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Launch Repeal Prop 8 Campaign at Kitson Review - Hosted by E! Entertainment's Giuliana Rancic

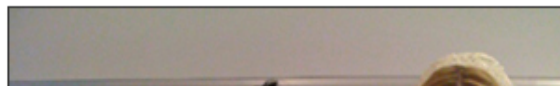
By [Adriana Davalos](#)

Fashion supports political issues as LA's *Revenge Is... "All Love Is Equal"* tees at *Kitson Melrose* have been designed for the purpose of marriage equality in California.



Hosted by E! Entertainment's Giuliana Rancic, the *Love Honor Cherish and Revenge Is... Repeal Prop 8 Signature Campaign Party* was held to launch the highly debated petition signature drive to **Repeal Prop 8**, ban of gay marriage in CA, initiative on the 2010 CA ballot.

Rancic was more than happy to be asked to host the event as it represents equality for couples to finally come together as one. Rancic, a heterosexual Catholic, was first to sign the controversial petition. Rancic exclaimed, "I feel strongly that it is not my place, nor that of any religion, to deny anyone the basic right of marriage."



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On the red carpet **Rancic** also explained, "I have a lot of gay friends who want to get married and have every right to. They are not asking to get married in a catholic church, they are just saying, 'I pay taxes and I should have the civil right to get married.' And they have every right to."

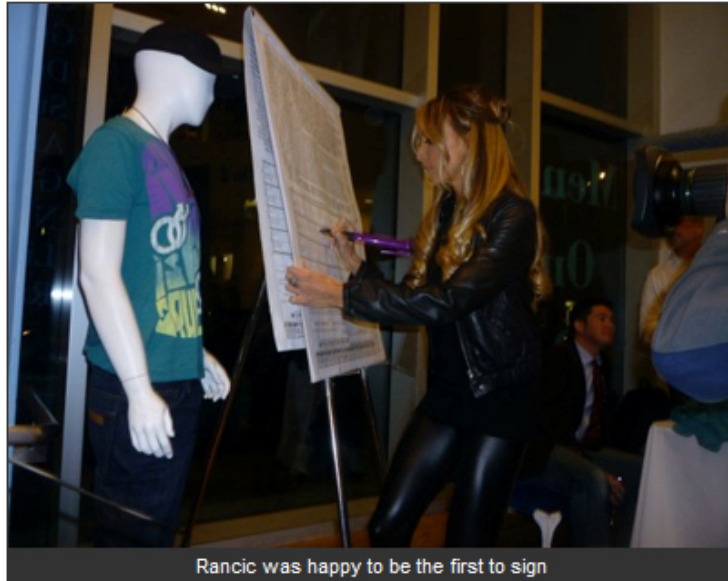
Inside **Kitson Melrose**, the event hit capacity with many guests in support. In addition to the petition, a faux wedding ceremony was held in the store to represent the need for marriage equality for all.



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The faux wedding ceremony was performed by **Hal Sparks** as minister with **Missi Pyle** and **Smith & Pyle** band member **Shawnee Smith** as the eternally betrothed. It was a light counterpoint to the seriousness of the purpose of the event expressed so eloquently by **Rancic**, **Revenge Is...** creator **Marilyn Barrett**, and comedienne **Susanne Whang**. The wedding "ceremony" was written and produced by **Ashley Terrill** with **Brent Wang** of **EggsLosAngeles** creating the bouquets. States **Ashley Terrill**, "It is our hope the visual of **Missi** and **Shawnee** 's faux nuptial will send home the message that if laws are not changed, same sex marriage will remain a false hope for thousands of California citizens. With a culture obsessed with who got married, when, where, how, and was it a hoax?... hopefully this faux wedding will bring some much needed thought to a real civil rights cause... marriage equality." Appropriately, **Schramsberg** sparkling wine, **Joan's on Third** hors d'oeuvres and **Swirls** cupcakes were as good as it gets for any wedding -- faux or otherwise.



Rancic was happy to be the first to sign

Celebrities who able to take part and support the private event included: **Missi Pyle**, **Hal Sparks**, **Susanne Whang**, **Claudia Jordan**, **Gregory Michael**. Activist groups **Noh8**; and politicians like Assembly member **Mike Feuer**, W. Hollywood mayor **Abbe Land** and W. Hollywood city council members **Jeffrey Prang**, **John Heilman** and **Lindsey Horvath** were also in attendance.

All came out to support **Love Honor Cherish's** effort in taking the first initiative to repeal Prop 8 and restore the civil liberty of marriage to all California residents. **John Henning**, Spokesman to **Love Honor Cherish**, reviled the www.signforequality.com website that is dedicated to fueling social media involvement in the signature drive efforts.

Kitson donated a large percentage of the evening's sales and 25% of "All Love Is Equal" T-shirt sales through December to **Love Honor Cherish**. Proceeds will go directly toward the expenses associated with the massive state-wide signature

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