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By Krystin Edgerton

From Bella to Snow White, this A-list celebrity's life may seem like a fairy tale. Kristen Stewart, best known for playing the lead in the hugely popular *Twilight* movies, had no aspiration to become famous. In a 2009 interview Kristen said, "I don't want to be a movie star like Angelina Jolie. Nothing about being a celebrity is desirable." However, her desire to avoid celebrity status was not successful.

From the time Kristen played Jodie Foster's daughter in the 2002 film *Panic Room*, her natural talent was obvious and she was soon cast in other movies. She starred in commercial films such as *Cold Creek Manor*, *Catch That Kid* and *Jumper*, but also managed to fly under the radar by appearing in independent, smaller budget films such as *The Cake Eaters*, *Fierce People*, *The Yellow Handkerchief* and *Into the Wild*. Kristen's goal of avoiding fame became somewhat achievable, while still being able to do something she loved.

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In 2008, Kristen was cast as Bella in the first of a series of *Twilight* movies. It wasn't until then that the illusion of avoiding fame became inevitable. Before the movie even opened, it had a huge fan base due to the previously published books.

Through the years, Kristen has had the opportunity to be cast in films with several Hollywood "hotties," including Adam Brody, Jesse Eisenberg, Ryan Reynolds, Taylor Lautner and Robert Pattinson. With her fame, amazing roles, and list of celebrity cuties she has worked with, many thought Kristen had reached the top. However, her star only continues to rise. Not only can she now add Chris Hemsworth to the list of co-star "hotties," but she can also add *Snow White & the Huntsman* to her fairy tale life.

Always an artist in addition to being a star, Kristen continues to make time for indie films such as the upcoming *On the Road*, based on the Jack Kerouac novel. She'll also appear in the final installment of the *Twilight* series: *The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn - Part 2*. Just as in those movies, where we watched her go from clumsy teen to fiancée, then wife and mother, we've watched the rise of Kristen Stewart, from child actress to international star.



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SNOW WHITE & THE HUNTSMAN

June 1 Action

Kristen Stewart, Chris Hemsworth, Charlize Theron, Ian McShane, Toby Jones

The Evil Queen (Theron) orders the Huntsman (Hemsworth) to kill Snow White (Stewart) when her mirror tells her she needs to eat the girl's heart in order to remain the fairest in the land and the kingdom's ruler.

BUZZ: Kristen Stewart accidentally punched co-star Chris Hemsworth in the face during filming, leaving him with a black eye.

THAT'S MY BOY

June 15 Comedy

Adam Sandler, Andy Samberg, Leighton Meester, Milo Ventimiglia, Will Forte

When a student hooks up with his teacher, he becomes a very young, immature single father (Sandler). His son (Samberg) takes off when he turns 18, but when Donny learns his son is successful, he tries to reconnect with him.

BUZZ: In real life Andy Samberg is only 12 years younger than his onscreen father Adam Sandler.

BRAVE

June 22 Family

Kelly Macdonald, Billy Connolly, Emma Thompson, Kevin McKidd, Craig Ferguson, Robbie Coltrane, Julie Walters

When headstrong Princess Merida defies an age-old custom and the traditions of her kingdom, chaos is unleashed on the land. She's granted a wish by an old witch, but everything goes wrong and Merida must rely on her archery skills and bravery to undo a terrible curse.

BUZZ: This is the first Pixar film with a female heroine and Princess Merida is the first Pixar character to be included with the Disney Princesses.

THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN

July 3 Action

Andrew Garfield, Emma Stone, Rhys Ifans, Denis Leary, Sally Field, Campbell Scott, Martin Sheen

Bullied teen Peter Parker (Garfield) is accidentally bitten by a radioactive spider in a lab and discovers he's been given superhuman abilities. He tries to use his new powers for good, but his actions are misunderstood.

BUZZ: The sequel *The Amazing Spider-Man 2* is set for release May 2, 2014.

KATY PERRY: PART OF ME

July 5 Documentary

Katy Perry

This 3D film documents and chronicles superstar Katy Perry's life from her Christian roots to her highly-publicized divorce. With behind-the-scenes footage, fans can watch Katy's rise to fame from her childhood days to her sold-out concerts.

BUZZ: Perry's musical idol is Madonna, and she admits the *Material Girl's* 1991 documentary *Truth or Dare* inspired her to do her own concert movie.

STEP UP REVOLUTION

July 27 Drama

Kathryn McCormick, Ryan Guzman, Misha Gabriel, Peter Gallagher

Hoping to become a professional dancer, Emily (McCormick) moves to Miami and joins a dance crew known for flash mobs. Complications arise when Emily's businessman father threatens to develop a historic neighbourhood, displacing many of the crew members.

BUZZ: Kathryn McCormick was the third place contestant during season six of *So You Think You Can Dance*. This is her first professional acting role.

Step Up Revolution

Shooting star Kathryn McCormick talks about landing her first-ever acting role.

By Alexandra Heilbron



Ryan Guzman and Kathryn McCormick

When Kathryn McCormick landed the starring role in *Step Up Revolution*, she'd never acted before. So how did this Georgia native, who began dance training at the age of three at her mother's studio, wind up in Hollywood starring in a major motion picture?

Her road to the top began shortly after she moved to Los Angeles. Kathryn was cast as a dancer in the movie remake of *Fame* and soon after, she was chosen for the sixth season of the dance series *So You Think You Can Dance*. The weekly TV exposure brought her into the limelight.

With no acting experience under her belt, she was reluctant to try out for a speaking role in *Step Up Revolution*, but went to the audition anyway. "I left thinking that I'd embarrassed myself and it was horrible and I definitely wasn't getting a callback," Kathryn admits.

When she was cast in the lead role of Emily, Kathryn couldn't believe it. "I had no idea that that was in my path," she told *Tribute*. "Acting was something I was interested in, but I never took enough time away from dancing to actually pursue it."

How difficult was it being a first time actor on such a big project?

KM: With my experience on *So You Think You Can Dance* and some of the other things that I've been a part of, I've had a little bit of acting training without even realizing it. On the show you're put in situations where you're telling a story every single week and because of that, I felt I was able to connect and tap into those emotions inside of me.

Have you seen the previous *Step Up* films?

KM: The first *Step Up* was always one of my favourite dance movies. As a kid, I'd watch those films and think, "I want to be that girl." But I never, ever imagined that I would actually be that girl, so it is a blessing and I'm so grateful.

Would you like to do more acting after this?

KM: I just enrolled in an acting class. You know, acting helps my dancing as well. And I think dancing helps acting. So, I'm training and I'm auditioning and I don't really know what's next for me, but I'm trying to be ready for any opportunities that come.

How did you get into motivational speaking?

KM: Public speaking was actually one of my biggest fears, but I was asked to be a motivational speaker because people liked what they saw of me on *So You Think You Can Dance*. They thought I had what it took so I chose to get past my fear and I just told my story and let audiences know that just because your name has been built up or you're on TV it doesn't make you any greater. You know, we're still all the same, we're still all women and we're beautiful and we're loved and we're worth something and success is not what you do, it's how you do it.

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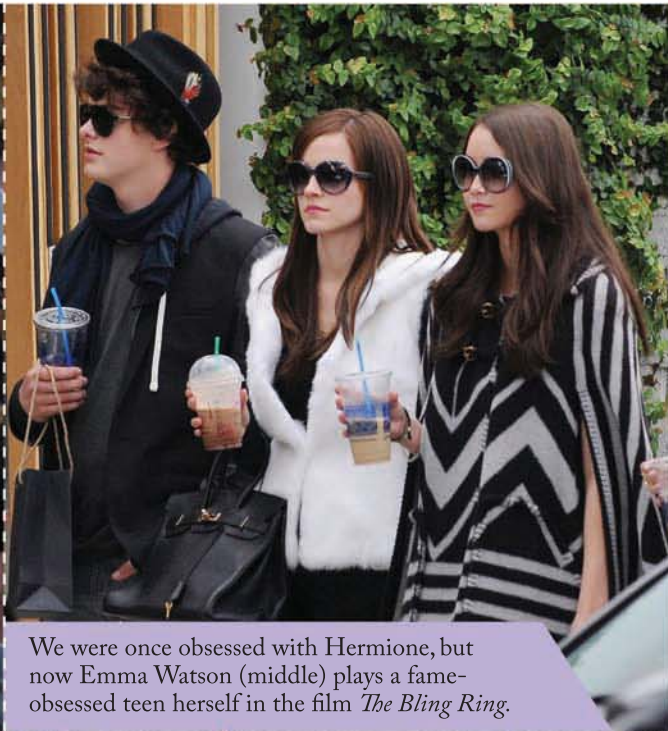
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Young **HOLLYWOOD** on set



Olivia Wilde and Chris Hemsworth get married on the set of *Rush*. Congratulations to the future on-screen couple.



We were once obsessed with Hermione, but now Emma Watson (middle) plays a fame-obsessed teen herself in the film *The Bling Ring*.



Ashley Benson has fun on the set of *Spring Breakers*, which also stars Selena Gomez and Vanessa Hudgens.



AnnaSophia Robb decked out in sparkles for the filming of the *Sex and the City* prequel, *The Carrie Diaries*, as a young and fashionable Carrie Bradshaw.



Daniel Radcliffe enjoys a Canada Dry beverage in between takes on the set of *Kill Your Darlings* in New York City.

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Profile

CHANNING TATUM

in *Magic Mike* and *G.I. Joe: Retaliation*

The actor will be stripping down for the ladies and then gearing up for battle.

By Soriyya Bawa

What do G.I. Joes and male strippers have in common? One very hot actor and his very fit body, that's what. Channing Tatum stars in not one, but two big blockbusters this summer and while the roles are worlds apart, they both come from a personal place for the actor—albeit in two very different ways.

When Channing was cast as soldier Duke Hauser in the 2009 film *G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra*, it was like a dream come true, because like millions of other little boys, he grew up watching the American heroes kick butt. “It’s a really cool experience for a kid that watched it every single morning,” he told *Tribute*. So naturally, he didn’t have to think twice when he was asked to reprise his role for the upcoming sequel *G.I. Joe: Retaliation*.

In this next installment, the U.S. government has been infiltrated by Cobra spy Zartan, who has Captain Hauser, Roadblock (Dwayne Johnson) and the other G.I. Joes branded as traitors.

Channing won’t just be battling Zartan and his army of ninja commandos—he’ll also be fending off swarms of women in *Magic Mike*, as he plays the part of a male stripper who teaches a young, inexperienced newcomer (Alex Pettyfer) the ropes (or should we say poles) of the job, how to master the fine art of partying and the secrets to making easy money. The film also stars Matthew McConaughey as Dallas, a retired stripper and owner of the club where the men perform.

Although the plot is entirely fictional, the idea came from a very real experience. Before Channing made it big in Hollywood, he spent eight months working as a stripper in Florida and it was this story that inspired director Steven Soderbergh to take on the project, with



Channing co-producing. “[Soderbergh] wanted to know what it was like. That’s what everybody wants to know,” Channing explained in an interview with Collider.com. “Everybody wants to know what the inside of a male strip club looks like.” He promises this film will answer all your questions. “If you ever wanted to know what it’s like to be a male stripper, this is it.”

So whether you’re looking for action-packed, adrenaline-pumped fight scenes, or a fun comedy with good looking guys taking their shirts off, Channing Tatum’s got you covered.



Magic Mike is loosely based on Channing’s real-life experiences



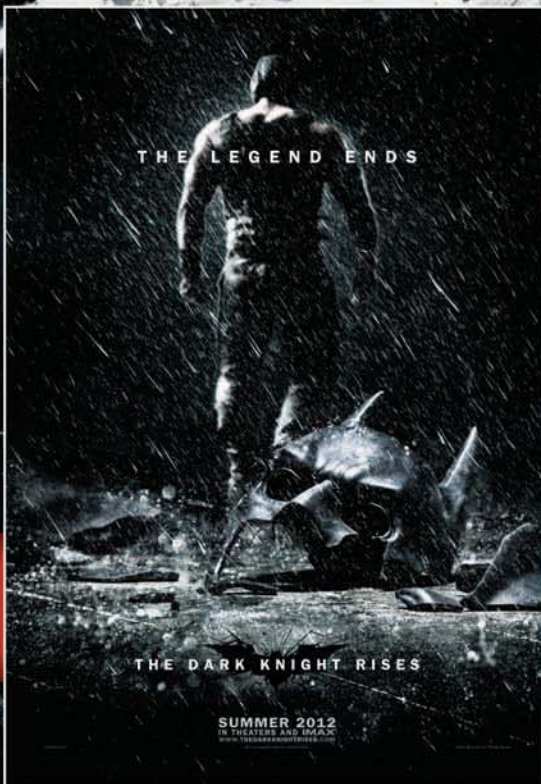
Channing and Dwayne Johnson in *G.I. Joe: Retaliation*

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