



NEW ORLEANS
SPRING 1 2007

Name: Robert LeBlanc

Occupation: Managing Partner/Owner of my own music club, Republic New Orleans

Cool things that I do: I help to raise money and awareness for various children's charities, entertain high-profile people in town, work with a ton of creative people in fashion, music, and film, and I attend and host interesting parties and fashion shows on a weekly basis

Zodiac: Cancer

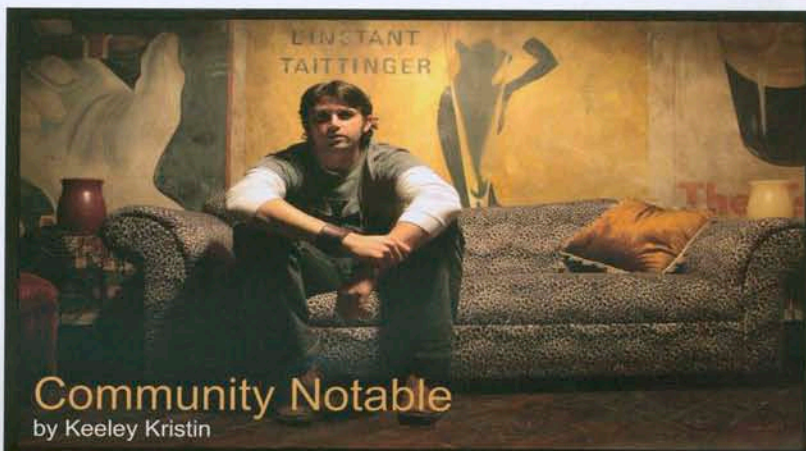
Age: 29

Single or attached: Attached

Favorite Drink and Bar: Sazerac is my drink, Mocha is my favorite bar.

Ideal Date: Dinner outside at Crepe Nanou then a quiet glass of wine at the Polo Lounge. Top that off with a walk through the Piazza d'Italia.

Local Celebrity



Community Notable

by Keeley Kristin

WM: So we chose you to be our feature community notable for this month because of your influence on your community. What is it like to be considered a community notable?

RL: Flattering, but I'm not sure that I really do that much of note. I am excited to be recognized for Republic New Orleans' ability to entertain so many different people. It truly is an honor... also a touch embarrassing because I know that all of my friends will give me a hard time because of it.

WM: Why is it that what you do affects so many people, and how do you think it affects them?

RL: I think we affect people by letting them know that we truly care for them and what type of experience they will have with us when attending a Republic concert or event. We also try to put people in touch with one another through Republic. We really wanted to be a part of repairing people's social fabric after Katrina, and I think that we have played a part in many people's feeling comfortable with their choice to return to New Orleans.

WM: Would you ever change what you do? If so, how? If not, why?

RL: The only aspect that I would like to change would be to have more time alone with my fiancée. We are able to do some amazing things with some amazing people because of my position and Republic, and it is always really interesting and a lot of fun. However, sometimes a pizza on the couch and a movie at home on a Friday night is so much more appealing. I am really grateful, however, for all that I have been able to do at a relatively young age, so there are no real complaints.

WM: Who has been the most influential role model in your life and career?

RL: My parents provided me with really sound ethics and morals that have been critical to my professional success. My teachers and coaches have provided me with the skills, tools and self-confidence that allowed me to take chances and risks. Dreamers and creators like Steve Jobs of Apple and Ralph Lauren, who have built empires out of their ideas and visions, provide examples of what can become if we only have the courage to try.

WM: What do you do on your time off? How do you relax?

RL: I literally lay on the couch with my fiancée watching football or movies (unless she makes me watch Grey's Anatomy or Desperate Housewives).

WM: Who would YOU chose to be a community notable in your community and why?

RL: I would choose Deuce McAllister because he has done and continues to do so much for his community, and he does so tirelessly. I have had the opportunity to spend time with him and work on his charities, and I think that although he is a Pro-Bowl player and obviously works really hard at football, he spends 80% of his time and efforts helping other people. He has inspired his entire team and city in doing so. The other notable thing is that the cameras are never around when he is doing these things, and to me that really says something about his character.