Nyakim Gatwech

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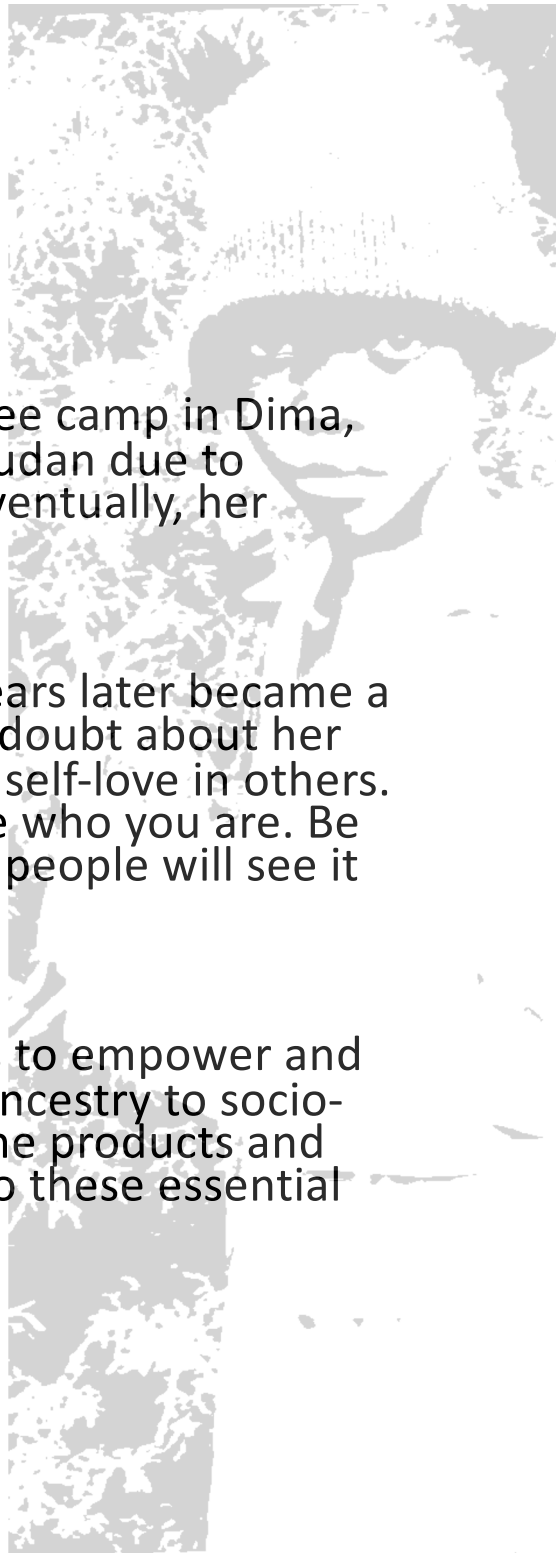

Nyakim Gatwech was born the youngest of six siblings in a refugee camp in Dima, Ethiopia, after her mother and father were separated in South Sudan due to conflict in the region. She dreamed of becoming a model, and eventually, her family found refuge in the US where her dream became reality.

Upon arrival in the states, she faced bullying and colorism but years later became a viral sensation for refusing to bleach her skin. After years of self-doubt about her complexion, she realized that her plight could be used to inspire self-love in others. In an interview with *Teen Vogue*, she stated "It takes time to love who you are. Be confident in whatever the situation is. If you love yourself, other people will see it and love you for being yourself."

Gatwech hopes to one day launch a non-profit, whose mission is to empower and connect millennials and underserved youth of South Sudanese ancestry to socio-economic opportunities. She also aims to supply feminine hygiene products and undergarments to young girls in refugee camps without access to these essential items. She is currently based in Los Angeles.

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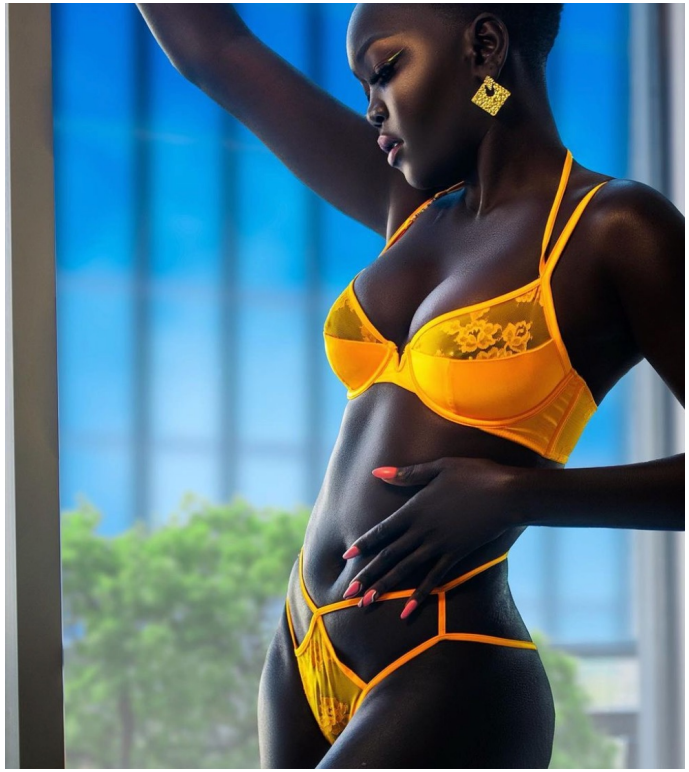
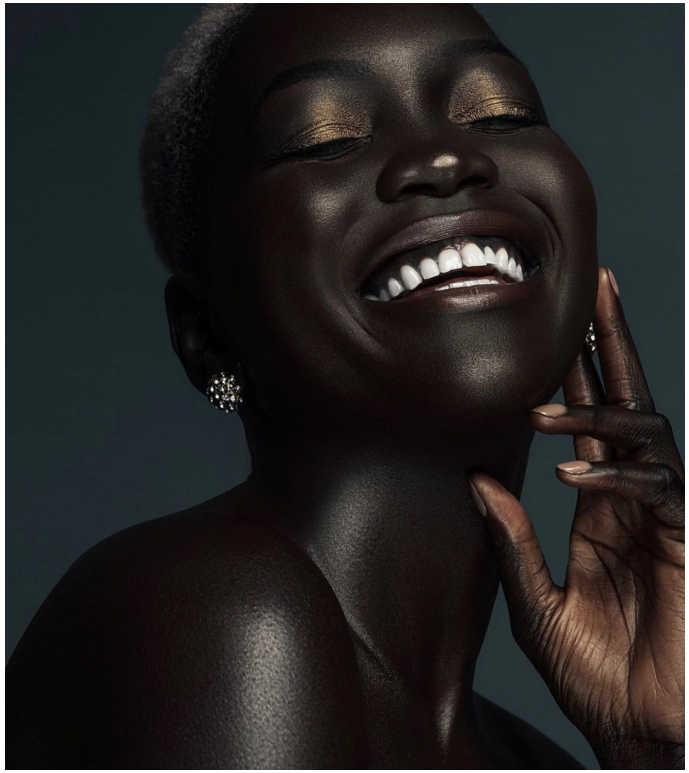
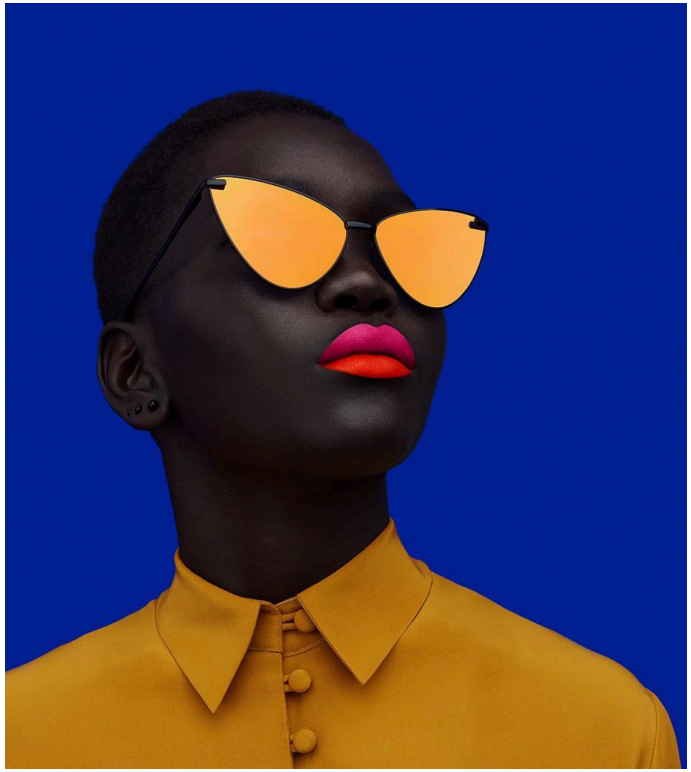

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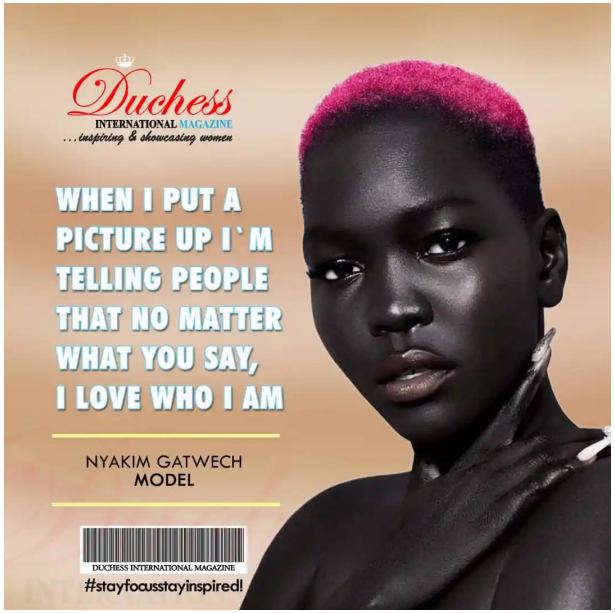

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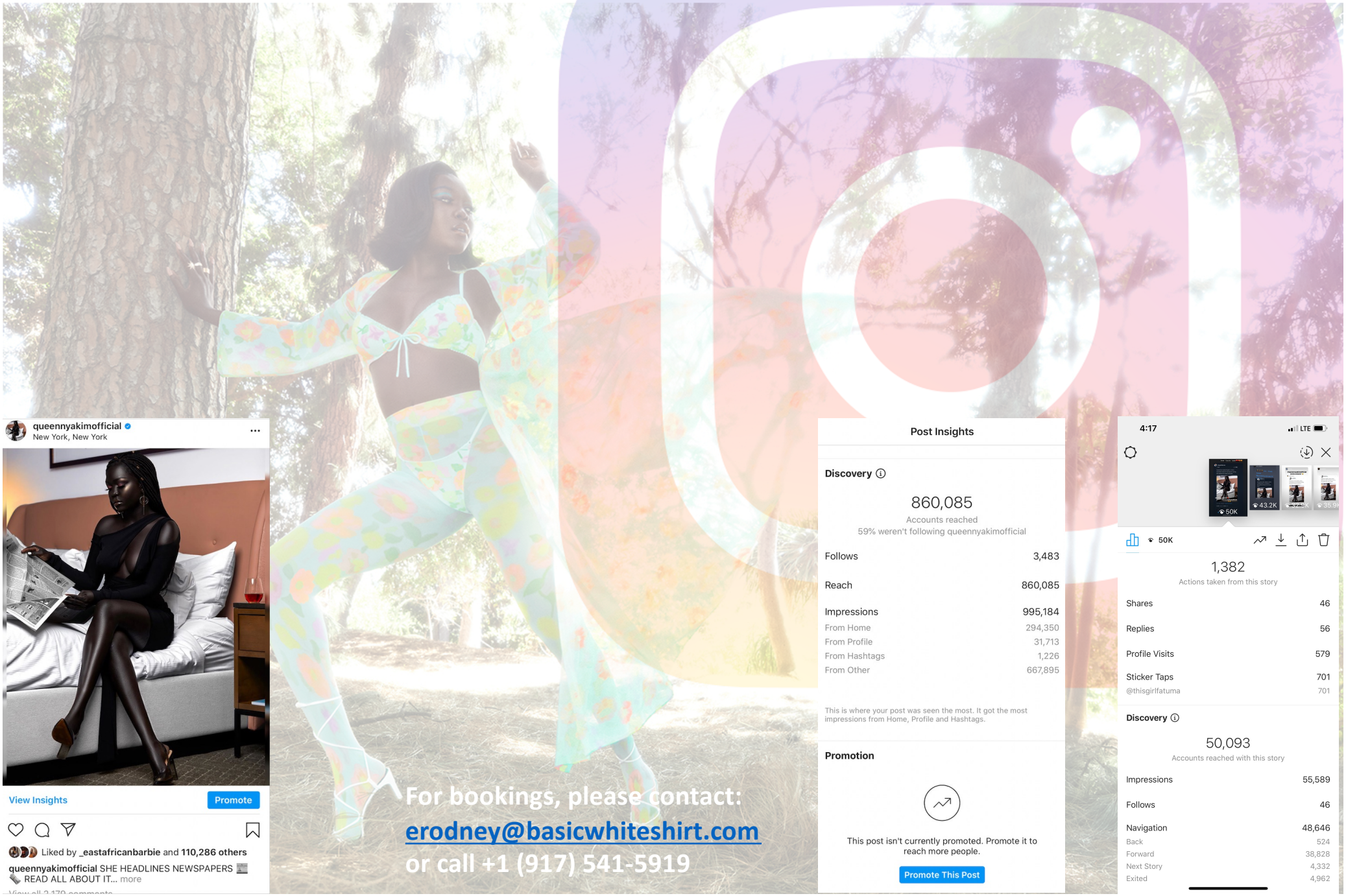

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