



# MADE IN NEW YORK

It's a helluva town—with a lot of noise, a lot of courage, a lot of style. Here, showing off is E!'s fashion correspondent Michelle Behennah. Providing local color: New Yorkers,

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**WHO:** MICHELLE BEHENNAH, 25, born in Singapore, raised in the UK, now a serious New Yorker who does backstage interviews at fashion shows for E!'s Style network.

**WHERE:** The Brooklyn Bridge, an elegant, soaring structure that has spanned the city's East River since 1883.

**WHAT:** Tommy Hilfiger's all-American jeans, because denim has never been so huge. To dress it up for the city: a long scarlet-lined navy coat with the military-lined navy coat with the military élan that's so strong for fall, a satin camisole, and high-heel boots with thick, rippled soles for pounding the pavement. Boot-cut jeans, \$59, camisole, \$69, and wool coat, \$275, Tommy Hilfiger. Boots and aviator glasses, Michael Kors.

some homegrown designers, from Big Bird to Derek Jeter.

# ♥ BIG MOUTHS, big sandwiches, big trends—like black



**WHO:** EDWARD I. KOCH, New York's second-most-famous former mayor (from 1978 to 1989) and still one of its fastest talkers.

**WHERE:** Katz's, New York's oldest delicatessen, founded by a Russian immigrant family in 1888 (it's also

legendary for being the site of the simulated-orgasm scene in *When Harry Met Sally*).

**WHAT:** She's wearing Marc Jacobs's fascinating mix of textures and neutral colors (do try this at home with your own clothes)—a three-quarter-length gray silk

skirt, blue cashmere vest, striped shirt, and black wool coat. A gorgeous muffler is this year's answer to the pashmina. Cotton blouse, \$495; vest, \$550; skirt, \$595; and double-breasted coat, Marc Jacobs. Wool-blend scarf, Missoni.

clothes, military coats, brilliant mufflers.

**WHO:** THE ROCKETTES, a 36-woman dance troupe whose precision kicks and height requirements (5 feet 5½ to 5 feet 10½) are meticulously calibrated. Call it Rockette science. They have been moving in unison for more than 75 years.

**WHERE:** Radio City Music Hall (opened in 1932), with its block-long marquee, opulent Art Deco interior, and annual Christmas Spectacular (this year's performances begin November 7).

**WHAT:** Carolina Herrera's short, ladylike toggle coat in black (yes, again) and red. It's very French schoolgirl (think Madeline), yet sophisticated, too. The shoes use leather and suede—an idea whose time has definitely come. Lunch and a show, anyone? Wool coat, Carolina Herrera. Beret, Eric Javits. Shoes, Jil Sander.



**WHO:** MICHELLE, proving that subways are for shopping—and for racing from place to place. She wears Pumas (she owns 30 pairs) when she really wants to move.

**WHERE:** One of the city's almost 500 subway stations. The system, operational since 1904, is much maligned but efficient.

**WHAT:** Talk about heroic style—this Anne Klein jacket, in striped wool with metal closures, is modeled after firemen's gear. The denim-look wool trousers are an urbanized version of jeans. Jacket, \$525; cashmere turtleneck, \$125, and pants, \$195, Anne Klein New York. Leather tote and suede-leather shoes. Told's.





**WHO:** TONY DANZA, of TV's *Taxi*, *Who's the Boss?*, and now, *Family Law*. Lately the Brooklyn-born actor has been packing them in at nightclubs as a song-and-dance man.

**WHERE:** One of the 12,000-plus cabs that troll New York streets. They've been painted yellow since the 1960s, in an effort to distinguish legitimate taxis from the unofficial kind.

**WHAT:** The long, narrow scarf is one of fall's signatures; Donna Karan's is a dashing black-ivory mix. Wear it to work with a blazer. Fling it over your (bare) shoulder at night. Take it—and your impatient spaniel—for a walk in the park. Wool-blend tank top, \$98, and wool scarf, \$128, DKNY. 14kt-gold hoops, DKNY. Watch, Bulgari.



WHO: **BIG BIRD**, the 8-foot-2 *Sesame Street* star who's fond of birdseed milk shakes and his nestmate, Radar, a teddy bear.  
WHERE: Manhattan's Central Park, 843 acres with 26,000 trees and 275 species of birds—make that 276 (see our feathered friend here). Cruise it in a horse-drawn carriage.  
WHAT: Anne Klein's sporty separates, including a scalloped skirt (fuller skirts are everywhere this fall) and a fitted leather jacket that works almost like a shirt. Cashmere turtleneck, \$175, wool skirt, \$395, and jacket, \$1,595, Anne Klein New York. 18kt-gold hoops, M+J Savitt. Boots, Aldo.



**WHO:** **AL ROKER**, Emmy-award-winning weatherman and feature reporter on NBC's *Today*. He hangs out with the sign-toting crowds—rain or shine—every weekday morning.

**WHERE:** Outside 30 Rockefeller Plaza, home of NBC's New York studios. It's part of the Midtown Rockefeller Center complex that also houses the slick ice-skating rink and splendid Christmas tree.

**WHAT:** Michael Kors's jaunty shirtdress is leather, this year's trend of trends (take note, too, of the fringed bag and suede boots). Wear it with tights or bare legs (who knows? A) might forecast a warm fall). Dress, Michael Kors. Bag, Emanuel Ungaro. Umbrella, Burberry. Boots, Bottega Veneta.

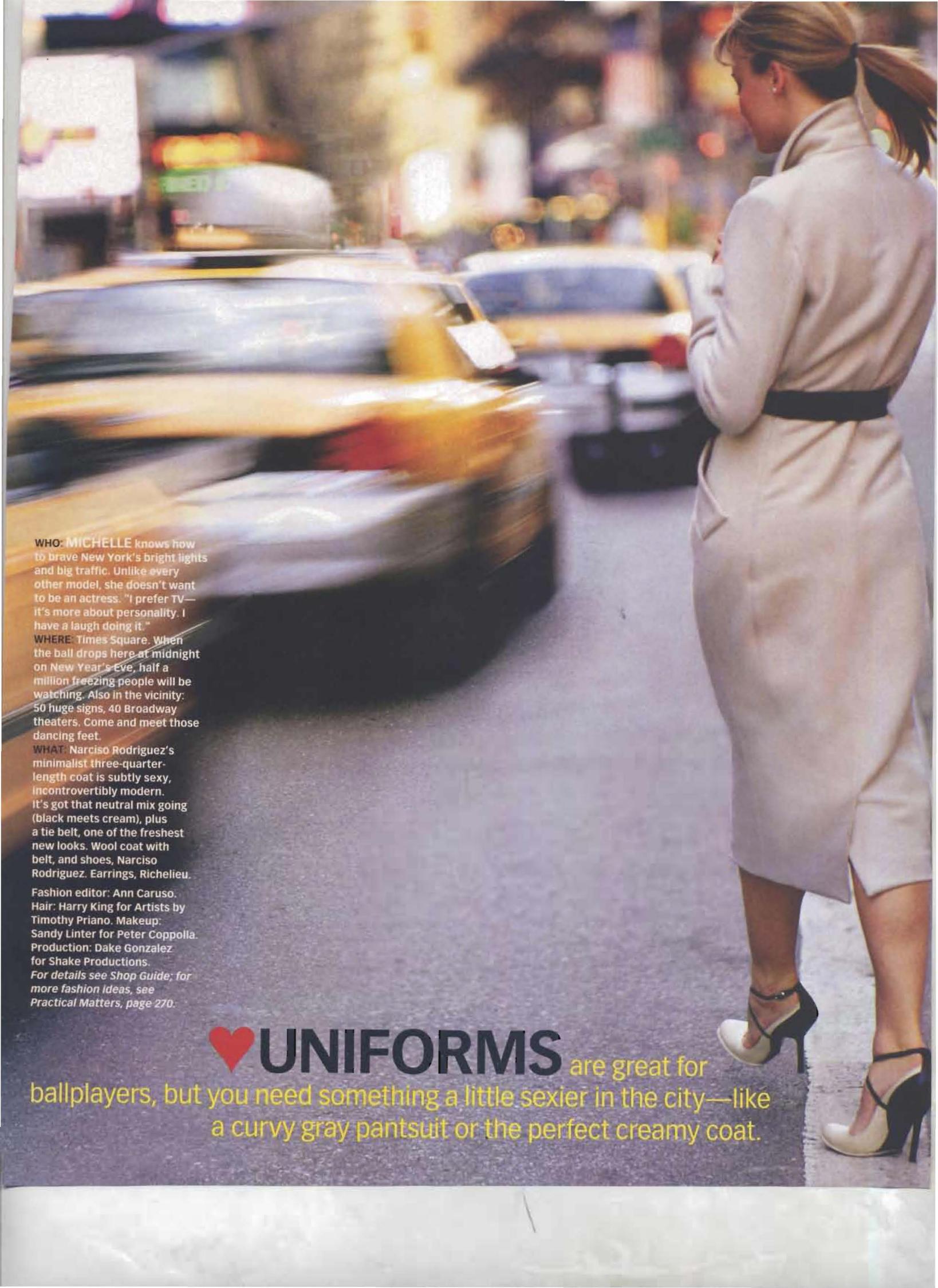




**WHO: DEREK JETER**, the Yankees green-eyed boy. As shortstop and slugger, he's one of their most valuable players. Cute, too (did you see him hosting *Saturday Night Live* last winter?).

**WHERE:** Yankee Stadium, which opened in 1923 (Governor Al Smith threw out the ceremonial first pitch; John Philip Sousa led the band). Lights for night games weren't installed until 1946.

**WHAT:** This is too fetching to be menswear—or is it? Nanette Lepore makes something deliciously vintage out of the gray flannel pantsuit, with its short, structured jacket, wide pants, and puffed shoulders. Wear it in the bleachers or in a VIP box. Wool jacket, \$385, and pants, \$245, Nanette Lepore. Cashmere tank, \$540, Bottega Veneta.



**WHO:** MICHELLE knows how to brave New York's bright lights and big traffic. Unlike every other model, she doesn't want to be an actress. "I prefer TV—it's more about personality. I have a laugh doing it."

**WHERE:** Times Square. When the ball drops here at midnight on New Year's Eve, half a million freezing people will be watching. Also in the vicinity: 50 huge signs, 40 Broadway theaters. Come and meet those dancing feet.

**WHAT:** Narciso Rodriguez's minimalist three-quarter-length coat is subtly sexy, incontrovertibly modern. It's got that neutral mix going (black meets cream), plus a tie belt, one of the freshest new looks. Wool coat with belt, and shoes, Narciso Rodriguez. Earrings, Richelieu.

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 **UNIFORMS** are great for ballplayers, but you need something a little sexier in the city—like a curvy gray pantsuit or the perfect creamy coat.