

I AM THE POWER

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QUENTIN, 20s and *fabulous*, shows his latest creation to NATASHA, 30s, black, and never at a loss for an opinion or a reason to give it to you.

QUENTIN

Ta da! I made it for you.

It's a dashiki. And an ugly one at that.

NATASHA

Are you kidding me!

QUENTIN

What? I think it's nice. Very retro.

NATASHA

"Retro"? Are you forgetting who you're talking to? I am a Black. Woman. No matter how you slice that, the past is not something I look back on with fondness.

QUENTIN

Well, I wasn't thinking Hattie McDaniel. More Angela Davis.

NATASHA

Do I look like the kind of woman who's gonna go marching around with Huey Newton shouting, "Fight the Power!"?

(beat)

I have a B.A. from Stanford, a J.D. from Harvard, and an American Express Black Card.

(beat)

I am the power.

QUENTIN

I think that's He-Man.

NATASHA

(points her finger at him)

Don't think that just because you're sleeping with my baby brother, I won't beat your ass with my \$900 Jimmy Choo's.

(beat)

You need to stop reading back issues of "Life" magazine, and pick up a damn "Vogue."