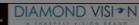


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A running joke involves Kadwani's Indian name, which is twisted by her classmates into Carrot, Qatar, even Q-Rat. These abuses — like the rest of the "curry goat" and "Red Dot" slurs she endures — slide right off her resolve to succeed, so Kadwani delivers them like punch lines rather than the slaps they were intended as. She takes a certain relish in pulling on the swaggering personas of the girls in her hood (saucy Puerto Ricans, quick-fisted African-Americans), as well as a racist teacher and her own parents, all of whom helped shape the person she is today.

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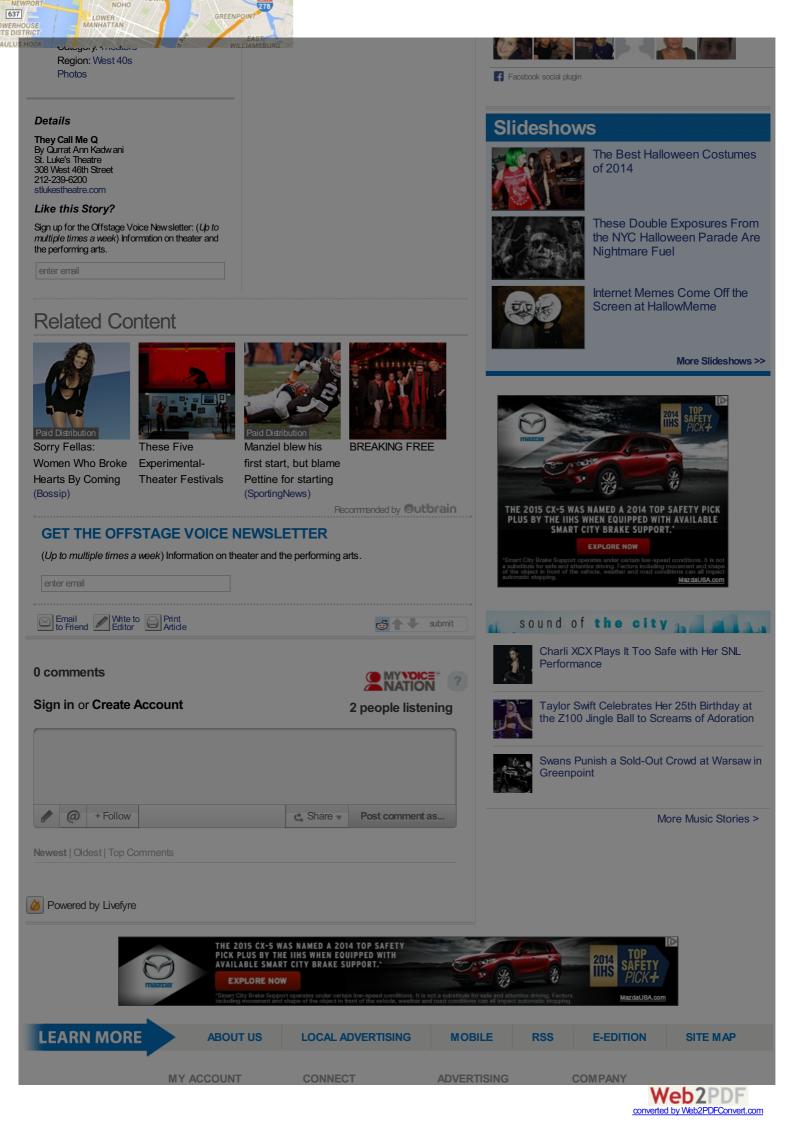
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