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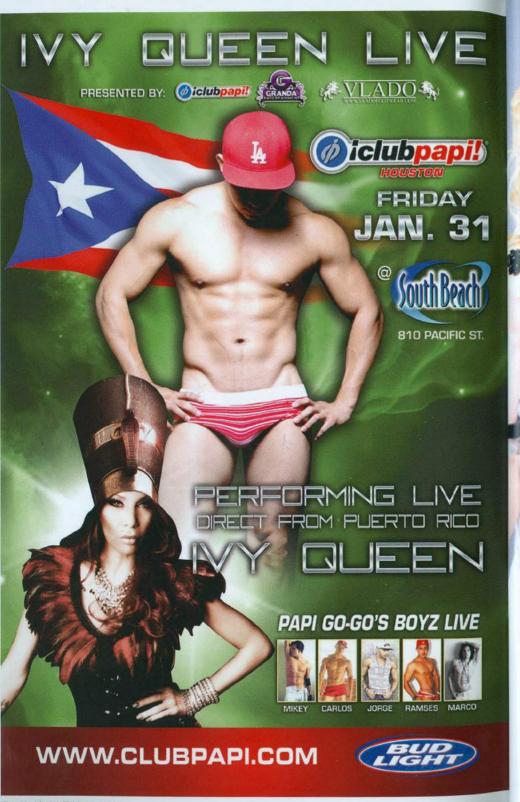
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Reggaeton," was born Martha Ivelisse Pesante on March 4, 1972, in Afiasco. Puerto Rico. She moved with her parents to New York as a child, but the family relocated back to Afiasco while Martha was a teenager, and she finished her public education in Puerto Rico, becoming more and more fascinated and involved with the active underground world of Latin hip-hop. She moved to San Juan at the age of 18, where she met rapper and producer DJ Negro, who helped her earn performing spots at The Noise, a club catering to the emerging reggaeton scene. DJ Negro began producing a series of CDs centered around The Noise, and Martha -- as Ivy Queen -- made her first appearance on the fifth installment of the CD series with a track called "Somos Raperos Pero no Delincuentes." Ivy was growing increasingly tired of the violent and explicit sexual lyrics rampant on the scene, and went out on her own in 1996, releasing a debut album, En Mi Imperio, which was quickly picked up by Sony for distribution in 1997. A second album from Sony, The Original Rude Girl, appeared a year later in 1998, followed by the much anticipated Diva, which was released in 2003 on Real Music. Real appeared a year later on Universal Latino, followed by Flashback on Univision in 2005. Her 2007 album, Sentimiento, reached number four on Billboard's Top Latin Album chart. It was followed three years later by Drama Queen. ~

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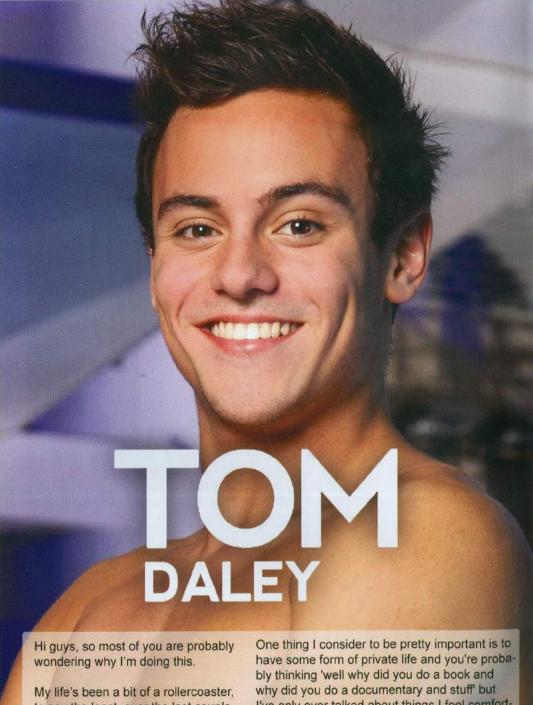
#11 Holiday Christmas

Well I survived the holiday season but something's about Christmas give me the crimson ass! I know I shouldn't have any issues with the Holiday Christmas season, but I do.

- 1. "Merry Christmas" Legislation is having to be passed for my right to say "Merry Christmas"? Seriously? I'm sorry I thought the First Amendment did that, Freedom of Speech? If you find "Merry Christmas" offensive you have either very small jingle bells or you need to get them rung. Perhaps you should do us all a favor and swim back over to the Island of Misfit Toys.
- 2. Gift Cards These are the laziest Christmas gifts ever. It basically says I think nothing of you and would rather jack off a reindeer than take the time to buy you a gift. Besides if you don't give me an actual gift however will I be able to judge you by your gift.
- 3. Elf on a Shelf enough I am tired of how many uncreative ways you can make it look like Barbie is going down on this creep on Facebook.
- 4. "Santa Clause Is Coming to Town" Scariest song ever who wrote this, Stephen King? "He sees you when you're sleeping. He knows when you're awake. He knows if you've been bad or good. So be good for goodness sake!" Pull this sleigh over! What type of John Wayne Gacy, creepy clown, 'Dateline to Catch a Predator', pedophiles Christmas wish list tune is this?"
- Eggnog What the hell is this? I have narrowed it down to one of two things either reindeer or elf cum.
- 6. Believing in Santa Claus What a rip off when I was told by my neighbor, Ricky, Santa was fake. Wouldn't it be great to still believe? However Ricky redeemed himself because a few years later he taught me how to play with my own peppermint stick. So Ricky you're forgiven.

- 7. Bell Ringers yes the guy in his sweat pants with a Taco Bell hot sauce on the leg a Dallas Cowboys jacket and Santa hat. Just ringing that damn bell incisively outside of every store. You think giving them money would make them stop, but NO. Kick them in the Christmas balls I bet they do.
- 8. Santa Claus Fetish Eww.
- 9. Lush at office Christmas party you are embarrassing yourself. Almost as bad as the guy who is constantly kissing the boss' Christmas balls. Back when I had a real job there was this girl we called Joyce DeWitt. I drank a lot back then it might have been her post "Three's Company". We found her passed out tinsel in hair hugging a plastic wise man covered in eggnog. It looked like she'd been gang raped by out-of-work elves. Open Bar is no joke.
- 10. Gift Giving Why do we wait until the end of the year to tell or show someone how we feel about them? If my best friend, Summa, has taught me anything it is that the present is just that a present. Live in the moment. Christmas is whenever you want it to be. Carry it with you like the one you love and hold dear.

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to say the least, over the last couple of years. Losing my dad to cancer in 2011 was one of the hardest things I've ever had to deal with in my life. Then winning an Olympic medal last year in 2012 in front of a home crowd, finishing my A Levels this year.. it's been hectic

I've only ever talked about things I feel comfortable talking about.

When I was younger I didn't like talking about a bullying situation at school, I didn't like talking about my dad because at the time it was a sensitive subject.

It's one of those things where in an ideal world I shouldn't be doing this video because it shouldn't matter but recently I was misquoted in an interview and it made me feel really angry and frustrated. Emotions that I've never felt before when reading quotes about myself.

Honesty, for me is something I really do believe in. And I've always been honest. I may have been vague in some of my answers, but one thing I've never felt that comfortable talking about are my relationships, because it is what I get asked even if I'm doing sporting interviews 'do you have a girlfriend, who are you seeing' all that sort of stuff.

I mean, I've been dating girls and I've never really had a serious relationship to talk about. Now I kind of feel ready to talk about relationships. Come Spring this year, my life changed, massively, when I met someone and they make me feel so happy, so safe and everything just feels great.

Well that someone is a guy. And it did take me by surprise a little bit. It was always in the back of my head that something like that could happen. But it wasn't until spring this year that something just clicked, it felt right. And I was like: OK.

Like I said, my whole world just changed right there and then. Of course, I still fancy girls, but right now I'm dating a guy and I couldn't be happier. I feel safe and it just feels right.

People are going to have their own opinions and people are going to make a deal of this. Is it a big deal? I don't think so. People are going to call me a liar, it's going to be big, but I wanted to say something and right now I'm ready and I wanted to do it.

People will think: what would your dad say? Well he always said: 'if you're happy, I'm happy' and right now I couldn't be happier. My mum's been so supportive as well, I can count the number of people on my hand that I've told, but all my friends and family that I have told have been so supportive and great.

But I told the rest of my family today and let's just say they had mixed opinions, lots of them didn't believe it, lots of them wanted me to keep it quiet. Some said why don't you just do a statement, why don't you do a magazine cover, why don't you do a TV interview?



But I didn't want to get my words twisted, I wanted to put an end to the rumours and just say it, to tell you guys. Because it's what I want to do.

My friends and family are always there to support me and I hope you guys can be too. I'm still Tom. I still want to win a gold medal for Great Britain in Rio in 2016. I'm still as motivated as ever to do that, and it would be great to have you guys on that journey too.

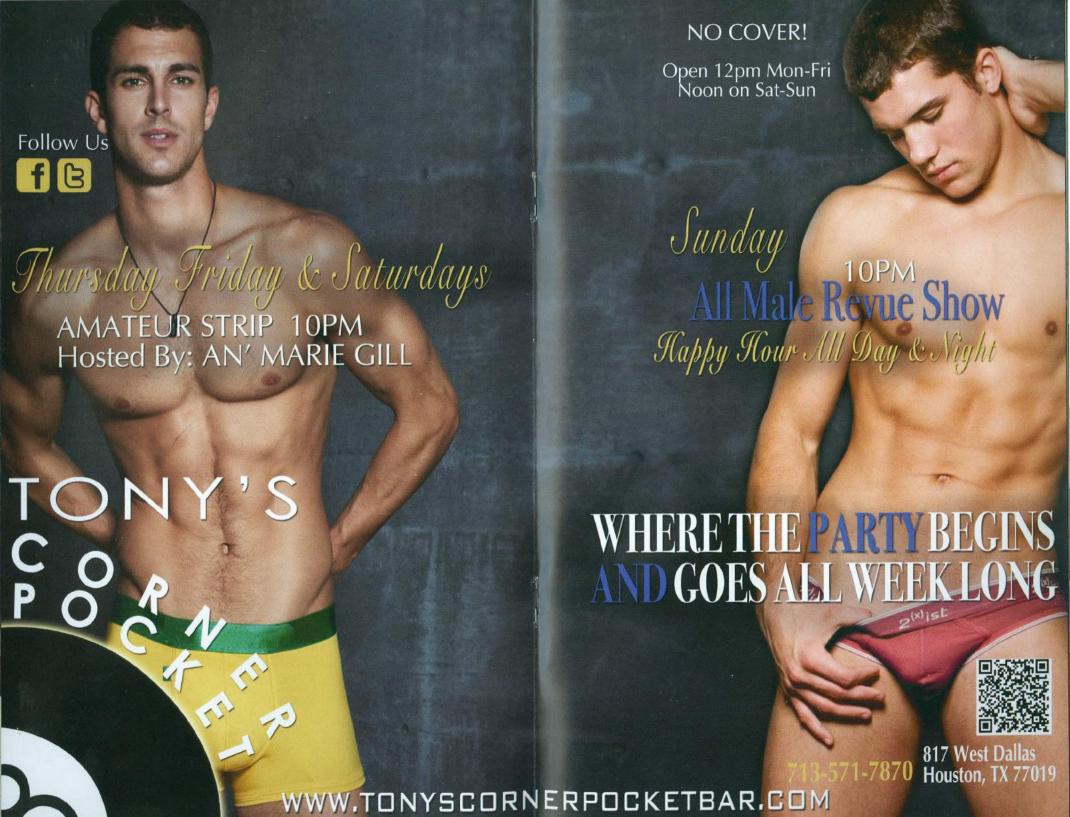
I just wanted to make sure that I got to tell you guys before I head off to Houston for a training camp I've got up until Christmas. I'm glad that I've got it off my chest.

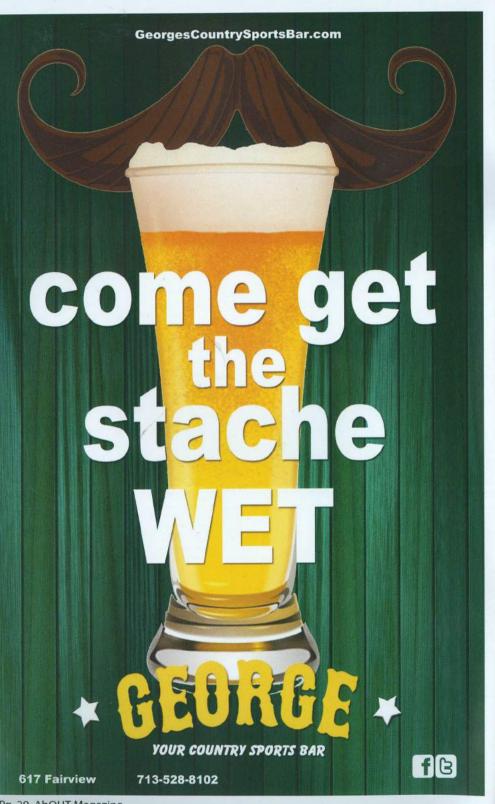
And I hope you can join me on my journey to Rio 2016, too.

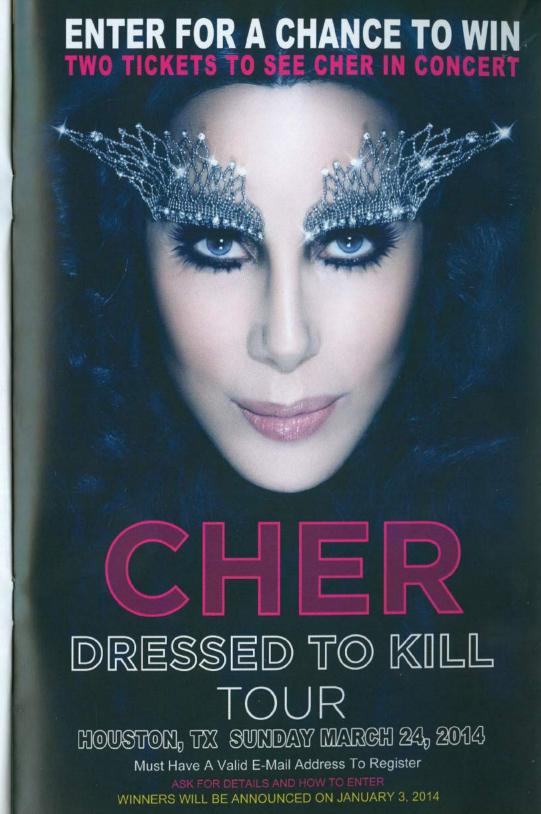




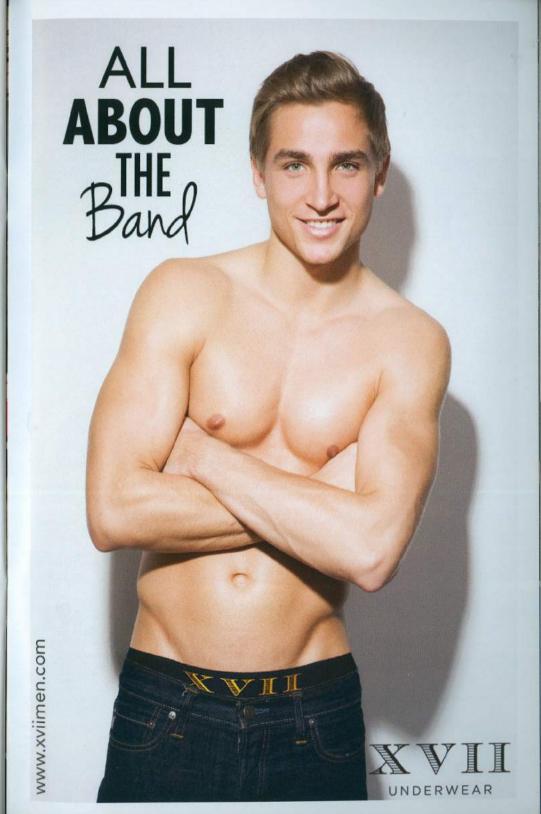














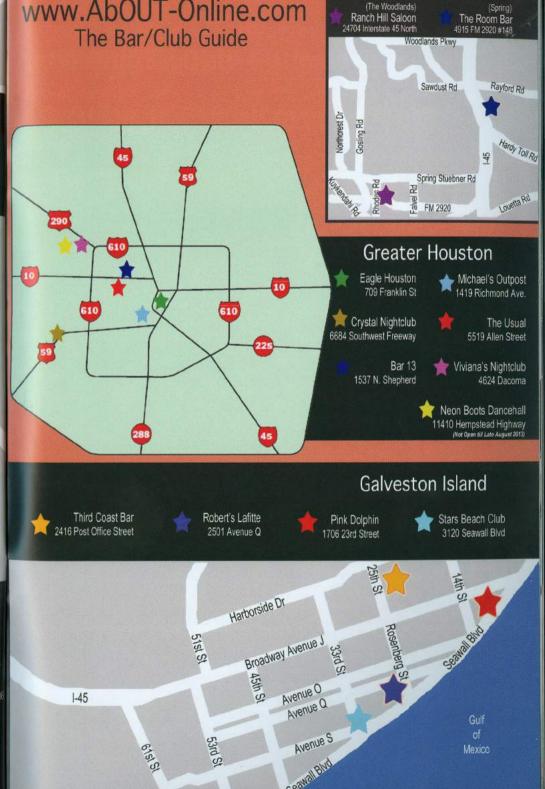
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My parents just wanted me to be happy, so I got everything I wanted. You might think, I'm shallow, spoiled, and self-ish. What do you expect when you grow up in a spoiled suburban life, A place where, if you're good and make good grades, you get to throw parties and fuck shit up. A place where the price of being an "individual", or having the nerve to dress in Goth, or whatever fits your mood, was constant harassment over non-bad behavior. But, where your reward from teachers, for finding that perfect cliché ensemble of preppy chic Polo shirts, and "blending in", was a free pass to pollute the school.

Once I learned this power, we would drink in class, pop pills during theater, and as long as we were friendly to our dear old teachers, nobody knew, or cared, that we were the ones to look out for.

The truth is, I never felt like I fit in, but it was good enough looking hot, being thin, and hanging with a crowd in school where good grades were easy access. I decided then that there was no need for college. For that matter there was no need to pay attention to anything, because I was going to be famous, and have people to do all that menial shit: you know, like driving, paying my rent, and counting my money, for me.

Such inspiration for my generation, Keeping Up with the KarTRASHions, Real Housewives of Whoever, and Honey White Trash Child, (all shows I'm a fan of) whatever the current "reality" we mindlessly fill our heads with, teach us we can, in true millennial form, be rich by doing nothing. Sooner or later, though, REALITY sets in. You realize you aren't a Kartrashion, You have to learn to just be you.

And while sugar daddies, and partying on someone else's bill are a lot of great entWHOREtainment, it's not cute when people realize you're walking on your sugar daddy's crutches because you don't know how to do anything for yourself.

That pretty face, isn't nearly as hot when you're playing catch-up, as a grown-ass man, trying to cram a whole adolescence and young adulthood full of learning into your fully adult, and yet somehow not independent life.

Maybe you will be rich and famous, but pay attention and learn the shit you are supposed to learn for real life, cause famous is hot ...but dumb is not. Find out who who you are on your own it just might be worth it.

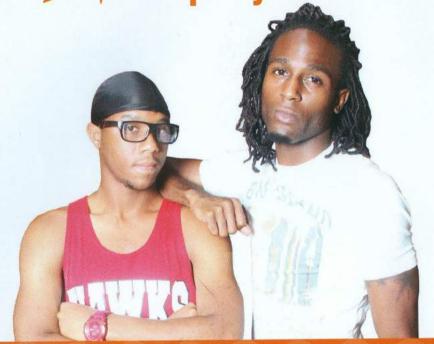








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