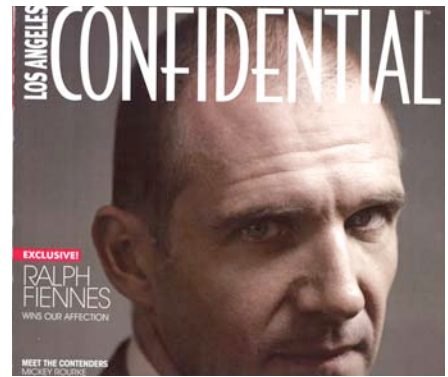


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Model Misbehavior

R. Couri Hay uncovers a match made in hell before sizing up some star-studded soirées.



THIS SUPERSTAR SHOULD have a hurricane named after her, considering the wreckage she leaves in her wake as she crisscrosses the globe. Bad behavior is her modus operandi, and people have become reluctant to forgive and forget. She no longer rules the catwalk, and I can't remember the last time she was on the cover of a serious fashion magazine. Her last chance for the big time is to trap a rich husband. She's gotten men, lots of men, but she can never close the deal. She says her days of boozing and drugging are over. I'd love to give her a blood test, *n'est-ce pas?* Let's call this exotic beauty "A."

His newly minted billions make him very attractive. You should believe the stories of how he got them at such a young age. "A" swooped down on this déclassé mogul like a famished vampire and is sucking him dry while simultaneously letting him live so he can pay her bills. She used her famous friends and glamorous lifestyle as bait. He was just off the boat, so he fell victim to her charms and the boudoir tricks she has perfected over the years. It's a pity the stock market wiped out three quarters of his money, but he's still seriously rich. However, he's starting to watch his euros, and he realizes "A" is an expensive addiction. The two of them are like a tsunami, but now he doesn't want to pick up the bills for the damage they cause while they're partying. Let's call him "B," as he's definitely B-list.

"A" wanted to spend some time in Beverly Hills and introduce him to all her movie star pals, designers, and jewelers. She's no fool; she wanted to shop Rodeo Drive and be photographed 24/7. Agents from London picked out a legendary estate that belonged to an A-list movie star who wanted to go to Lake Como to see friends. The money-hungry agents didn't do their homework and "A," "B," and company trashed the historic landmark as if they were **Johnny Depp** and **Kate Moss** in the early nineties. The museum-quality dining room table from the 1920s was used as a chopping block ("A" must have been cooking up something special for her guests). Cigarettes were put out on an important desk signed by a pivotal 20th century furniture designer from France, and those are just the first two items on a long list.

If "A" and "B" keep refusing to pony up the high six figures it will cost to put things right, this sorry tale will end up in court. Luckily, their gun-toting security guards didn't think to dismantle the security cameras. I wouldn't be surprised if the grainy but unmistakable pictures of "A" and "B" lurid behavior were splashed across front pages on several continents. This could be the final nail in "A"'s shaky visa and the excuse the USA needs to keep "B" from crossing our borders.

MEANWHILE...

Kate Beckinsale slipped into a chic white strapless dress as Martin + Osa presented an *IN-Home* screening of *All About Eve* that Kate and her husband, **Len Wiseman**, hosted. The fun night at the Chateau Marmont brought out **Winona Ryder**, **Tara Subkoff**, **Gary Oldman**, and **Melissa George**. Guests nestled into couches in the garden to watch the classic, which was projected onto the side of the hotel. The series, which also has screenings in London and NYC, was founded by film producer **Katrina Pavlos** to showcase movies that have inspired the actors who introduce them. The evening benefited FilmAid, a nonprofit that uses the power of film to change lives around the world. In London, **Jeremy Irons** hosted a screening of *Un Coeur en Hiver* while in NYC, **Philip Seymour Hoffman** talked about *The World According to Garp* and **Glenn Close**, one of the film's stars, made a surprise appearance.

Candace Bushnell came to Beverly Hills to celebrate the release of her new book, *One Fifth Avenue*, at the Salvatore Ferragamo boutique on Rodeo Drive. Guests included **Michelle Trachtenberg**, designer **Monique Lhuillier**; animal advocate **Frances Hayward**, who was ecstatic over the passing of Proposition 2, which will prevent animals from being cruelly caged in California; **Jay McInerney** and **Anne Hearst**; and power blogger **Arianna Huffington**. Also checking out the shoes and bags were **Liane Weintraub**, **Colleen Bell**, **Shiva Rose**, **Shell Cardon**, **Amanda Goldberg**, and *Open Book Club* host **Christy Scott Cashman**, who invited Bushnell to Boston to be on her show. Christy, who received rave reviews for her star turn in *The Women* with **Annette Bening**, had just interviewed **Dennis Lehane**, who wrote *Mystic River* and *Gone Baby Gone*. Cashman is also staying busy behind the camera, having produced and voiced the animated short *Descendants*, which also features the vocal histrionics of **Whoopi Goldberg**. The event doubled as a fundraiser for Center Dance Arts in LA.

Candace Bushnell and Christy Scott Cashman

