

LOVE: BLIND DATE

# Drawn Together

### BLIND DATERS BECOME EACH OTHER'S CARICATURE WITNESSES

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Matt, a business-minded athletes' agent from Georgetown, agreed to participate in tonight's not-so-private blind date to try something new and to plug his business. Dawn, an athletic surfer girl from the West, is the operations director at The Shout House, downtown's famous dueling piano bar where, late last year, two PacificSD blind daters met for the first time only to become engaged six weeks later.

Will these opposites attract, or will they find each other repulsive? You be the judge. Dave the caricaturist will be the court reporter.

(Alternative preface for Charles Dickens buff: It was the worst of times, it was the worst of times...)

## The Players

Before Dawn and Matt meet for a Mexican Fusion drinks-and-dining experience at La Puerta, downtown, they answer important questions.

### SHE SAYS...

**PacificSD: What's the worst gift you ever gave a lover?**  
Dawn: Clothes that didn't fit.

**What one luxury item would you want to have on a desert island?**  
Chapstick.

**How old were you when you had your first kiss?**  
Nineteen.

**If you won the lottery, what would you do?**

Start a non-profit focused on giving back one hundred percent. Make my family very comfortable. Surf all the best spots around the world.

**What's the last book you read?**  
Currently reading *Eat, Pray, Love*; it was a gift from my dear friend.

**What's the best thing that could happen tonight?**  
We get along really well and decide to see each other again.

**Worst?**  
The guy gets really drunk and out of control. I don't like this question.

**What are your best attributes?**  
People love my hair, but I'd say I have a good heart.

**What did you do last weekend?**  
Worked more than I wanted to.

**What song sums you up best?**  
*This is the Sea* by the Waterboys.

**What's the most reckless thing you've ever done?**  
Thirteen car accidents, but only six were my fault!

**If you were another person, would you be friends with you?**  
Yes, I love and take care of those around me very well.

**HE SAYS...**  
**PacificSD: What's the worst gift you ever gave a lover?**  
Matt: Money.

**What one luxury item would you want to have on a desert island?**  
A TV.

**Do you have any nicknames?**  
Several—Haterproof, Ace Rothstein, Big Country, Eggbert, The Hawg and Corn.

**What's the last book you read?**  
*Moneyball* and *Everything You Need to Know About the Music Business*.

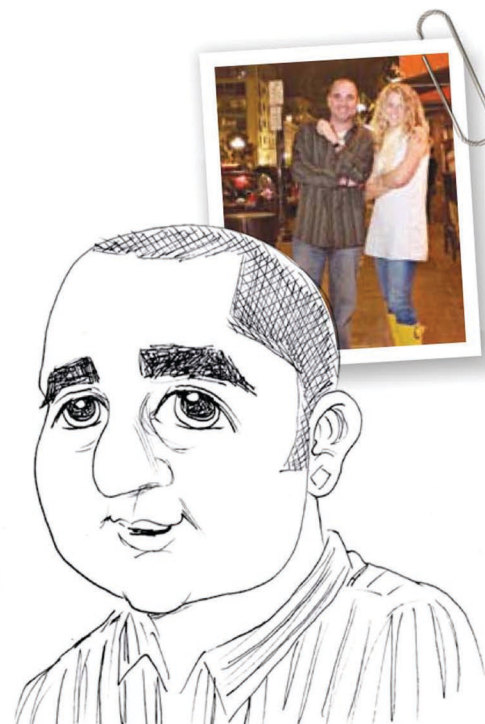
**What do you fear most?**  
Being lonely when I'm old. Or bad karma.

**What's the best thing that could happen on the date?**  
Hot, lusty sex followed by her cooking in the morning in a t-shirt with nothing under it—and leaving cash on the counter.

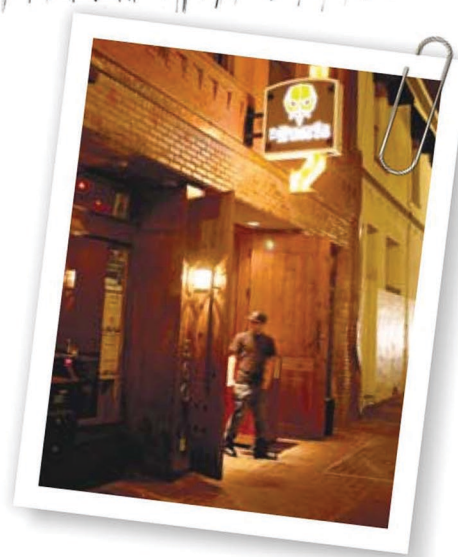
**Worst?**  
She's a hater. Or I get my thing caught in the zipper in the bathroom.

**What's your most effective way to flirt?**  
Eye contact, room presence and humor. Also, after you get a little buzz... dancing.

**What are your best attributes?**  
Loyalty, resourceful, funny, street smart, athletic and connected.



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**What song sums you up best?**  
I would say *Superfly* by Curtis Mayfield or *Smooth Operator* by Sade.

**If you were another person, would you be friends with you?**  
Of course. I spread the good vibe, knowledge and experience.

**Do you have any special talents?**  
Understanding and communicating with people and animals.

**Anything you'd like to add?**  
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## Date continued...

Dawn and Matt meet at the bar at La Puerta. The date was supposed to begin at 7:00 p.m. Matt shows up at 7:30. Dave the caricaturist gets to work while the daters break the ice. Half-an-hour later, they're split for mid-date debriefings.



### SHE SAYS...

**PacificSD: You like the restaurant?**

Dawn: I love La Puerta! I've been here before and the food is killer. I had a surf and turf taco last time I came and that was great.

**How about the caricaturist?**

He's so cute! He's drawing me with really big boobs and big eyes—I love it.

**What was your first impression of Matt?**

His diamond earrings were, like, bigger than my head!

**From one to ten, what's your level of physical attraction?**

I don't want to be mean, but there's not really an attraction there.

**What's your level of emotional attraction?**

He's talking a lot! I'm just kind of sitting back. He has a lot to say.

**If you could leave right now without hurting his feelings, would you?**  
I'm having a good time, but I could go.

**Does he remind you of any movie stars?**

He said he's a talent agent and he's talking a lot about movie stars and people in the industry, but I don't know if he reminds me of any star in particular. He's from the east coast, so he has that vibe, definitely.

**What is his best quality?**

Overall, he is a great conversationalist.

**Worst?**

He's been on his phone the whole time. But I'm this blond, surfer chick, and I'm sure I'm not his type either. He told me he broke up with his girlfriend four months ago, and she's from New York.

**What would you do if he tried to kiss you right now?**

I would go for the hug.

### HE SAYS...

**PacificSD: How's it going?**

Matt: It's going good. You can tell she is a responsible adult and has her life together. A little too square for me, though.

**What kind of girls do you normally date?**

I normally date *Playboy* Playmates, a little bit more free spirited as far as in the partying sense. Actually, normally I date darker girls. I date Spanish, Italian, Middle Eastern, Persian and Mexican girls. I don't mind white girls, though.

**What is your level of physical attraction to Dawn?**

It's going to be mean... a five.

**How about emotionally?**

Six.

**If you had the option of leaving now without hurting her feelings, would you?**

Definitely. I'm a high profile person. I'm not trying to be arrogant, but I prefer to deal with the drama than deal with the regular Joes.

**You like the caricaturist?**

He made me look fat. <laughs>

**Who's that girl in the bikini on your phone?**

One of my clients. I used to work with Kendra for four years. I have Aubrey and four platinum singers, and I worked with Kim Kardashian when she was just Ray J's ho. I left the best sports agency in the world when I got suspended from the NFL for three years, and that's how I ended up with all these reality show stars. I gotta eat, you know.

**What would you do if she tried to kiss you?**

I have zero sexual attraction to her, but she is a really nice person.

**If you tried, what would she do?**

I think she would pull away.

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## Picture imperfect...

After the mid-date interviews, Dawn and Matt order dinner. As they wait briefly for the piping hot Mexican magic to appear from the kitchen, their body language speaks volumes—things are not going well. Matt's eating and fiddling with his phones, Dawn's forcing smiles... and then Matt's friend shows up.

Ten minutes later, Dawn walks out. It's the first time in 27 blind date extravaganzas that a dater leaves before the photographer and writer do. Oh, my.

The photographer takes his parting shots, then the crew skedaddles before having to pay for Matt's friend's dinner, too. The next morning, the daters reveal what had transpired.

### HE SAYS...

**PacificSD: How did the night go for you?**

Matt: It was cool. A little different than the norm.

**What were you expecting?**

Nothing.

**What did you have at La Puerta?**

Chicken quesadilla, Hennessy XO and Sprite and two shots of tequila.

**Describe the chemistry between you and Dawn.**

Two very different people from very different worlds.

**Worst?**

No real complaints.

**Do you normally play with your phones during dates?**

<laughs> Always on my phones.

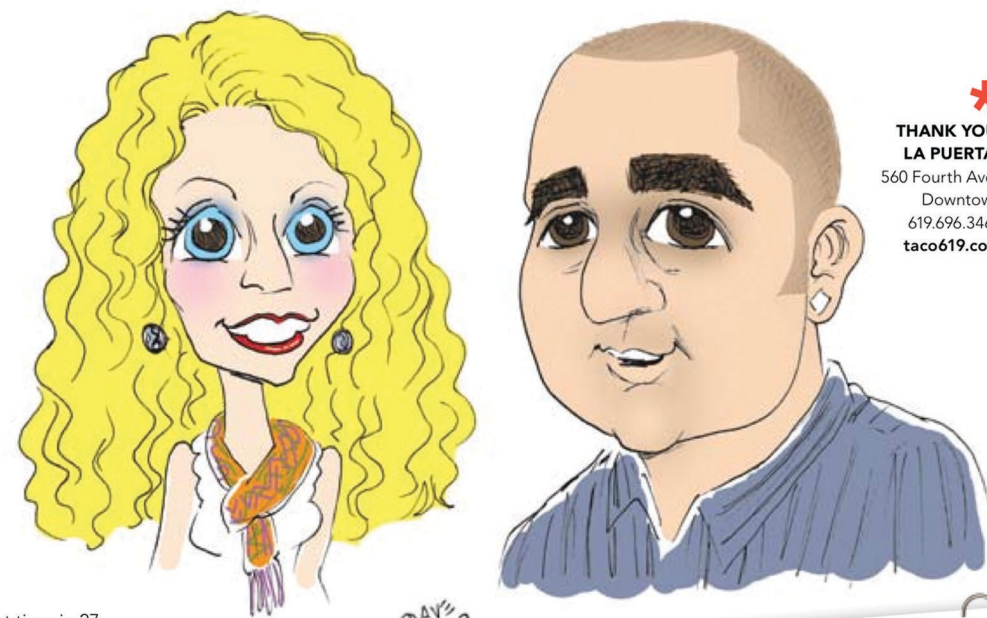
**How did your friend end up showing up?**

I texted him so we could finish our meeting from earlier and make a polite exit.

**Anything you'd like to add?**

When he said no, Matt said, "Phew, thank goodness," as if he was some celebrity or something! I can barely believe this guy. Was this a joke? Is someone going to tell me I am on candid camera?

**AFTERMATCH:** For last month's blind date, Nami and Rian met on a limo bus, and they're still dating. This month's date might as well have taken place on a boat—the night was sinking fast, Matt sent out an S.O.S. and his friend jumped in to save him. Then, sensing that she was drowning in the bad-date doldrums, Dawn bailed early. Love is a whirlpool. Taking a spin can be fun, but it can also cause seasickness.



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### SHE SAYS...

**PacificSD: Was this the worst date you've ever been on?**

Dawn: Yes, the worst!

**Why didn't you two hit it off?**

Well, I am a beach-loving, down-to-earth California girl, and he was from New York and wearing diamonds bigger than my head.

**What was the best part of the night?**

The drive home.

**Worst?**

Well, there were many, like him checking his phone every two seconds, telling me about all the celebrities he knows, running his mouth and not listening to me. But my favorite is when he started bagging on Californians and insulting my career choice.

**How did you feel when Matt's friend showed up?**

That was neat, I especially liked it when he started eating our food. I left immediately after.

**Anything else you'd like to say?**

Matt actually asked the photographer if he sells his photos to the paparazzi. When he said no, Matt said, "Phew, thank goodness," as if he was some celebrity or something! I can barely believe this guy. Was this a joke? Is someone going to tell me I am on candid camera?

Tune in next month when two strangers feed sharks and pet sea horses at the Birch Aquarium in La Jolla. It's the kind of date Dawn probably would have enjoyed (sorry, Dawn, we should have planned better), but talking her into another date won't be easy. And Matt made it pretty clear that he ain't coming back unless we can produce a Playmate. Back to the dating pool...

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