Indosplace Exclusive Interview: Khrysti Hill

I think you should have had a BlackMen SSX issue by now, but there seems to be a lot of politics involved.

I was just going to say the politics on that is.... (Sighs) It doesn't have anything to do with the look, I think it just has to do with the people over there. Let's just say that at the time it didn't work out...

Care to elaborate on that...

Yes, I clashed and bumped heads a lot with the editor over there and some of the people they were working with. It had nothing to do with my look. They wanted me to sign a management agreement and I wasn't down for that. Also, you're not gonna talk to me anyway and blow smoke at me and just think I'm gonna sit there and take it. I'm very outspoken. I don't think they were used to that or ready for it.

You took a hiatus and stepped away from modeling. Can you tell me a little bit about this?

Family had a lot to do with it. My mother was sick, and then my sister got sick as well. So it was mainly personal reasons. I had to grow up really and that had nothing to do with modeling. I enjoyed it while it was good. I enjoyed hosting and I love being in front of the camera, but it was just time to step away for a while and take care of my business.

You realize that there are a lot of things in life more important than the industry.

Do you have any projects coming up?

Yeah, I just recently shot for the SHOW's Black Lingerie issue in June. I'm going to be a cover. I'm also working on song writing and developing myself in the music industry. I'm working with some big artists, so that's my priority for me.

If an opportunity in modeling comes along and there's good money, fine. I returned to SHOW because I still think my initial SHOW shoot was one of my best and I wanted to make a "grand reappearance" with them. I was trying to recapture the magic from that first shoot.

There was a rumor on the net that you didn't intend for that SHOW video clip where you flash the camera to be released, and that you were really mad with Sean about that. What's the truth behind that situation?

(Laughs) Well, that was our second location and we were in Miami and we're shooting and we were drinking and having a lot of fun. It was a very laid back set. I'm a pretty laid back person in general. I like to have a lot fun, so I jokingly flashed the camera thinking the camera wasn't on. And I said something about it too, something like "Don't you wish you would've gotten that one" and we all laughed. Well, the joke was on me (laughs) because they did, in fact, get that one. A year later there was this Youtube clip with me with my boobs out.

Me and Sean got into it over that. I cussed him out and we didn't speak for a good

while. (Laughs) We're cool now though. My thing is, you could've at least given me a heads up telling me they were gonna put it on the DVD. I could've really used it to my advantage!

But since I did it I take full responsibility. I was a little tipsy (I wasn't drunk though). Walking around sets, as you know, at any given time models are naked, but rarely are there cameras capturing each part of the shoot like that. So when I jokingly flashed everyone on the crew, it wasn't like they hadn't seen everything anyway!

Okay, last controversial question. What happened with your performance with Summerbunnies in Amsterdam? Did you intend for that to get back to the states the way it did?

I was actually approached by several different people about doing that, but Summerbunnies wound up booking me for it. We went over there. I wasn't even there 24 hours. It was very, very quick. I went over there and did the party and came back. I didn't even get to sleep.

There was a bunch of girls I didn't know. I don't want to pass judgment on anyone. (Laughs) We had fun. They showed us a good time.

What was explained to us is that you walk out on the stage, do whatever you want to do, just try to get the audience engaged.

Was this explained to you before you got there or after?

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After! It was a surprise and completely caught me off guard. I thought we were only going to be walking around a party in a bikini. When I saw how many people were there and the size of the place...I was like "whoa." But me being a Leo, I wanted to make the most of it, be the life of the party.

I didn't even do anything. I was wearing more clothes than anyone there. I just walked out and did the splits. I mean, what's the big deal? I took two grand home. It's called a "Big Ass Parade" after all (laughs) I was just walking around showing my God given... I have to note, God given ass. Now the other girls, they took it to a whole different level. I wasn't prepared for that either, especially to have my name mixed in with that or it appearing on the net.

I would say that that experience opened my eyes to a lot that was going on and it contributed to my discontinuing my working relationship with SummerBunnies.

What's your feeling about the current state of urban modeling and where you stand in it?

There's so much that goes on in that realm that I don't agree with anymore... There are no lines. I'll take jobs here and there that I agree with and that pay right, but just doing it to be 100% in it, no thank you. (Laughs)

You had one of the biggest paysites for a while. What's the truth about paysites and why did you shut yours down?

I made money with my paysite. At the time it was very lucrative, but that's because everything was working together – the calendar, the internet was going nuts, the magazines. That lasted for about a year and then it went away. Once it got to the point where everybody wanted me to be naked, I knew it was the beginning of the end. It can only last for so long, and you have to go into it knowing that.

But my advice would be whenever you do a magazine or a party or an interview, you should always be plugging your site.

Everything has to come back to the website. If you're not plugging your website, what's the point of doing a magazine? Just to say you were in magazine – what's the point of that?

When you say it was very lucrative, does that mean "quit your day job" money?

Yes, at the time. I recently closed the site though, after two years. Nowadays there's so much damn near soft-core porn going on these websites that unless you're going outrageous with it or unless you're already a semi-celebrity and come up with a website, there's no way you could quit your day job doing this. I wouldn't do a paysite again, but I do plan to do a blog in the Fall.

To be completely honest, I wouldn't even advise anyone go into this field anymore,

unless you're doing it **just** to have fun. But as a career, solely as a career, I wouldn't advise anyone get into urban modeling.

You said once the hype dropped off, the website died. Why did the hype die?

The hype didn't really die; I stepped away from the game. There was still demand. But let me also say, the hype **would have** eventually died on me. You can only be "the girl" for so long. Unless you do something very controversial or extremely important, the hype is definitely going to die at some point.

Any last word for your fans?

Do what you love...Love what you do!