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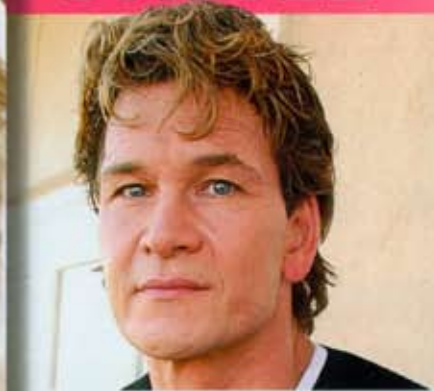
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The hair, makeup... and she responds to the nose job question! 'As long as people have two eyes you probably know the answer'



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Project Runway's FIERCE WINNER!

Ruffles and feathers conquer the catwalk — and the Bravo reality hit finds its youngest victor yet in 22-year-old **Christian Siriano**

LEST ANYONE THINK THAT BRATTY but adorable Project Runway contestant **Christian Siriano** has gone soft (he wept when host **Heidi Klum** named him the winner), have no fear: He still has attitude to spare. Moments after the March 5 finale aired, the Annapolis, Maryland, native informed an *Us* reporter at the afterparty at NYC's Tribeca Grand Hotel, "I think I need a cover story!" The bespectacled designer — whose boyfriend of four months, photographer Brad Walsh, 25, blogs for *JunkMag* — chats with *Us* staff writer Eric Andersson about his celebrity fans (guest judge **Victoria Beckham** dubbed him "major"), what's next and the story behind his favorite word.

Q: Are you really as cocky as you seemed to be on the show?

I'm confident, but I'm not that bad. When people come up to me on the streets and chat, I love that. I would never be like, "No, I'm too fabulous!" I have no regrets about how they portrayed me. I'm sassy, and I told the designers how it was!

Q: You surprised a lot of people by crying at the end.

We had no sleep. We were so tired. I was emotionally *done* and I was



In the runway audience: Meryl Streep and Top Chef's Padma Lakshmi.



Another dramatic creation!

"I wanna dress Heidi at the Oscars next year!" says Siriano (with Klum on Feb. 8).



like, If I don't win, what am I gonna do? There wasn't a Plan B. Honestly, right before the show, I was a freelance make-up artist. I had a short intern position at Marc Jacobs, but mostly I was freelancing little things here and there.

Q: And now you've won a new Saturn and \$100,000. I love the car, but it's worth 20 grand — I'm trying to get that 20 grand. The money, for the most part, I'm putting toward creating a line, getting a studio space, paying some bills. But don't get me wrong: There's gonna be a few Prada purchases.

Q: Posh Spice adored your work. Any plans for a one-on-one meeting? Yes. I made some pieces for her, so we'll see what she likes. I designed her a gown that's kinda like a cocktail dress, some pants, a skirt, a jacket — lots of stuff. She is major!

Q: Who else would you love to dress? [Guest judge] **Sarah Jessica Parker.**



Finalists (from left) Jillian Lewis, Rami Kashou and Siriano with Tim Gunn at the Tresemmé finale party in NYC.

I hope she saw the collection, and I hope she liked it. Also, **Cate Blanchett.**

Q: Who in Hollywood needs your style help?

Oh, **Britney.** I could do her up: hair, makeup, clothes. It would be the comeback of Britney. People would have to pay me 'cause I helped her so much.

Q: Now that you're famous, how often are you recognized? A lot of people want to touch me, pick me up, throw me around and put me in

their bag. [Siriano is 5-foot-3 and 105 pounds.] For the most part, everybody just screams at me everywhere I go. I walked into a restaurant last night and everyone started clapping. That was kind of fun!

Q: What's your next step career-wise?

I'm working on a line for next season and I'm definitely going to show for spring. It will be very sellable, wearable stuff. I want stores to buy it — I want to be in Barneys and Bergdorf Goodman and Saks Fifth Avenue. You also might see some *American Idol* stars wearing my clothes soon. It's in the making — we just have to wait and see.

Q: Finally, your catchphrase: How did the whole fierce thing begin? I don't even know! I walked around the salon I used to work at all day long and would say it about people's haircuts. I'd be like, "Oh, fierce!" I had no idea it would catch on. It's unreal. I probably stole it from **Tyra Banks!**

Past Champions: Where Are They Now?



JAY MCCARROLL Season 1

The outrageous champ ("I didn't take the bitch's dye, that's fo sho," he once said during a frantic challenge)

teaches drawing and portfolio layout at his alma mater, Philadelphia University. "I needed a change of pace," says the single McCarroll, 33, who relocated from NYC to the City of Brotherly Love. "I never played college professor!"

Clothes call School aside, he still has a passion for fashion. The new documentary *11 Minutes*, which chronicles the creation of his first post-*Runway* collection, premieres April 5 at the Philadelphia Film Festival, and starting this summer, he'll sell his designs ("Small sizes through 3X!") on QVC.



CHLOE DAO Season 2

In addition to running her Houston boutique, Lot 8 (and selling her Simply Chloe Dao line on QVC), the

36-year-old designs laptop cases and covers for iPods and cellphones (available at Office Max stores) for Pacific Design. "It's super-fun," says Dao, whose boyfriend is mortgage broker Kenneth Pursley, 40.

Bigger digs Before *Runway*, Dao worked on her beautifully crafted pieces at her mom's kitchen table, but she recently bought a building in Houston to serve as both studio and home. Also growing? Her high-end line, available for the first time in other stores nationwide starting in April.



JEFFREY SEBELIA Season 3

Monique Lhuillier, Vera Wang... Jeffrey Sebelia? Yes, the bad-boy winner, 37, is getting in on the wedding action:

He's designing the gown for **Steven Tyler's** daughter **Mia**, as well as suits for the groomsmen. "*Project Runway* brought show business to my life," says the L.A.-based Sebelia, who shares custody of son Harrison, 3 ("He just started a martial arts class!"), with his ex-girlfriend.

Booming business Sebelia continues to run his longtime label, Cosa Nostra. His latest inspiration? **Sean Young's** '40s-meets-'80s outfits in the 1982 sci-fi flick *Blade Runner*, but he assures *Us*, "It's not too *Jetsons!*"