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Interesting
People
In NYC

Elijah Prescott

Twelve fascinating people in N.Y.C. that make you, want to know more, about them!

Q. What's your name?

"Elijah Prescott"

Q. What do you do?

"I am prophet and voice of the Chosen People. As long as those Chosen People are willing to pay extra for cable."

Q. Do believe that people are inherently good or bad? Why?

"Liberals are bad, because they degrade the system and try to make us all believe in love, kindness, and universal socilaist

healthcare. Conservatives are good because they are fiscally responsible, morally pure and agree with my right to carry a gun into Starbucks. Because, believe me, the first thing caffeine deprived people need is a loaded, concealed weapon in order to convince those barristas that their grande better be pretty grand."

Q. If you could have a room full of any one thing, what would it be?

"I don't know about a room full of

anything, but if I could have a pool full of Glenn Beck's tears, I would swim in it every day. In fact, if I could get it in time for bikini season, I would bring out my itsy bitsy teeny weeny yellow polka dot bikini. I've been dieting to make sure it fits for the occasion."

Q. What would you attempt if you knew you could not fail?

"That's a trick question. I don't fail and I could sue you for slander for even suggesting that I could."

Q. What is the best advice you've ever given and received?

"That's an easy one. Given: Be more like me and while you're at it, get me a latte - grande, double shot, don't forget the foam. Received: Why don't you go get your own TV show if you think you're so funny."

Q. What do you value most in life?

"My Peabody award because it allows me to prove to everyone else that I'm better than them. Plus, it makes an excellent paper weight."

Q. Empty your pockets and tell me what's in them.

Hmm...nothing in my left pocket, but in my right I've stuffed in Conan O'Brien and my Peabody Award. You'll have to excuse him, he's a little shy. Plus, it's not exactly easy for a man of his size to contort this way. Hey Conan, would you hand me my Peabody? Great, thanks, buddy. We'll do drinks after this.

Q. Tell us one thing, no one knows about you.

"I'm not wearing underwear right now. And, let me tell you, it's very freeing. You should try it. Maybe after the interview?"

Q. Where do you see yourself in 20 years and what are you doing to achieve this?

"My current goal is EGOTing. I've got the Grammy, but I'm missing the Emmy, Oscar and Tony. I'd have an Emmy by now if it weren't for Don Rickles - Damn you Rickles! Right now I'm looking for a project that will allow me to star in a movie about my show that will be adapted into a Broadway play. The working title is: Just Give Me an Emmy, an Oscar and a Tony Already."

Q. What extremely difficult life situation have you overcome and how did you do it?

"There was a time when I wasn't famous and I feel like that was hard on the people, because they needed my guidance. Luckily, there's this great network that realized my genius and gave me a half hour show in order to lead."

Q. What do you think is your biggest fault?

"I am too amazing for one person. Someday I may bud another Elijah Prescott who will be my evil twin and I will have to do pundit battle with him during prime time. On second thought, that would be pretty sweet. Someone book the Pay-Per-View slot."

Q. What is your favorite book and why?

"Those Who Trespass by Bill O'Reilly. Whenever I feel upset or down, I just read that book and immediately feel better about myself."

Q. What is the one thing that makes you happy despite any mood?

"Looking in mirror. "Hey there, handsome, why so sad?" "Someone turned me down for an interview." "Don't worry about it, Elijah, your show will be great anyway. And that person was a [Expletive]." "Wow, thank you, Elijah. Say, what are you doing later?"

Q. What did you want to be before you grew up?

"I didn't grow up; I emerged fully formed from my father's head like Athena from Zeus complete with an Armani suit and a cable TV show. You may worship me with the appropriate statues of pure gold and sacrifices of the life blood from Fox News anchors to sate my

insatiable need for conservative pundit blood."

Q. What do you find most interesting about our age of electronics and gadgets?

"That I can literally turn on any portable device and hear or see myself. I have a TV, radio, iPod in every room and they're all synced up to play my shows continuously so that no matter where I am, there I am. And aren't I beautiful?"

Q. What would make you an excellent presidential candidate?

"That is a sore subject and I am appalled that you brought it up. I was an excellent presidential candidate, before those liberal South Carolinian Democrats voted me off the ballot. How are there enough Democrats in South Carolina to have a majority? Isn't there only a token one?"

Q. What single manmade object best represents your personality and why?

"Bill O'Reilly's stone cold heart; were it not for it's unmoving, unbleeding properties, I would not be here today."



Q. What is your name?

"Elisabeth Harrison"

Q. What do you do?

"I'm a logistics officer with FRONTLINE 1, Squad 2."

Q. If you were to be recognized for Posterity for one thing, what would it be?

"That's a little harder. I guess. I'd like to be remembered as someone who helped make the world a better place."

Q. What is most important, in your life up until this moment.

"The most important thing in my life? Keeping the people I love safe -- being an Evo in the public eye is frightening enough, but knowing that other people could become targets of hate groups or angry people who suffer collateral damage due to my job? That kills me."

Q. What do you find most interesting about our age of electronics and gadgets?

"The fact that we have not imploded from information overload? No, actually the thing that surprises me most is how readily people take to being jacked in to their technology all the time."



The kids who graduate high school now will never know a world where the telephone was something that remained in your house and if you weren't there, you didn't get to answer it. Or a world where they would never have spoken to someone from another country realtime because the internet didn't exist. All of that instantaneous communication is a given in their worldview."

Q. What did you want to be before you grew up?

"Before I grew up? I guess I went through all the stages most kids go through -- astronaut, rock star. I minored in music in college, but I wanted to be a cop from a young age. And ultimately it's what I became."

Q. Tell us one thing, no one knows about you.

"I have always wanted to fly. You know.... Evo kind of flying, not in a plane. I was a little disappointed when my power manifested and it wasn't that."

Q. What would you attempt if you knew you could not fail?

"If you know you can't fail, where is the joy in success? I can't honestly think of anything."

Q. What is your favorite book, and why?

"The Five People You Meet In Heaven" -- because I believe that it won't be the big things you do in life that will linger, it is the small ones, and the book beautifully illustrates this thought. The people you meet in heaven are the ones whose lives you changed or who changed yours by virtue of simply being in the right place at the right

time, usually not by something so dramatic as saving their life but by instead saying or doing something small that only really mattered to them. The one little thing that maybe you didn't even realize you did that changed everything. The Butterfly effect."

Q. What do you think is your biggest fault?

"I think it's a toss-up between pride and stubbornness. Like most people, I tend to think that I know what's 'right' and 'wrong,' and the suggestion that I'm doing the wrong thing... or doing the right thing the wrong way... makes me dig in my heels."

Q. What would make you an excellent presidential candidate?

"Nothing. I don't play the politics game very well, and though I've learned some amount of tact over the years, I still tend to call them as I see them. Which is likely to get me in trouble more often than it will earn me accolades."

Q. Do believe that people are inherently good or bad? Why?

"I believe that as a whole, people are not inherently evil. True evil requires, to my mind, several components -- the knowledge that what they're doing is against the best interests of others, intent to cause harm either personal or environmental, and a lack of empathy regarding how their actions are affecting others. That said, however, I'm not entirely sure people as a whole are inherently good either. At the bottom of it, I think *most* people are neutral with a natural bent toward doing good when the opportunity presents itself."

Elisabeth Harrison

Dr. Harve Brennan

Q. What's your name?

"Doctor Harve Patrick Brennan the third"

Q. What do you do?

"I'm a physician at the Suresh Center with a private practice and a volunteer. Tack on that i'm an author, father, registered evolved as what I do."

Q. What do you find most interesting about our age of electronics and gadgets?

"The connectivity it allows with our fellow man. A class of children, here in New York can sit in a room and be connected to one in Japan and learn so much more about another countries culture and immerse themselves in it without ever leaving their classroom. The advances in the field of medical technology these days are well, very interesting. Getting sick these days is not the death sentance that it was years ago, especially with regards to the cardiac field. I find all of it fascinating and am looking forward to seeing how much more technology will advance our lives."

Q. What did you want to be before you grew up?

"Waste Management Specialist. Which is PC speak for a Garbage Man. I'd hang out at the back door on garbage day and watch them work thinking about how great it would be to ride around in the big green trucks and just pick all those bins up and press the levers, buttons. You name it. I was going to be the best Garbage Man ever."

Q. What is your favorite book, and why?

"To Kill A Mockingbird. By

Harper Lee. Its themes are still relevent fifty years later. It's a story of courage, compassion, the various classes within society as well as the treatment and attitude towards those who are different not to mention the loss of innocence. More than ever these days, I think it should remain required reading. We could all do with a little bit of scout in us."

Q. What difficult life situation have you overcome and how did you do it?

"We have been very much blessed with a good supportive family, a flourishing career and the respect of my community. So there really hasn't been much to overcome. Possibly it might be when we found out Marlena had lost her hearing. To have a perfectly healthy child and because of a complication from an a simple illness, to loose this part of her. It was devastating as parents not to mention doctors to sit there and question everything we did and whether it was wrong? Back then we thought it was loosing something vital, devastating. But we realize now that it's not. We didn't loose, we gained so much more than lost. It forced us to learn a new language, a new way to talk with her and to help her realize that even though she can't hear us, she's no less a person. I think it makes her more of a person in my eyes really. It brought us closer"

Q. Empty your pockets and tell me what's in them.

"Well, I have... some cheerios it seems. Thank you Genevieve, You knew Daddy would be hungry. Business card, tongue depressor, well that's a barbie doll head. Lint



and my car keys as well as cellphone."

Q. What is most important, in your life up until this moment?

"My wife. Hands down. Without her, I would not be where I am. I wouldn't have my children, I wouldn't have my home or my sanity. Though, that's questionable at times she would say, but hands down, my wife is my most important thing now, and forever."

Q. What is the one thing that makes you happy despite any mood?

"A hug from my children. Just a dogpile when I come in the front door, having to bend down and try to pick them all up at once and squeeze as tight as I can. It can put a smile on me even when i'm in the most foul mood. Their innocence, the unconditional love that they just hand out, it is just so cathartic to ones soul. I hope it's a long time before they loose that."

Q. Tell us one thing about you that no one else knows.

"I'm a sucker for ice cream in the middle of the night. Don't tell Michelle. Or well, too late. [Laughs] No more midnight Chunky Monkey for me."

Peter Petrelli



Q. What's your name?

"Peter Petrelli, I've got a nickname an old friend of mine used to call me too. 'Rock,' because of the origin of the name Peter. She's kind've eccentric, but good people. I don't get called it that much these days."

Q. What do you do?

"I'm Paramedic working here in New York. I went into Hospice care out of medschool, but that sort've work takes a lot out of a person. When you watch people die, it's just... it can be hard. I like the idea of saving lives, rather than easing those final moments."

Q. What do you value most in other people?

"Motivation. I have a hard time dealing with people who complain about their lot in life, but don't do anything to go about changing it. The kinds of people who sit back and worry or complain about something they could make better with effort. A little motivation goes a long ways towards making even a small change in your life. I used to be that person, I used to grouse about all the things I couldn't fix, instead of getting up and focusing on fixing the things I could."

Q. What do you value most in life? Why?

"My family. We've been through some rough patches together, but there's something about family that just transcends the problems of everyday life. They're always there for you, always by your side when you need them, provided you don't push them away. Most of all I'm thankful for my brother. Nathan and I may not see eye to

eye lately, and we may have a lot of unresolved issues, but I'll always love him."

Q. Do believe that people are inherently good or bad?

"I used to. I used to think there was a clear definition between good and evil. When you walk a mile in someone else's shoes, really get to know them, then you start to realize just how little there really is of good or evil in the world. Everything's a lot more relative these days, and I like to think there's a spark of good in everyone. Even people who seem irredeemable."

Q. What is most important, in your life up until this moment?

"Routine. I like waking up in the morning knowing what to expect, trying to get back to a normal life after struggling so hard to try and change things that really can't be changed. I have a great job, a wonderful relationship, I've reconnected with my family. I think just getting back to basics is where I'm at, and what I need most."

Q. What is your favorite book, and why?

"A Tale of Two Cities. It's one of the classics I read as a child, and it feels kind've contemporary today with the topics of the aristocracy and civil rebellion. I try not to get too political, but a lot of kids today might find inspiration in the book, or maybe a lesson or two about life."

Q. What would make you an good presidential candidate?

"I don't think Nathan would be too happy if I started trying to edge in

on his turf. I don't think I'd make a good President at all, I'm not really a leader."

Q. What do you find most interesting about our age of electronics and gadgets?

"Kids! [Laughs] Kids who just grow up with this intuitive knowledge of technology. I never really got into computers growing up, so I wasn't really exposed to it as much as kids these days are. But when I see thirteen year-olds playing with their laptops and iPhones and all those crazy gadgets like it's nothing I just sort've feel fascinated by the culture of it."

Q. If you were to be recognized for Posterity for one thing, what would it be?

"You know, I don't know. (Laughs) That's probably the worst thing to say in an interview. I never really thought about it, to be honest. I think people are going to remember my brother for a long time, but I've always lived in his shadow, and I don't really foresee that changing. I don't mind either, I like being the face of the Petrelli family that most people don't know or recognize right away, it lends to that whole normality thing."

Q. What's your name?

"Tamsine Whitaker Denton"

Q. What do you do?

"I'm a social worker, specifically a guardian ad litem on a part-time basis."

Q. What is the best advice you've ever given and received?

"The best advice I've received is to be the person I want to be now -- rather than to think about how I'm going to be that in the future. I'll try to remember that and give it as my best advice for anyone in the future."

Q. Do believe that people are inherently good or bad?

"I think everyone is born with the capacity to be either, and it is the experiences we go through that put us on a path to one or the other. As a social worker, I've seen a lot of horrible things done to children -- it's almost always because the parent went through something horrible as a child. Not every victim becomes evil, but I think the capacity is in all of us -- we just have different breaking points."

Q. What extremely difficult life situation have you overcome and how did you do it?

"Most people would expect it to be the obvious -- that my daughter Lily was one of the 35 school children who took their lives because they were afraid of being evolved. But I can't claim that I've overcome this. That will be a life long journey and I'm not sure I can overcome it ever. Raising my daughter as a single, teenage mother was a challenge. I made a vow to get out of my parents'

home and be self sufficient by the time Lily started school -- I did this. I went to college and got a degree and a career to support the both of us. It was difficult, but it was something I was determined to do because it was important to me."

Q. What is your favorite book, and why?

"I'm a hopeless romantic, so I'll probably have to go with Jane Eyre. The way Jane overcomes adversity and then, against all odds, becomes the stronger one in the relationship between her and Rochester fascinates me. I think it's also a good lesson for today's youth, who often seem to have a sense of entitlement. They could learn something from Jane's determination."

Q. What is the one thing that makes you happy despite any mood?

"The smell of chocolate chip cookies baking in an oven. It brings me back to my childhood."

Q. What do you value most in other people?

"I think integrity is the most valuable trait a person can have. If you are not true to yourself, you can't be true to anyone else. We all have different beliefs and ethics -- your ethics may not be my ethics, but adhere to what you believe is right and I will at least respect your integrity if not your principles."

Q. Where do you see yourself in 20 years and what are you doing to achieve this?

"In 20 years, I will have a 19-year-old child who I hope is happy and

healthy and successful, in college and on his or her way to a happy life. I will still be married to my husband and we will be living somewhere happy and content. That's really all I want. We'll get there by doing what we are now -- our best to be there for one another and our baby."

Q. What do you value most in life?

This may sound obvious, but life itself. It's taken me some time to appreciate it. It's taken losing someone close to me to make me realize that being alive is the most valuable thing we have. It's painful at times and hard and challenging, but it's all we have and we need to appreciate that we have it at all. There are too many people who don't get a real chance at life -- people who die as children. Mere babies who never get to even see the world.

Q. What do you think is your biggest fault?

"I'm a bit too trustworthy at times and have gotten myself hurt or in difficult situations because of it. But I'm not sure I would change it - I would have lost out on a lot of things if I was more suspicious of people's motives."



Tamsine Whitaker Denton

Q. What's your name?

"Vincent Lazzaro."

Q. What do you do?

"I am employed with the Office of Intelligence and Analysis within the Department of Evolved Affairs. Currently I'm stationed in New York City, where I oversee the collection of intelligence on Evolved Affairs. And analyze it."

Q. What do you find most interesting about our age of electronics and gadgets?

"I could tell you but I'd have to kill you."

Q. What would you attempt if you knew you could not fail?

"A restructuring of current Law Enforcement practices that would allow for swift and decisive action to be taken upon discovery of corruption, particularly as it relates to Evolved issues, where there is an unusually inflammatory potential for bad feeling and bad press. Bureaucracy, nepotism and the 'thin blue line' have always hampered real justice in cases of officer misconduct. If someone screws up as badly as I have seen people screw up, you should be able to fire them. It's as simple as that."

Q. What is the best advice you've ever given and received?

"Don't [expletive] where you eat was always a popular one with my father. As for advice I've given, in police work you often get perps asking how they can get out of trouble, and the answer is always the same: Don't break the [law]."

Q. What do you value most in

other people?

"Integrity. At least in the sense that you can be honest with yourself about who and what you are. Doesn't matter if you're a CEO or a car jacker; don't try to dress it up as something it isn't to yourself or anyone else. Contend with your own failures and shortcomings, make the best of your talents and capabilities. I don't understand why this seems so hard for most people."

Q. Do believe that people are inherently good or bad?

"I believe that a lot of bad people think they are doing good, either because they've been able to convince themselves that they are or because someone else has. It's human nature to designate yourself as the hero in your own story. Whether or not these people are capable of looking into themselves and seeing the truth eventually, I don't know. It's my hope that sooner or later, everyone eventually looks in a mirror and sees themselves for what they are, whether that's good, bad or somewhere in transition."

Q. "What extremely difficult life situation have you overcome and how did you do it?"

"My father dying was pretty hard on me. He was a beat cop with the NYPD and my mentor, always very strong. Always to the point, you know? No bullshit. To see him go out slowly in a bed with cancer was rough. I think the fact that it was rough on him is what made it so difficult for everyone else. That wasn't how he had intended to go. Nobody wants to go that way. As for how I overcame it, I don't know. You just do. People die,

parents die. You have to take what you can from it and move on."

Q. What is your favorite book?

"It's been forever since I've read it, but probably *The Andromeda Strain* by Michael Crichton. Years later, the suspense and sort of underlying - I dunno, realistic fear? - of the book sticks in my head. There was this one scene with a guy they found who'd offed himself by eating model fixative until he died. Pretty twisted, right?"

Q. tell us one thing, no one knows about you.

"In college I was in a rock band with a few frat brothers called Reasonable Suspicion. We weren't actually very good, but I had hair, a leather jacket and drums and was a hit with old ladies at Bar Mitzvahs. I think I still have a copy of one of our gigs on VHS somewhere. Now that I'm thinking about it I should probably do my dignity a favor and destroy it."

Q. What is the one thing that makes you happy despite any mood?

Driving with the top down. ...Within posted speeds. Obviously.



Vincent Lazzaro



Robert Caliban

capacity. We should be focusing on reconstructing the lives of people from poor socioeconomic backgrounds rather than the city itself."

Q. What is your favorite book and why?

"Ulysses by James Joyce. It is the greatest modern novel in the English language - history is a nightmare from which we are all trying to awake."

Q. What do you value most in other people?

"I value honesty, integrity, compassion for others and a strong personal drive to initiate change. If there are two qualities I absolutely cannot stand, they're laziness and complacency."

Q. What extremely difficult life situation have you overcome and how did you do it?

"Parents aren't supposed to outlive their children, but it happens sometimes. The death of my son drove a wedge between myself and my wife and I let it destroy our marriage. I spent three or four years trying to find my feet again - I traveled a lot, lived paycheck to paycheck. Couldn't tell you how I eventually shook myself out, but not a day goes by that I don't think about it."

Q. What did you want to be before you grew up?

"Until my second year at Durham, I was married to the idea of becoming an archaeologist. History, linguistics, information sciences - believe or not, I switched to literature for the love of a pretty girl and don't regret any of it. We didn't last the semester but my passion for the arts is lifelong."

Q. Do believe that people are inherently good or bad?

"We come into this world with a desire to learn. What we choose to build ourselves upon determines how we react to it - I don't believe the people are inherently anything, but society- Society is good, however deeply, deeply flawed."

Q. Empty your pockets and tell us what's in them.

A ticket to a performance by the New York Philharmonic, my smartphone, car keys, house keys, loose change a button that popped off my overcoat this morning when I caught it in a door.

Q. What is the best advice you've ever given and received?

Always tell the truth so you won't have to remember what you said. My father passed it down to me and I've been passing it down since.

Q. If you could have a room full of any one thing, what would it be?

"Wall to wall and floor to ceiling? Wine. I grew up in a home with a cellar - it's one of the things I miss most about my childhood, just the smell of it. My mother sold the house while I was studying at Durham shortly after my father passed away and I haven't been in one since."

Q. What do you value most in life? Why?

"My life is a fantastic balancing act - I can't assign too much worth to just one thing without taking away from the others, but my health, career, and the relationships I have with my loved ones and my peers are all very important to me."

Q. What's your name?

"R.H. Caliban, or Robert Henry. My mother still calls me Bobbie."

Q. What do you do?

"I'm a liaison between Mr. Linderman and the media - his publicist, in other words. I have two decades of journalistic experience writing for newspapers, including the Independent, the Washington Post and - more recently - the New York Times, but I've spent the last few years dabbling in local charity work as well."

Q. What would you attempt if you knew you could not fail?

"That's a Robert Schuller quote, isn't it? [laughs] I don't know - quite a question. I'd redouble my efforts to provide safe housing for abused women and children from evacuated areas. New York has thousands of refugees who have been living in dangerous conditions since November of 2006 and rates of domestic violence in places and developments like Thomas Jefferson and Summer Meadows are way up. Safe Horizon, Freedom House, New Hope, the Queens Women's Network - all the shelters in the greater metropolitan area are full to



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Q. What's your name?

"Doctor Bao-Wei Cong."

Q. What do you do?

"Professionally, I run a low-cost clinic in Chinatown. Most of my spare time is spent studying the origin and potential of the Suresh Linkage Complex; in laymans terms, I study the Evolved and I have published several things on the matter."

Q. What would you attempt if you knew you could not fail?

"In all honesty, creating the public option of becoming Evolved, and retroactively, enable those with the SLC to de-power themselves. Many dangerous individuals would be best served if there was such an opportunity."

4. What is the best advice you've ever given and received?

'We are all imperfect'.

5. What do you value most in other people?

"I find that honorable people have a certain weight with me. Honor is in a great deal of things, but only a few people that I have ever met seem to have understood how to implement it in everyday."

6. What do you value most in life?



"In my current state, I value my wisdom; getting higher in age brings it naturally to a person through experience, and at some times in my recent life it turned out to be very valuable."

7. Do believe that people are inherently good or bad?

"Man is inherently good, due to his need for self-preservation. He will always act in his own best interests at a subconscious level. In this, when it comes to others looking at him, His own goodness can often be misunderstood as badness by anyone who just happens to disagree with his version of goodness."

Q. If you could have a room full of any one thing, what would it be?

"I would take a room full of quiet if I could."

Q. What is the one thing that makes you happy despite any mood?

"A reasonably good game of Mahjong is most likely the best way to stabilize my mood."

Q. What do you find most interesting about our age of electronics and gadgets?

"I find it interesting that the generations growing up in this era have no idea how to function without their wireless internet, smartphones, and other relevant gadgetry that they have been plugged into since birth. Should I mention all of the carpal tunnel cases that pass through my clinic?"

Q. Empty your pockets and tell me what's in them.

"My wallet and a receipt for a store along Mott Street."

Q. What is your favorite book? Why?

"At the risk of sounding cliché, I will choose one of my favorites that also happens to be in the top lists of books every person needs to read. I can find myself consistently going back to William Golding's Lord of the Flies. It lays mankind at its barest of states, and in a way one can always find a way to parallel Golding's writing with the world that we live in now. It is a very universal novel."

Q. "If you were to be recognized for Posterity what would it be?

I would hope to be recognized for my contributions to science, and to thinking outside of the box in terms of seeking progress."

Q. Tell us one thing, no one knows about you.

"I can play both the Pipa and the Guqin. Music is a science in itself."

Q. What would make you an good presidential candidate?

"Disregarding that I was born in China, I would likely make a good candidate for those wanting someone with an innate unwillingness to give up or bend under pressure. I suspect that is the majority of the population. The authority that I carry with me every day is something that any true leader needs as well- and something that frankly, many of our current leaders do not possess."

Q. What do you think is your biggest fault?

"My biggest fault, according to many, is my pride; but at the same time, my pride is also one of my best qualities."

Cong Bao-Wei

Q. What's your name?

"Leonardo Raphael Maxwell. I like to think being named for two creative geniuses served as inspiration to get me where I am today. Well, that and some very expensive schools."

Q. What do you do?

"I'm the president of Maxwell Development Corporation. They say I'm rather young to be the president of a company, I say what were you doing at my age? Right now we have our hands in the pot of a few charity projects, such as Summer Meadows, a few things on Staten Island, and we're currently in the planning stages of a large Midtown cleanup."

Q. What do you value most in other people?

"Unwavering confidence. There's nothing more admirable about a person than their ability to stand in front of a powerful person, or pursue an impossible task, with absolutely no fear or intimidation."

Q. What would you attempt if you knew you could not fail?

"Hmm, I'd have to say...become the President of the United States, and use my business savvy and charisma to create world peace."

Q. What do you find most interesting about our age of electronics and gadgets?

"I always found it fascinating that our first instinct, with any new technology, is to stick a television into it. We've even stuck televisions into televisions with picture-in-picture. But what I find most interesting is that information travels so quickly now. In this day and age, you don't have to be a

celebrity for an embarrassing fall or a terrible public display to ruin or even make your reputation over night. It kind of makes you think, that if there ever is a revolution of some sort, it will be televised."

Q. Tell us one thing, no one knows about you.

"It's difficult to choose. I won't name any names, but my first love was a powerful business woman. She started young like myself. She helped make me the man I am today."

Q. Do believe that people are inherently good or bad? Why?

"I would have to honestly say that the majority of society, in the end of it all, tends to throw altruism out the window when convenient. However, this new generation we're seeing lately, such as the people volunteering on Summer Meadows, are showing us the true potential of society. One day, all people will be inherently good. Fear causes people to be inherently bad, but we're heading towards a future where fear will be largely a thing of the past."

Q. Where do you see yourself in 20 years and what are you doing to achieve this?

"King of the world. Everything I can. But no, really, I hope that in 20 years time, Midtown will be a Utopian paradise, and I'll perhaps be seen as more of a good Samaritan than a business man. As I said, we have many projects in the works and in the planning stages, and we should have them done long before 20 years."

Q. What is your favorite book, and why?

"Lord of the Flies. It's always been a book of reflection to me, wondering what I would have done in that situation as a child. I usually learn things about myself every time I read it. It really shows a man what kind of animal he could be in dire circumstances, both as a child and as an adult."

Q. What would make you a good presidential candidate?

"My ambition, my business savvy, the fact that I have a rather grand vision of the future. I'm not simply a development head, I truly believe that my company can change the world. This is my way of being as much of a president as I possibly can, without actually being the president. I deeply care for my people and I'd do everything for them. What I lack in modesty, I make up for in integrity and compassion."

Q. What do you think is your biggest fault?

"At times I dream far too big for my own good. When you're a powerful person with lots of resources, it's a very surprising and frustrating feeling when you realize there's something you //can't// do. I see it as a fault because it's a childish feeling I've yet to overcome."



Leonardo Maxwell

Heidi Petrelli



Q. What's your name?

"Heidi Petrelli."

Q. What do you do?

"First and foremost, I'm the mother of two wonderful sons. It's my belief that if you grow up loved and raised well, that no change in the world can take you from who you turn out to be in life, and though my boys have always been raised around politics, life has definitely changed for us as a family. After motherhood comes my day job! I'm the First Lady of the United States, and if you don't think supporting your husband, the President, is a career in itself, think again! Of course, all three of my boys make my jobs as easy as they can."

Q. Do believe that people are inherently good or bad?

"I believe that everyone has the capacity for good, and no one is inherently bad. To say someone is inherently bad is to say that that person was set up for failure from the start, and to also give them the luxury of not taking responsibility for their actions. It's our God given right to decide to be good or bad, and we're all on equal footing when it comes to deciding the kind of person we're going to be and how our lives shape us."

Q. What extremely difficult life situation have you overcome and how did you do it?

"As many know, my husband and I were in a car wreck, in 2006, that left me paralysed from the waist down for a long time. I spent a lot of time in the dark, as I like to describe it -- I withdrew from everyone I loved, and played the blame game for a while. I don't think I was a good mother, a good

wife, or even a good person for the time it took me to recover, mentally, but with the love of my family, I pulled through it. I got back my faith that I would walk again, and look at me now. It taught me a very valuable lesson, that everything does happen for a reason and nothing is worth giving up over. And that what doesn't kill you truly does make you stronger."

Q. What do you think is your biggest fault?

"I've always been told I'm too understated, and it's true. I prefer to discuss instead of argue, or compromise instead of fight, and now and then, sometimes the world needs a little more passion sprung from the heart of the matter. And if politics is teaching me anything, it's that your words have to be as strong as your conviction -- so I'm working on that one."

Q. What is the one thing that makes you happy despite any mood?

"Watching all three of the boys in my family out playing baseball in the backyard."

Q. What do you find most interesting about our age of electronics and gadgets?

"The most interesting thing about this age of electronics and gadgets is how people are so entranced by it. Schedules, contact lists, calendars, music, information -- everything, we put into data, organize it, label it. It's this massive competition about what item can do the most while being the sleekest and smallest. Electronic efficiency has gone into a fashion kind of place, it's own

subculture. Give me a pencil and a notepad any day."

Q. What is your favorite book?

My husband gave me a book for my birthday, called *Twilight*, which apparently has some sequels I haven't gotten around to picking up. It's about a young lady who moves into a new town and has some trouble connecting with her peers until she meets a boy. I don't want to spoil the story, so I won't say anything more, but I recommend it!

Q. What would make you an good presidential candidate?

[laughs] Well, I'd like to believe being in the vicinity almost every day with an excellent President might lend me some credibility! But the things I think made Nathan such are qualities that I value too -- sincerity, taking opportunities to help make the world a better place rather than sitting back and letting other people do it for you, and inner strength.

Q. What would you attempt if you knew you could not fail?

"Once, my answer would have simply been 'to walk'. Now, I think I'd fly."



Dr. Jean Luis

gifted with, I cherish her more so than anything else in this world and nothing will ever change that."

Q. What is the one thing that makes you happy despite any mood?

"Oh, that would be telling. But there's a pair of people at my lab who are the apples of my eye and wonderful students. No matter how down I'm feeling, they always seem to know just what to say or do to get my spirits raised again."

14 Play all your music on your computer and ipod/mp3/mp4 on shuffle. What are the name of the first 4 songs that play?

"Oh goodness I would be terribly embarrassed. I do not have music of my own but I share a research terminal with Doctor Suresh, and he has the Lady Gaga on there and it is just preposterous. I see him in the lab, with the music on, dancing when he thinks no one is watching, all curly haired and unhhibited. I could make millions selling that video! [laughs] Now watch when I return to the lab, I tell you, he will be there and smack my mouth off my face! [laughs] I kid, I kid. Doctor Suresh is a lovely man, very lovely, just questionable taste in music."

Q. What is your favorite book, and why?

"Being and Nothingness: An Essay on Phenomenological Ontology by Jean Paul Sartre. Sartre is an existential humanist, you see, which basically means that he is a man who believes that you should find your own purpose in life, not have one determined for you. This essay is about the struggle against determinism, that our future is written in stone. I do not believe

any future is immutable, I know it can change."

Q. What would you attempt if you knew you could not fail?

"Unite humanity despite the divergence of biological differences. We were once a species divided by race and geographical specializations, and now we're even further divided by the line of the Suresh Linkage Complex. If I could find a way to bring humanity together, teach them that we're all sharing this planet together, I would do that without question. Wouldn't anyone?"

Q. tell us one thing, no one knows about you.

"Maybe I have danced with Mohinder to the Lady Gaga, once. Ssh, do not tell anyone."

Q. If you were to be recognized for Posterity for one thing, what would it be?

"Uniting the Evolved and Non-Evolved, as the media calls them. There is not so much difference between us, on the genetic level, just a slight skew off from one another. I am searching for a way to unite us, not divide us, and if I could achieve this I would not even care if I fade into obscurity. The act of changing the world far outweighs the fame for it."

Q. What single manmade object best represents your personality and why?

"A scalpel comes to mind; bright and keen and designed for a task, but if overused and not properly cared for becomes dull and broken. I should remember I am the scalpel more often."

Q. What's your name?

"I'm Doctor Jean Martin Luis"

Q. What do you do?

"I'm a neuroscientist specializing in the research and understanding of SLC-expressive humans, coined in the media as 'Evolved'. I work for the Commonwealth Institute of Scientific Research in Cambridge Massachusetts where I am fortunate enough to work alongside the famous geneticist Doctor Mohinder Suresh, unlocking the secrets of the Evolved."

Q. What is the best advice you've ever given and received?

"My father once told me when I was a boy, that if you put your mind to understanding something nothing will remain unknown. I've followed that advice in my many years, and it's led me to both great heights and tragic lows, but always forward and never back."

Q. What do you value most in life? Why?

"The memory of my daughter, Juliette. She passed away when she was only six years old, but those six years are among some of the brightest and most magical in my entire life. Beyond my research, beyond the life I've been

Q. What's your name?

"Nicole Lyzette Nichols."

Q. What do you do?

"I am a personal assistant and personal relations consultant for hire. Most recently, I've been the Campaign Manager for former President-Elect Rickham and Mayoral Candidate Jennifer Chesterfield."

Q. What do you value most in other people?

"I value honesty, which may be strange to hear from someone in the realm of politics, but I do. I make it a habit to work only for people who have integrity as well as honesty. It's much easier to make a better candidate out of someone like that."

Q. What do you value most in life? Why?

"My sister Colette. I don't know where I would be without my little sister. She's definitely my best friend."

Q. Do believe that people are inherently good or bad?

"I don't think there's anybody who's truly good or wholly evil. Everyone is really just varying shades of grey. There are just too many examples of bad people who still have principles. I won't go into that, because that's a can of worms."

Q. If you could have a room full of any one thing, what would it be?

"Oooh. Now that's a tough one. My sweet tooth tells me to say dark chocolate, and my professional side says comfortable heels. But honestly? A room full of

my family is what I would truly love best."

Q. What extremely difficult life situation have you overcome and how did you do it?

"When I was twenty-two or twenty-three, my mother was diagnosed with cancer. She lived in Massachusetts and my life was in New York City. Commuting back and forth while knowing each time I drove home that it might be the last time I would see her was really tough. I don't think I would have made it through all that without my sister. We leaned on each other, you know? She moved in with my so Mom wouldn't have to worry about looking after a teenager."

Q. What do you think is your biggest fault?

"I'm a workaholic. That's definitely a huge flaw as well as a great strength of mine. I'm exceptionally adept at burning the candle at both ends, but it sometimes mean I let taking care of myself slide."

Q. What is your favorite book, and why?

"Popcorn" by Frank Asch. It's a children's book, but it's my favourite because I used to read it to my little sister when she was a toddler. She had it memorised and we used to convince people that she could read by the age of three until she went and held the thing upside-down and we got found out."

Q. What would make you an excellent presidential candidate?

"Now that's an interesting question. Maybe I'd be a good presidential candidate because I've

worked with so many either directly or indirectly. Before I joined Allen Rickham, I was working for Lance Menke. I've helped with races for mayor, races for school board... I don't think I'd ever run myself, but I wouldn't mind being behind the scenes again!"

Q. What is most important, in your life up until this moment.

"My sister has been and will probably remain the most important thing in my life."

Q. What would you attempt if you knew you could not fail?

"I would save the world. [laughs] Or maybe I would be content with riding the mechanical bull at a local night club to impress some of my male contemporaries."

Q. What single manmade object best represents your personality and why?

"Are we counting coffee as man-made? Let's count coffee. I'm like coffee. I'm strong, and maybe at first I seem a bit bitter, but I give the kick in the butt you need. Plus, if you're willing to give me a little input - or at least some cream and sugar - I sweeten up nice."



Nicole Nichols