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AGE

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RELATIONSHIP STATUS WHY! Just kidding. Single. YOUR GAY IDOL? Celine Dion

LIFE'S SOUNDTRACK? "Et S'il N'en Restait Qu'une (je serais celle-la)," by Celine Dion

FAV SINGING SHOW The Glee Project WHY SHOULD YOU BE THE NEXT GAY IDOL? I'm an artist, so I live on creativity. I'm serious about what I do, but I also make sure to enjoy my time here.



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AGE 28

YOUR GAY IDOL? Jane Addams—she was amazing all around. LIFE'S SOUNDTRACK? "The Death of Me," by City

& Colour FAV SINGING SHOW The Voice-it's initially not based on looks or age and that is awesome. WHY SHOULD YOU BE THE NEXT GAY IDOL? I should be the next Gay Idol because I am a rockstar and I leave you with a definite impression when I sing.



AGE 27 **RELATIONSHIP STATUS** Taken.

YOUR GAY IDOL? Freddie Mercury, Alexander McQueen, and Björk. LIFE'S SOUNDTRACK?

"I'm Too Sexy," by Right Said Fred. **FAV SINGING SHOW** Sister Act 2 (There was a singing competition between schools in the end of that.) WHY SHOULD YOU BE THE NEXT GAY IDOL? It would be nice if I won, but that's not my goal. My goal is to be the most memorable performer, in a good way.



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AGE 25

RELATIONSHIP STATUS Single YOUR GAY IDOL? Girl: Beth Ditto; Guy: Freddie

Mercury. LIFE'S SOUNDTRACK? "Take Your Mama," by Scissor Sisters.

FAV SINGING SHOW

Glee. WHY SHOULD YOU BE THE NEXT GAY IDOL? In college, they called me Glittertits McGee. I will do everything in my power to live up to the title.



AGE

RELATIONSHIP STATUS Imaginary Swedish boyfriend named Sven YOUR GAY IDOL? Liza Minnelli LIFE'S SOUNDTRACK? "And The World Goes 'Round." Look it up. **FAV SINGING SHOW** Waiting for the Real Housewives of New Jersev to have a drunken sing-off. WHY SHOULD YOU BE THE NEXT GAY IDOL? I sing because I'm happy; I sing because I'm free. And I know my imaginary boyfriend Sven watches me!



AGE 30-something. **RELATIONSHIP STATUS** Single

YOUR GAY IDOL? Andy Bell of Erasure-he bought me a shot of tequila on my 20th birthday. It was the gay highlight of my life. LIFE'S SOUNDTRACK? "Ain't No Mountain High Enough," by Diana Ross. FAV SINGING SHOW The Voice.

WHY SHOULD YOU BE THE NEXT GAY IDOL? Because the Windy City reminded me, after five years living in Alabama and Georgia, how to live out loud and proud.



AGE 29

RELATIONSHIP STATUS Committed relationship. YOUR GAY IDOL? Ellen Degeneres LIFE'S SOUNDTRACK? "A Song for You," by Donny

Hathaway. FAV SINGING SHOW

The Voice. WHY SHOULD YOU BE

THE NEXT GAY IDOL? Would love to promote and be an advocate for the gay community by doing something I love. Also, to encourage others to do the same and embrace their talents and differences!



AGE

RELATIONSHIP STATUS Single by choice! YOUR GAY IDOL? Still Ellen! LIFE'S SOUNDTRACK? "A Change Is Gonna Come." FAV SINGING SHOW Windy City Gay Idol/The Voice

WHY SHOULD YOU BE THE NEXT GAY IDOL? Because the title itself will help me gain the exposure I need to stand out as a lesbian artist and gain a bigger fan base.



AGE 28

RELATIONSHIP STATUS Taken YOUR GAY IDOL? As always, my amazing, loving, supporting mother.

Hasn't missed a Gay Idol vet! (Hi Mom!) LIFE'S SOUNDTRACK?

'That's Life," by Frank Sinatra. **FAV SINGING SHOW**

Windy City Gay Idol, of course!

WHY SHOULD YOU BE THE NEXT GAY IDOL? I truly believe I am the complete package this year, and deserving of the title!



AGE 23 (will be 24 on June 15!) **RELATIONSHIP STATUS**

Single.

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YOUR GAY IDOL? Celine Dion. LIFE'S SOUNDTRACK? "Lessons Learned," by

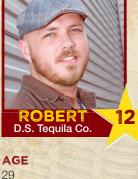
Kristin Chenoweth. WHY SHOULD YOU BE THE NEXT GAY IDOL? I am competing not only for myself, but for all my fellow service men and women who have faced Don't Ask Don't Tell to remind them that we no longer have to hide, but can serve out and



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If I told you I would have to kill you. **RELATIONSHIP STATUS** I have a friend. YOUR GAY IDOL? Sue Heggeland. LIFE'S SOUNDTRACK? "Queen Of the Night" FAV SINGING SHOW The Audience WHY SHOULD YOU BE THE NEXT GAY IDOL?

I'm not getting any younger; it's my time.



RELATIONSHIP STATUS Single.

YOUR GAY IDOL? Who else but Sir Elton John? LIFE'S SOUNDTRACK? "I Feel Good," by James Brown.

FAV SINGING SHOW This past season of American Idol was intense. WHY SHOULD YOU BE THE NEXT GAY IDOL? I'm a southern gentleman trying to make his way in the big city, busting out with some old-school soul and a heap of

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