the best version of yourself every single day.

What do you like to do for fun?

Ice Skating is a wonderful day out for me. I love swimming, being with my friends and just hanging out with family. I am one of the lucky guys who actually have siblings that I can count as friends also.

What have you learned about yourself today?

Every day is a learning experience, but today, I learned that not only can I achieve my goals, I can exceed them!

What are your future goals, dreams and plans?

My dream is to represent South Africa on the International stage. I would love to enter Mr South Africa when I am at the correct age, and I plan to study to become a Chartered Accountant. My life goals are set before me and I am determined to achieve them.

What advice would you give someone who is entering a pageant for the first time?

My first pageant was terrifying. I would advise a person entering a pageant for the first time to practice hard, trust him or herself and to trust their coach. Be confident as it shows on the ramp and just to have fun. That is what pageants are supposed to be. I am not saying do not be competitive, but always remember, the guy next to you has also worked hard to get there and also needs to be respected and encouraged. Be the person others want to follow.





Jean-Marie

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Instagram: @jeanmarie_Viljoen

Agency: @perfectcastings

Photo credit: Hannes Spookels

Instagram: @hannes_spookels

Facebook: HS Media by Mr. Spookels

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Lesley-Rae (Photo left)

Photo credit: Lindsey Cowley photography
Makeup and hair done by myself (Leading Lady SA)

My name is Lesley-Rae Coetzer, I am 38 years old from the East Rand. I am the proud owner of Leading Lady South Africa and CAVIAR luxury hair extensions. Prior to this photo I have never done much modeling except for winning Miss Legs in 2000 (when I was 17). My hobbies are most definitely Traveling and charity work!!

I was recently crowned the new MRS JHB 2021. This is such an honor and it is great to have a bigger platform to do more charity work. I started working as a makeup artist in 2001 part time while working in the corporate industry.

I then worked in the transport industry for 9 years. When I was retrenched in 2016, I decided to start my own beauty company. I travelled to all the beauty expo's and later that year LEADING LADY SA was born followed by CAVIAR luxury hair extensions.

I am so proud of how my business has grown from working in a room out of my house to owning a full beauty and hair salon with my own staff!!

I have a Facebook page with close to 13 000 followers and my Instagram page of almost 29 000 followers. Making woman feel special about themselves gives me such joy. My favorite quote.... Live for a cause NOT the applause

Sandr  (Photo right)

Photographer: Steph Meyer

Hi my name is Sandr  Meyer, I am 19 years old and have been living in Mpumalanga my whole life. My goals for this year is to succeed in anything I do.

I love to swim when I am able to swim, I also like to meet new people, no matter who it is. I hope to accomplish my dream of becoming a teacher of an Au Pair, with a side job that is modeling. My passion is to look after kids.

I love being in front of a camera because I know I am made to be there.

My Motto is "Be you, Do you, FOR you



Lizzie (Photo right)

Photo credit: Hennie Coetsee

I started modeling about a year ago while I was busy with my studies to keep my mind busy and I began loving it I've been told through out my life to try and do modeling but I was young and didn't look much into it but now I love it and would love to model more often.

I love the outdoors and camping, hiking and swimming is some of the things I love doing I like cooking, dancing and painting I'm very creative and love children.



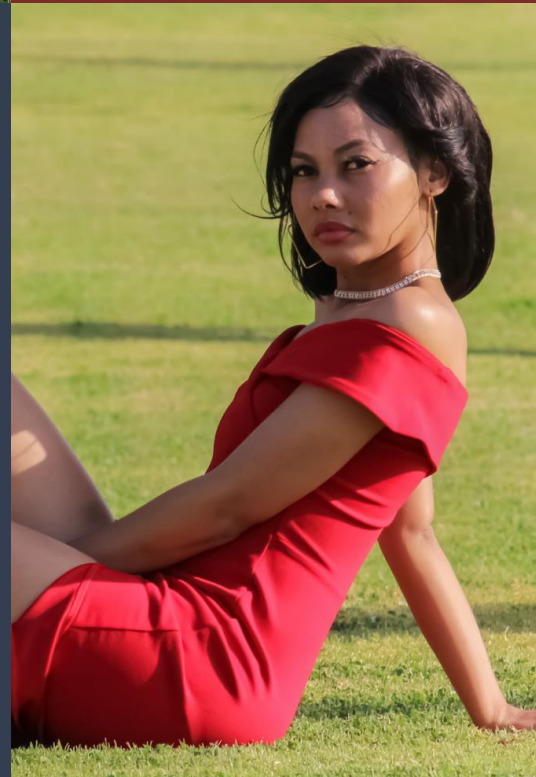
Zahra (Photo left)

Make up: Elite Make-up Academy
Photographer: Elain Erasmus - Elain's Photography

Hobbies: Reading, music and volunteering at our local NPO - 'A Ray of Hope'

I have an overwhelming love and sympathy for animals. I believe that I have the ability to make a difference in the lives of animals. My love for animals made it seem like an obvious choice to become a vet. There is nothing more satisfying than the unconditional love of a pet. I currently have a cat named Snowy.

In ten years' time, I aim to be one of the top vet students in South Africa.



Chandr  (Photo left)

Photo credit: Jacqwillie Petrus Photography

My name is Chandr  April. I'm a very humble and the caring person to meet. I like entering competitions such as modelings and fashion shows and I do much learning in it. The love for fashion I have its amazing. I like to experience new things in life. Shopping is one of my favourite things to do. I'm a very humble person as well.

Favourite motto: With God all things are possible if you just have faith and believe.

Hobbies: Shopping, Taking photos, Watching fashion shows

Aeysha (Photo right)

Make up done by: Elite Make-up Academy
Photographer: Elain Erasmus - Elain's Photography
Hobbies: I love being active and participate in a multitude of activities. I have also achieved Mpumalanga Colours for Rhythmic Gymnastics in 2018.

My passion is being the change I wish to see in the world. And to make a change, I need to be informed, and I think becoming a social worker will help me to alleviate some of the suffering in the world.

I am currently involved with a charity organization in Krugersdorp; 'A Ray of Hope', which supplies lunch boxes every morning, to the dis-advantaged scholars in the local primary school.

I would like to see myself as a person who inspired change, if I had to look back on my life in ten years from now.



Elsabe (Photo left)

Photo credit: Donovan Eva Photography
Modelling school: Dawrette Heyns Modelling Agency
Hobbies: Horse riding and modelling

I am Elsabe van Rooyen. I am 17 years old, a home scholar and live in Upington in the Northern Cape. I am doing modelling for 5 years now and enjoy it very much.



Dandre (Photo left)

Photo Credit: Beannla Cilliers
Facebook: Dandre du Plessis

Plans for this year: I am new in the modeling industry and just completed my first professional photoshoot which was just amazing and I loved every moment of it. I am currently not registered with a modeling agency yet. I love fishing and would like to one day travel to the most exotic fishing spots in the world and potentially make a career out of this hobby.



Talia

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Photographer: Anri Wessels
Hobbies: reading, Drama , writing
Quote: Die with memories, not dreams
- Andra Watkins

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Zelda (Photo left)

Photo Credit: Beannla Cilliers
Tik Tok: @lookingud4
Facebook: Zelda du Plessis
Instagram : lookingud4

I was born and raised in Newcastle, KZN on the 4th of March 1983, From a young age, I was introduced to Ring Ball by my mother which played at a provincial as well as competitive swimming at the age of 7.

My participation in sport taught me the valuable lesson that no one can ever tell you that you are not good enough and that any dream is reachable if you are dedicated enough. I started swimming on a provisional level at the age of 15 and ring ball at the age of 14.

I grew up in a loving home and got married young at the age of 22. Within a year after getting married, I was blessed with the first of my two children, a boy(14), and my second child a girl(12) was born two years later. I currently work in the Logistics industry and stay in Centurion, Pretoria.

One of my favourite pass times is to listen to music, I am a busy body and love dancing and spending quality time with my friends and family. I have never done modelling but decided to do my first photoshoot with my children recently and loved every moment of it.

My favourite quotes are: " what's good for the goose is good for the gander " as well as "Never Expect to get what you give, not everyone has a heart like you"

Olona (Photo right)

Photographer: Osias Atantu
Agency: L.D.A Modelling Agency

My name is Olona Hlwatika, a student who is currently residing in Khayelitsha, CPT. A few years back I developed the love for modelling and I believe that I have the right attitude, experience and looks to be a successful model. I watch, with deep concern, young people wasting away, due to non-commitment to the use of their talents and I once heard that "the greatest waste in the world is the difference between what we are and what we could become."

It is disturbing to note that many people have not yet realised their worth, thereby putting themselves back in their background. We should know that the gift of each person is his or her power, if well used. Each person is unique and that uniqueness needs to be showcased one way or the other.

I have a huge passion for modelling and I love being in front of a camera. I enjoy working with photographers that have a creative approach.

My aim all in all is to inspire and sensitize people that they have abilities in them, special gifts and hidden talent, which can open again and again. BE EMPOWERED WITH THAT TOKEN



Michiel (Photo left)

Photo credit: Johannes Murphy
Social media: Instagram: @hashtag_migster
Facebook: Michiel van Staden
Twitter: hashtag_migster
TikTok: hashtag_migster
Hobbies: Acting, Dancing

Favourite quote or motto: If you could've believed in Santa Claus for 7 years! You can believe in yourself for 30 seconds.

My name is Michiel, born and raised in South Africa. I have a passion for acting and dancing, living life to the Fullest! I am currently a finalist in the Mr Elite SA 2021 pageant.

I'm also classified as a "Best Judge" on the Compete online virtual competition. I was second runner-up in the Face of Rolemodels 2021 competition. In 2020 I joined Influencer_SA. Back in 2019 I was nominated as TA-DA's Best Male Actor back in 2019.

I am an active TikToker, Brand Ambassador/Brand Influencer for several brands. I am an aspiring model and teacher. I always try to inspire people to live their lives to the fullest. I once did an interview with Melville Radio and they asked me "How would I change the world" and I replied "with one act of random kindness".

Go follow me on my social media's @hashtag_migster and Go like my Facebook to follow my journey.

Lepele (Photo right)

Facebook: Zino Keyz
Instagram: Zino Keys

My name is Lepele Thabiso known as "Zino Keys" and I'm 27 years of age, I reside in Phuthaditjhaba Free State. I am a (Club dj & Producer) and i play soulful house music.

I started playing music back in 2009 and has shared stage with big names like Sun-El musician, Simmy, Kamo Mphela just to name a few. My goal is so see myself being internationally recognised and playing good music to the people.

Favourite quote "Be who you are and say what you feel"



Micayla (Photo right)

Photo Credit: Ria Joubert
Make Up Artist : Micayla Bezuidenhout
Social Media: Instagram & Facebook

My name is Micayla and living in Pretoria. I am currently in Gr 10. My hobbies are netball, running and painting. I love doing modeling and spent time with my family and friends.

My motto: "Success is not the key to happiness, Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful."



Letitia (Photo left)

Photo Credit: JP Nel (PhotoshootSA)
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Letitia-Visagie-1139775232858910/>
Instagram: Letitia.Visagie
Pixcious: <https://pixcious.com/user/letitiav/>
Agency: Perfect Castings Agency

I am Letitia Visagie, fashion model with a passion for camera and film and a huge animal lover. I model mainly fashion and swimwear but also enjoy lingerie shoots. To date I have worked with Just You Model and Artist Management and perfect castings agency and worked with numerous South African photographers such as Jaco Herbst and JP Nel (PhotoshootSA),

Leandrie Van Biljon, Andre Du Toit, Willie Pieterse.

I worked with Jan Blohm who is a very talented south African singer on his music video "Rodeo". I also had small featured roles in Binnelanders and Getroud met Rugby which is amazingly produced local soapies.

I have a deep love for mother nature and a BIG animal lover. I greet the dogs before I greet people kinda person hehe.

FAVOURITE QUOTE: Treat people the way you would want to be treated!

HOBBIES: Entertaining my little girl hehehe and enjoying time in nature amongst trees and water.

A close-up portrait of a young Black woman with her hair styled in dark braids. She is wearing a light grey, textured knit sweater. Her hands are positioned near her face, with one hand resting on her forehead and the other near her cheek. The background is a soft-focus outdoor setting with green foliage and a hint of a blue sky.

Nobuhle

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Occupation: Pageant and Fashion Model.
Photographers: Prince Majozi (Shomela photographs)
and Skyboy Photography

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Olona (Photo right)

I am Angelique Everson very well known as AngoQueenDiva and for the last 2 years I worked as a fashion model. I have a huge passion for commercial modeling and also like acting, dancing and love being in front of the camera.

I mainly shoot fashion and accessories but also enjoy creative projects like body paint and dress up.

I am currently modeling for Scouts Productions and Unlimited The Movement. My photos were published in Model Mag and I was part of a GBV and Cyber bullying project and also starred in a short film called "Life And A Pandemic".

I am available for shoots anywhere in Cape Town and other regions. I am 1.69m tall, short black natural hair, brown eyes, tan skin tone and unique bone structure. I enjoy working with photographers and agencies who have creative approach because I bring my positive fun energy and passion for any project I work on.



Talia (Photo left)

Photographer: Anri Wessels
Hobbies: reading, Drama, writing

Quote: Die with memories, not dreams - Andra Watkins

Biggest lesson in life: you reap what you sow - you eventually have to face up to the consequences of your actions

What is best advice you can give somebody: Work hard and be the example / or person you need in life. No matter what your circumstance...never give up.



Eleanor (Photo left)

Model agency: The Wolf Agency
Photographer: Novae photography

I started modeling in primary school, competing in my schools Little Miss competition. I gave up for a while as I thought this wasn't for me. I got to varsity and my hostel asked us to compete so I decided to go for it. I entered as I thought it would try bring me out my shell and give me more confidence.

Thank goodness I did, as I ended up winning and going through to Mr and Miss Campus where I met the most amazing people and have made life long friends. Modeling isn't just about looking good in photos, it's about feeling good about yourself and working with different people, and now thanks to The Wolf Agency I get to do it all over again.

Carmen (Photo right)

Photo Creds: Taken by Jessica Attwell from Shweet photography at Smiles Photographic studio
TikTok: @iamcarmenofficial
Instagram: @iamcarmenofficial

Fav Quote: your life isn't yours if you always care what others think. Hobbies: making tiktok videos and going to the gym. I am Carmen Donald. My birthday is on the 13th of April 2000 which means I'll be turning 21 real soon.

I'm a beginner model just trying to find her feet. I'm a full time student that tries to juggle a full time job and a career as a social media influencer.

I am an avid Tiktok creator and I've grown my page to 97K in 2 years. Modelling has always been a dream of mine and by being in this magazine I feel like my dream might come true.



Duwané (Photo left)

Photography: Just Shoot Photography
Social Media: @duwane.vd.mescht

My name is Duwané Van Der Mescht and I am 15 years old. I have a very bubbly personality with a pure and kind heart, living up to my motto "in a world where you can be anything, be kind". I am also a huge animal lover.

I am new to Sophisticate Models and enjoying it. I also enjoy playing hockey, going to the gym and listening to music.



Melissa (Photo left)

Photo credit: In The Moment Photography
Social media: Facebook: Melissa Keet
TikTok: @th3fall3n1
IG: @melissakeet
Makeup artist: Melissa Keet

I'm a BCom graduate, and I love being in front of the camera as well as behind it. I believe that beauty is in the eye of the beholder, and that it is up to each of us to find the beauty every day. I am what most would consider as bigger than the average girl, but that does not stop me from showing people that looks can fade, but a sharp and strong mind does not.

Xoliswa (Photo right)

Photo credit: Minathi Guga
Social media: @xoliswahushulag on Instagram
Agency/modeling school: Black Excellence Models

My motto: Life is unpredictable today it's good, tomorrow it's bad but that cannot stop us from living.

Hobbies: Reading books and writing. I am currently reading My Dark Vanessa by Kate Elizabeth Russell

My name is Xoliswa Lilly Hushula-Guga. I am 31 years of age, I live in Port Elizabeth/Gqeberha Soweto on sea. I grew up in a township called Motherwell here in P.E. I am a mother to two girls and a wife, I am also a model. Growing up in Motherwell had it's challenges, including crime, alcohol abuse and high rate of unemployment. Which can make it hard for a young person growing up in such an environment to navigate through life. I had my share of challenges, I fell pregnant when I was sixteen.

But I knew it was a path I chose so I had to step up and own up to it. I continued with school until I passed my matric in 2008. Fast forward I joined modeling in 2018 to find my way back to my dreams and live my truth because I love fashion and beauty.

I stopped modeling in 2019 but I went back I gain this year because my calling in modeling is too loud. Last year I took a study course at Oxbridge Academy for my skill development. I'm still a work in progress, my dream is to be the best I can be to inspire the youth that no matter what challenges you come across in life, do not give up.

Even if things do not work out the way you planned keep it moving, keep on trying, the aim is not to give up. The only time you should give up is when you are dead. I may not be where I wanted to be but my goal is to keep on taking a shot at my dreams until I succeed.





Shanique

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Modeling School: Yunique modeling academy
Photographer: Audrey Boniwell

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Innocentia (Photo right)

Photographer: Gcina Media
Fashion: Ms Mpumalanga peagent director Nombuso.
Location: Msogwaba, Mpumalanga

Innocentia Magagula is a qualified Optic Fibre technician graduate from Supreme ICT Academy. She has been doing an accommodation services certificate from last year through Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency (MTPA) and is currently doing her practical at a local guesthouse in Mbombela. She is also a Deputy Chairperson of Young Communist League of South Africa(YCLSA) ward 21 in Kanyamazane.

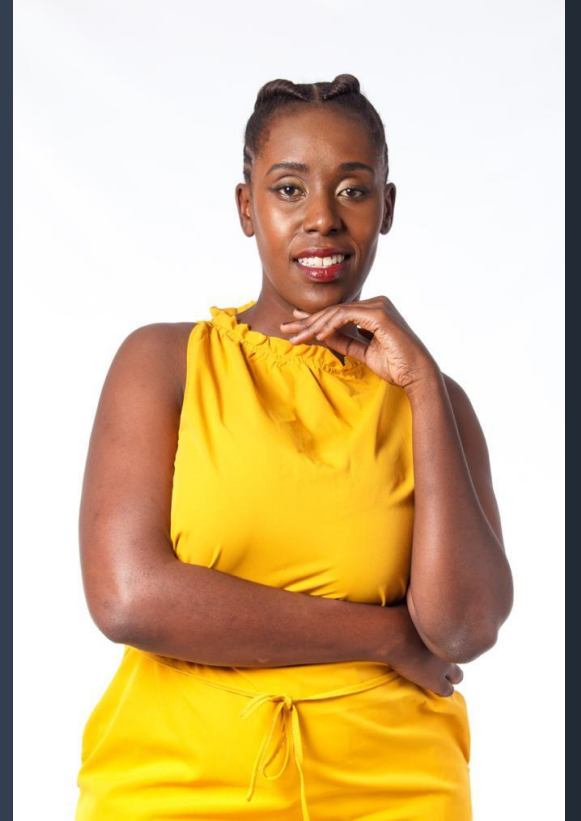
But she is also business minded. She is a partner of a jumping castles hire company called Banene Trading. Due to the lock-down business dried up and she revived the network marketer in her, she is selling and recruiting for Tupperware, Avoryshlian and Longrich respectively.

Being a survivor of GBV, I have dedicated most of my energy on being an advocate for Gender Based Violence. I have been building capacity by voluntary taking part in

the Activate Change Drivers programme so that I can be a catalyst for change in my community, we have had enough conversations on gender based violence. Now it's time to take action. I have also recently been appointed(voluntary) as one of the 6 Mpumalanga Ambassadors of the National Youth Resilience Initiative (NYRI). Which works with Activate Change Drivers, Department of women, youth & persons with disabilities and Wessa people caring for the earth.

She says she entered Ms Mpumalanga to get a platform to be voice for her community and a force for change. Innocentia truly believes that small opportunities lead to greater enterprises. My hobbies are reading and public speaking. That is why I am a nalibali champion and a fundu reader.

If awarded with the title of Ms Mpumalanga 2021, I will be able to stretch my impact to other regions of our beautiful province. This platform is not for me alone. But it's for every young person who feels deleted and neglected by the system. "We are the ones we have been waiting for. We must bring the change we want to see manifesting in our communities in this life time" she concludes.



Shandr  (Photo left)

Photo credit: Ashleigh K Photography
For model: Instagram: __shandre__
Photographer: FB: Ashleigh K Photography

I was always interested in modeling but never pursued it when I was younger, and when I approached places they told me I was too old (being in my late 20's). I then decided that I would give it a try and if it does not work out, I know in my heart I gave my all.

I am a person who adores animals, being outdoors, and believes in living a healthy active lifestyle. With one of my new favorite hobbies being rock climbing.



Charmaine (Photo left)

Location: Cape town
Photographer: Vans shoots

I'm very passionate about modelling. Ever since I was a little kid ,I have always wanted to be a model but I never get the chance to.my modelling journey started at the age of 17.

My dream is to continuously inspire other young models and be their role model. If you can dream it ,you can do it. I'm willing to walk an extra mile to be an international model!!

Keanu (Photo right)

Instagram:_keanu_2002
Facebook: KeanuKeanu

Modeling is an open world where I feel free and where I learned to push my limits. Modelling makes me happy and boosted my confidence to the sky. Modelling also taught me a few things I never knew about myself.

It has been my dream since day one. Now I finally have the courage to chance my dream because "Nothing works unless you do".

My name is Keanu Prinsloo. To date I have never been with an agency. I started at Ace Models Rustenburg in 2021. Modeling has been very important to me since day one. I want to get to know new people and push myself even further. Walking on the stage made me realize that modelling is where I belong and where I can be who I truly am. I want to make the best of it and accomplish many things within the industry.

I do modeling because it makes me feel free and happy and it has been my passion for as long as I can remember



Rachelle (Photo left)

Photo credit: @Dane Prinsloo
Social media: @rachelle_smuts
Modeling School: unlimited models

I am Rachelle an young Business owner. I am from the Vaal triangle born and raised. In 2019 I was a finalist for the Miss Rachelle Vaal Pageant and have been doing modeling since 2013. I just love modeling and how it change your life. You will never truly know who you are until you step up on the stage. This is the moment you will know just how amazing and beautiful you truly are. Everyone should experience this at least once in their lifetime.



Jacqueline (Photo left)

Photo credit: Jacqueline Quinn
Social media : Instagram - jquinnn
Facebook - Jacqueline Quinn
Favorite quote: Live life to the fullest with no regrets.
Hobbies: Rescuing animals

My name is Jacqueline Quinn, but my friends call me Jacs, I just turn 30 and I come from a very small town called Westonaria. What you see about me, is what you get. I don't pretend. Sometimes you can call me a plain Jane, but there are times that I do like it to be different. I'm a family and friends person and they are the world to me, and my furry friends are everything.

Xoliswa (Photo right)

Facebook : Mike Prince Dike
Instagram :PMD
Photo credit: @: Vuyani Maduna
Case V photography
Franko Nel photography

I am Mike Nwabudike 35 years of age, I am based in Germiston originally from Nigeria. I am a high fashion and commercial model, I started my modeling career in 2020 I am signed under Euniki Castings, I'm also a business owner (PMD Motors).

I want to build up my career explore and experience the other aspects of modeling.

I had my first gig were I did a commercial for Castle Milk Stout, I also work with Viscion Designs as the fashion model.

I'm willing to learn more and make my career a success through out.



A close-up portrait of a young woman with long, straight, light blonde hair and blue eyes. She is looking directly at the camera with a neutral expression. Her right hand is raised, with her fingers gently touching her cheek and jawline. She is wearing a dark, possibly black, top with a sheer or lace-like texture. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green field.

Charlene

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Photo credit: Anton.Ras Photography

Instagram: @charlene_ronquest

Photographer/ Instagram: @antonrasphotograpy

Modeling school: Younique Model academy

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Brittney (Photo right)

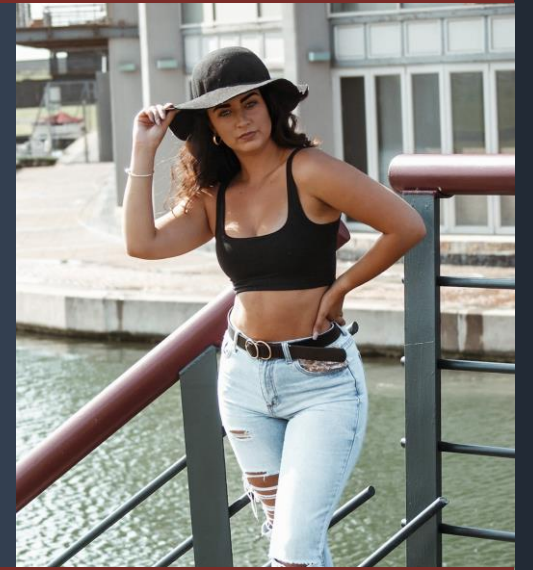
Photo by: Lensation Photography

Good day my name is Brittney Wernich, I am 21 years old. A short character sketch about myself is that I am outgoing, friendly and a giving person. My Strong point is, I am compassionate to give back to my community with charity work as I want the less fortunate to feel loved.

I love smiling. As I believe a smile can change someone's day completely. I started modeling when I was 8 years old for Extreme Model Management. I was a shy, timid girl, but quickly learnt about poise, self esteem, confidence, pageant modeling and public speaking.

I pursued my love for pageantry and won numerous titles, but pageantry is not about winning, but giving a piece of my heart to my community by raising awareness and being involved in charity. This platform allowed me to be a role model to the youth I, so they can have a vision and a purpose for their lives.

I did my two year teaching course with Extreme Model Management and graduated my tears in 2019. I have always been passionate about working with children, and now I am studying towards becoming a Foundation Phase Teacher. My motto in life : "Give what you can. It might be nothing special to you, but for someone else I it can completely change their world . Love grows by sharing and you can only have more for yourself by giving it away to others."



Mihlali (Photo left)

Instagram: mihlali.ngobeni
Facebook: Mimi Ngobeni
YouTube: mimi ngobeni

Mihlali "Mimi" Ngobeni (born April, 01, 2003) is a South African actress, commercial model and aspiring filmmaker. For most of her childhood Mihlali was in love with dancing, she trained in Ballet, Freestyle and HipHop. One of her biggest aspirations was to become a professional dancer.

Her love for acting came when she was 12 years of age because of a leg injury she experienced before a big ballet exam which was to determine if she would move on to point shoes. She was unable to attend and therefore could not move on to point shoes and she was unable to continue to dance for some time.

In that period, she tried various other hobbies such as singing, visual arts and amid that discovered dramatic arts. When she turned 13, Mihlali joined the Rising Star Academy a school for young artists and trained there as well as acted in multiple theatre productions with the academy.

Some of which are The Tempest, Macbeth and Nativity plays. In 2020 in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic she continued on perfecting her craft.

Mihlali joined the stagemilk online drama club, an international drama school. She did workshops, learning from industry professionals such as David Hare (English playwright, screenwriter and theatre film director), Wendy Alane Wright (singer and Hollywood talent manager) and Remy Hii (Australian actor from Crazy Rich Asians and Spider-Man Far from home).

Mihlali took part in the International Arts Talent Showcase where she performed in front of the New York Film Academy, Rhavynn Drummer (Tyler Perry Studios Casting Director), Blaze Johnson(from the Voice) , Nate Butler (American songwriter, music producer, vocal producer), Joey Hunter(Former CEO of Ford Models) and Aviva Skall (Vice President of MMG Models New York).

Mihlali was picked by these judges and is now on her way to perform at the International Models and Talent Convention (IMTA) in Orlando Florida in July of 2021.



Crystén (Photo right)

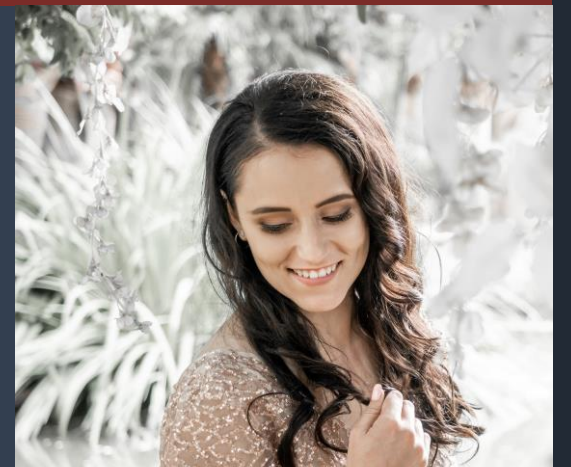
Photo credit: Jamie & Co.
Stylist: Urban Hair and Makeup Studio.

My names, Crystén Parau. I'm 23 years young and recently married. I'm a successful nail salon owner. @eternitiibeauty. I love spending time with my family and friends. I'm a very social person. I matriculated in 2016 with 4 distinctions and a bachelors degree admission. I am from Roodepoort. I am usually comfortable being behind the camera. However, encouraged to try being in front of the camera.

When I was 6 years old graduating from pre-primary, I was asked what I wanted to become one day. All my peers had the more common answers e.g. a doctor, firefighter, lawyer. I however, confidently answered, "A mom" with a smile. Still to this day that is one of my greatest aspirations.

Nevertheless , I also aspire to have entrepreneurial success and constantly flourish in whatever I take on. Being in front of the camera is one of them.

My favorite saying in Spanish is, "Que Será, Será". It translates to, "whatever will be, will be".



Zinaschke (Photo left)

Photo credit: Mike Wesson Photography
Social Media: Facebook- Zinaschke Worman, Instagram- Zinaschke_
Favourite Quote: Outside your comfort zone is where the magic happens...
Hobbies: Taking photos, painting, being creative, going to the beach

I am a very positive and happy person. I live life with passion and love pushing my own limits in life just to see how far I can go. I am a very determined person and always do my best to achieve my goals. I see the world as a happy place and always look for the best in people. I know there is a lot of negativity out there, but I like to look past it and see the positive.

I love motivating people so that they also can see the positive and beauty our world has to offer. I have been a nail tech for 12 years and my clients trust me to make them feel happy and hopeful after a visit with me. I love being a nail tech as I can be creative and think out the box.

In the near future I would love to pursue a career in the modeling industry. I know it is a tough industry to be in, but I love a new challenge in life. I would love to get in touch with an agency that can help me pursue my modeling career dream. Currently I am a semi finalist for Ms Unseen International 2021 representing Cape Town working hard to make it to finals or even winning the crown.

Life hands us a lot of great opportunities, you just need to be open to change and know where to look.

Louise (Photo right)

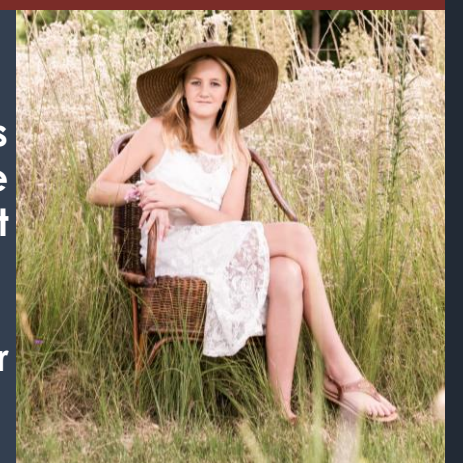
Modeling school: ACE modeling Rustenburg North West
Photo credit: all things nice photography

I would like to introduce myself. My name is Louise Bierman and I am 13 years old, I am the middle child and have one older brother and one younger brother.

I recently started doing modeling at ACE models in Rustenburg that's in North West province.

My hobbies are riding bike with my parents and two brothers and I love swimming. The reason I started modeling is to help me boost my confidence and work on my posture.

My motto in life is, "Never give up on your dreams and goals and live life to the full.





Zeldine

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Photographer: Audrey Boniwel Photography
Instagram: @x_Zeldine_x
Modelling school: Younique Modeling Academy
Agency: Blaze Models

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Nika (Photo right)

Photo Credit: Mia Joubert Photography
Social media: Facebook: Nika vd Westhuizen
Instagram: nika_vd_Westhuizen

Favourite quote: "The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart." Hellen Keller

Hobbies: Dancing, photography, playing netball and socializing with friends.



Antoinette (Photo right)

Photographer Steven Esterhuizen
Facebook handle: Antoinette van Zyl
Instagram handle: _the_ana_banana_life_
Make up artists Facebook page : Ana'sMUA
Model school: Ace Models International

I am a make up artist, personal trainer, massage therapist and business owner in a small town and just won Miss Cape Rose 2021 and Charity Ambassador 2021 and starting my own charity called Ana's Feed and Protect where I collect donations, cook for and feed the less fortunate and stray animals.



Charné (Photo left)

Modeling school/agency: ACE Knysna/Plett/Sedgefield

My name is Charné Daniëlle Fourie, 20 years of age, originally from Pretoria but am privileged and honored to now be living in 'Slow Town', Sedgefield in the Western Cape. Started my modelling career in 2018 with my very first photo shoot being for Jini Bikini. In 2018 I was honored to be crowned the overall winner in the Miss Eden Photomodel 2018 competition and still in full time modeling.

There is nothing like realizing that you are enough, that you can do anything if you set your mind to it, love yourself for who you are, love your flaws because it is those flaws that is part of your beauty, knowing that no matter what life throws at you, you can get through it because you are strong, dream and dream big, if you want something make it happen but at the same time don't bring people down in order to bring yourself up because what you sow is what you will reap! Lastly but definitely not least, LOVE LIVING LIFE!

Charles (Photo right)

Modeling school: Jannydjan models
Photo credit: 16v photography
Make up: Stephen Venter

So many! But the best thing I got out of modeling was that it taught me to not compare myself to other people. When your career depends on your looks and you constantly lose jobs to men who, essentially, look better than you (because, you know, they got the job and you didn't), it can put you in a really unhealthy place mentally. It got so bad for me that I had to totally eliminate all behaviours that encouraged comparison. It's a habit I'm so grateful to have ditched.

"Don't let the people enjoying their harvest pressure you into eating your seed."



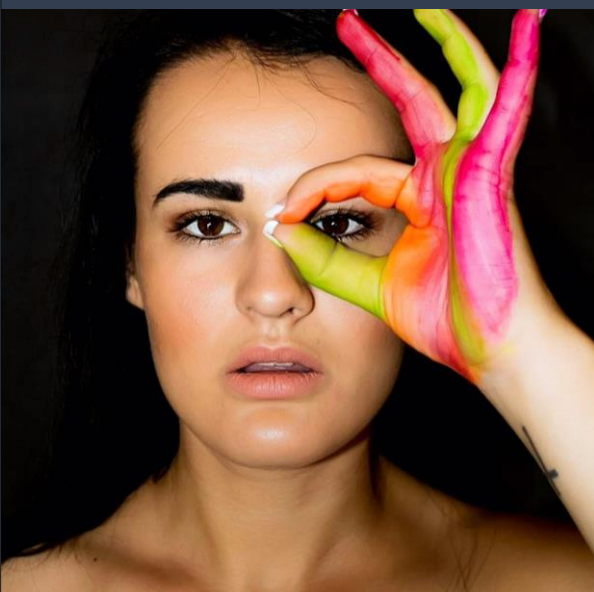
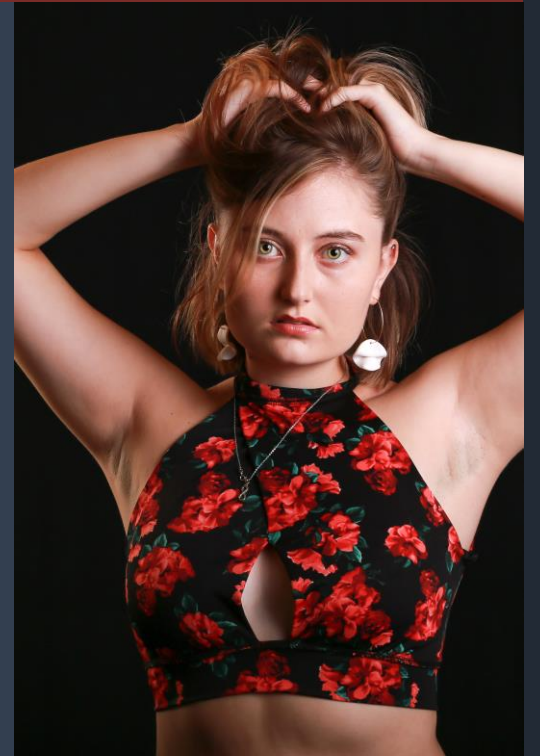
Elisha (Photo right)

Photographer: Loggies van loggerenberg

My Favorite Quote: The best things in life are the people you love, the places you've seen, and the memories you've made along the way.

My hobbies is Modelling and Photography. My biggest fear is thunder. I love modeling and taking pictures, I wish to become a successful photographic model one day.

My favorite people are my parents and my mentor Loggies Van Loggerenberg who also photograph most of my photos.



Annale (Photo left)

Photo credit: Danzfussphotography
Instagram: @annalevermeulen
Agency: 33 and Me Talent Agency

I am very spontaneous and love to interact with people. My strengths are creativity, trustworthiness, respectfulness, discipline and attitude.

My short-term goal is to finish with my studies and carry on with my modelling. My long-term goal is to become more successful in my modelling career, to start accept myself for who I truly am, have the confidence to represent myself and make a change in every girl and woman's life about how they see themselves.

The reason why I love modelling so much is that, I learn to get better at my communication skills, the sense of good styling to build my brand and to grow my self-esteem more and more.

My plans for this year is to prepared and educate myself for the IMTA (International Model and Talent Association) New York 2021 Convention in July. This is a big opportunity and I'm ready to tackle it head on.

It has always been a dream of mine to become a model and this journey is part of God's plan that he has created for me. My interests are styling, beauty and modelling. Please be sure to check out my Instagram (Insta handle)feed to follow my journey, as I turn my dreams into reality.

Marina (Photo right)

Modeling school: ACE Model Academy
Photographer: Pinkfoot A-Z Photography
Hair and Make-up artist: Marina Heath
Instagram: @marina_heath_model | Facebook: Marina Heath

I was born and raised in Kuruman. I'm 22 working as a graphic designer. I am very friendly and caring. I'm an animal lover, adventurous and artistic.

I really have a passion for anything artistic and that's what made me want to do modeling. I see modeling as a form of art. Art where I can create myself, who I am and what I like and don't like.

Modeling will definitely help me in my graphic design career since models are needed to create advertisements.

My favorite part of modeling is definitely the catwalk. I feel powerful walking on the runway and posing with attitude, killing the outfit that I'm showing off. I also like being photographed. Going out and pretending to be someone else just for a little while.

Modeling gave me more confidence in myself. This will be an adventure I cannot miss.





Letitia

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Photo Credit: JP Nel (PhotoshootSA)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Letitia-Visagie-1139775232858910/>

Instagram: Letitia.Visagie

Pixcious: <https://pixcious.com/user/letitiav/>

Agency: Perfect Castings Agency

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Tristan (Photo right)

Photo Credit: Brendan Croft
Social Media: Instagram.com/tristan.milan
Modelling Agency: Ace Models JHB North

I am Tristan Svoboda and since the age of 5, performing has been my passion. Over the years, I have received numerous awards from The National Eisteddfod Academy as well as The South African Championships of Performing Arts for both modelling and acting.

In 2019 I attended acting workshops in New York, San Francisco and Los Angeles. I currently hold the title of MR Ace Model of the Year 2020 for Ace Models JHB North. My goal is to fulfil my dream of becoming a successful model and actor internationally.



Tanith (Photo left)

Photo Credit: Leigh Benson Photography
Modelling Agency: Ace Models

I am Tanith Svoboda and am 15 years old. For the past 7 years I have been involved in drama, dance and modelling and have competed in South African Championships of Performing Arts as well as National Eisteddfod. Besides modelling and dancing, my passion is the ocean, its wildlife, and the environmental impact us humans are having on it.

My plan is to study marine biology and become an eco-activist for the ocean. My favourite quote is from Jane Goodall, "There is a powerful force unleashed when young people resolve to make a change".

My dream is to make a change and to use my modelling platform to be an inspiration for other young people around the world.

Simone (Photo right)

Agency: Just Models East London
Photo credit: Cornie Herbst

I am currently a second year at Unisa, studying B.Ed.. Foundation phase. I enjoy the following activities: playing netball, baking, gardenwork, photography. I am a passionate animal lover. I enjoy to be in a creative environment. My dream. Always has been was to be a photographic model. At school I was a victim of been bullied aa words like " you are a loser" broke my self confidence.

By joining the Just Models. Agency which help me to believe in myself I am able to grow as a person. With each photoshoot I learn and grow to be the best possible I can be. I learnt that if you want to achieve in life.. go for it with both hands, opportunities is not always coming to easily.

I am very thankful for my family ,friends, my model boss Davianne Blignault, and photographer Cornie Herbst who are going out of their way to help me reach my dream. Quote: " believe in your dreams, they were given to you for a reason "



Yolandi (Photo left)

Photo Credit: Hannes Spooksels
Social media: Instagram - @yomodelling

Being a young woman in a technical role in the ICT industry, I am exposed to stereotyping of women in the industry and also to the lack of diversity on many levels, especially age.

My goal for 2021 is to inspire women to join the industry as developers, network engineers, cloud architects, etc. The message behind this particular portrait is that "I am a successful young professional who can set out goals and achieve them".

Currently I'm studying towards a Bachelor's Degree and planning to grow in my professional career. My health and fitness will be a priority as lockdown can easily affect it if we do not take care of ourselves. Being an amateur photographer, I aim to learn more techniques and better my photography skills. I am not signed with any agency, but am open to the opportunity and would be happy to collaborate.

I am also a photographer (Photography by Yolandi Robinson) and enjoy attending Open Days to meet new models, photographers, MUA's and Stylists. I believe myself to be a very creative photographer. As a model, I am always happy to collaborate and would be interested to do editorial, lifestyle, fantasy and beauty/glamour type concepts.

Charles (Photo right)

Accounting student at Potchefstroom Academy
Professional Photographer
Agency: Jannydjan models
Photo credit: Slim G shoots
Wardrobe by Charles Muyezwa
Female model: Kettlego Kewarona

"In this job an illusion of beauty is sold which doesn't really exist like that. It's like a work of art, an act. I cry in front of the camera but am not really sad. I've just come from a job, am made-up and made to look beautiful with fantastic clothes.

No matter how confident and comfortable you are, once you start working in an industry where very few people look like you, some insecurities will surface. Modeling was never a goal of mine, but I started using it as a medium to amplify my message of inclusion.

My advice is to always remember why you started and remember that you got to where you are because you're needed and valued for who you are, so don't try to change to fit in."



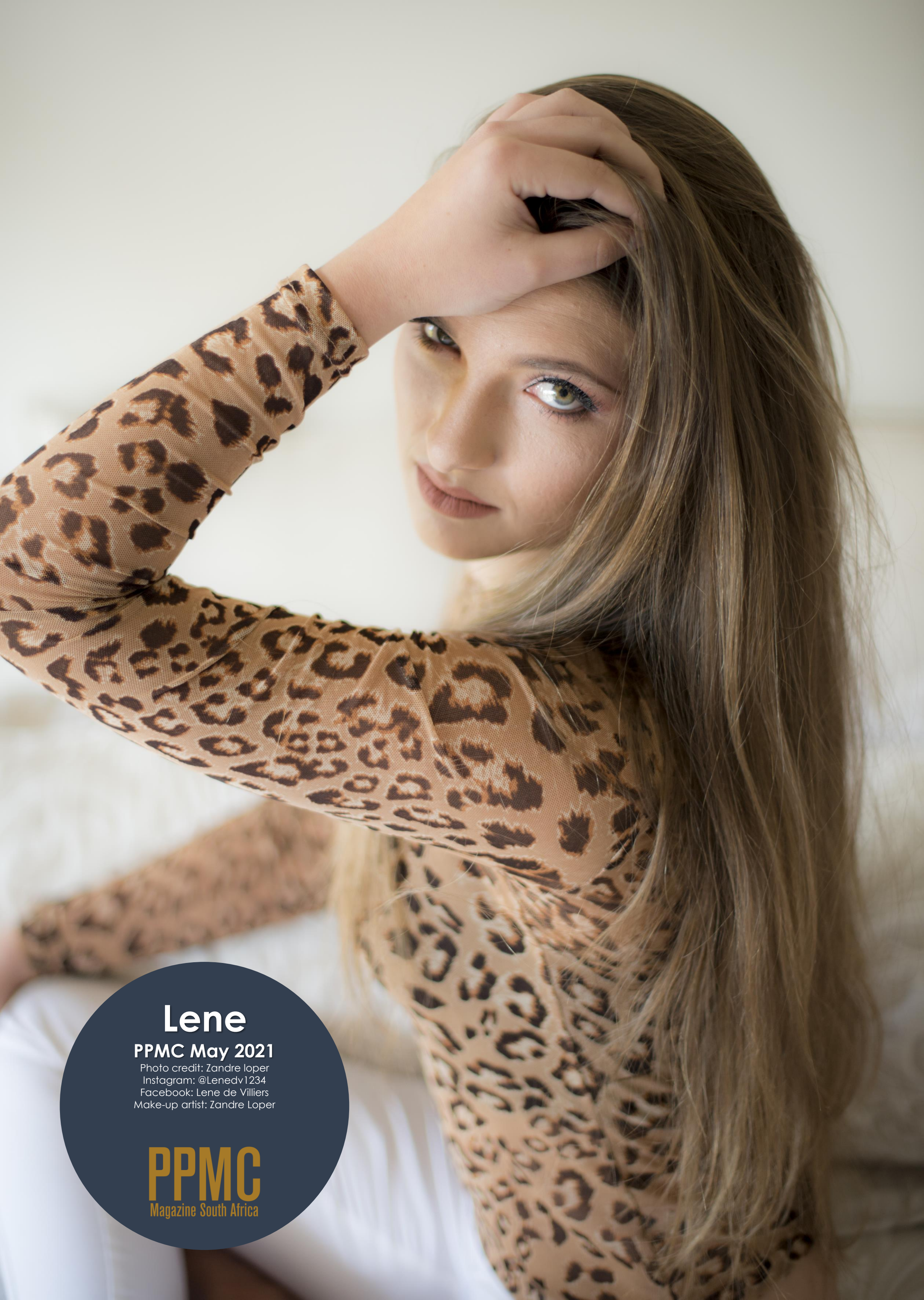
Willize (Photo right)

Photographer: Pinkfoot Photography
Agency: ACE Models Kuruman / Kathu

Who is Willize? I was born in the Northern Cape. I am 20 years old. I am very friendly, energetic and loving. My personality is humorous and I have a big imagination. I always make everyone around me happy. I love my family, animals and friends very much. I go by the saying "She who kneels before God can stand before anyone, Romans 8:31". It gives me power to do everything I want to do and live every moment to the fullest. Because now is all we have. Life is a gift, jump on every opportunity you get.

My hobbies - Horse riding since day one! I have been competing at Nationals in Parys 2017. I love my horses. I am a SA's sprinter for the 100m, 200m and 400m. I have a passion for sport and the nature.

How it all started - In January 2021 I started my model journey. I never thought that I would enjoy it this much, it gives me more confidence. My mentor is Alida Lourens, Director at ACE Models International Kuruman and Kathu, and she lead all the way.



Lene

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Photo credit: Zandre looper
Instagram: @Lenedv1234
Facebook: Lene de Villiers
Make-up artist: Zandre Loper

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Tessa (Photo left)

Photo credit: Flashqueen Photography
 Social media: Tessa Erasmus
 Agency/Modeling school: Globe Model Look
 Favourite quote or motto: "Together we can achieve more"
 Hobbies: reading, writing, sewing, jogging and outdoor activities

Am 28 year of ago born in Pretoria , and grew up in Vaal (Meyerton). In December 2005 the family moved to Mogwase. I attended Learskool Rustenburg and Matriculated 2011 at Hoerskool Rustenburg. Am 1 out of 28 children. My Parents had a love for Children, they opened their home for children that we abandoned.

In 2015 I founded Foundation called Bliss Bambi Foundation alongside my brother and a group of friends. It is a foundation that makes a difference in you Children's lives. Thought Health, Sport, Education, Social. In 2017 I entered and won MRS Rustenburg 2nd Princes and in 2018 I founded Women's Lifestyle Network, a women's Empowering network that hosts yearly awards for the women in community and ladies' events throughout the year.

My personal motto in life is "Together we can achieve more" reason being alone you can only do so much but together you can achieve a lot more than you can alone.

My passion is to make a difference in people's lives and make them feel that they have a bigger purpose in life.

My biggest challenge is believing in myself, I had to do self-reflection to make myself believe that I do have something to give, and that there are people out there that would like to receive it,

If I can give my younger self advice, I would say I can do anything that I put my mind to.

My secret to my success is to have a passion. If you love and enjoy what you do, money comes anyway. Push yourself everyday and never have self-doubt.

The advice I would give women that want to follow their dream is. Don't limit yourself, use what you have at the present moment more will follow when you grow.

One piece of advice I can give is to allow yourself to make mistakes and fail. When you do learn from it and better next time.

My biggest influence was my late mother, she followed her passion which was being a mother to many children that were abandoned. My late father was a Project manager/Civil Engineer in some part of Africa and Indie, he wasn't in the country a lot. My mom basically raised us by herself while my father was working. It takes a strong woman to raise 28 amazing children by herself.

Michiel (Photo RIGHT)

My name is Michiel van Staden. I was born and raised in Randfontein and I am still living here. For me I entered a school pageant as a joke and it was there where my love for pageants and modelling started. I decided to enter the Mr Elite SA pageant this year cause I am ambitious to make a difference after the hard year we had. My personal style is inspired by myself. I love anything jean and denim.

The best advice I ever received was from my mother, "If you could believe in Santa Claus for 7years, you can believe in yourself for 30seconds. My most memorable experience I received in my modeling career is definitely the charity work. To see people smiling and appreciate the small things in life makes my heart warm. I would describe my personality as weird, loud, loveable, comedic and confident.

Issues I am raising awareness of is racism towards other people and the blatant bullying towards the LGBTQ+ community. Also raising awareness of one of the biggest problems our country is facing, which is GBV (Gender based violence).

Exciting things you can look forward to from me is my Podcast "Sommer nou saam Migster". We are currently busy with recording the podcast episodes and it will be releasing soon. I'm also busy with a massive fundraiser for the Abraham Kriel Kinderhuis.

As a title holder I would love to be remembered as a person who made everyone around me feel like a somebody. In fifteen years from now I would love to see myself as a Youth leader, a rolemodel for someone to look up to. I wish to make a big positive impact on younger people's life's. I would also love to see myself in fifteen years with a lot more titles behind my back, a future Mr South Africa.

The most influential person in my life is my grandma. She learned me to love everyone and to treat everyone with the exact same level of respect. She taught me to support people in need. If I were given the chance to change something from the past I would change the fact that there was Apartheid. Apartheid in my opinion is one of the worst events in history. It was unfair, and nobody deserved to be treated like that.

The greatest contribution that I bring to my community is that I make people believe in themselves. I inspire people to never give up on their dreams.

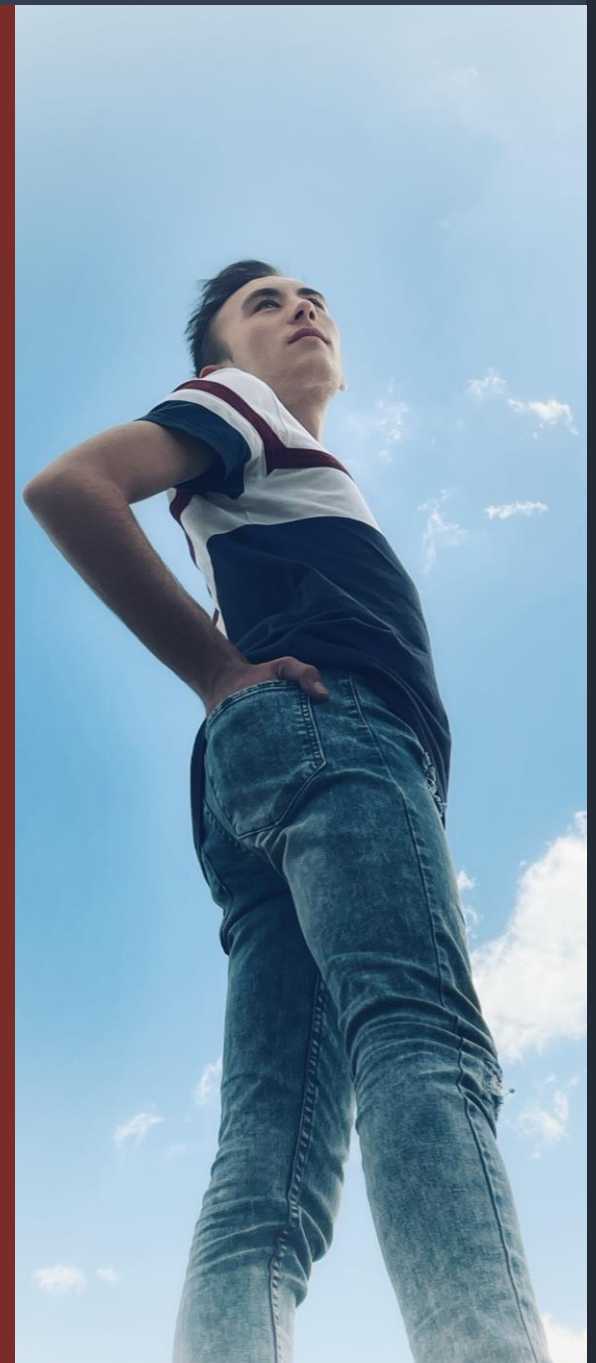
Beauty according to comes from the inside. You can look gorgeous from the outside, but if you are not pretty on the inside. You don't have beauty. For fun I like to read, spend time with friends and make TikToks.

I recently learned that I am an impatient person, and it is something that I have to change about myself.

My future goals, dreams and plans is to become a Mr South Africa within the next 5 years. I am going to study education next year and I would love to continue being an inspiration through being a teacher. I would also love to start my business within the next 5 years.

I would say one positive thing about #GBV trending is that there is now a platform and people now know that Gender Based Violence is a real problem facing South Africa today. One negative thing about the trending #GBV is that people are only posting stuff on social medias using the hashtag #GBV, but no-one is really taking action to stop GBV in their community's.

Advice I would give to someone who is entering a pageant for the first time is to be authentically yourself. Be you and stay true to you!



Cherise (Photo left)

Photo Credit: Cherise Botha

My name is Cherise and I'm a 19 year old mom to a beautiful little boy. My hobbies mainly consist of practicing digital designing and art.

A quote that really inspires me is; "Venture outside your comfort zone, the rewards are worth it."



Dylan (Photo left)

Photography: Gemini Solutions Studio
 Agency: Gemini Model & Talent Agency.

I am a young man, I love gaming, swimming and being an inspiration to other people around the world.

I enjoy listening to music and being in my own world.

I am an enthusiastic young man.



Ziané

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Photo credits: NTX Photography
Facebook: Ziané Botha

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Isabella (Photo left)

Photo credit: Chelton de Beer
Instagram: isabella.debeer

Favourite quote or motto: "She is clothed with strength and dignity and she laughs without fear of the future." Proverbs 31:25

Hobbies: Nature lover, Arts and Crafts, Painting

My name is Isabella de Beer age 25, I am a young female entrepreneur that believes everything is possible with dedication, hard work and a lot of faith, with God's grace nothing is impossible .

Growing up, life wasn't always easy, but your past doesn't define your future and to me, being an entrepreneur simply means being someone who wants to make a difference in other people's lives.

As a former photographer and model, I gained experience and knowledge about the beauty and cosmetic industry at a very young age . I have a passion for beauty and a vision to help every woman achieve there true potential, That's where the vision of my own Natural Pharmaceutical hair growth product range started- IsabellaB_hair supplements . All women are beautiful and deserve to be celebrated and if I can empower other woman to be beautiful in a natural way, to me it's a big accomplishment.

Jolene (Photo right)

Photo creds: Eduard John-Martin Baird
Social media: Instagram @jolene.horn.1
MUA: Aislynn_97

Favourite quote: You can never be overdressed or overeducated. Hobbies: Performing arts: Dancing, Acting, modelling and playing the guitar. Creating tiktok content and inspiring girls to love themselves and live a healthy lifestyle.

The kind, ambitious, hair and fitness enthusiast. Current permanent makeup artist and future Biokinetics. Reigning title holder of Face of Beauty SA who will be representing SA at FOB international in the Philippines later this year. "I live my life by the rule of love, give love to all and do harm to none."



Magdalize (Photo right)

Photographer: RedVine Photography
Modeling School: ACE Models Bloemfontein

I started modeling at the age of 10 and was hooked when I won my first pageant in 2014 as Little Miss Bloemshow. My greatest modeling achievement so far was when I was crowned as Miss Mini Teen South Africa 2016 and then Teen Face of Free State Fashion Week 2018. My biggest dream is to one day compete in a major International Pageant. I am also passionate about Photographic modeling.

My hobbies are dancing, listening to music and doing special fx make-up. I believe: "In a world full of Kardashians, be a Lady Diana".



Navikah (Photo left)

Photo Credit: Novae Photography
Social Media: Instagram @lts_navi_06
Make-up Artist: Simone Fourie
Modeling Agency: The Wolf Agency
Modeling Academy: Ace Models Benoni

Favorite Quote: "Just Do You"
Hobbies: Dancing ,Baking

I have been modeling with ACE Modeling Academy for just over a year now and loving every second. I recently signed with The Wolf Agency being one of the best decisions I've made thus far.

I have always wanted to become a model and seeing myself through the lenses of professional photographers has helped boost my confidence to a level that I can achieve my highest goals of having my name resonate in the modeling industry.

Apart from modeling I love listening to music , dancing and being creative with my make-up.

I am known for my determination to eagerly reach the goals that I have set, for this reason I have decided to pursue a career in forensics because of my inquisitive and enquiring mind.

Lizzie (Photo right)

Photo credit: Corrie Roos (Corpix Photography).
Facebook - lizzie_combrinck_98
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Favorite quotes/ motto: change is never easy, but always possible. (Barack Obama).
Hobbies: swimming, hiking, traveling, dancing, singing and painting.

I started modeling about a year ago while I was busy with my studies to keep my mind busy and I began loving it I've been told through out my life to try and do modeling but I was young and didn't look much into it but now I love it and would love to model more often.

I love the outdoors and camping, hiking and swimming is some of the things I love doing I like cooking, dancing and painting I'm very creative and love children.



Valmarie (Photo left)

Photo credit: Pipe dream photography – RAVEN
COSPLAY and DVB production for the Video
Instagram: @**valmarie**
Facebook: Valmarie Volschenk Miss Teen Public Choice 2020/2021

I love doing cosplay shoots. I have done Poison Ivy before and already planning my next one. With this shoot I really did feel like a superhero it was magical working with Deon and Ryno.

To be part of the Vaal Pageant namely 'Miss Teen Vaal Public Choice 2020/21' was a wonderful experience. I have also won Social Media Queen, as it shows me that the Vaal have noticed my efforts and it made me proud.

There is no better motivation than to see the big effect off what you thought was something small. I have done numerous community service's and will continue as it is close to my heart. With the help of the Vaal Pageant I have already become ambassadors for Wicker clothing and Top Vibe online magazine. Hopefully this year I will accomplice much more. You are welcome to follow my journey.

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What came first, modeling or pageants?

Actually I started participating in photogenic competitions in the beginning of lockdown 2020 and did extremely well.

Was modeling something you always wanted to do, or did it just kinda happen?

I did so well in photogenic competitions, my mom thought I might be good at modeling and we enrolled shortly after. To my surprise, it is amazing and I love it very much!

How did your career in Modeling take off?

I entered Talent America and won my age division. It just took off from there.

What's the best piece of advice you have gotten?

My mom keeps telling me - win or lose, she remains proud of me. That gives me the confidence to walk and not be scared.

What have been your most memorable experience in your modeling career thus far?

I entered miss enchanted Mermaid pageant. I won 1st Princess in my age and the overall debutant! That was my biggest crown ever I was thrilled.

How would you describe your own personality?

I'm a Fun loving, happy go lucky girl. I am considerate of other people feeling always trying my best to be kind and gracious.

What are some of the issues and causes you are raising awareness and advocating for?

The unemployment rate! We do a weekly food drive for the homeless. Myself my Couch and my friends collect non perishable foods and distribute them to the homeless. I really appreciated everything I have!

Let our readers know some of the things you are currently working on and some exciting things we can expect from you in the future.

I enter missy South Africa. It is a very big competition the biggest this far for me. I am working hard and giving my best to make it memorable and successful.

What would you like to be remembered for as a titleholder?

What I would hope to achieve, is to inspire other little girls and teach them beauty is not just skin deep but what lives in your heart will always show. Nothing is impossible if you have the right mindset.

How do you see yourself fifteen years from now?

I would like to become Miss South Africa.

Who is the most influential person in your life?

My Mom Dad and Couch Charmain

If you were given the chance to change something from the past, what would it be?

Nothing everything is pretty perfect!
What do you like to do for fun?

Everything! I do love my dresses and crowns but nothing beats grass sand and all my adorable dogs..

What have you learned about yourself today?

I'm to hard on myself. I do want everyone to be proud of me.

What are your future goals, dreams and plans?

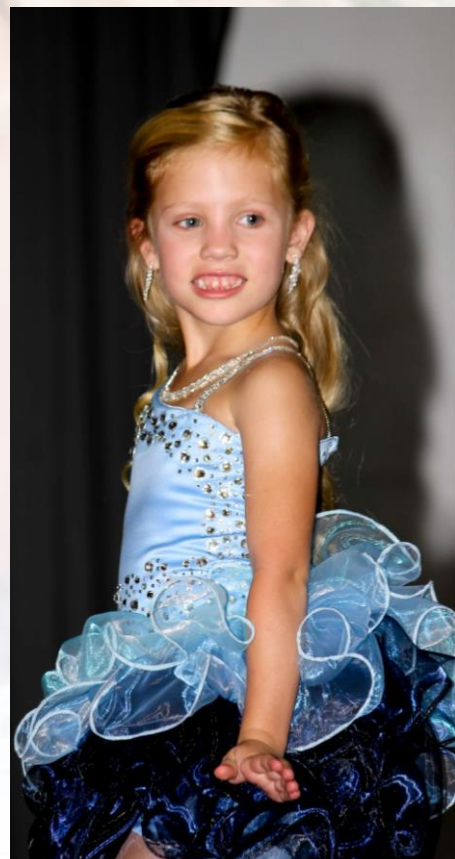
My dream is to be Miss South Africa one day and maybe Miss World if I have time, who knows.. I want to be a vet one day.. that is my ultimate goal. I work hard in class and always to my homework

What advice would you give someone who is entering a pageant for the first time?

READ the poster properly!!! Make sure you dress, hair and makeup is according. Then just have fun and most important do it for yourself...

If someone wants to connect with you, where can you be found?

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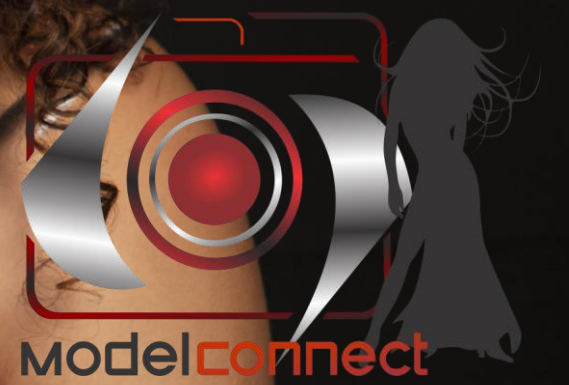


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