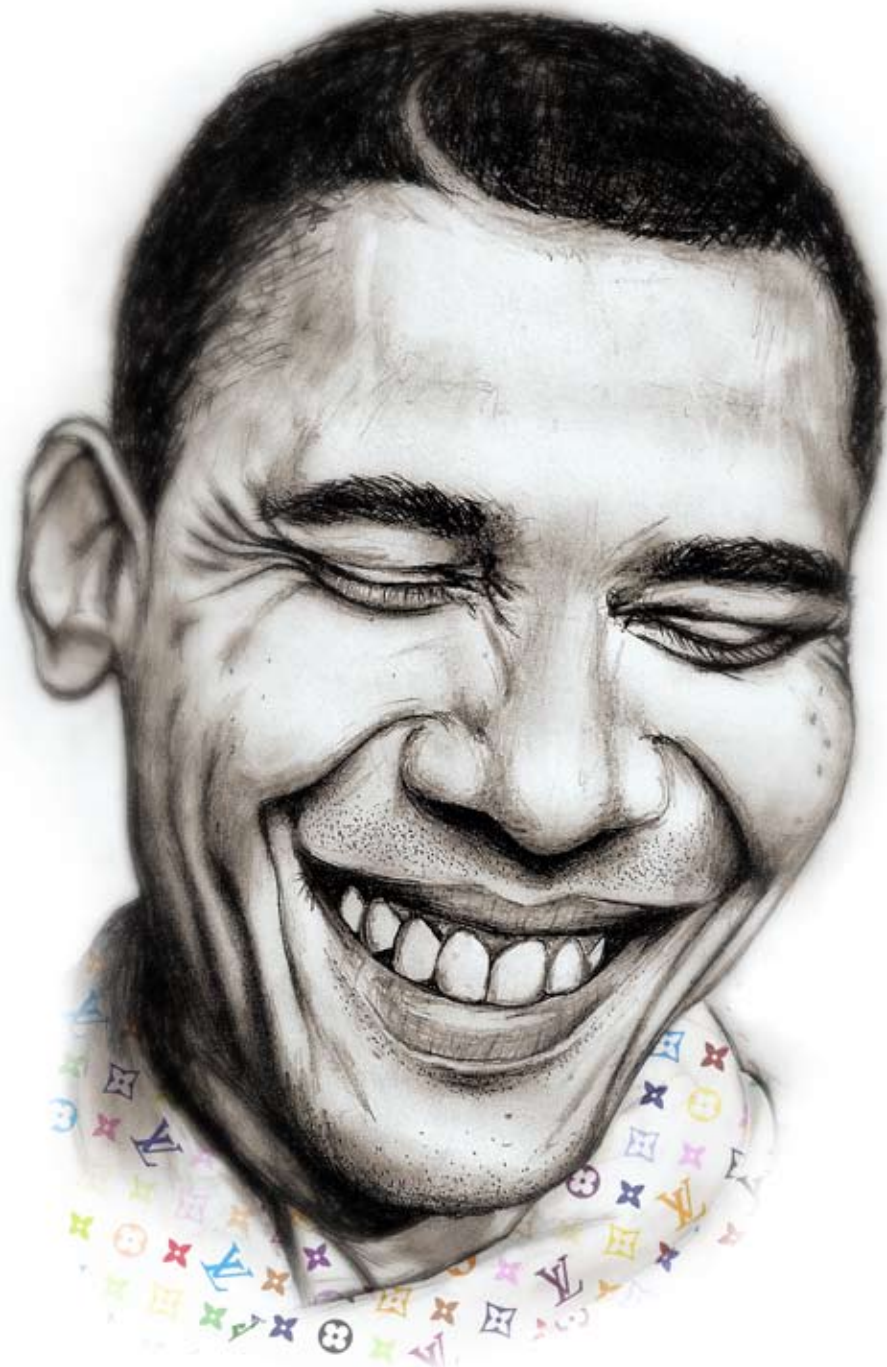


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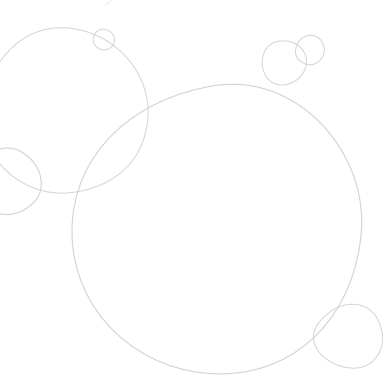
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HAT: H&M  
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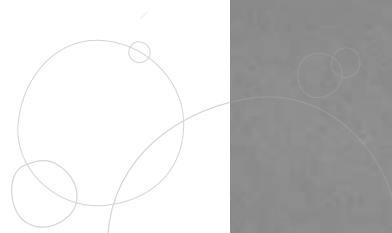


SHIRT: STYLIST OWN  
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SHOES: STYLIST OWN



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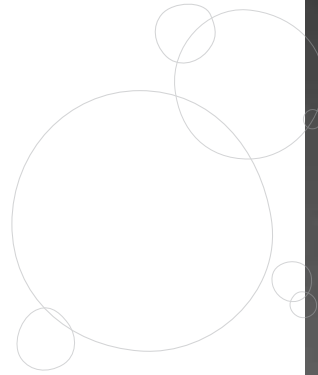




DRESS: FIFTH AVENUE SHOE REPAIR FROM G2 APPAREL  
NECKLACE: RITA TESOLIN



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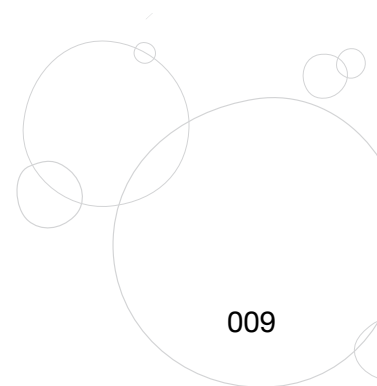






SHIRT: FRENCH CONNECTION  
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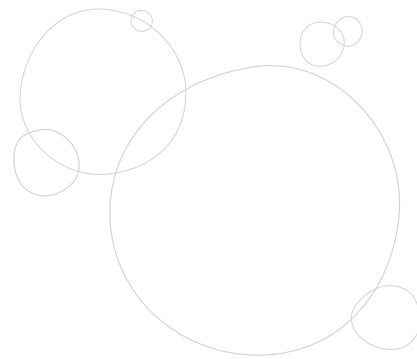




TONY WARD:  
SHIRT - THE ARCHITECT  
DENIM - LIVE IN

NICK:  
TEE - SOMETHIN ' BOUT MARY  
PANTS - SKINNY PUPPY  
SCARF - BUSINESS CLASS

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# CRE ATIVE CLASS

## HOWE COLLECTION

Photos: Dan Monick | Hair & Makeup: Nichole Servin | Stylist: Matt Goldman  
Models: Tony Ward & Nick | Interview w/ Jade Howe: Felicia Mancini | [hauseofhowe.com](http://hauseofhowe.com)



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SHIRT - BACK UP FILE  
PANTS - THE PROTEGE  
TIE - MASQUERADE

SHIRT - HIDDEN DARTS  
DENIM - SKINNY PUPPY



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## EVOLUTION

“**HOWE IS A BRAND.** It's a lifestyle. At its inception it was younger, rawer, more street wear. When I first set out to design this label, it was about filling a void of things that I thought was lacking in men's fashion – amazing woven shirts, great denim, modern blazers. In many ways it was time to graduate from the surf and skate brands I had lived my whole life designing for. I was fighting years of my own thinking. Over the last 7 years, I matured and stopped fighting, and so has Howe. Today it's a contemporary men's lifestyle brand. It speaks to many creative individuals and inspires them to dress appropriately for their age and professions.”

## DISTINCTION

“Our collection always has been a magnet for well known artistic men. It's designed for them, and they know it. It makes them feel alive. In turn they have influenced a large following of men who are not famous that love the brand for the same reasons. It's empowering.”

## SPRING COLLECTION

“My concept for the brand has always been “English country gentleman meets cowboy punk”. It's a mouthful, but defines my brand to a tee and is our concept. Spring was really a realization for us; I was challenged all along the way to evolve our brand. In many ways Spring 2009 is a new path, it's much simpler, more classic than I've traditionally done. There's a lot of pieces here that guys will wear for years. Yet, it's still very Howe. It has that forward edge. Overall, it works for many types of guys and is very sellable - two important qualities in the current market. It's really well priced for all the work that goes into each piece.”



## OBSTACLES

“Myself.... I tend to tackle problems with creativity. I’m always throwing new ideas out. I’ve learned to let the seeds we’ve planted last season, last year, take root and mature before moving on to something new and more exciting. It takes a lot of self control. I’m addicted to NEW.”

## CREATIVE PROCESS

“I don’t see myself as a fashion designer. I see myself as a translator or conduit for style. I’m never satisfied. I’m always looking at people and thinking of ways to tweak or improve their style. When I’m developing our theme for the season, it’s based on a story line. I love fantasy. Character development, location, what they’re doing and why, all start to shape the collection. It’s an eternal handle for me and my team. Creating the script or story-line is a creative outlet for us. We become immersed in the collection through the story line. If the idea is solid it becomes easy to design the foundation pieces. We’re always very focused on how things interact with our customer’s needs. It has to go back to him. It means so much more for our customer than just purchasing a garment. They are part of the story, part of the movement.”

## INSPIRATION

“It’s a combination of my father and my attention deficit disorder. Like my father I’m a pretty average man. We’re both problem solvers. He is a master craftsman. Boat Builder, furniture, toys, houses, there’s really nothing he can’t build. Without any stimulus filter, my ADD sees everything at once. I’ve learned to harness all of the stimuli and use it as creative fuel. I’ve always been able to see the creative process from beginning to end. Every detail, every nuance. And it helps to have no fear of failing. Try, try, try, and try again. I’m always willing to try something new.”





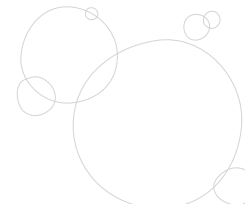
TONY WARD  
TEE - SOMETHIN BOUT MARY  
LOUNGE SHORTS - EXPLOSIVO

NICK  
TOP - THE FELONY  
SWIM SHORTS - DAILY ROUTINE



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# Le BOUDOIR



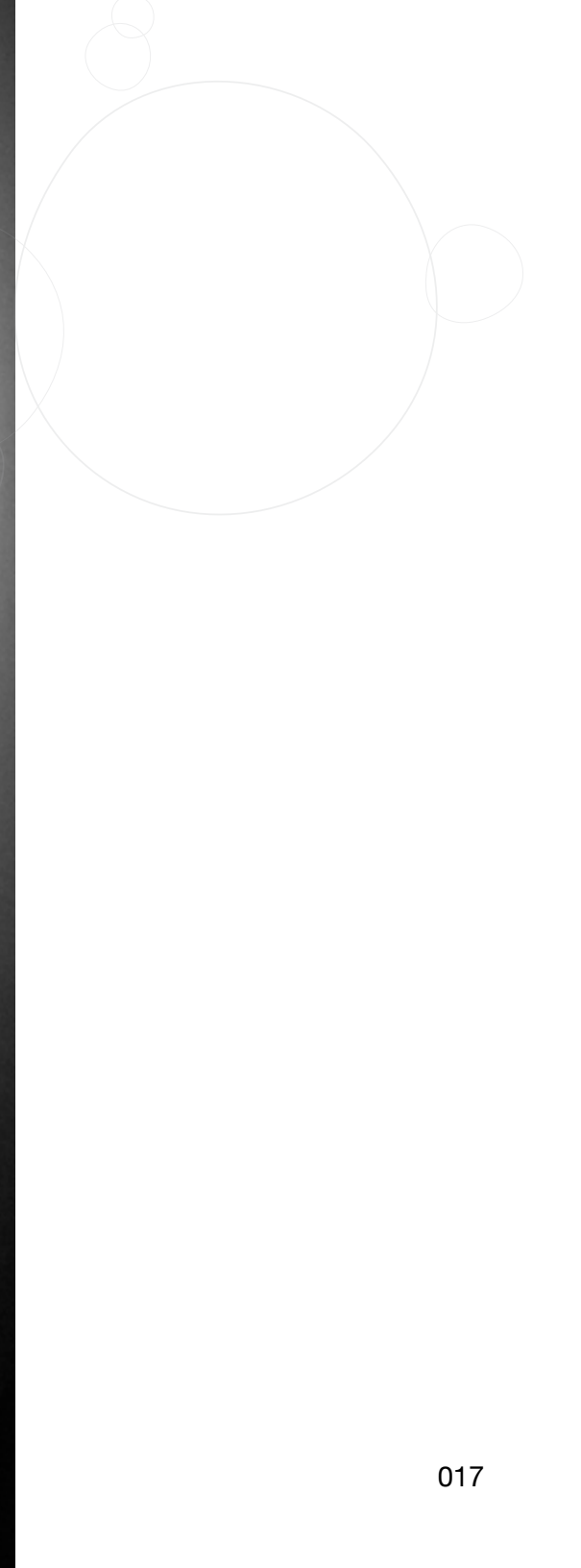
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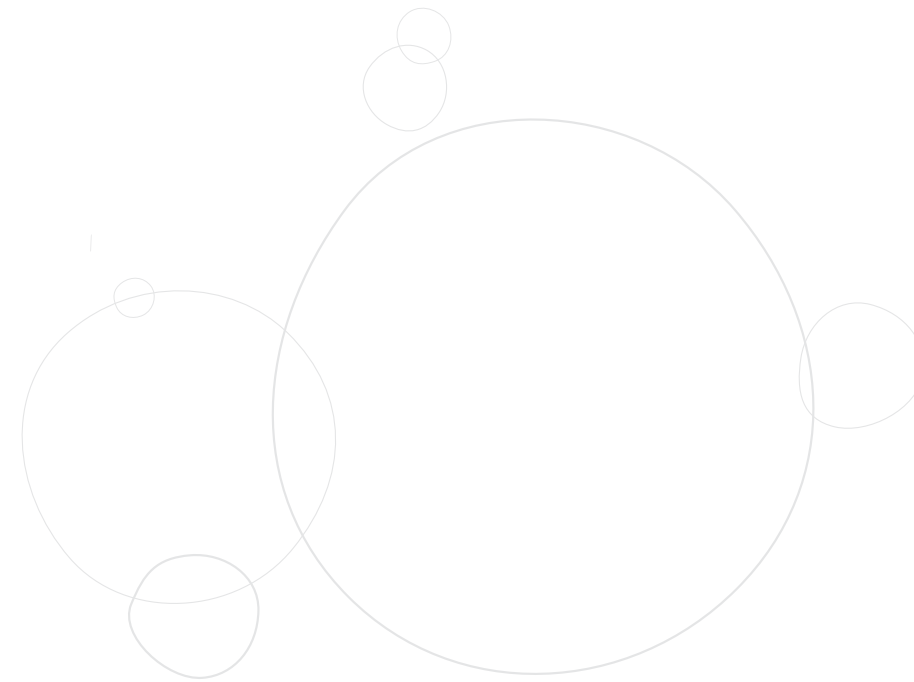


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# CHOOSEY LOVER

**MAKE UP BY MAC COSMETICS**  
**CLOTHING BY EGO ASSASSIN**  
([www.ego-assassin.com](http://www.ego-assassin.com))

Photography: Mila Victoria ([milavictoria.com](http://milavictoria.com) / The Artist Group)  
Hair & Makeup: Claudine Baltazar ([claudinebaltazar.com](http://claudinebaltazar.com) / The Artist Group)  
Model: Lauren (Next)



LIP ERASE *PAL*  
EYE PENCIL *EBONY*  
FLUID LINE *BLACKTRACK*  
TOP: FLUX



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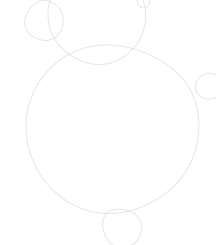


BRONZER MATTE BRONZE  
LIP ERASE PALE





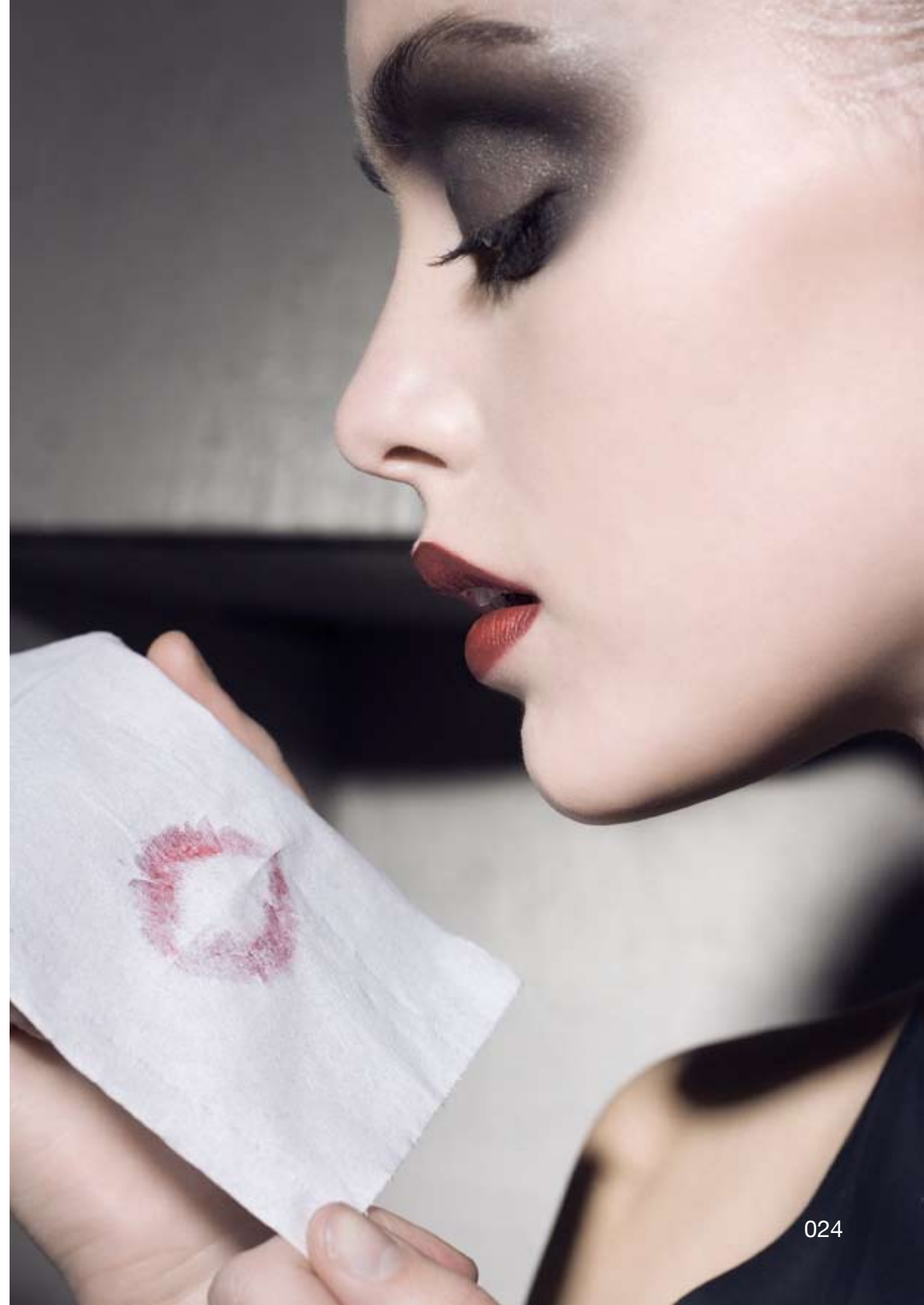
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PAINT POT MOSS SCAPE, EYE SHADOW SUMPTUOUS OLIVE | COLLAR: CLEO



LIPSTICK LADY DANGER | TOP: TRIUMPH | PANTS: ROCKET







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TOP: MICROPLUNGE  
PANTS: ROCKET





FLUID LINE *BLACK TRACK*, CREAM COLOUR BASE *REEL RED & PINK SHOCK*  
GLOVES: *EGO ASSASSIN*

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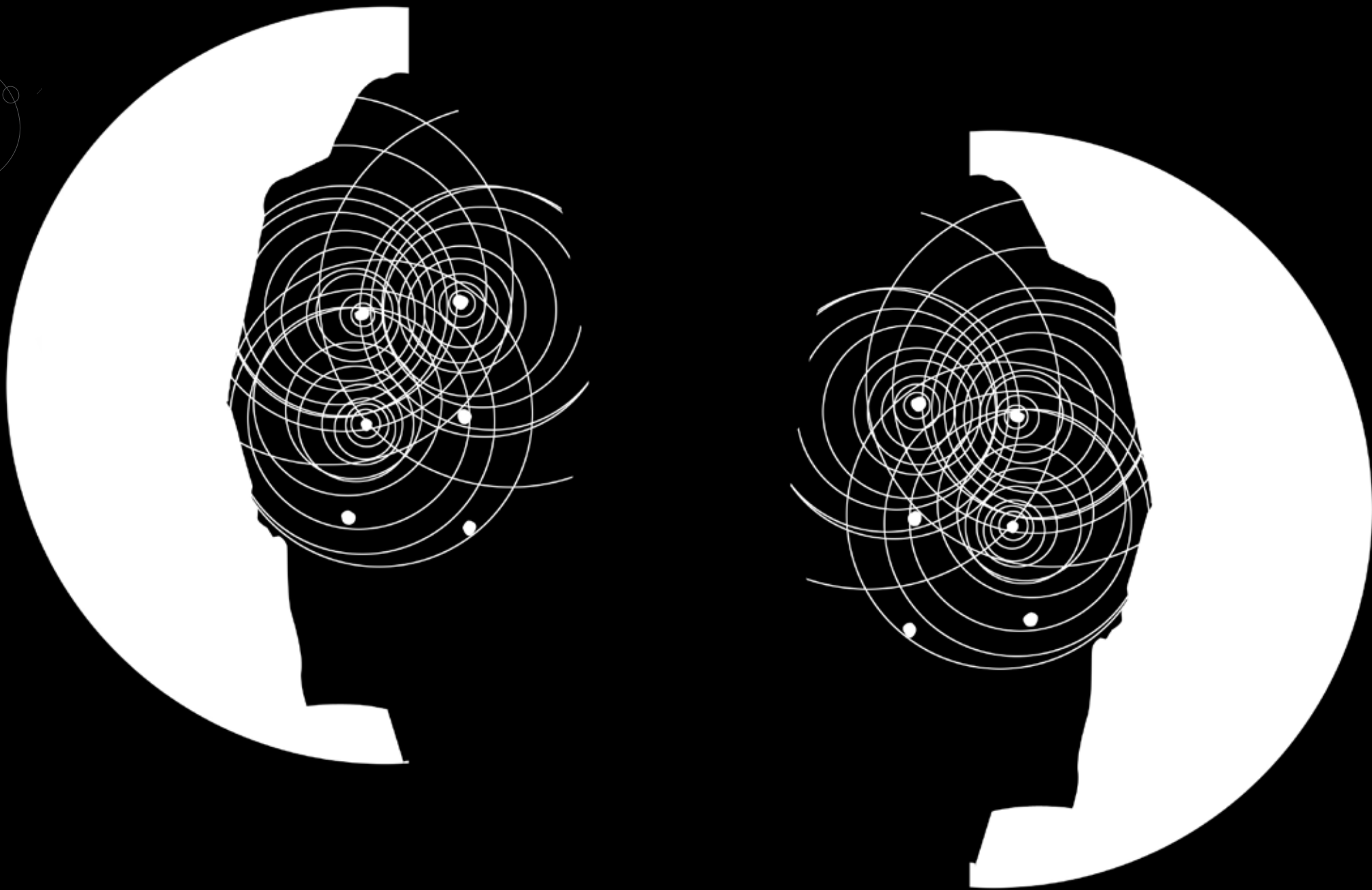
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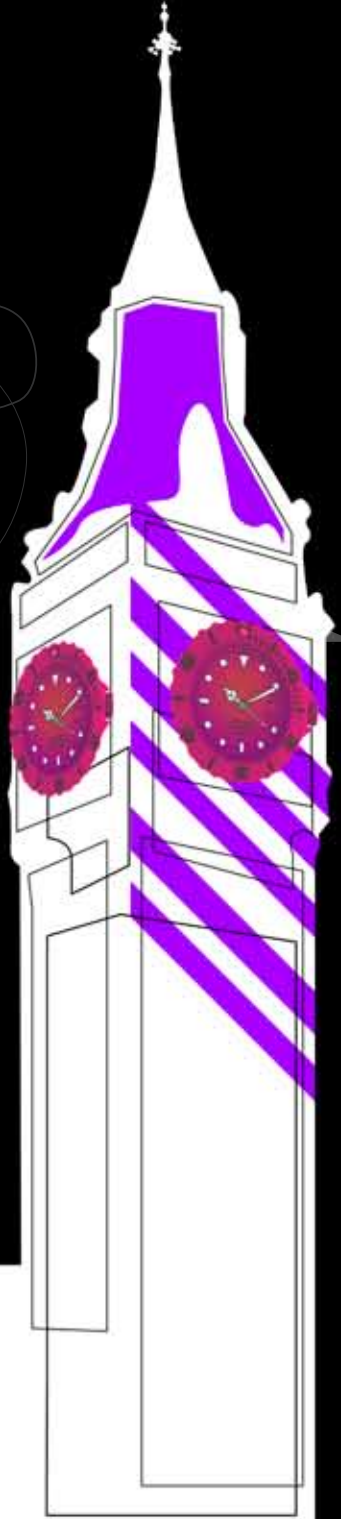












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GEISHA / THE ART OF EKLIPZ



What's your stereotype?



Puppet Master



Conjugal Visit



Gucci Geisha



Roy Lichtenstein  
Landscape  
Serigraph screenprint



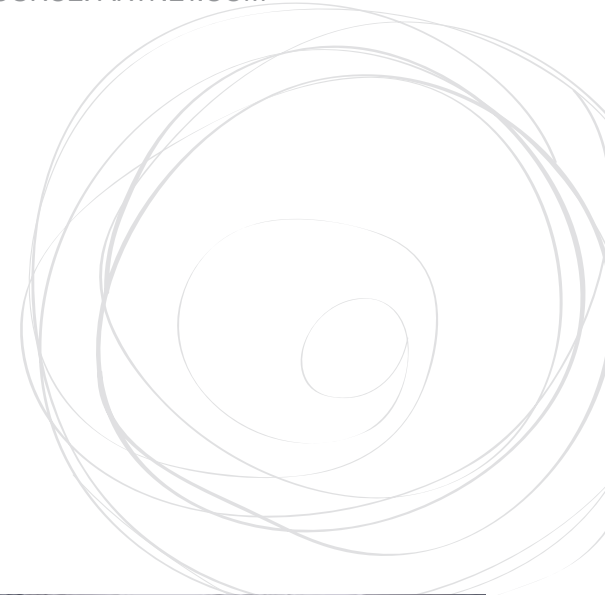
Murakami Takashi  
And then (Original Blue)  
Lithograph print



Ben Schonzeit  
Yankee Flame  
Collotype lithograph print

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SOURCE: ARTNET.COM



Carroll Dunham  
First Green Reduction  
Linocut print



KAWS  
KAWSBOB  
Acrylic on canvas



Terry Richardson  
Hysterical Glamour  
Photo print on board



Dash Snow  
Untitled  
Photograph print

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BOOKS

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**THE WORLD'S COOLEST HOTEL ROOMS**

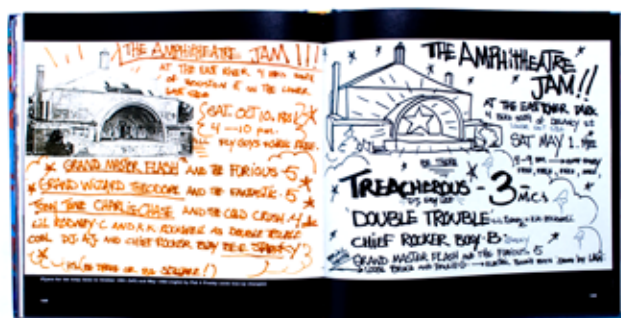
Bill Tikos, the cool hunter  
Harper Collins (c) 2008

**VOGUE COVERS**

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**WILD STYE SAMPLER**  
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**THE JAPANESE TATTOO**  
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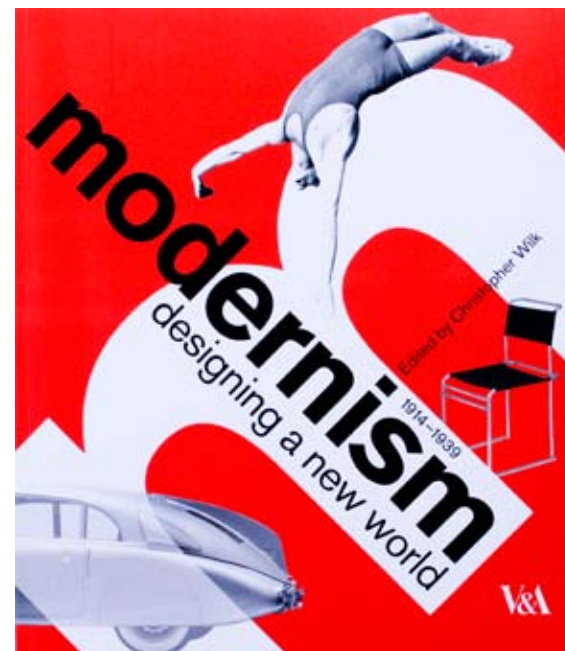
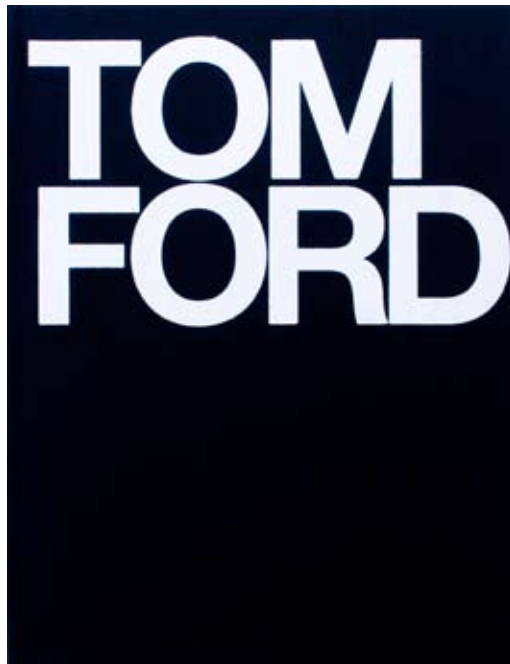
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**THE FIRST TEN YEARS NERVE**  
Essays, Interviews, Fiction and Photography, from the editors of nerve.com  
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**TOM FORD**  
Interview & test  
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Rizzoli Publications  
(c) 2004

**MODERNISM**  
Designing a New World  
1914-1939  
Edited by Christopher Wilk  
V&A Publishing  
(c) 2006





#003 *goodies* MAGAZINES



- POP
- S Magazine
- Vice
- Vogue
- Pound
- Waxpoetics
- i-D
- V Magazine
- Vapours
- Distill
- Communication Arts
- Numero
- Flaunt
- Adbusters
- Zink
- IDN
- Power House



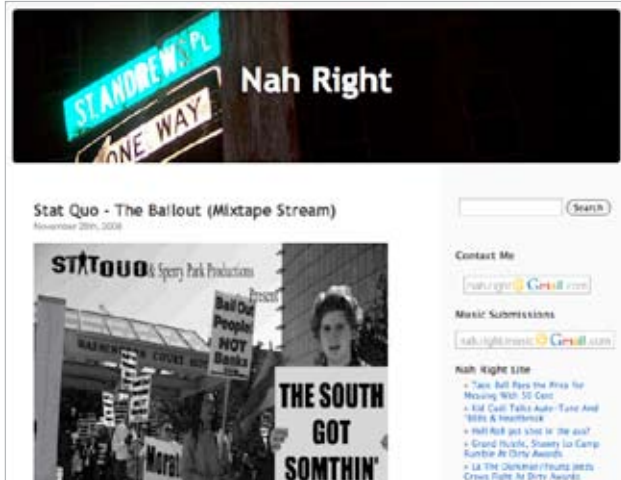
**BRYANBOY.COM** - Former web developer turned style critic, Bryanboy has attracted the attention of the press and media with his witty reviews dealing with fashion and lifestyle. His blog features designers, celebrity gossip, editorials and fashion spreads, sometimes including himself.



**MAGCULTURE.COM** - A blog about magazines & occasionally newspapers by author Jeremy Leslie, who also wrote the books, magCulture & Issues. Some insight into the influence of magazines on a cultural level.



**SUPERTOUCHEART.COM** - An online visual culture community to share artistic ideas and concepts. Includes creative art genres from a street level perspective with discussion forums and videos.



**NAHRIGHT.COM** - Nahright is a Hip hop lifestyle blog featuring new music from gangsta to backpack rap. Includes fashion, gossip, interviews & exclusive behind the scenes access.



**MISSBEHAVEMAG.COM** - Brooklyn-based Miss-behave is a compilation of entries and works by a bunch of sexy ladies living their life in an urban existence of sneakers, nail shops, gossip, and cool boutiques. Sounds fun.

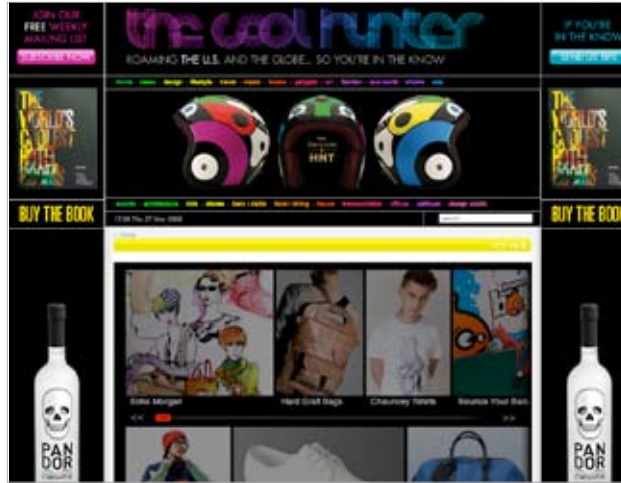


**THEFADER.COM** - They've just celebrated their 10th anniversary! The Fader is an urban lifestyle magazine, their blog features daily bits from the world of independent fashion, music, film, photography and art.

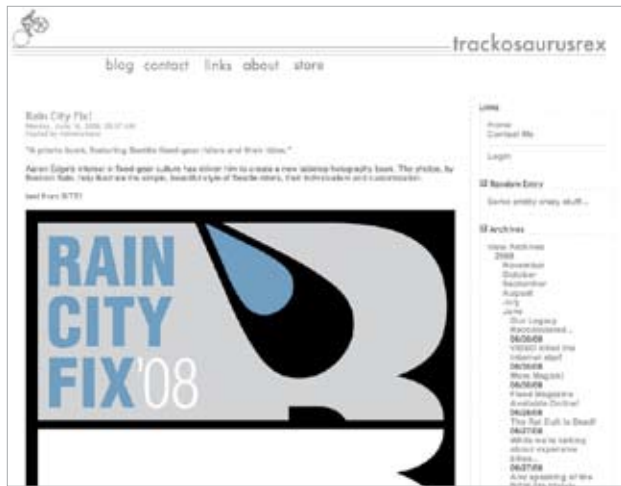
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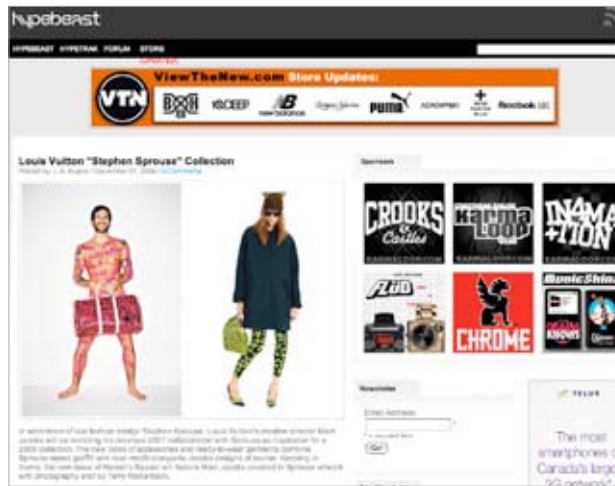
**THECOOLHUNTER.NET** - If you're a part of the "creative class" then you already know about this site. The cool hunter is a blog about everything and anything cool in design, art, fashion, travel, and life in the modern urban landscape. They also publish very cool books.



**TRACKOSAURUSREX.COM** - Everything fixed gear. Covering the lifestyle & culture of fixed gear riders.



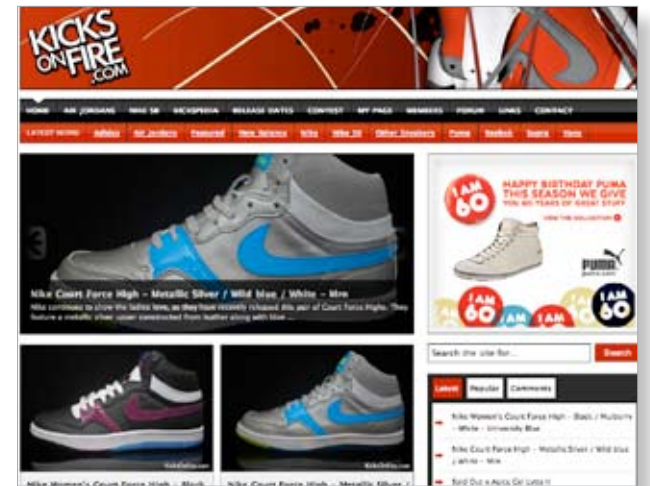
**STUFFWHITEPEOPLELIKE.COM** - It's funny because it's true. A blog about stuff white people like. And what's more fun than making fun of white people?



**HYPEBEAST.COM** - A blog for true streetwear enthusiasts. Starting as a sneaker blog, they have now grown to profile designers, new retailers, trends, and access to online stores for all your street wear needs.



**HOTCHICKSWITHDOUCHEBAGS.COM** - If you're going out tonight with your faux hawk, bandana, oversized sunglasses and a spray on tan, chances are you can find your picture on here next week.



**KICKSONFIRE.COM** - An online social network dedicated to sneaker fiends. From rarities to exclusives, this blog has it all. So if you need to step your sneaker game up, this is a good start.

# #003 goodies SNEAKERS

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- 01. Nike Dunk NL Urban Park Edition
- 04. Adidas Metro Attitude
- 07. Alife Everybody Low - Orange

- 02. Nike Dunk GS - Denim / Tango
- 05. Alife Everybody Low - Brick
- 08. Puma Basketball 68 Comic

- 03. Nike Terminator Vintage Pack
- 06. Reebok Omni Pump SF
- 09. Vintage Reebok Ice Cream

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- 01. CROOKS & CASTLES - Shook Ones
- 03. CROOKS & CASTLES - Bandito
- 05. FORT - Signature
- 07. FORT - 3D

- 02. CROOKS & CASTLES - Eagle vs Snake
- 04. TRAGIC GLORY - Triumph ver Tragedy
- 06. FORT - Four One Six
- 08. CONTRA - Ehlife



# #003 goodies PHONES

MOTOROLA  
RAZR2 LUXURY (18K GOLD)



BLACKBERRY  
STORM



NOKIA  
N97



MOTOROLA  
AURA



NOKIA  
N96





L to R  
 Le Doulos  
 The Third Man  
 The Hawk is Dying  
 Deep Water  
 Playtime  
 The Fall

# #003 goodies DVD'S DOC & RE-RELEASES

SOURCE: QUEEN VIDEO



L to R  
 Brain Damage  
 Gambling, God's & LSD  
 Rivers & Tides  
 How to Draw a Bunny  
 George Washington  
 Red White & Brown  
 Who Killed the Electric Car?



L to R  
 The Wages of War  
 Bunny Lake is Missing  
 Encounters at the end of the World  
 Blast of Silence  
 Garbage Warrior  
 Marc Jacobs & Louis Vuitton  
 Annie Leibovitz



## CONTRA LAUNCHES

Hillary Clinton is Secretary of Defense  
People somehow still care about The Hills  
Premium denim is a scam  
Barbara Walters has the fever  
Obama sounds like Osama

# KANYE IS NOW A SINGER

Rihanna overkill. Did she just get more press?  
Will Smith is the biggest movie star on the planet  
Senators, hooker's and homo's  
M.I.A. hits the mainstream thanks to that stoner movie  
Jennifer Hudson tragedy

## Santogold is the shit!

Robert Downey Jr. is back  
Britney gets medicated and releases a new album

# I WISH I WAS DAVID DUCHOVNY

O.J. gets 33 years  
Hugh Hefner is still a PIMP  
Lindsay Lohan is a lesbian : )  
Mariah Carey hearts Nick Cannon  
Michael Phelps, blinged out  
Star Jones dumps big Gay Al  
Carrie Bradshaw and the gang hits the big screen  
Oprah is still richer than God  
Sarah Silverman is fucking Matt Damon  
Jimmy Kimmel is fucking Ben Affleck  
Blogs are like a\$\$holes, everyones got one

# Recession

Bye bye Bush Administration  
TRL, off the air  
Spencer & Heidi, the years biggest douche bags  
Lil Wayne sells a milli in a week

# ALASKA IS NEXT TO RUSSIA

Bush still hasn't found Osama  
Iraq is still occupied  
Autotune is out of control

Michelle O is America's hottest MILF  
Tina Fey revives SNL

## Nerdy glasses are cool

Robin Kay, smashed on the runway  
Pregnant dude is pregnant again  
Proposition 8  
Skyscraper heels are here to stay  
FADER magazine turns 10

Hammer pants are back?  
GNR finally release Chinese Democracy...  
but no one gives a shit  
Amy Winehouse perfects the art of hitting rock bottom

# BLACK PRESIDENT

Global financial crisis  
Oil prices go up, then they go down  
**Usain Bolt - 9.69**  
Perez Hilton is a celeb now?  
The Zeitgeist  
Jimmy Fallon replaces Conan who replaces Jay Leno  
Edward Cullen, the new Romeo  
Sale of guns sky rockets the day after Obama wins  
Clay Aiken finally comes out of the closet

# 2008 WRAP UP

Rappers are the new rockstars

## WE ARE THE SUPER FUTURE

Manny Pacquiao puts a beat down on De La Hoya  
CNN's hologram rocks!  
Everybody hates Harper  
Facebook rules the entire free world  
WTF is Twitter?

Batman is still a bad bwoy thanks to Christian Bale  
The Jolie-Pitt clan add twins to their global village  
Trailer Parks Boys are finally out of the trailer park

## RIP's

Bernie Mac \* Paul Newman \* Estelle Getty  
George Carlin \* Brad Renfro \* Issac Hayes  
Ted Rogers \* Yves Saint Laurent \* Heath Ledger  
Journalist Tim Russert \* Hamish Kippen  
Victims of the Mumbai attacks & Sichuan earthquake