



Katie St. Ives

Fresh off a 2010 AVN Nomination for Best POV Sex Scene, the pixie-haired Katie St. Ives is flying high!

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That's an interesting stage name? How did you come up with it?

When people used to ask for my name, I always used Katie as my fake name. I came up with St. Ives when I was on my first shoot, which happened to be with Mike John. My ex-manager and I had trouble coming up with a name for me until I saw a bottle of St. Ives lotion.

Where are you originally from? What's your ethnicity?

I'm originally from Sherman Oaks, California, which is right in the heart of Porn Valley! My biological mom is Cuban while my biological father is half-Cuban and half-German.

What types of jobs did you work before you entered the adult industry?

I have had too many to count, but I'll run through them hehe. I've worked at Gelson's Supermarket and Whole Foods Market as a bagger, Target as a cashier, in a call center named Ameridial telemarketing soliciting donations, Case Farms in Iowa, and Up in Smoke as a waitress! I'm a Sagitarrius and we're known for not keeping still.

Obviously, porn wasn't your first choice. What did you aspire to become?

Growing up, I always wanted to be a cook or chef. Later, I thought about going to cooking school and even cosmetology school, but didn't want to be in school for two years. Another ambition was to study photography, but that never happened.

How did you come across a career in porn?

Well, at that time in January 2009 I moved in with one of my best friends from junior high because I was barely making \$400 a month. My friend was looking for modeling gigs and she ran into a modeling agent who gave his business card to her. My friend wasn't at all interested, but I was curious about it. I mean, I've done a lot of crazy stuff in my personal life and I said to myself I could earn some money as a bonus for something I enjoy anyways since I've always been sexually open. So, I took the plunge.

Describe your first scene.

My first scene was a Mike John POV. I came on set and I didn't know who he was in the world of porn since I was new to the entire scene. My agent at that time mentioned that I got a really big break filming my first scene with him, but I really didn't understand at that time. You can imagine I was real nervous, but Mike kept on smiling at me trying to make me comfortable. Slowly but surely I got more comfortable. Finally, when he said it was time to fuck, I was like okay and I just dove into it.

You have a unique short hairdo . . . do you think you would get more or less assignments if you grew out your hair?

There's more of a demand for women in the industry for longer hair so I think I would get more video shoots. Some directors even went so far to put wigs on me, but I just look silly. If my fans have noticed, my hair doesn't grow very fast and it doesn't help that my hair is really curly! I get that courtesy from my mom and my eyes and pale skin from my dad.

You have an unconventional look besides the hairdo . . . do you think this gets you more assignments?

My look helps me get noticed in the crowd. For instance, if director are browsing a site like LA Direct, they'll see a lot of the typical-looking pornstars, which don't stand out. In my case, I have that unique look that doesn't fit into the pornstar mold, which gets me noticed quickly.

In your opinion, what's your best asset? And what do you think people think is your best asset?

For me, I was blessed with a nice ass and boobs, especially for a girl my size. Ever since I was young and even now, I've always been complimented about my eyes. It's gotten to a point that I'm tired of people complimenting me about my eyes. I don't think my eyes are that special.

Do you view your work in porn as an actual job or is it something else to you?

Before, porn was the means to get out of my situation. Right now, it's a job. I don't drive so getting over to the locations becomes a job in itself. Second of all, it's been a job because work is slow. I don't know when I'll be booked. There's been times I get booked within hours of a shoot like when I was called at 3 am for a 9 am shoot. Other times, it's less erratic like I get called one or two days before a shoot.





You've been in a number of so-called extreme videos like *Gag Factor*... did you expect that it was going to be that rough going into it?

To tell you the truth, I was not expecting to be that rough. This is what happened . . . my ex-agent had booked me for two scenes that day. The first booking was for a blowjob scene for Anabolic Initiations 25, then after that I went to the Gag Factor shoot. The first booking lasted from 10 am until 7 pm because I with a brand new guy. Right after that, I had to grab a chicken sandwich before the second shoot. Anyway, I had an awful experience during the shoot because the throatfucking was horrible. It's not a pleasant experience hanging upside down while a guy fucks your mouth as if he were pounding pussy! In fact, I threw up a couple times during the shoot. After the shoot, I felt embarrassed and my throat was messed up for a couple of days. I even got strep throat from the ordeal. Seriously, I don't know how people can get off on this type of porn. It was just a bad experience altogether. It just showed how my ex-agent didn't really take care of me. In fact, he left me with only 6 dollars to my name! With Mark Spiegler as my agent, I don't have to worry about that happening again because he cares for his models. Plus, I'm a tiny girl and Mark screens the guys that I work with.

Do you still have time to get off even with your schedule?

Yes, I do masturbate when I have the chance about 3-4 times a day. I actually have not one but two vibrators I use . . . the Diamond Edition by Evolved Novelties and an egg-shaped vibrator by Swedish Erotica. On a side note, I've even discovered a hidden talent of mine of squirting, but I first experienced that on set for Kink.com.

It looks like you would be more suited to alt.porn instead of mainstream porn, but why do you think you've been able to get a constant stream of work in general porn?

Uh, I think the real reason is that there are many perverts out there who like the 15 to 16 years old look.

Does it matter to you whether you are doing a scene for a web site as compared to a video shoot?

Well, I like both. Each one has its own advantages and disadvantages. Obviously, the video shoot is usually more sophisticated because of a higher budget, but a website shoot is more intimate because there's not too many people on set.

I'm sure you are getting a steady stream of work, but how has the recession affected the porn industry. What have you observed in your personal experience?

Actually, I've noticed that there is a large pool of talent and very little companies so everyone's being squeezed. For my situation, I'm not as busy as I would like to be. In fact, my friend Juelz Ventura is in a completely opposite situation than me since she works a lot! Maybe, I don't have as much bookings because I'm new and many companies haven't had a chance to meet me.

Are you doing anything to gain more visibility to increase your bookings?

Well, I've got rid of my belly piercing, had my tattoo fixed, and I've done small adjustments to my lifestyle like eating healthy!

In some ways your industry reflects the film industry in that you as an actor have to portray something you aren't . . . in a sense you have to be someone else. Do you find this often too difficult to switch on and off?

When I got into porn, my really good friends that know we well were not surprised because they've known me as being a very open and sexual person. It isn't hard for me to switch on or off for the camera. Half the time it's really me . . . I'm really nervous. The scenes where I actually find hard are ones where I have to act sexy and tease the camera like I'm having sex with the camera man. For instance, during the *Let Me Jerk You* shoot for Elegant Angel where I had to dance for the camera without any music. It was difficult for me because I really don't know how to dance and it didn't help that there was no music playing in the background during the shoot. But, the finished product turned out well although the music that they added didn't really synch with my movements.

Like most people, you look really different with makeup on as compared to without. Have you ever been recognized in public as being Katie St. Ives, even with your face not done? Actually, I try to do my own make up for the video shoots. Anyway, yes I've been recognized several times, but the most memorable time happened when my friend and I dined out at the Hooters in Hollywood. I took a smoke break outside the restaurant where there are a lot of street vendors trying to hawk their crappy CDs. These guys approach me and one of them says, "Do I know you?" I was like no, but then he mentioned that he saw me on the internet. Then, at that point, I knew he was onto me. He whispered to her buddy to say that I was Katie St. Ives. It was very creepy since they were rubbing up against me and they almost made it a make-out session. This even happened to me, but to a lesser extent, when I was on my way out of Hooters. Thankfully, my friend controlled the situation. But, yeah that was creepy!

Besides staying in bed and sleeping all day long, what do you like to do on your downtime?

I'm an outdoors-type because I like hiking and swimming. Other than that, I spend my time like any other woman my age by hanging out with my friends and going out with my boyfriend who happens to be a director.

If you weren't in porn, what would you likely be doing?

I would probably be in photography, but I know that the field is ultra-competitive and it's very difficult to earn a good salary starting off. If not that, I would probably like to my own small website . . . something like Suicide Girls. On a side note, I recently finished my scene for Eon McKai's *Eyelashes*. Personally, I like the alternative porn look and I'd rather see myself with a Mohawk and colored hair . . . I like having an edge. But, I've had fans laugh at the alt.porn look saying that they'll always remember me as being the cute girl with the girlnext-door look. So, yeah I've been sort-of branded already.

Does porn benefit society at all?

I think that's a silly question, but if anything at all porn teaches people that it's not wrong to have sex.

Favorite Artist: My talented 29-year-old step-sister because her sculptures are tricked-out, especially the ones with religious themes.

Favorite Food: Indian food, especially curry.

Favorite City: Winesburg, Ohio where there's Dundee Falls. I enjoyed late-night hiking there and we would just party in the middle of the woods after avoiding the rangers at night. Favorite Sex Position: Doggie because it feels good!

Wildest place you had sex: Actually, that would be PLACES! I've had sex in a bush, at a party, in a parking lot, underneath a freeway, a public laundry room, in a moving car on the 101 freeway, on a church balcony, and at a construction site. Yeah, I've been fortunate not to have been arrested, especially during the construction site incident.

~THANKS KATIE!

