

# DOMINIQUE JACKSON



# ABOUT

Model/Actress/Author /Advocate/Activist Dominique Jackson was born on the smaller island of the twin island Republic of Trinidad and Tobago. At the age of 15, she moved to the US to escape traumatic situations. Jackson graduated in the 10 percentile of her class at Owings Mills High School before going on to attend Fayetteville State University and Morgan State University. Enduring intolerance, discrimination and prejudice, Jackson left school and moved to New York City, where she became a member of The Underground House/Ball Community, the NYC LGBT Entertainment Circle and The Pageantry System - winning six crowns/titles while competing locally and nationally.

A leader in her community, Jackson has been awarded several accolades including: the Jon Michael Harrington Humanitarian Award (2003), The Pepper Labeija Image Award (2007), by the House of Latex Project through G.M.H.C., Our Youth 2007 Community Activist of the Year, presented by the Our Youth Organization NJ, The Leadership in Arts and Entertainment Award, presented by People of Color in Crisis, the B/HAP Ayanna Elliott Excellence Award (2014 - 2015), The House/Ball KiKi Coalition “You Make A Difference” Award (2015), The Inaugural Circle of Life Celebration Award (2015), the Bronx Pride Committee “Brenda Howard Community Spirit of Pride Award” (2015), the Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz Jr.’s Citation of Merit, and the New York State Senate Proclamation of Honor (2015). She was also inducted into the House and Ballroom Hall of Fame and deemed Iconic on February 27, 2016 at the NYC Ball Awards. In 2017, Jackson received the Legacy of Pride Award presented by Harlem Pride and received the first Bronx LGBT Leadership Award presented by Bronx Borough President Ruben

Diaz JR and Allies LGBT PRIDE CELEBRATION. That same year, she was honored with the New York State Assembly Citation issued by Mark Gjonaj.

A fashion model since 2000, Jackson began her career at Brooklyn Fashion Week before moving onto Mercedes-Benz Fashion Week. In 2011, she served as Mistress of Ceremonies in Solomon Harris’ take on the ballroom scene “Newark Is Burning” at NJPAC (Newark, NJ). Jackson is one of the resident models to Adrian Alicea Couture, Manuel Pelferes Couture and Angel Ayala Couture. She added Gypsy Sport by Rio Uribe and Stevie Boi to her runway accomplishments during 2016 Fall/Winter Fashion Week.

Jackson has been photographed by well-known photographers such as Trang Nhiem, Genesis Ilada and Brawlio Elias. She has been featured in Paper Magazine, Get Out Magazine, Pop Impresska Journal, Ellements Magazine, Playbill and has been featured in the Daily UK, The New York Times and Vogue.

In 2014, Jackson released her autobiographical memoir The Transsexual from Tobago (Revised). Later that year, she starred in Carla Pridgen’s Incongruence produced by Ivy Theatre. In 2016, she starred in Oxygen Network’s GLAAD Award winning reality docu-series Strut, executive produced by Whoopi Goldberg and Tom Leonardis, and the short film T Times by Gabriel Torres.



# PRESS

## **HUFFINGTON POST**

'Pose' Star Dominique Jackson Stands Tall In Her Belief That Trans Lives Matter

## **FORBES**

How Trans Fashion Model Dominique Jackson Overcame Homelessness And A \$10K Debt

## **REFINERY 29**

Pose Star Dominique Jackson On What It Was Like To Grow Up Trans

## **ESSENCE**

'Pose' Star Dominique Jackson On The Importance Of Gender-Affirming Surgery

## **DAILY BEAST**

Dominique Jackson of 'Pose' Brings 'Black Dynasty' to New York Fashion Week

## **OXYGEN**

Trans Model Dominique Jackson Talks Childhood, Career And Getting Married On TV

A black and white photograph of a woman in profile, facing right. She is wearing a dark, elegant hat with a veil and large, ornate earrings. She is holding a lit cigarette in her right hand, with smoke rising from it. The background is dark and out of focus, showing the back of another person's head with curly hair.

# APPEARANCES

*Call Me, Christopher Street: The Series, Visible: The LGBTQ Caribbean Diaspora* (documentary), *Strut* (2016, Oxygen). Her work on *Strut* earned her a **GLAAD Media Award nomination**.

# POSE [FX]

In 2018, Jackson began appearing in the leading role of **Elektra Abundance** on the FX series *Pose*, which is based on the ballroom subculture in New York City of the late 1980s. The series premiered on June 3, 2018, and attracted critical acclaim. The first season boasted the largest cast of transgender actors ever for a scripted network series, with over 50 transgender characters. On July 12, 2018, it was announced that the series had been renewed for a second season, which is set to premiere sometime in 2019.





# COMMUNITY

Jackson has served on the Community Health Program Board at the Montefiore South Bronx Healthcare Clinic for the last two years.



# VIDEOS



**"POSE" Trailer**



**Now This News - Dominique on Expanding Trans Representation**



**Studio 10 - Talking 'Pose' and Ballroom Culture**





# BOOKING

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