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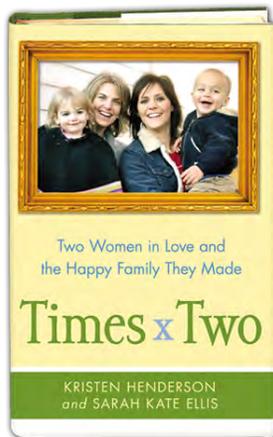
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Kristen & Sarah Kate Ellis-Henderson Are Kissing on the Cover for Equality



“As we were driving to the [*Time Magazine* cover] shoot I thought, “I’m doing this because I want my kids to live boldly and loudly and see what it means to stand up for something.” -- Sarah Kate Ellis-Henderson, author of *Times Two*, *Two Women in Love* and *The Happy Family They Made*

Kristen and Sarah Kate Ellis-Henderson, the married lesbian couple kissing on the cover of *Time Magazine*’s “Gay Marriage Already Won” April 8, 2013 issue – are no strangers to the front lines of the fight for marriage equality.



Their simultaneous pregnancies in 2008 (the women literally got pregnant on the exact same day) led to a book deal with Simon & Schuster. Their memoir, “*Times Two, Two Women in Love and The Happy Family They Made*,” is as lighthearted as it is enlightening. The reader witnesses firsthand the couple’s coming out process, and how they come to terms with it, not just for themselves but for the sake of their newly born son and daughter. And it’s all told in an unexpectedly relatable way.

It’s that relatability that led GLAAD (Gay Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation) to tap the couple as media representatives during New York State’s Marriage Equality vote in June, 2011.

Kristen and Sarah Kate were interviewed by the Associated Press and quoted in an international press release that appeared globally. They were also quoted in *The New York Times* and *The Wall Street Journal*.

Here Come The Brides: Kristen Henderson And Sarah Ellis Marry -- Part 3 (VIDEO)



The Huffington Post | Annie Carroll
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Kristen and Sarah have blogged their Marriage Equality viewpoints for *The Huffington Post*, and have been the focus of a three-part web documentary series the news site did on the couple’s wedding.

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2011/11/16/here-come-the-brides-kristen-henderson-sarah-ellis-part-3_n_1095996.html?ref=weddings

Weddings/Celebrations

For the Sake of the Children
By LISA BELKIN
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WHEN Douglas Robinson and Michael Elasser moved in together 25 years ago, they bought matching bands, layered in white, rose and yellow gold, and said private, personal vows.

They wore them in 1993 when they were among the first New Yorkers to register under the new domestic partnership law.

Eight years later they exchanged those same rings again, this time during a ceremony at Riverside Church in Manhattan that included their two adopted sons.

And on Sunday they plan to use them once more, when they are married at the city clerk's office, on the first day it is legal to do so in New York State. The rings are tighter now, and it may take more than a little soapy water to slip them off so they can be slipped back on. Their sons, in turn, are grown and will serve as witnesses and best men.

Marrying when you already have children scrambles the

They were also featured in the special *New York Times Sunday Styles* issue (July 24, 2011) that ran the first day same-sex marriage became legal in New York State.

<http://nyti.ms/X1KByL>



Kristen and Sarah were named one of Go Magazine's Most Captivating Couples of 2012

(http://www.gomag.com/article/americas_most_captivating6/3).

As authors they were nominated for a prestigious Stonewall Award.



Hangin' With Hendo: Musings of a struggling guitar hero & mother of twins...

Kristen also hosts her own blog, "Hangin' With Hendo,"

<http://kristenhendersonofantigonerising.blogspot.com> where she cleverly voices opinions simply by telling her own personal stories on politically charged issues like same sex adoption marriage equality.

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It Takes One to Know One - Marriage Equality in New York State

I've come to blog here the past several days attempting to say something that hasn't already been said. I've spent quite a bit of time calling Senators, asking all my friends to call Senators, reading other blogs, posting comments, participating in certain threads where my time could have been better spent smashing my head into a brick wall, etc. You get the point.

The long and short of it is this.

BUY TIMES TWO!



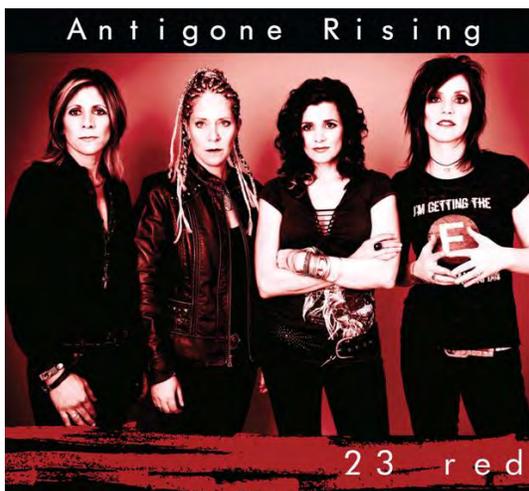
"Sarah and I were the first same sex couple to get married in the Episcopal Church in New York State. Since becoming mothers, our tireless efforts for equality are more for our children than ourselves. We think of our kids on the playground with every other child they are growing up with - most have married parents. And now our children do too. It's not enough, though, to be recognized on a state level. And it's not enough that only 9 states recognize marriage equality. It's mine and Sarah's mission to make ourselves

available for the front lines until the equality battle is won on a national level.”

– Kristen Ellis-Henderson

About the couple on the cover of *Time* Magazine:

Kristen Ellis-Henderson is a founding member, guitarist, and songwriter of the all-female popular rock band Antigone Rising (<http://www.antigonerising.com>). In 2005, the band was catapulted into the national spotlight when Starbucks and Lava/Atlantic Records partnered to release their debut CD, “From The Ground Up,” in five thousand stores nationwide. Television appearances followed the Starbucks release, including The Today Show, The Tonight Show, A&E’s Breakfast with the Arts, Emeril Live!, and a VH-1 half hour special titled, “Listen Up! Antigone Rising.” Kristen has also been a featured “talking head” on VH-1s “I Love The 70s, 80s and 90s” series’.



Kristen and Antigone Rising have toured with The Rolling Stones, Aerosmith, The Allman Brothers Band, The Dave Matthews Band, Rob Thomas from Matchbox Twenty, Joan Jett & The Blackhearts, and The Bangles.

The band is currently signed to the distribution division of Joan Jett’s Blackheart Records label and is touring in support of their latest studio release, titled “23 Red.”

Their most recent single, “That Was The Whiskey” was released digitally on March 19, 2013. When not touring or blogging, Kristen

plays on a women’s soccer team and is the mom most likely driving the kids to and from Pre-K, ballet, or soccer. Kristen was born in Glen Cove, NY and graduated from Bucknell University in 1992.

Sarah Kate Ellis-Henderson was born and raised on Staten Island, NY. She graduated from Russell Sage College in 1993, and moved to New York City to pursue a career in marketing. Sarah has spent the past seventeen years working on such top brands as Vogue, In Style, and most recently as Executive Vice President of *Real Simple* Magazine. Sarah is the co-author of "Times Two, Two Women in Love and the Happy Family They Made," released by Simon & Schuster in 2012, and she penned a controversial blog for



The Huffington Post on the topic of Marriage Equality just prior to it's passage in New York State in June, 2012 titled, "My Kids Have Everything - Except Married Parents" <http://huff.to/kr6Rje>

Most recently, Sarah completed the New York City half marathon on St. Patrick's Day exactly 12 hours

after moving into her new home. Sarah is a type A overachiever.

In an interview with Sarah Kate and Kristen can discuss:

- **Their decision to do such a provocative cover.**
- **The concern about their children seeing this cover or possible ramifications from family and friends.**
- **Why they think the Supreme Court decision on DOMA is most important for the children of gay families.**
- **How having children changed the way they think about DOMA and Prop 8.**
- **What it was like to get pregnant on the exact same day and to be pregnant together in such a parallel way.**
- **The legal and social hurdles they had to face when adopting their own children, and more specifically adopting each other's birth child.**
- **How they managed to write their autobiography, *Times Two*, during the first year of their babies' lives.**
- **What it has been like to unexpectedly become the spokes family for the marriage equality debate.**

To schedule an interview with Kristen and/or Sarah Kate please contact:

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