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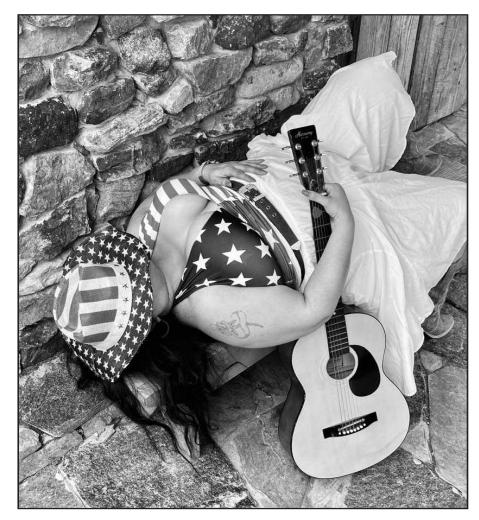
her modeling and acting ner modeling and acting career, she shares her story with the world. She wants to be the light at the end of the tunnel for others, showing them that healing is possible and that there is hope beyond the darkness. Breaking Misconceptions One common

misconception about domestic violence is that leaving is easy. Vivian emphasizes that abusers create a web of dependency that makes escape incredibly challenging. Understanding this complexity is vital for supporting survivors.

A Message of Hope
Vivian's story is a testament
to resilience and hope. She
envisions a future where
she can continue to be a
spokesperson for domestic
violence awareness. Her
journey from surviving to
thriving serves as an
inspiration to us all,
reminding us that no matter
how dark the night may
seem, there is always a
dawn waiting to break.
In her own words, Vivian
shares a message of hope
and encouragement: "Don't
wait until it's too late. You
are wonderfully and
beautifully made. Reach out
for help, and remember that
there is light at the end of
the tunnel. You can escape
the darkness and embrace
life once again."

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As we commemorate Domestic Violence Awareness Month, let Vivian's story be a call to action, a reminder that together, we can end the cycle of abuse and provide support to those who need it most it most.





## Preview







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sweet air of freedom.

The Healing Journey

Vivian's path to recovery was fraught with challenges, but she found strength in her faith. The emotional scars of abuse in her faith. The emotional scars of abuse lingered, but with the help of counseling and support, she started the long process of healing. Her self-esteem, once shattered, was rebuilt through therapy and a unique approach: taking selfies of herself to regain confidence, starting from her feet and working her way up. For Vivian, self-care involved hitting the gym and working on her physical health, a symbolic act of reclaiming her body and spirit. Her desire to empower others led her to modeling, where she could share her story and inspire fellow domestic violence survivors. violence survivors.

Support and Encouragement
Vivian's journey to freedom was a
solitary one, marked by isolation and
financial constraints. She had very little
support from friends and family, save for
her unwavering mother. This highlights
the need for strong support systems and
awareness about the complexity of
domestic violence.
The Road to Freedom

The Road to Freedom

Leaving an abusive relationship is not as simple as it may seem to outsiders. The abuser often manipulates the victim into dependency, making escape appear impossible. Vivian's advice is clear: "Don't wait until you reach the end of the road with suicide being your only choice. You are wonderfully created, and God loves you, as do your friends and family."

The Role of Counseling and Therapy Counseling played a crucial role in Vivian's recovery. Therapy, combined with her faith and medication for depression, was the key to her healing. The wounds may fade, but the scars remain. The emotional and psychological damage rups deep and counseling helps damage runs deep, and counseling helps survivors confront and heal from their trauma.

From Survivor to Advocate

Vivian now stands as an advocate for domestic violence awareness. Through





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From Survivor to Thriver: Vivian Tobar's Inspiring Journey to Freedom

In the dimly lit corridors of domestic violence, where despair and fear often shroud the light of hope, one voice emerges triumphant, telling a story that needs to be heard. Vivian Tobar, a Domestic Violence Survivor, defied the odds to break free from an abusive relationship, and today, she stands as a beacon of hope, empowerment, and resilience. As we celebrate Domestic Violence Awareness Month, her story serves as a powerful testament to the strength of the human spirit and the importance of shedding light on this pervasive issue.

A Deceptive Beginning

Vivian's journey through the darkness of domestic violence began with a heartwarming southern charm. Her husband appeared sweet, kind, and caring, leaving no hint of the horrors that lay ahead. Just one month into their marriage, the facade shattered, and the nightmare began. The emotional and verbal abuse became a daily ordeal, and physical violence arrived unpredictable waves.

Vivian recalls, "I used to tell them 'just leave him.' Now I understood why they couldn't." This stark realization was a haunting turning point in her life. The person who once wore the mask of charm had become the source of her torment.

The Harrowing Ordeal

The abuse took a devastating toll on Vivian. She was alienated from her children, family, and friends, locked in a prison of silence and suffering. Her sense of self-worth was ruthlessly stripped away, leaving her feeling worthless and invisible. In a heart-wrenching moment of desperation, she cried out to the heavens, "I can't do this anymore, Lord." It was a cry for liberation, for salvation, for life itself. And it was answered. Her ex-husband left her life for good, and she could finally breathe. It was a rebirth, a chance to look up when she walked, to regain her dignity, and to breathe in the







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gratitude for this beautiful

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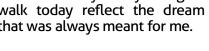
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Which brings me to this statement May every design I walk today reflect the dream that was always meant for me.

Michael Sutherland















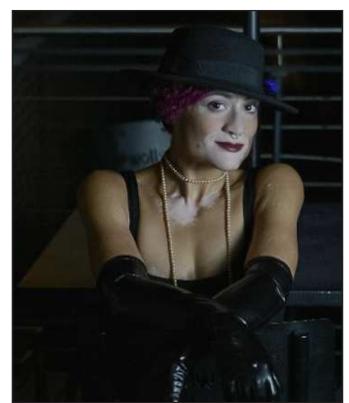














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My name is Cece Glamour also known as Aliyonah Morgan I've been into pinup since I was 16 and have been doing it for 2 months now. However my dream is to own my own production studio and school for film.



Photos Credits: Eddie Finch Photography / Mike Sussman imaging

The Spotted Beauty was born in Vermont in 1982 and grew up being one of very few people of color. She was unable to self identify and had a difficult home life as a child. Because of these factors along with being diagnosed with vitiligo at age 8, she had a very difficult time with her mental health. She then became bulimic and anorexic as well as self harmed as a way to cope with her extremely low self esteem and self worth. These experiences are what have motivated her desire to want to help empower and uplift as many people as possible. So that they never have to go through the self hate that she went through.

The Spotted Beauty is now a body positivity influencer and model. Baring it all and embracing all of her unique qualities for the world to see. Her hope is that she can touch just one person and help them to feel comfortable, powerful and WORTHY in the skin they are in! She has developed quite the following on Instagram and is living her truth. She hopes to continue to be approached and anointed with opportunities to be SEEN. So that we normalize people with differences. People that don't fit inside society's vision of "beauty". She works each day to help combat that disgusting vision and to create a better and healthier vision for everyone!

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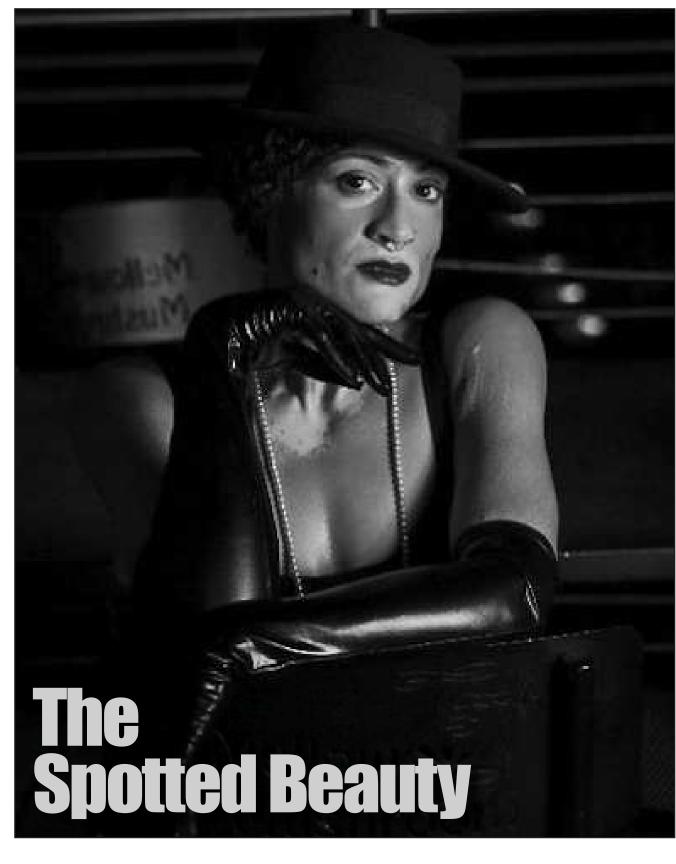


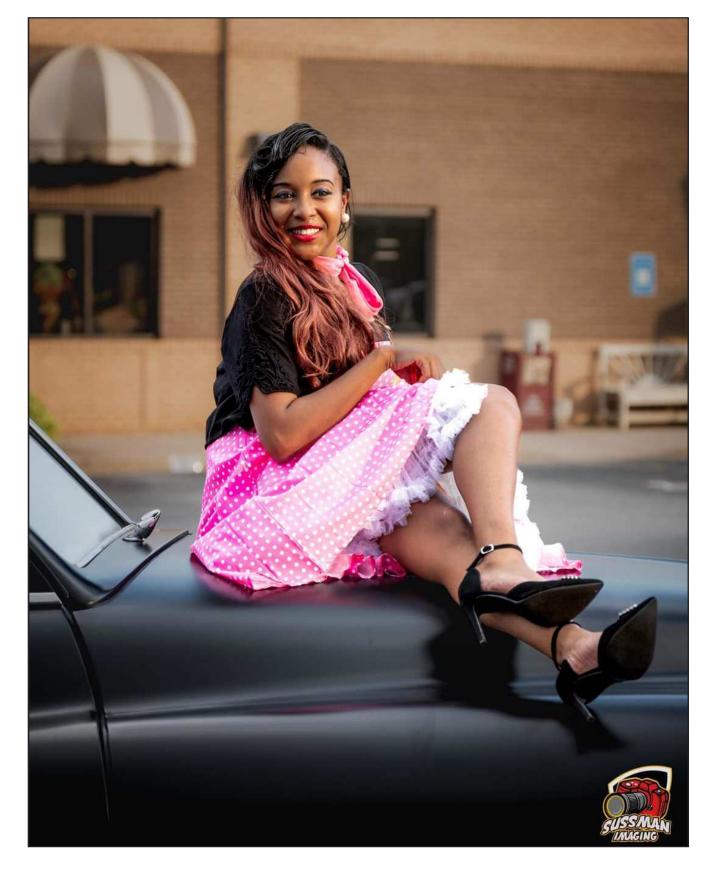












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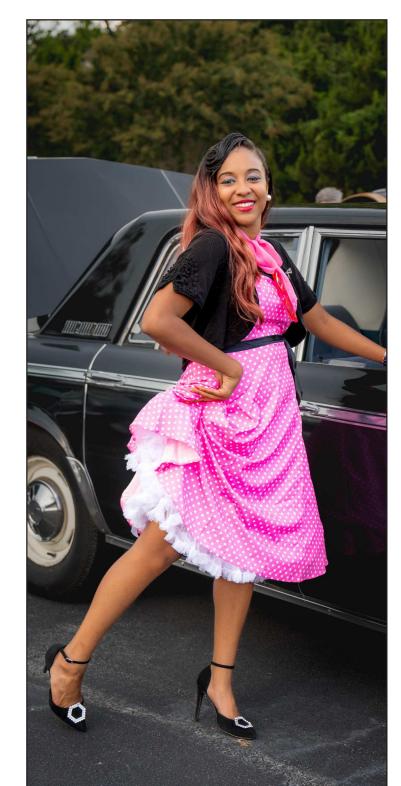
























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Teresa Peek, VASIII is the founder of Nu 2 Me LLC clothing pop-up shop and Nu Freedom Senior Concierge Services LLC. She is passionate about the health, financial stability of older adults, fighting elder abuse, and advancing equity in aging. She is the Executive Director of the Elder Group a nonprofit organization advocating for seniors and people with disabilities, she also chairs the NAACP Senior Advocacy Committee. She has more than 25 years of extensive community outreach and human services experience in non-profit.

Ms. Peek is a former Commissioner of the Washington County Women's Commission and former President of the Cooper River Baptist Association Health Ministry, serving a term of 6 years overseeing 24 churches. She is a motivational speaker, and certified victim's advocate. Ms. Peek has a dream of one day opening an assisted living facility that provides 5 star living for indigent seniors who cannot afford luxury living. Her goal is to raise more funding for her nonprofit organization to continue proving financial and educational services when needed to the elderly. One of her proudest accomplishments was being a part of the planning committee that built the 911 statue in downtown Columbia, SC. The biggest challenge is the nonprofit organization not having the funding to assist seniors with bills or emergency housing.

Her favorite quote, "People succeed because they know where they are going" - Earl Nightingale

Photographers Credits (If Any): Sneak Peek Photography, Henry Thomas, Born Again Photography



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different genres of music that go along with different genres of dance. I can't wait to get to high school because I know in high school I'll be learning different things and dance as well and that is very exciting for me, I owe a lot to my mom who is always been there to support me even when I give her the hardest of times because sometimes I'm either tired overworked, and I find myself sometimes not always appreciating what







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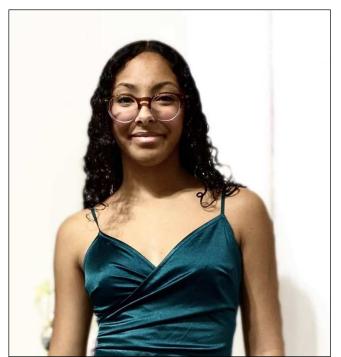
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My Name Is Raffy I am 13 years old & I am now a 8th grader & it's hard to believe that this is my last year in middle school Wow time is flying by so fast but I am enjoying everything that 8th grade has to offer I am on yearbook this year I am still working with the special needs children & I am involved a





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Hello I am Siobhan Connor

Model name: Curvacious Gem

I would like to submit for the magazine:

Bio: I started my modeling career three years ago after just going on a whim and doing a shoot with Rick D Jones in Miami Florida to step outside my box an and build my self esteem. Not knowing that it would spark a new career path and inspiration to encourage other women like me by modeling, to continue to break the mold and stereo typing, that full figured, plus sized women can't dress sexy and sophisticated or be beautiful. Also mentoring young ladies, teaching them etiquette, fashion, and confidence, preparing them to be job ready.

I am now one of the founders and CCO of C3Elite, formally known as The Ladies of Fearless Curves Elite (L.O.F.C.E) My platform is to empower women, to help build low self esteem, inspiring others that they are beautiful, and they can let their beauty and inner light shine even more in the styling and fashion. Beauty is not defined by size or age. My motto "Never let ANYONE dim you shine".

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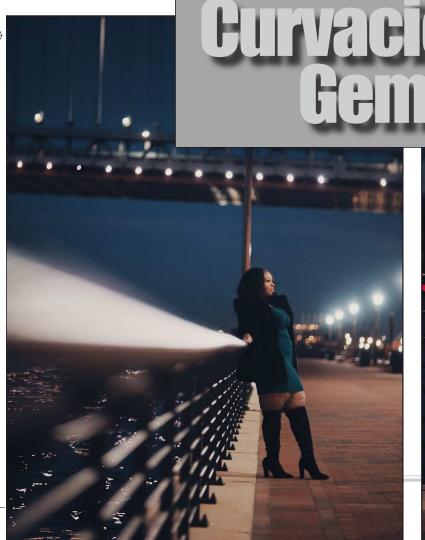


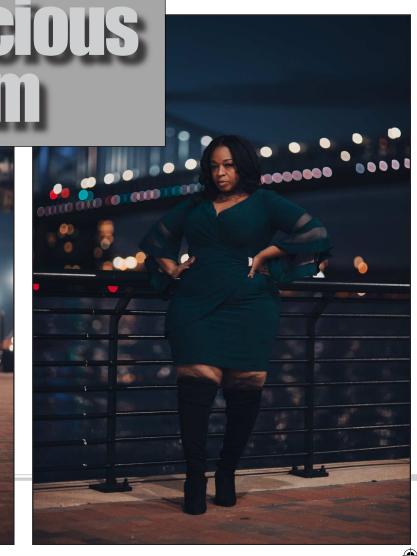














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Patrice Witherspoon Allen is a 42 year old mother of two, wife of 16years who hails from the great city & state of Durham, NC. Patrice currently owns a graphic business but the name is "Whatcha Want Graphics" & she also sells affordable fashionable jewelry at "3of3 Boutique" & all













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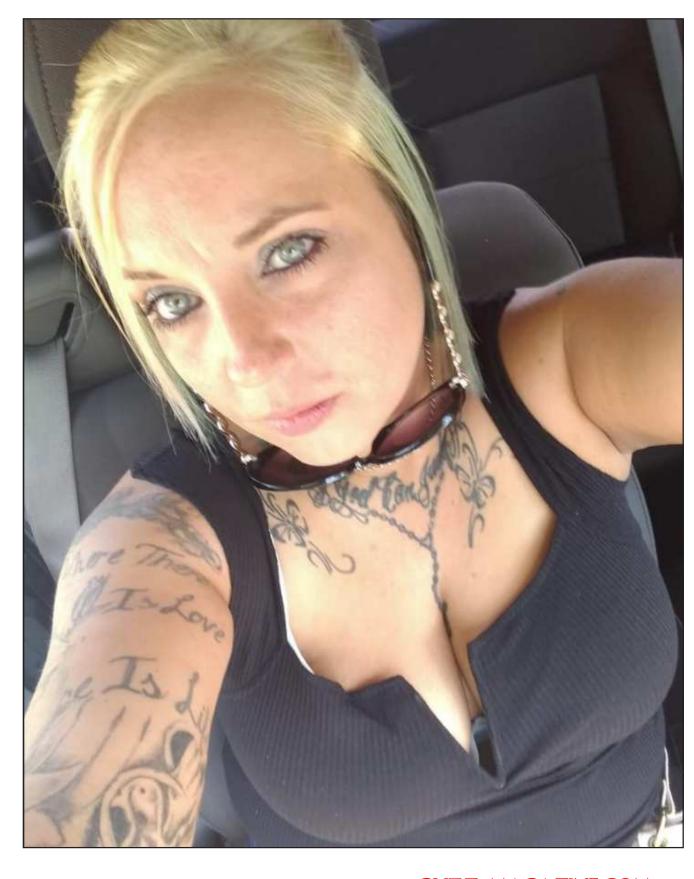










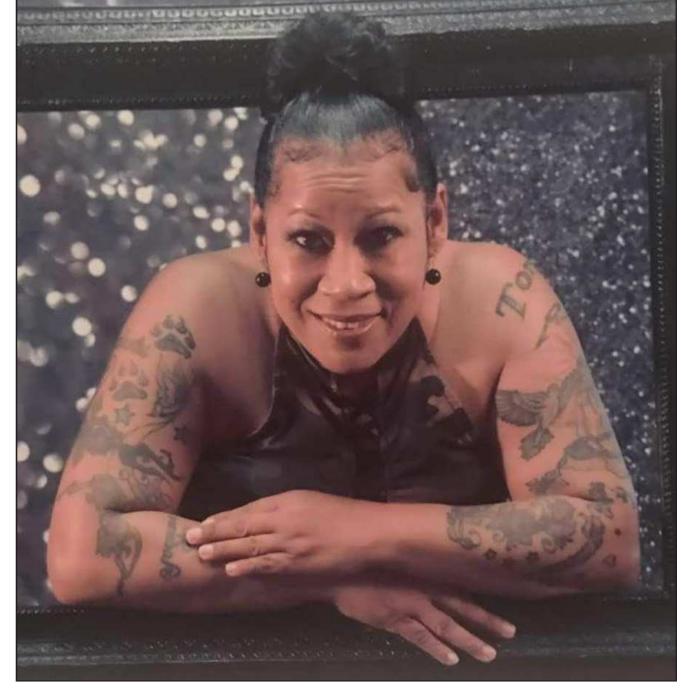


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I am a seasoned model. Yes I started late. It took a friend of mine to get me to do what I was born to do. I always wanted to be a model. I am 53 years old I work full-time in a warehouse yep just like the men there. I also work a part-time job. My a friend of mine to get me to do what I was born to do. I always wanted to be a model. I am 53 years old I work full-time in a warehouse yep just like the men there. I also work a part-time job. My goal and dreams is to be a model full-time. Ladies your never too old to follow your dream the first step is to get up. My goals is to pay my house off

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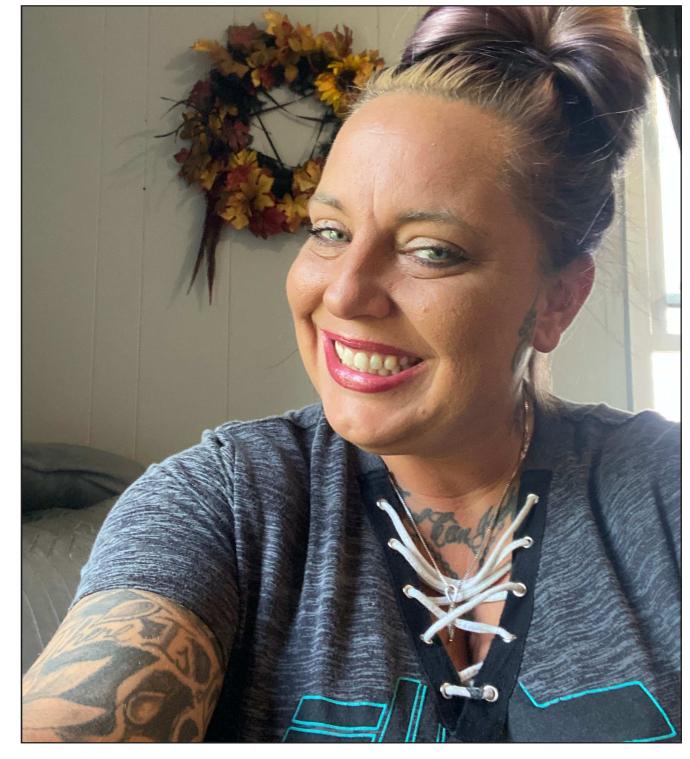












My name is Natasha half of my dreams have come true raising my children seeing them all from high school walking across the stage sending them off to college onto their new homes. Now I go on life is to get out of the state of Indiana go somewhere peaceful! My goals is to own my own restaurant and my achievements in life are my kids and sobriety A

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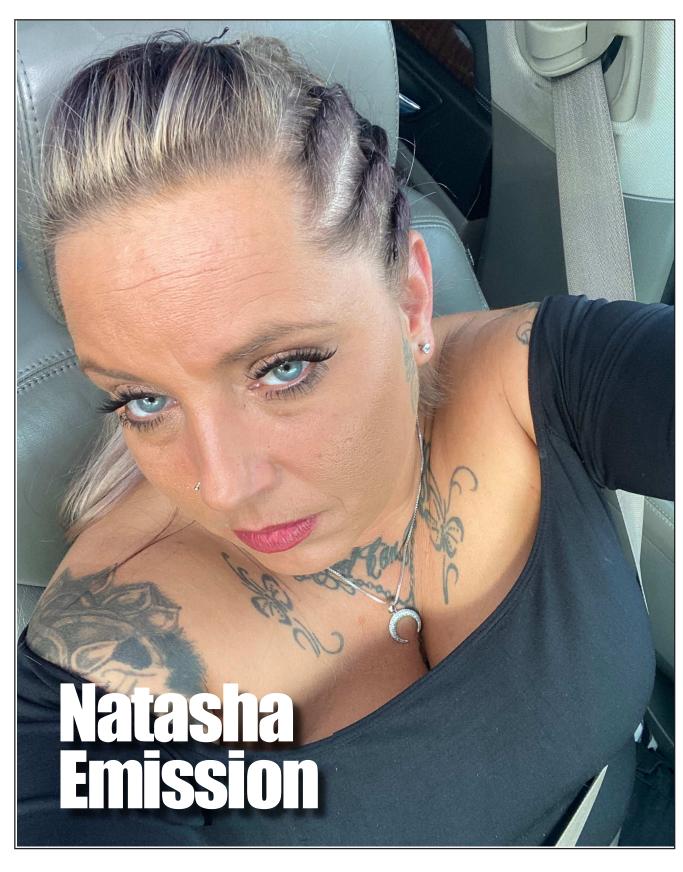
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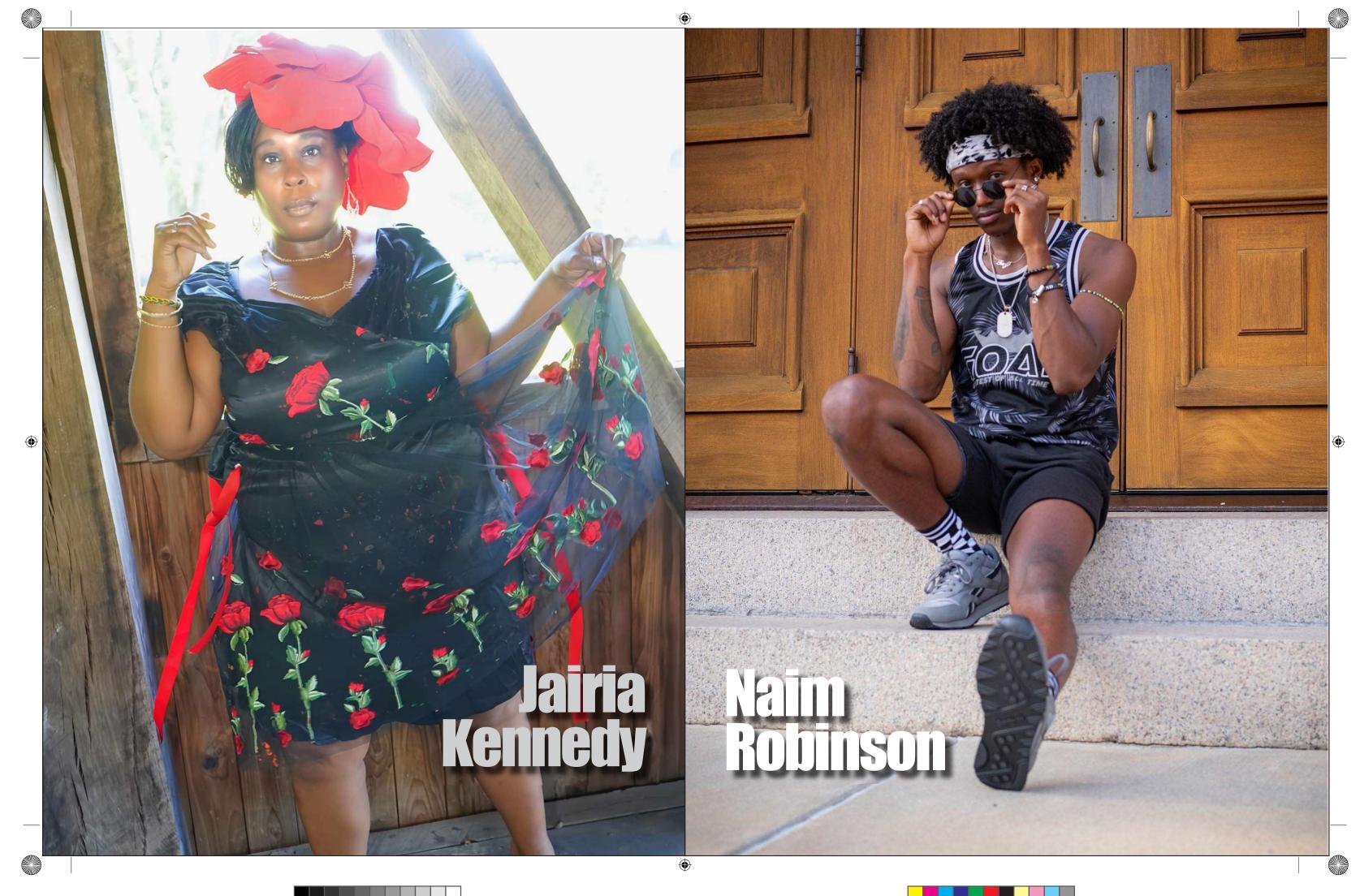










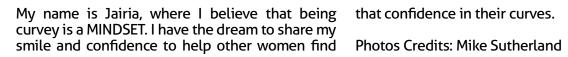














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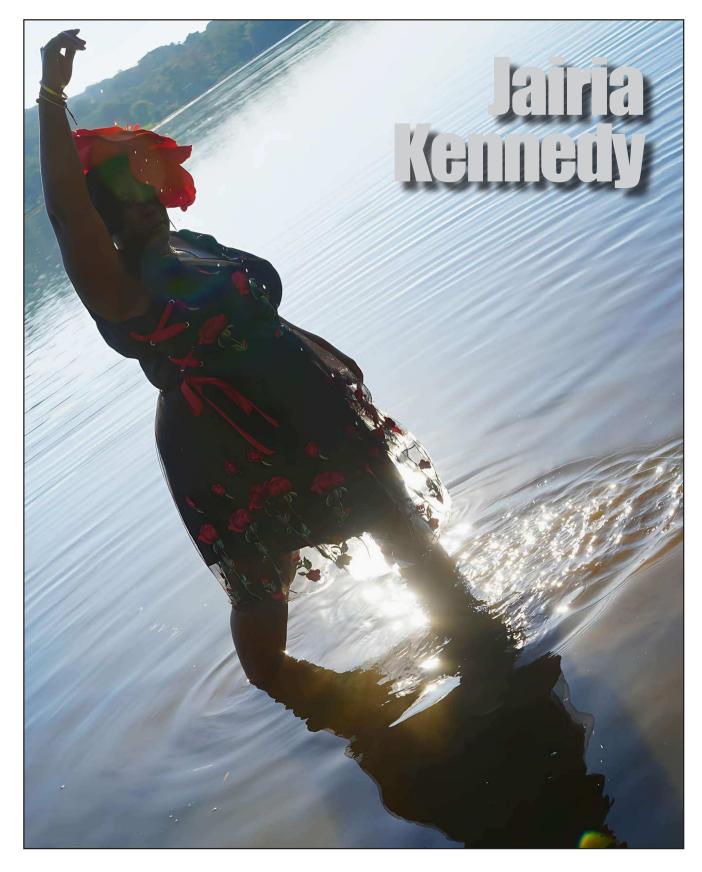








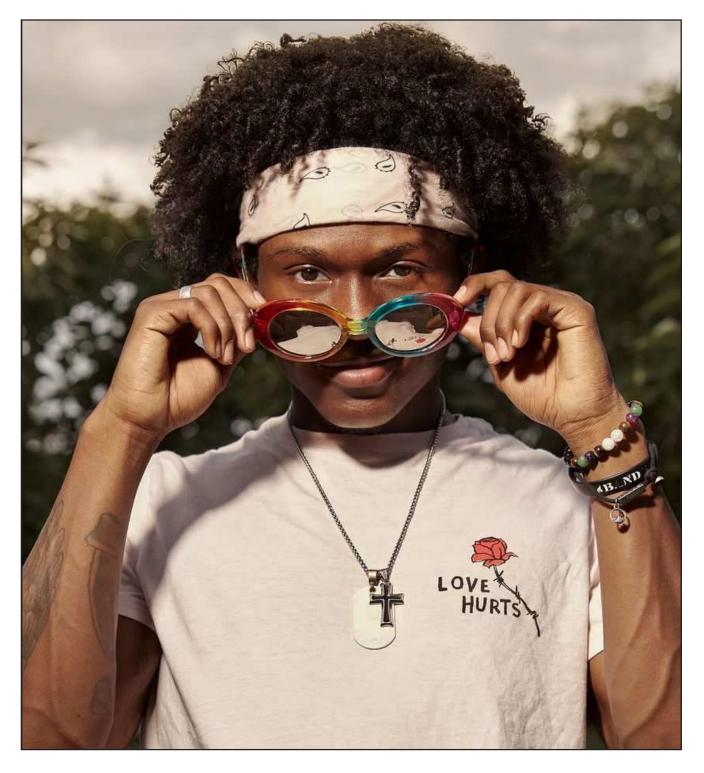




many new people, gaining more experience, and honestly just having fun. I feel as I'm on the correct path God has set for me and I'm just enjoying the ride while having high hopes for what's to come.

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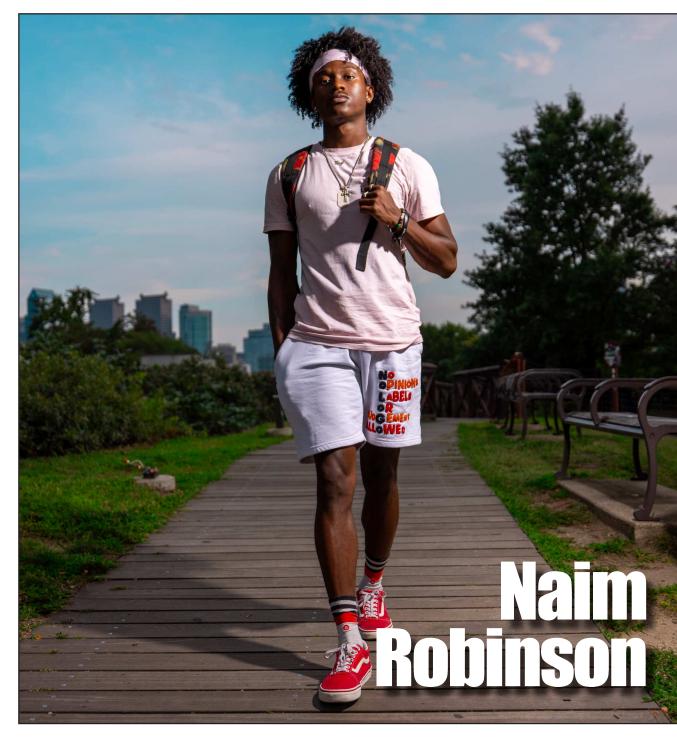




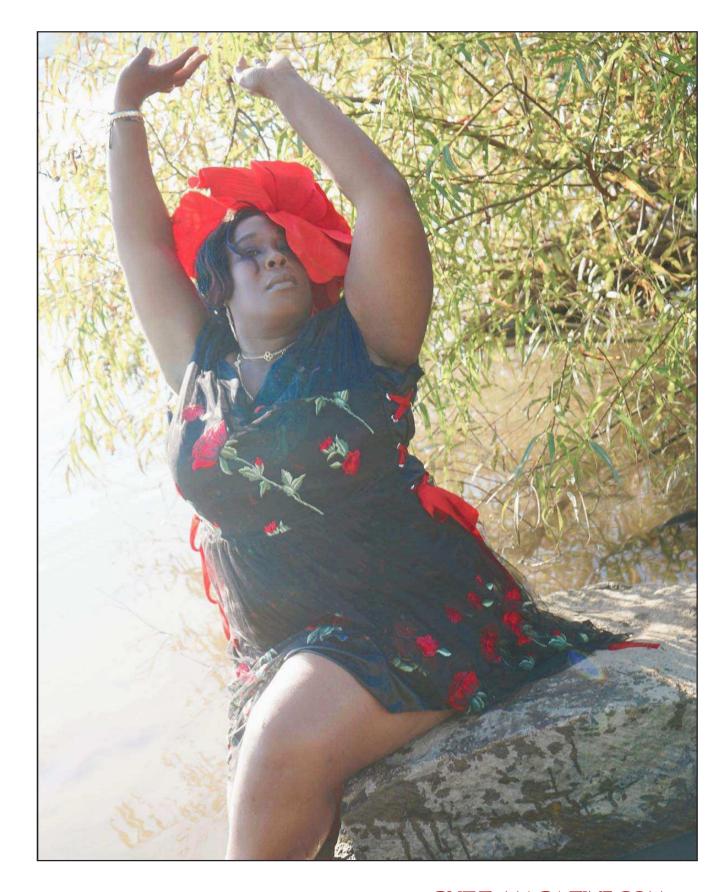








My dream is to play as Miles Morales in theaters some day. Along with this I honestly want to take modeling as far as I possible can. I came into doing modeling around the beginning of 2023 based off of an interest of trying it out and just seeing what I can do in the industry. I've been in a handful of



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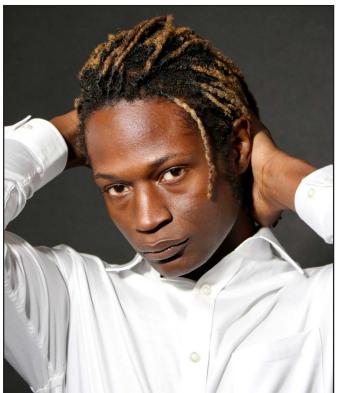


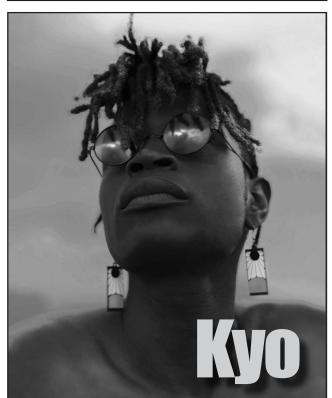












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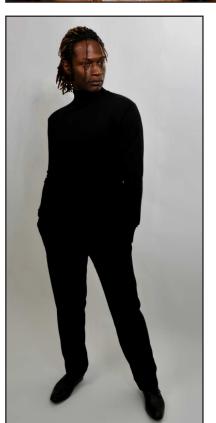








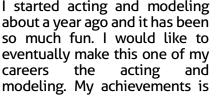


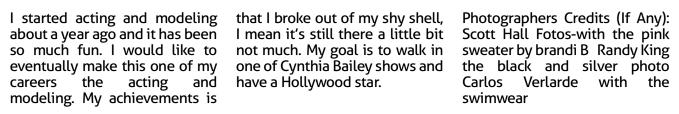














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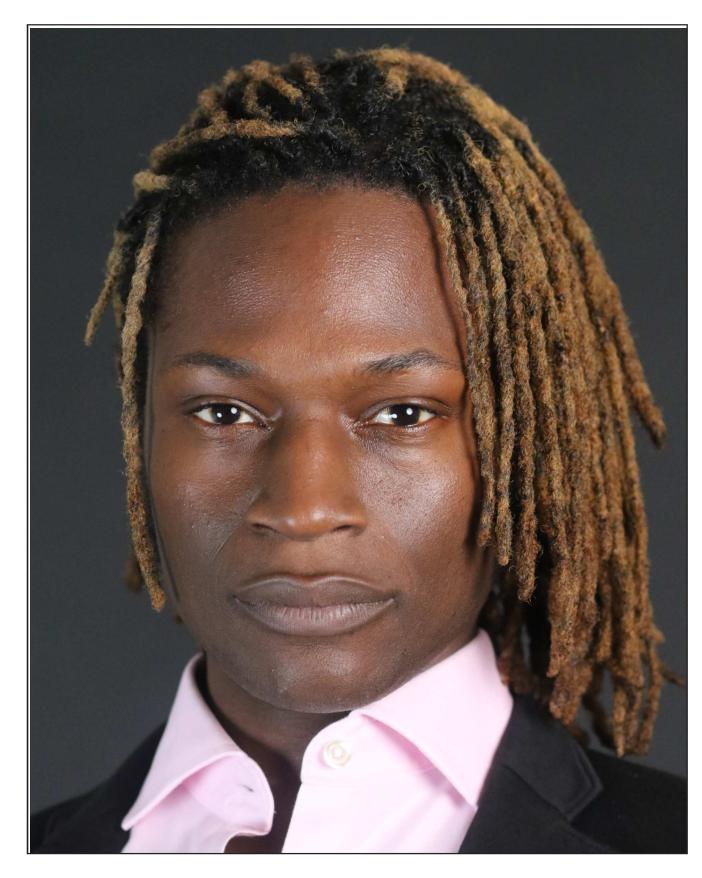












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For me, I want to break conventions of what it is to be a man in a new era of a changing world. I am setting a new standard for self expression, breaking boundaries and demonstrating for all to bear witness that this what a man looks like who gains self evident truth.

Even better, I get to fulfill my own artistic ambitions and discovering new talents and abilities I wasn't sure I even had to begin with. Finding my place, if you will.

No lack of assurance.

No fear.

No confusion.

I want to, by whatever means that may suit my person, show that light for all to bear witness in the hopes that they too will seek out their own light, knowing the beauty and safety that comes with that.

I want to lead people to that place for themselves. That's but a mere fraction of my great dream.

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My name is Kimberly Nielson and I am 7 years old. I have been doing gymnastics for 2 years and am currently a Silver level 3 in the Excel program. When I go to college I would love to be on the Redrocks Gymnastics team at the University of Utah. My



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