

## DISNEY STYLE SQUAD

### Featuring ADRIANA REDDING @bibbidibobbidi\_broke

Interview By Rain Blanken

Adriana is a Florida transplant from the South Side of Chicago. On Instagram, her @bibbidibobbidi\_broke account focuses on Disney style, the art of Disneybounding, plus-size fashion, and food. Her budget-friendly posts are about living your best life without breaking the bank while celebrating those splurge purchases that are worth it but sometimes leave us broke.

### TELL US ABOUT WHY YOU POST YOUR STYLE ON INSTAGRAM.

Fashion has always been my motivation. When I'm dressed well, I feel good, and that shows on camera. I just want to bring joy to your Instagram feed and show you my style on a budget.

### WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CHARACTER TO DISNEYBOUND?

My favorite character is probably Jannah from *Star Wars*: *The Rise Of Skywalker*. I love bounding as characters of color. Representation is so important to me.

Paying homage to characters who look like me and other underrepresented groups is my favorite thing. My Mushu bound is a close second because Mulan is my favorite movie, and Eddie Murphy's Mushu is probably the best sidekick ever.

# YOUR EXPRESSIONS JUST MAKE ME SMILE RIGHT BACK! ANY TIPS FOR GETTING THAT PERFECT SMILE?

Make sure the person taking the photos loves you. It sounds silly, but it really helps. I'm normally smiling so hard because I'm genuinely happy and hanging out with my best friends in the world.

THIS SUMMER, YOU CO-HOSTED
THE #MAGICFOODIETOUR ON
INSTAGRAM WITH
@EATSEEMAGIC AND @
ITSDARLINGNIKKI TO SHARE YOUR
FAVORITE PARK EATS. TELL US A
BIT ABOUT PAIRING STYLE WITH
FOOD.

I had so much fun with that project! I honestly thought a lot about the outfits I wore with the food, and I'm glad it shows.

I tried to make sure the outfits represented what I would actually wear to those appropriate parks. If I'm at Magic Kingdom, it's a classic Mickey or Minnie look. If it's Animal Kingdom, then I'm wearing something more tropical and bright.

#### HALLOWEEN IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER. WHO WILL YOU BE THIS YEAR, AND HOW WILL YOU BUILD THE LOOK?

I've been planning this
Halloween since last
Halloween. I want to do
multiple villain bounds.
Especially female villains—I
think there is so much power
in being an "evil" woman.

#### WHOM DO YOU FOLLOW FOR DISNEY STYLE INSPIRATION ON INSTAGRAM?

@capricecole is another Chicago native, and Chicago girls just have a different type of style.

**@styledbymagic** is one of the first Disney accounts I ever followed, and she is always so cute.

**@colormemagic** is a literal style icon and the color queen.

@magicandwishes is the most genuine person I know and the queen of comfy, easy style.

**@frosinfantasyland** is the Queen Mother of the Black Disney Instagram community and inspired me to try Disneybounding for the first time. **♥** 





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The name is Uriel Diaz (like Ariel with a "U"), and he loves to bring a little Disney magic to everyday life. Whether it be with Disney style, bounds, or collecting, he wears his love for Disney on his sleeve. As a proud Latinx gay man, he uses influences of culture with the love for Disney to inspire others and show that no matter how you identify or where you are from, you can also be magic.

### WHY DO YOU SHARE YOUR DISNEY STYLE ON INSTAGRAM?

I love posting on Instagram because the Disney community is just amazing. I have made so many friends and have so much support from my "Instagram friends" who constantly inspire me to push my style and bounds further with every character. Instagram has my hype people!

# YOU ALWAYS LOOK LIKE YOU'RE HAVING SO MUCH FUN IN YOUR PHOTOS. ANY TIPS FOR BUDDING INFLUENCERS FOR KEEPING THE FUN ALIVE WHILE TRYING TO STRIKE A KILLER POSE?

I definitely think planning your photo spot is key. Take care of your slay first, then change into your comfy cute outfit. Another tip for the person taking your photos: (in Dory's voice) "Just keep clicking!" Sometimes you get the perfect shot when you let your guard down and you think the camera isn't on.

## CAN YOU GIVE ADVICE ON ACHIEVING A DISNEYBOUND VS. WEARING A COSTUME?

Bounding is up to interpretation; don't overthink. When you start worrying about things looking exactly like a character, that's when you start crossing a costume line. Also remember, "style has no rules," so if you do cross the "costume" line, it's OK as long as you feel magical and happy with your look.

### FAVORITE DISNEY VILLAIN TO DISNEYBOUND? TELL US WHY.

"So many ways to be wicked." I love villains. They are so much fun to bound, although a lot of color pallets are similar when it comes to the baddies; you get to have fun with accessories to bring them to life. I love bounding Ursula; she is my favorite villain, and the accessories are so important to her character.

# IT'S DIY HALLOWEEN IN 2020. TELL US HOW YOU'LL BE CELEBRATING A DISNEY HALLOWEEN AT HOME THIS YEAR INSTEAD OF IN THE PARKS.

Halloween is my favorite; this was supposed to be my year for Halloween at the parks. I am a little sad, but Halloween is when I thrive, so I'm still bringing something special to life. Every year, I have at least three costumes. I do Halloween for myself, so I'm still going to try for three looks to wear around

the house during the month of October. Forever spooky is my motto.

## WHOM DO YOU FOLLOW FOR DISNEY STYLE INSPIRATION ON INSTAGRAM?

@dislifeofaya is one of my favorite Disney style accounts. She proudly showcases her culture through Disney style and characters—that really resonates with me.

@dazzlinglikejasmin because her bounds blow my mind and her cultural influences are similar to mine.

**@erykasendlessmagic** is my fellow Tiana fan, and her style is so fresh and vibrant. Plus, her Tiana looks are flawless.

@awesomejasem has magical makeup style. I cannot paint at all, and his looks are so on point and magical and inspire me to want to learn.

@missgolden\_lady is the real-life Tiana. Her vintage style and thoughtful ensembles are truly what Disney style is all about. She is one of my biggest inspirations and one of the reasons I even got into bounding.







organize your outfits. That way, it's easier for the Cast Members to sort through at security stations, and there's not an explosion of clothes on the bathroom floor when you're changing.

### TELL US ABOUT "THE" DENIM JACKET:

The denim jacket that you're referring to is one of my capsule wardrobe items! I picked it up at Marshall's a few years ago for like 10 bucks, and it's usually always with me at the parks.

I like that it adds texture and a "modern" look for different characters, and I can spice it up by adding pins as accessories. I am in grad school, finishing up my teaching credential, so it's easy on the budget if you're able to use the same style elements for different characters.

## WHAT'S NEXT FOR YOUR DISNEY STYLE? ANY NEW DISNEYBOUNDS IN THE WORKS? DAPPER DAY?

My roommate and I are planning to bound as the Aristocats this year for Dapper Day! She's going to be Marie, and I am going to be Berlioz!

## WHO DO YOU FOLLOW FOR DISNEY STYLE INSPIRATION ON INSTAGRAM?

**@braidsandbigearrings:** Erin exudes confidence in every outfit she creates, and she inspires me to go for out-there pieces that tie a whole Disneybound together.

**@boundingonabudget:** Hailee is the *queen* of finding unique pieces that can be used for dozens of bounds (for people like me who are on a budget this is *amazing*) plus she includes her adorable daughter Jasmin in almost everything she does!

**@mousinaround:** Cate manages to find the most *gorgeous* pieces for Disneybounds whenever she goes thrifting, and I'm always so jealous! Plus, she does bounds with her dog, and who doesn't love that?

**@thehappiestmegonearth:** Meg creates outfits that are a perfect mix of modern, vintage, and Disney style that are absolutely magical.

@brazzledazzleday: Chelsea has an outfit for everything and everyone. Seriously, she did a bound for baby Tarzan the other day who thinks of something so unique? \*\*





#### Featuring Tisha K., @teamsparkle

Interview By Rain Blanken

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Tisha was born and raised in Los Angeles, California. She is a self-described "Curator of Color and Cuteness." She shares her life, self-love, and positivity with the world through Instagram.

#### I LOVE THE RAINBOWS AND BRIGHT BLASTS OF COLOR IN YOUR STYLE! DESCRIBE YOUR DISNEY STYLE TO OUR READERS.

I'm obsessed with all things Disney, Vintage-inspired fashion, and color hunting. I always say, "life is too short to live in black and white!" Color brings my heart happiness, builds my confidence, and helps me express who I am to the world.

My Disney style is definitely a modern pinup with retro-inspired fashion. I feel confident in colorful dresses, bright Disney prints. I love matching my handbags or shoes, and accessories with my outfits.

I love a good theme, matchy-matchy moments, and cute cohesive outfits. I don't always feel the need to be dressed in Disney head-to-toe—a cute Disney handbag or Minnie ears can give any outfit that perfect pop of Disney style with my everyday wardrobe!

### HOW HAS YOUR DISNEY STYLE EVOLVED OVER THE YEARS?

I used to wear a lot of felt circle skirts, retro-styled dresses and vintage Disney sweaters to the parks. I would have one for every type of Disneybound, character, or occasion.

Now my style is a bit more casual: cute overalls with bright Disney tees, a colorful smock dress with a cardigan, and a cute pair of tennis shoes! But I still love to get dolled up and dressed to the nines when visiting the parks!

I was lucky enough to visit Walt Disney World a few months back with my girlfriends, and the Florida weather definitely requires a more casual Disney style. Lots of cute Disney tees with bright and fun shorts—and of course Minnie ears to match.

# THE HAIR, TISHA! I TOO AM A PINK-HAIRED DISNEY MAIDEN. WHAT INSPIRED YOUR COTTON-CANDY 'DO? ANY TIPS ON MAINTAINING AN UNCONVENTIONAL COLOR?

I'm obsessed with pink and pastels! I have always had bright-colored hair: orange, burgundy, and every shade of red. But I always admired confident women with pink hair! I truly feel life is short, and we need to do what makes us happy.



With the help of my hairdresser, I just went for it! I love it so much I don't think it can be any other color. I wish it would stay one shade, but to help maintain it, I don't wash it every day! I use dry shampoo and wash it minimally. [I also] use colored shampoo.

### WHO TISHA FOLLOWS ON INSTAGRAM:

**@damfino:** To me, Allison is the queen of Disneybounding. She has made it a true art form, no one compares to the creativity she comes up with.

**@capricecole:** Caprice is a fashion genius! She creates her own colorful clothing with bold, bright, and vibrant colors and patterns. I swoon every time I see one of her posts on Instagram.

@rahygray: Rachel has personally remastered the retro felt circle skirt! She is beyond talented and brings Disney inspired skirts to life over and over. Sometimes I actually squeal when I see her adorable posts or when she sends me one to wear!

@colormemagic: Courtney is full of color and kindness! She takes Disney style outfit changes to new heights! I have seen this gal in action, 14 outfits in one day at Disneyland and Disney California Adventure and it's completely mindblowing!!!

**@fancytreehouse:** Coury is a true pastel princess after my own heart. She is

always impeccably dressed when going to the parks with her children. Her outfits are gorgeous and absolutely swoonworthy!

YOU ARE ALWAYS KILLING IT ON DAPPER DAY. WHAT ARE YOUR TOP THREE TIPS FOR DRESSING UP FOR DAPPER DAY?

#### 1. DRESS HOW YOU WANT TO!

Don't stress out over your outfit. Wear what you feel happy, comfortable, and confident in.

#### 2. THINK ABOUT YOUR FEET!

Wear comfortable shoes or bring a pair to change into after a long day of walking. You're gonna need them!

#### 3. THE EARLY BIRD GETS THE WORM!

Get there early. The day goes by so fast every year I always feel I never had enough time to see everyone and do everything!



### Featuring Caprice Cole @capricecole Interview By Rain Blanken

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Caprice Cole is a self-proclaimed "professional pattern mixer" (and we agree!) who shares her handmade creations on Instagram. She's a Disney-loving gal and full of advice for pattern mixers in the making.

### DESCRIBE YOUR DISNEY STYLE TO OUR READERS.

I love having fun with mixing up colors, textures, and patterns in my everyday style, but when I'm headed to the parks, I like to push myself even further. I mean, what better place to experiment with your wardrobe than a Disney day?

#### HOW AND WHEN DID YOU GET STARTED WITH CREATING YOUR OWN DISNEY LOOKS?

My very first visit to Magic Kingdom when I was 6! I had glitter shorts, Spice Girl platform sneakers, and a rainbow stripe tee! (I wish I had a picture of it.)

I've always loved wearing fun colors and patterns. I was heavily inspired by Clueless, The Spice Girls, Ms. Frizzle, and the Nanny (Fran Drescher)! So getting ready for Disney has always been a colorful explosion!

# YOU MAKE YOUR OWN CLOTHES, WHICH IS ABSOLUTELY AMAZING. CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT A SPECIFIC LOOK YOU CRAFTED?

One of my absolute favorite pieces was the Fairy Godmother look I wore for

Spring Dapper Day 2019. I had so much fun working with my friend, EJ Doll, on this piece. I wanted to blend Whitney Houston's [from the 1997 live-action film] and the animated film's Fairy Godmother in one super sparkly moment. I knew I wanted it to be sparkly, comfortable, and fun.

# YOU MAKE SEWING LOOK SO EASY. IS THERE A TIME WHEN YOU WERE REALLY FRUSTRATED WITH A PIECE AND DIDN'T THINK IT WOULD WORK OUT? HOW DID YOU WORK THROUGH THAT?

I love the process of creating and I enjoy letting the piece come to life while I'm making it. That's why I start with a very general idea and build from there.

Creating garments for me is so fun that I'll sometimes change elements in the moment because that's what inspired me. I'm lucky to be a very patient person; the only time I struggle is if I can't find fabrics or notions I'm looking for.

# IS THERE A DISNEY CHARACTER THAT INSPIRES YOUR STYLE OVERALL OR INSPIRED A SPECIFIC DISNEYBOUND OR STYLE?

Minnie Mouse: a million, one hundred thousand percent. I live for polka dots! Also, the live-action movie color palettes! The celebration scene at the end of Beauty and the Beast and the entire



Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella* movie both serve as constant inspiration for me. Honestly everything! Even the rides and areas of the parks and resorts inspire me.

## WHAT ADVICE DO YOU HAVE FOR OUR READERS ON CREATING THEIR OWN DISNEY STYLES?

Have fun with your ensembles. Fashion is a fun and fearless expression of who you are. Pick your favorite piece (a tee, jeans, shoes, etc.) and build from there! Get creative! Have fun!

## WHO DO YOU FOLLOW FOR DISNEY STYLE INSPIRATION ON INSTAGRAM?

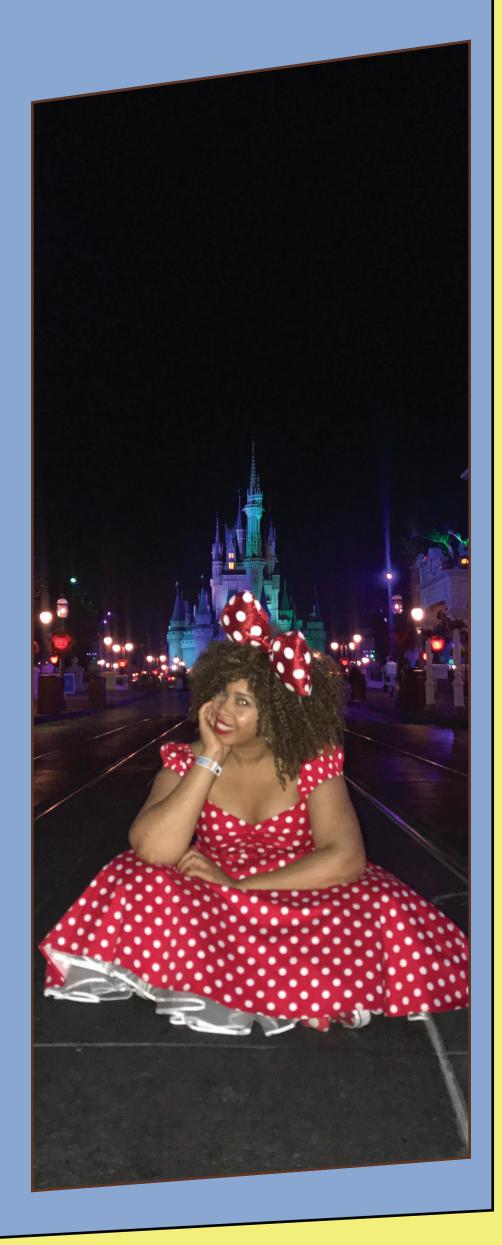
I love so many pages! I do find the majority of my inspiration from women with fabulous everyday style. It's so difficult to choose Disney-inspired accounts; everyone I know is so colorfully fabulous and fantastic! We inspire and encourage each other so much in our fashion choices.

**@stylepantry** because her color-blocking skills are fabulous.

@blaireadie needs no introduction! Her layering and overall aesthetic are dreamy.
@aicha\_lucas is one of the best pattern mixers I've ever seen!

**@mainstreetusastyle** is such a fun page to showcase, so many fashionable Disney goers.

**@ritalanevintage** rocks as well! So many cool vintage Disney looks mixed with current apparel ensembles! **♥** 





### Featuring Chris Auyong @happiestdentist

Interview By Rain Blanken

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Chris Auyong is a 4th-generation general dentist who obtained his DDS degree from the University of Southern California and has his own private practice, Smile Moderne, in Laguna Niguel, California.

But the DDS also represents three of Chris' passions: Disney, dentistry, and style. Chris likes to dabble in his hobbies of photography and fashion but also utilizes social media to educate and inform about dentistry and his Asian-American story. The combination of these passions can be seen throughout Chris' Instagram, @happiestdentist.

### TELL US WHY YOU LOVE TO SHOW OFF YOUR DISNEY STYLE:

I love showing off my Disney style at the parks because it is a form of expression of my individuality and creativity, which gives me a bit more freedom than my professional wear. I love that I can represent men's style, Asians, and people of color in my own unique style. The magical immersiveness of the parks allows me to show a variety of styles against a backdrop of different lands and attractions.

# WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR FAVORITE CHARACTER TO DISNEYBOUND? TELL US A BIT ABOUT WHY THIS CHARACTER FIT YOU SO WELL.

My favorite character to Disneybound and to incorporate in my Disney style is and will forever be Mickey Mouse. Thus, my favorite Disneybound was a group bound with a Steamboat Willie theme that I did with my dear friends, Sydney and Rayna @magicbymuses, who first introduced me to Disneybounding and often ask me to collaborate with them.

This group bound is a metaphor for our relationship because Steamboat Willie was many firsts including Mickey Mouse's debut and the first Disney cartoon to have synchronized sound, and the Muses were some of my first Disney friends with whom I first Disneybounded. It's classic and original all around.

## ARE THERE ANY SPECIFIC CHALLENGES IN STYLING FOR DISNEY MENSWEAR LOOKS?

One challenge I've faced in both menswear styling at the parks and Disneybounding is the use or finding the appropriate accessories. I like to give depth and dimension to my looks, so if I can't find accessories, then I try to compensate with color, patterns, textures, and details. For example, the inclusion of a lapel pin or the shade of the lens of some fashion glasses can really enhance a look.

## HAVE YOU ALWAYS BEEN COMFORTABLE IN FRONT OF THE CAMERA?

I was not that comfortable in front of the camera when I first started my



account. I spent more time originally behind the camera doing more landscape photography.

I had an interest in style and fashion and would pop in front of the camera occasionally. The great thing about posing at the parks is that I'm able to have fun and just enjoy the atmosphere while taking photos at the same time.

Some of my best poses and expressions in front of the camera have been the candid shots. Also, posing with friends from the community that have the same interest eased my comfort.

## WHAT'S NEXT FOR YOUR DISNEY STYLE? ANY NEW DISNEYBOUNDS IN THE WORKS?

Every day I try to incorporate some Disney style, even if it's some Disney socks or Mickey shoes with my scrubs or a subtle Disneybound when I'm dressed in business casual. Even going to the grocery store or when I'm not at the parks, there's some bit of Disney style going on.

## WHO DO YOU FOLLOW FOR DISNEY STYLE INSPIRATION ON INSTAGRAM?

**@magicbymuses** My dear friends that make most of their own Disneybounds from scratch and continue to inspire with their themes and bound choices.

@pbandjellyjenn Major mommy and me/

Disney family goals with some of the most adorable DIYs.

@fit.toni A casual-chic approach to his Disney style and Disneybounds representing Asians at Disneyland Paris.

**@pernelllanghorne** He has impeccable bounds and shares his voice for bounders of color.

@marchuizar His Disney style has an effortless coolness with a couture feel.

