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EIGHTH ANNUAL BENEFIT FOR THE ELTON JOHN AIDS FOUNDATION
CIPRIANI WALL STREET, NOVEMBER 16.

You were a losing bidder for a date with Bill Clinton in tonight's auction. Have you met Hillary?

"Yeah. I had breakfast with her once at the Chateau Marmont in about '04. We met because we have the same hairdresser—Sally Hershberger. We gossiped, and we talked about corporate mergers and culture. She's a lot more fun than you would think."

—Courtney Love



OPENING NIGHT OF THE BROADWAY MUSICAL FELA!
EUGENE O'NEILL THEATRE AND GOTHAM HALL, NOVEMBER 23.

Can you dance like these guys?

"Uh, that's why I make music. I'm not a dancer; I've got five left feet, you know. But I make music so that other people can dance."

—?uestlove

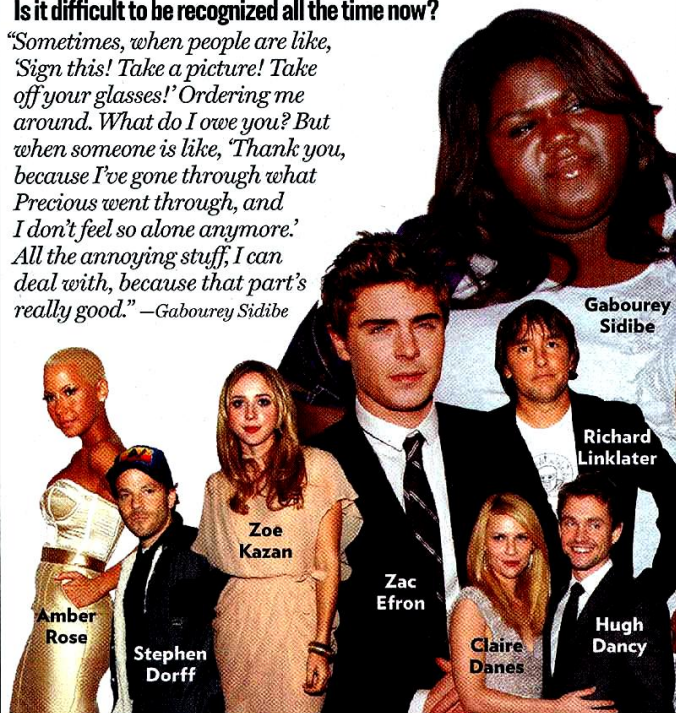


SCREENING OF ME AND ORSON WELLES,
HOSTED BY THE CINEMA SOCIETY, SCREENVISION, AND BROOKS BROTHERS
CLEARVIEW CHELSEA CINEMAS AND GRAMERCY PARK HOTEL, NOVEMBER 23.

Is it difficult to be recognized all the time now?

"Sometimes, when people are like, 'Sign this! Take a picture! Take off your glasses!' Ordering me around. What do I owe you? But when someone is like, 'Thank you, because I've gone through what Precious went through, and I don't feel so alone anymore.' All the annoying stuff, I can deal with, because that part's really good."

—Gabourey Sidibe



SEAN "DIDDY" COMBS'S 40TH-BIRTHDAY PARTY
THE PLAZA HOTEL, NOVEMBER 19.

It looks like you didn't just invite celebrities to your party.

"Everybody I grew up with is here, before I had any money, before I was anything, before I had so many names."

—Sean "Diddy" Combs

