

Statement from Eric Rosete, President of Art Hearts Fashion International, Head of LA Fashion Week

To [BA producer] Jon Cana,

Thank you for the introduction Alexis. I am utterly saddened and disappointed in the false stories that were ran on your networks. Please see the comments that I am getting on facebook / Not only is half my team Filipino, but several of my designers are all well. My Good friends as well!

This had nothing to do with race, color, or gender. This had to do with the fact that Jacob Meir owes us close to \$100,000USD for shows he has not paid for in the past 2 years, he showed up with a hair and makeup team that is not allowed! He knows we are contractually obligated to our hair and makeup companies to cover the entire event. He collected money from them, and also from Filipino pageant organizations to put their girls in our shows. I am sorry but as a professional Fashion Event our minimum height requirements are 5'9 for girls and sometimes 5'8 for celebrities. NONE OF THE MODELS WALKED OUT! They waited patiently while I tried to find a solution. Jacob the showroom manager of the 3 designers through a fit because he collected money from hair and makeup companies we would not CONTRACTUALLY ALLOW! The girls I approached after and gave them my number to plead with Jacob to get him there, so that all of these beautiful girls that showed up would not have wasted their time.

I was willing to make the exception for a few of the girls because of course they were beautiful, but once I started to have 40 year old ladies with plastic surgery walking in the doors, telling me they were booked for his show. I LOST IT AND CUT THE SHOW! No one walked out! I CUT THE SHOW and it had nothing to do with race. It had to do with his disrespect for our organization and the fact that he has stolen close to \$100,000 from us and was trying to collect more money on the side.

I am the executive producer and founder of Art Hearts Fashion & Designer for the brand Mister Triple X. The opener for my first big show at Mercedes-Benz Fashion Week went on to become the first every Filipino Victorias Secret Model.

<http://proudlyfilipinomade.blogspot.com/2015/02/janine-tugonon-walks-for-new-york.html>

The story you ran is one sided and false based off of the lies of one person a crook and a liar that was collecting money on the side and trying to use our event for his own personal agenda! He owes us over \$100,000 from past shows, and tried to collect side money from the event, and we made the decision to cut his show. None of the girls walked out, I felt horrible for them. Please speak to them directly (the girls that were at the venue) and they will tell you the same story. The women on your news articles never even came to the event, and was not even a part of our event.

The story you ran is one sided and false based off of the lies of one person.

Not only does Jacob "the person that ran the story" owe us thousands of dollars, but he tried to bring in his own hair and makeup team and pocket money on the side from designers and sponsors. Complete crook!

I feel horrible for the lovely young girls and you can ask any of them, I went back to them and spoke to them about finding a solution.

I could not contractually have any additional hair and makeup teams backstage and not only was Jacob aware of this, fully sponsored by us, but he owes us over 100,000 USD. He thought he could get away with it by threatening to pull out if we didn't let him get away with murder. So we cut his shows.. PERIOD.

This had nothing to do with race, color or gender. This had to do with the fact that he is a crook and a liar.

I apologize for any mis communication, but I do not want to be treated unfairly. I not only helped create the first ever Filipino Victorias secret model, but also had her as the opener to my big debut at New York Fashion Week. 1/3 of my designers are Filipino decent and my production manager has a son that is Filipino.

You can contact any of the models I have ever worked with, or even the girls that were there. I did my best to salvage the situation, and Jacob pulled a nasty move and tried to tarnish what we have worked so hard to build but trying to publish false stories.

Our platform is built on inclusion!

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/sboyd/2017/02/25/diversity-in-the-fashion-industry-5-progressive-milestones/#334441933f9b>

We are #1 on forbes, yahoo and people magazine for inclusion. This had nothing to do with anything other than the fact that his crook and mad that we did not let him rob another dime from us.

He tried to throw us under the bus, the girls did not walk out, they waited as I tried to help them.

I cancelled the show because he did not respect us as a production and was pocketing money on the side. DISGUSTING! The poor girls waited there all night and I even gave them my cell phone number to try to find a solution and have them involved.

You can call me any time [1.310.467.1890](tel:13104671890) to verify and anyone interviewed as a hair or makeup person not only was not hired by us, but probably paid Jacob on the side, and thats why they were so upset and tried to make this about something it was not.

Please google Art Hearts Fashion so that you can see what we stand for.

P.S. Designers Danny Nguyen, Kenneth Barlis, and half of my team are all filipino.

This was a bitter nasty mans attempt to ruin something special. Not only did it not work, but it painted a very clear picture to everyone what a complete scam artist and dishonest person he is. He owes us money, and stole on the side. NOT OK! Please help us correct this situation as I do not want people commenting on my social media calling me a Faggot and Racist. I am a gay minority and woke up to personal attacks that have me in tears and I am trying to produce night 3 of our 10th season anniversary.

JACOB WAS USING OUR PLATFORM TO COLLECT MONEY FROM A BOGUS MISS FILIPINO SCAM PROGRAM BY OFFERING THEM THE OPPORTUNITY TO WALK IN OUR SHOWS! These

girls are 5'4 on average and were paying him and his partners on the side, and trying to utilize our platform for their SCAM SIDE BUSINESS

Sincerely,
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