

STYLE



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"You look fabulous. And you smell great, too."

DESIGNER ZAC POSEN, INTRODUCING HIMSELF TO JENNIFER LOPEZ AT THE POST-OSCAR VANITY FAIR PARTY



A VERY BARBIE BIRTHDAY

She's been a fashion icon, an inspiration and is made of less plastic than your average Hollywood starlet — Barbie celebrates her 47th birthday tomorrow. The blond-haired, Corvette-driving, reversible pink clothing-wearing doll was introduced to an unsuspecting world in 1959, but doesn't look a day over 22. METRO/AC

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Accentuate the positive

Gisele Bundchen wants the best for your girls

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INTERVIEW Last week, Victoria's Secret rolled out its new IpeX Wireless Bra at the lingerie leviathan's 34th Street and Broadway store. Gisele Bundchen, a captain of the company's leggy-model all-star team, was on hand to answer some questions and be very tall.

► So, what's the bra feel like?
You want to feel it?

► Yes. [Giselle hands over the bra] It's nice. Basically, this bra, the whole thing about it is that it's a wireless bra, but it

gives the same support as a bra with wires. The great thing about it is that it's a lot more comfortable than a bra with wires because it doesn't poke you. But it has the same effect, which is support. It feels like you are wearing nothing. And it kind of looks like you are wearing nothing, but you aren't.

► And what can it do for women who aren't 6-foot-tall lingerie models?
I think it can do a lot more for women who have bigger chests, you know? Which is not us, in this case. I think the women who would prefer to wear this bra actually are bigger women, because they need a lot more support. But then they have that wire poking them. So now they have a bra for

them, as well. For girls who have less breasts, I think that one looks better [Giselle points to a different model bra on the store wall], because it's cut and it kind of lifts you up a little. It kind of ...

► Accentuates them.
Accentuates them. Exactly. But for women with fuller breasts, this is a much better bra. It gives you the support you need. But you wouldn't know that, because you're not a woman.

► What's the most acrobatic thing you've ever done in heels — professionally?
Oh my god. You twist your body in all kinds of different directions. People have to understand that a picture is a picture. You can

control and learn the angles of your body to make it look however you want.

► Have you ever worn a K-Mart bra?
No.

► Would you?
I don't know if I would like the quality of the K-Mart bra. I don't know. Do they have good quality?

► I'm not sure. I've never worn one. I like quality and comfort.



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GISELE BUNDCHEN
ON THE NEW IPEX BRA
FROM VICTORIA'S SECRET.

Where to get it

• Get your own IpeX bra at the Victoria's Secret at Herald Square, 1328 Broadway. For more information call 212-356-8380 or go to www.victoriasecret.com

METRO MANNEQUIN: What are you wearing?

Name
Strummer Hoffston
Age 22
Occupation Ad sales assistant
Home Lower East Side

Tell us about this outfit.
The fur coat, my grandmother gave me; the boots and the dress are from the flea market on Avenue A; and the sunglasses are from a vintage store in Philadelphia.

What's your favorite item of clothing?
Well it was a pair of black spike-heeled boots that I spray painted gold, but I just snapped the heel after wearing them to death.

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All up in your grill

Gold and diamonds put the sexy in the phrase 'metal mouth.'

TREND Nelly calls it "A smile on da rocks," but most people just call it a grill (assuming they know what to call it at all). Gavin Stevens, Mass Appeal magazine photo editor and former grill designer, talks to Metro about the ins and outs of getting a grill and what the difference is between a good one and a great one (Hint: It's going to cost you).

► How do you make a grill?
It's the lost wax method of jewelry making. First you take an impression in a dental tray. Someone literally bites down onto a piece of putty.

► Like if you're getting braces?
Yeah, exactly. Then you make the mold and then you take that mold and dip it in wax. The wax burns off and the gold replaces where the wax was.

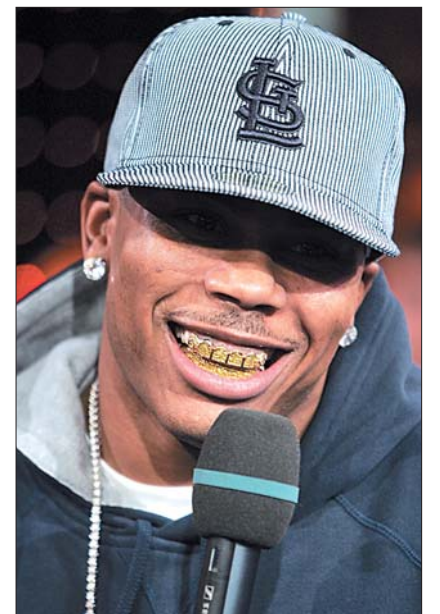
► Then you pop them in and call it a day?
Yeah. Well, no. You take them out and polish them and do a quite a bit of work on them. You can get them

engraved or have diamonds or rubies or sapphires or whatever you want put on them.

► And this isn't going to mess up your teeth?
Food can get in there and that's what causes some tooth decay. If you take them off and clean them and take them out when you sleep and eat, they can't harm your teeth at all

► Is this trend all Nelly's doing? Paul Wall's? Lil Jon's? Dave Chappelle's by pretending to be Lil Jon?
I don't want to call it a trend cause it's been around for so long. But it's definitely one of those things that climaxes and hits a peak and goes back down. I mean, the jewelry that people were wearing was so outrageous already that they just took it to the next and said, "I'll put this in my mouth too." And a lot of it is you want your grill to match your chain to match your bracelet to match your watch. You can't go out there with a platinum grill and a rose gold watch.

► What makes a good grill?
The shiniest ones are the best, I guess,



ALTHOUGH NELLY is seriously rocking his grill, he is committing a fashion faux pas by not matching it with the rest of his bling. Tsk tsk, Nelly. We expect better.

the more diamonds, the more ice. People would literally get 10 stones a tooth sometimes. Five to 10 gs platinum with diamonds with hundreds of stones. Just grills that are worth more than my car. Which isn't saying very much — my car's a piece of junk.

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