

Stein's Corner: Hosts in the Headlights

-Alex Stein

I recently sat down with Joel Katz and Zach Romanovsky, hosts of the 2012 Senior Show. We talked about everything from nervousness about hosting the show to surprises that may be in store for the big night...

Alex Stein: What made you guys audition for hosting spot at the Senior Show?

Joel Katz: I thought it would be a fun experience and I've never done anything like it before. I like to make people laugh.

Zach Romanovsky: When I saw my first Senior Show I instantly wanted to be a host, being up there making jokes and making people laugh.

JK: Last years show was great. By hosting this show I just want to be remembered for more than having a pretty face.

ZR: Um Joel, I think I won most attractive last year right?

JK: Maybe in your dreams you did (laughs)

AS: Are you nervous?

JK: A little bit, because I have ran for class office I have experience talking in front of crowds, there is a little less pressure considering I have a co host

ZR: Yeah, I mean having a co-host takes most of the burden off you. If one of us messes up the other host can back us up. We will see what works and doesn't work. We don't plan to go out there and hope for the best.

JK: Yeah like Zach said, there are two of us so there isn't that much pressure. Anyway if Zach makes a fool out of himself, he's on his own.

ZR: Thanks Joel

AS: What happens if no one laughs?

ZR: I'll leave

JK: Yeah, there are certain people in the audience that I'm paying them to laugh, also I'm bringing laugh samples, so if no one laughs I'll play that.

ZR: No really, I don't think that will be a problem, we both have a great dynamic, we have some great jokes planned. Also were targeting everyone, No one is safe. You really have no choice but to laugh.

AS: What actor would play you in a movie?

JK: I'd probably say Matt Damon, he can do drama, comedy, any time of genre. We also look a lot alike.

ZR: (shakes his head)

ZR: Probably Adam Sandler, a nice Jewish comedian, he's really down to earth, you know just making people laugh.

JK: Where else would he be down to? Mars?

ZR: Shut up Joel (laughs)

AS: Do you think you guys can out host Billy Crystal? He did a pretty good job at the Oscars last Sunday.

ZR: Actually, Joel and I plan on hosting the next nine senior shows. Actually were going to do ten, just so we can one up him.

JK: Billy Crystal was a great host, he really knows how to have fun up there. I really think though I'm going for the Anne Hathaway, James Franco vibe though.

ZR: Yeah except Joel is going to be Anne Hathaway (laughs)

AS: Do you have any surprises for the show? Anything you are keeping under wraps?

JK: Well, if I told you I would have to kill you.

ZR: We don't want to ruin the surprise (laughs)

JK: We have some good stuff planned but we want to keep in under wraps right now. You will know soon.

AS: How many acts are performing?

ZR: About 20, with a few surprises, we promise you won't be disappointed.

JK: Yeah, we have a great show planned. We handpicked a wide variety of performances.

AS: Are there any topics that you guys are going to avoid?

ZR: If we don't get sent down to the office, we didn't do our job. (laughs)

AS: Why do you think you guys were chosen to host?

ZR: Because we work well together.

JK: Yeah, our styles mesh, we have excellent chemistry, I think when we auditioned we really showed that we can have a good time.

AS: Thank you for your time and good luck up there.

JK: I don't need luck

ZR: (laughs) no problem

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