

# The Spectacular Hat Lady

Or

*START MATURING LIKE FINE WINE  
AND NOT AGED OLD CHEESE*

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## DEDICATION

To all the respected women age 50+ celebrating who they are  
and recognizing their purpose in life.

I am grateful for my parents, and  
to those who made an impact in my life.



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Dusseldorf, Germany

September 2017 @ 54yrs

Who Am I?

I am a late bloomer.

I am the inverted teen who surprisingly became  
a US Army Sergeant.

I am a veteran.

I am a writer, photographer, sketcher, designer.

I am a Woman-Child who embraces Life at its fullest.

I am a tutor and mentor to my ESL students & friends.

I am an Empowered Woman.

I am living in the Moment.

I am Unique, Thoughtful, Enthusiastic, Eccentric.

I am a Divine Being Experiencing a Human Life.

I Am ME.

Miracle Energy.



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I Don't Ever Let Other People's  
Influence Define Who I Am

I DRESS MYSELF, NOT TO IMPRESS,  
BUT FOR COMFORT AND FOR STYLE.

~ LINDSEY WIXSON



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YOUR DRESSES SHOULD BE  
TIGHT ENOUGH TO SHOW  
YOU'RE A WOMAN AND LOOSE ENOUGH  
TO SHOW YOU'RE A LADY

~ EDITH HEAD

As a former tomboy, I never thought much about dresses, back then, they were sissy garbs while pants allowed quick flexibility. In my 20s, Madonna (for millennials, Lady GaGa) inspired me, she enlightened femininity, also, watching classic films from the 40s, I was enthralled by the women's wardrobe. What elegance!

They dressed in such style that their garments flowed with their every movement and accentuated their presence at any age. Their attire reflected their maturity respectively.

Be proud of your age and flaunt it responsibly.



SPRING 2007 @ 44YRS

BEAUTY DOES NOT COME WITH CREAMS  
AND LOTIONS. GOD CAN GIVE US BEAUTY,  
BUT WHETHER THAT BEAUTY REMAINS OR  
CHANGES IS DETERMINED BY OUR  
THOUGHTS AND DEEDS.

~ DOLORES DEL RIO

Whomever quoted “Men grow gracefully and women just get old”  
have never seen a well preserved older woman and an actual old  
man.

~

JUST BECEAUSE YOU ARE BLIND, AND  
UNABLE TO SEE MY BEAUTY DOESN'T  
MEAN IT DOES NOT EXIST.

~ MARGARET CHO

Remember “Beauty is in the eye of the beholder” not only refers to  
personal opinion of another, but reflecting upon one self.



NOVEMBER 2016 @ 54YRS

A GIRL SHOULD BE TWO THINGS:  
WHO AND WHAT SHE WANTS.

~ COCO CHANEL

Ladies, we are sisters, girlfriends, mothers, partners, wives and grandmothers fulfilling everyone else's needs. When was the last time you gave yourself a chance to develop your own identity and achieving your goals?

What are you waiting for? NOW is the time TO SHINE!

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THINK LIKE A QUEEN. A QUEEN IS NOT  
AFRAID TO FAIL. FAILURE IS ANOTHER  
STEPPING STONE TO GREATNESS.

~ OPRAH WINFREY

I may think like a queen with the one fear of not keeping the crown balanced on my head because I am too preoccupied watching my step onto the next stone.





BEING CASUAL  
SUMMER OF 2007 @ 44YRS



WHATEVER YOU DO  
DON'T LET ANYONE TALK YOU INTO  
SOMETHING ABOUT THE WAY YOU LOOK.

~ JOHN CASABLANCAS

In my mid-30s, I modeled late in life, and most of the small town homemade scouts or agents with franchise names possessed California Ideas with greedy pockets.

These agencies spoke The Hype and didn't offer The Walk until the talent paid for the "Promised Package" of becoming a Top Model.

I had no intentions of becoming a fashion model, I was informed that my height didn't meet the requirement, ... hmm, since when was the general public was 6ft tall? Nor did I possess the sass to strut the cat-walk, good heavens, why would I? I'd fall on my face, literally.

Rather, I modeled artistically for art schools and professional photographers wanting to increase their portfolio. It was an experience, some gigs were paid and others weren't. In either case, I learned in appreciating my small, non curvaceous form.

Why?

My proportions belongs to me and no one else.

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