

**REELZCHANNEL UNVEILS SIX DIE-HARD “TWILIGHT/NEW MOON”  
FANS AS FINALISTS IN SEARCH FOR NEW ON-AIR CORRESPONDENT**

*New TV Correspondent to be Unveiled on the Air on July 27 and Sent to Report from  
"TwiCon" Event for REELZCHANNEL TV & [www.reelzchannel.com](http://www.reelzchannel.com)*

**ALBUQUERQUE, NM (July 1) — REELZCHANNEL - TV About Movies®** tapped a half-dozen lucky Twilight fans to be the chosen six finalists vying for a shot as a network correspondent and a chance to report from this summer’s TwiCon event. TwiCon is a four-day convention where passionate fans of the Twilight movie and book series gather to share their obsession featuring various workshops, panels, a Twilight movie screening, and even the opportunity to meet some of the actors from the hit film. Movie fans are invited to visit [www.reelzchannel.com](http://www.reelzchannel.com) to vote for their favorite finalist, and on July 27, REELZCHANNEL will name one of the finalists the on-air TwiCon correspondent for the network. The chosen correspondent will cover the event, which takes place between July 30 and August 2, and appear on air and online throughout the run-up to the premiere of *New Moon* on November 20.

REELZCHANNEL will designate one of the six finalists as the network’s TwiCon fan correspondent on July 27, sending the chosen “Twi-hard” to Dallas to report from the convention—meaning that these six enthusiastic Twi-hards will have to sparkle brighter than Edward in the Italian sun to secure a spot as REELZCHANNEL’s new on-air entertainment reporter.

REELZCHANNEL is inviting “Twi-hards” to their website to vote on their favorite finalists, a move further guaranteed to excite the legions of Twilight fans. Over the next four weeks, campaign videos made by all six of the finalists will air on TV and the web, and friends, family and fans can log on to [www.reelzchannel.com/twicon](http://www.reelzchannel.com/twicon) right now to cast a free vote for their favorite finalist. The fan votes will be factored in to the final decision.

The top candidates, chosen from a New York City casting call event held last month, were officially announced on REELZCHANNEL TV during the July 27th episode of the network's “Twilight: Spotlight.” The “Twilight: Spotlight” episode was just one part of the network’s extensive *Twilight* coverage, which includes *New Moon* updates the network is airing throughout July in regular “Movie News” broadcasts. The chosen REELZCHANNEL correspondent may appear on air and online in programming, movie newscasts and other coverage in the months leading up to the fall movie release of *New Moon*.

The finalists are being announced one month after eager fans turned out to the open casting in New York City. The search brought throngs of Twilight fans from as far away as Chicago and Cincinnati, all of them ready to prove that their infatuation with Twilight tops Bella and Edward's infatuation with one another. REELZCHANNEL’s “Twilight” and *New Moon* correspondent Naibe Reynoso was on hand to assess the Twilight fans and see if their reporting skills had what it takes to cover TwiCon.

Each of the fresh, energetic young women is interested in the entertainment and media industries—and, of course, is obsessed with Twilight. The group includes: Dominique Alexis of Brooklyn, NY., Elyse Ault of New York, NY., Samantha Fabretti of New Britain CT., Jessica Gueco of Brooklyn, NY., Lauren Simpson of Yonkers, NY., and Ana Velazquez of Whitestone, NY.

### **MEET THE REELZCHANNEL TWICON FINALISTS:**

Dominique Alexis

Brooklyn, NY

Age: 18

New York City native Dominique Alexis has always dreamt of being a reporter. Her love for reporting and her love for Twilight makes her the perfect Twicon correspondent candidate. An extremely knowledgeable Twilight fan, Dominique is intrigued by the concept of forbidden love throughout the series and is rooting for Team Edward. Dominique's spunk and experience with interviewing people made her stand out in auditions—not to mention her freestyle Twilight-themed rapping!

Elyse Ault

New York, NY

Age: 24

Elyse, originally from Scottsdale, AZ, might be a fan of Team Edward, but she says she also sympathizes with Jacob, saying that "true Twilight fans get both sides of the equation." She claims to be an "extreme" Twilight fan and just happened to be walking by the casting call by chance. Elyse told REELZCHANNEL a typical day starts when she "does the whole wake up, check my e-mail, check my facebook, and google Twilight thing." She has even designed a shirt for the movie premiere that coined the phrase, "I like Edward because my boyfriend doesn't sparkle." Her favorite book in the Twilight series is Breaking Dawn.

Samantha Fabretti

New Britain, CT

Age: 20

Samantha, a student at The University of Connecticut, has never had the opportunity to be in a film, on television, or on the web—until now! This extreme twilight fan (who finished the Twilight saga in five days the first time she read the books) considers herself Team Edward all the way. She has tons of Twilight memorabilia, including posters, sweetheart boxes, an autographed Valentine's day card and a "Twilight" t-shirt. Her passion and energy for Twilight transfers on to the screen seamlessly.

Jessica Gueco

Brooklyn, NY

Age: 26

San Francisco native Jessica Gueco claims that Twilight has taken over her life, even admitting that she often compares her boyfriend to Rob Pattison. The bold New Yorker

talked about a recent picture she saw of Rob and Kristen filming in Italy, pointing out Rob Pattison's dashing good looks. Jessica's love and dedication for the Twilight saga even pushed her to travel to Canada to search for New Moon, not to mention, see the first Twilight movie over 50 times—a record for the finalists. Jessica is well known in the Twilight community due to her Twilight blog “What the Forks,” which can be found at [whattheforks.wordpress.com](http://whattheforks.wordpress.com).

Lauren Simpson  
Yonkers, NY  
Age: 24

Lauren has consistently followed REELZCHANNEL's coverage of Twilight since the beginning and loves how the network engages fans in various ways. The former NYU student was an entertainment journalist for 3 years and thinks that her experience will be an advantage in this competition. She is also a fan of Team Edward and loves the third book in the series, Eclipse.

Ana Velazquez  
Age: 20  
Whitestone, NY

Ana represented Twilight well at auditions, decking herself out in Twilight apparel, including a Forks Spartans t-shirt and Twilight bracelets. The Team Jacob fan (who loves the Wolf Pack so much she named her dog after one of its members!) recently took Twilight mania to a new level by purchasing a jacket that Kristin Stewart wore in the movie. She's seen the Twilight movie a total of 16 times so far. She really appreciates her fellow fans and hopes she can be a correspondent so she can represent her peers well.

To find REELZCHANNEL in your area or to obtain the latest updates on the casting call and REELZCHANNEL's ongoing coverage of "New Moon," visit [www.reelzchannel.com/twicon](http://www.reelzchannel.com/twicon) <http://www.reelzchannel.com/twicon>> .

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