



ZENDAYA

Get to know all about **Zendaya!** She spoke with **Glitter Magazine** about her new debut album, the meaning behind her music and how close she really is to **Bella Thorne!** Get the deets here!

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ecently, Zendaya sat down with Glitter Magazine to talk *Shake It Up!*, *Dancing with the Stars*, her debut album, which released on September 17, 2013, and her first book, *Between You and Me*. She also tells us who her favorite Chmerkovskiy brother is. Sit back, relax, and read on!

ZENDAYA: I'm so blessed to be able to present an album that truly represents me and what I am. I have a team of people who really support me and believe in my dreams so this finished album is truly the best of me, Zendaya. I collaborated with amazing producers and song writers. Paul Phamous and Tiffany Fred have three songs on this album and they are an awesome writing team who also listens to me and brings me into the creative process. Nick Jonas produced one of the tracks and I hope to work more with him in the future. Harmony Samuels produced one of the tracks and he was so great to work with. He's worked with a lot of amazing people so I felt very honored. The writing and producing team called Monster and Strangerz also has a few songs on the album. They are this really cool group of guys that I just vibed with right away. I can't wait to collaborate with them even more! So many great people helped me with this project and I really am blessed.

GLITTER: Is there anyone you haven't collaborated with yet that you'd love to collaborate with on a song or an album?

ZENDAYA: I would love to get a rapper on one of my songs, like Drake, ASAP, Kendrick Lamar, Big Sean. The list goes on and on actually!!

GLITTER: Can you tell us what your song "Replay" is all about?

ZENDAYA: Well, "Replay" can be taken in many ways, but most people think it is about a boy. I tend to think of it as anything that you're really passionate about and that you would put that on "Replay" so to speak.

GLITTER: What are your thoughts on social media? Do you think it helps or hinders a person?

ZENDAYA: Social Media is very important to me because it connects me with my fans and they're the most important thing to me. Without them, I'm nothing. So I use it to connect with them, let them know I'm a real person, with faults, bad hair days and no make-up days too! If anything weird or even rude pops up on my social media, I just hit the block button and move on. It's really awesome in that sense.

GLITTER: We love your sense of fashion. If you could wear anything all day, what would you wear?

ZENDAYA: Seriously? I'm a "sweats and t-shirt kind of girl," but I do love my fancy girly moments too. LOL!

GLITTER: How close are you to Bella Thorne and to your family?

ZENDAYA: Bella and I are very close. We text all the time, but don't see as much of each other because we are both working on different projects. I will forever be her big sister and love her like my own family. I'm very close to my own family as well. My older sister, Kizzi, keeps me in line and I have older brothers to protect me too. We're a very tight family.

GLITTER: How are you and Rocky on *Shake It Up!* similar and how are you different?

ZENDAYA: Rocky and I are both vegetarians. We also love dance, are serious about school, love to help people and are hard workers. I think Rocky is more shy than I am in real life and she needs much more pushing from her best friend, Cece, to try new things. I want to get great grades like Rocky, but I'm not as in love with school as she is!! Our sense of style is much different too.

GLITTER: How has life been after *Dancing with the Stars*? Do you think *Dancing with the Stars* broke you out of your shell?

ZENDAYA: I've been able to sleep much more!! But seriously, DWTS gave me a whole new perspective on hard work and what it means. Nothing can really compare to those ten weeks as far as the amount of stress and energy and hard work. I feel like I can do anything, be anything and just overcome any challenges after experiencing what I did on DWTS.

GLITTER: Your self-titled debut album released on September 17th, what was it like recording the album and who did you collaborate with?

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GLITTER: Can you tell us a little about your first book, *Between Me & You (Hyperion)*?

ZENDAYA: I wanted to create something that could help people so I decided to do a tween advice book. I'm really just out of my "tween" years and they were pretty good for me. So why not help out my fellow tweeners? Sometimes getting advice from older people just really doesn't work - they're too far removed and can't really remember what it was like to be a tween. It's a strange age because you are not old enough to be a teenager, but you're too young to be a kid - you get new responsibilities, but not quite enough. You know, it's hard. So hopefully some of what I have written down can help some tweens get through the rough times.

GLITTER: What would you tell someone who is afraid to follow their dreams because they're afraid of what others might think?

ZENDAYA: Such a common worry for many people. I just have to convince them to go for it. Taking risks is hard and scary but the rewards are far more worth it! I love these quotes about that: "You wouldn't worry so much about what others think of you if you realized how seldom they do." - Eleanor Roosevelt and "Never dull your shine for somebody else." - Tyra Banks

GLITTER: What is your definition of a Glitter girl?

ZENDAYA: Your Glitter is your shine, your confidence and your swag. You have to own it and you will accomplish great things!

Quick fire questions:

GLITTER: Val or Maks?

ZENDAYA: Val (sorry Maks)!

GLITTER: Twitter or Tumblr?

ZENDAYA: Twitter

GLITTER: Urban Outfitters or Forever 21?

ZENDAYA: Urban Outfitters

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