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TELL US ABOUT YOUR CHILD?

I am simply Eleora Owolabi. Born on 29th January 2018 and I hail from Edo State but resides in Lagos. Eleora is intelligent, smart and very beautiful. With huge interest in acting, beauty and loves to be in the front of the camera. I pay particular attention to my body and looks and enjoys anything fashion.

HOW OLD WAS YOUR DAUGHTER WHEN YOU TOOK THE FIRST STEPS TO GET HIM INTO MODELING?

She was 5 years old when she began her modeling profession.

WHAT MADE YOU TAKE THE BOLD STEP AND ACTUALLY PURSUE IT?

Upon my realization that modeling is a profession, I decided to take my hobby and passion a step further.

HOW HAS BEEN THE JOURNEY SO FAR IN MODELING?

It has been interesting as modeling comes natural to me.

WHAT MADE ELEORA STAND OUT FROM OTHERS?

Her passion for modelling and her uncommon charming beauty.

EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW with

OWOLABI ELEORA'S MUM

Nigeria's Fast Rising Child Model

ARE YOU PURSUING MODELING AS A CAREER FOR HIM OR ITS JUST A FUN?

Modeling is first fun for me but I desire to make the best of career from it.

WHICH WAS HER FIRST SHOOT, AND WHAT WERE THE CHALLENGES?

My first shoot was for my 3 years birthday celebration. There were basically no challenges except that I believed that I am finer than the outcome of the pictures which was blamed on the lighting quality.

WHICH BRAND HAS SHE WORKED WITH?

Looking forward to working with some local and international brands that pushes positivity.

HOW HAS THE MODELING STUFF AFFECTED YOU AS THE MOTHER?

It has been a little challenging for me as she never wants to take a break.

CAN YOU TRAVEL OUTSIDE YOUR COMFORT ZONE FOR MODELING JOBS?

Yes, i can.

WHERE DO YOU SEE HER IN THE NEXT 10 YEARS?

Promoting top brands both locally and internationally through her modelling profession. Also she should be in the university then.

WHAT ADVICE DO YOU HAVE FOR THE PARENTS CONTEMPLATING GETTING THEIR CHILDREN INTO MODELING?

First, it shouldn't be forced and for children who wish to pursue this career, all the parents should do is to give their maximum support.







MODEL PROFILE

Location: Lagos state Model Type: Child model

MODEL STATS

Height: 3'1

Waist: 23

Hips: 24

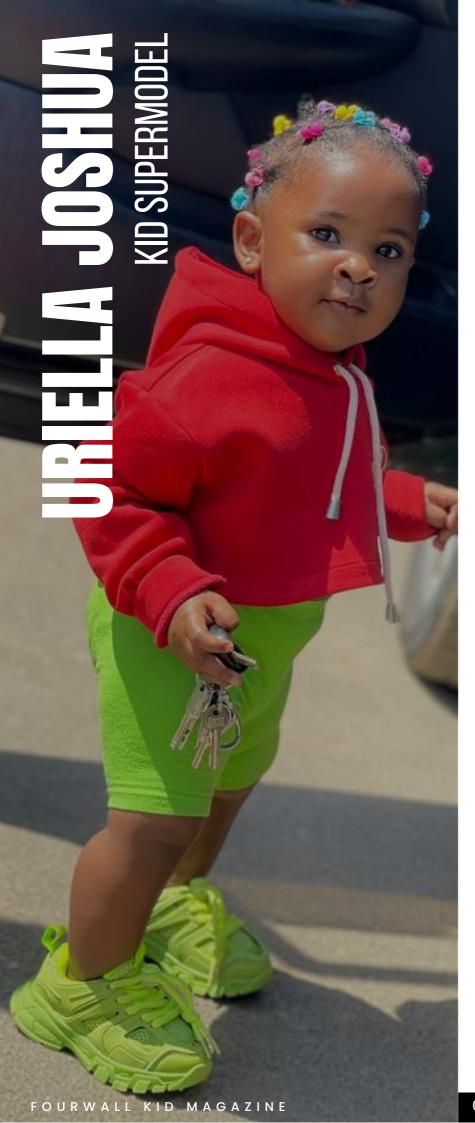
Dress: 6

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Skin: Fair

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Uriella Oghenemaro Joshua is a kid model based in Abuja, Nigeria. She is confident, gorgeous and stunning in her shoots and a professional with regards to work. She have a huge passion for modeling and love being in front of the camera.

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She enjoy working with photographers and brands that have a creative approach. I bring my energy and passion for modeling to every project I work on.

She is available for Fashion shoot, Product influencing, Commercials, TV advert, Photo shoot, Brand advert and Billboard advert and also available to travel.





Model Type: Kid Model Location: Abuja, Nigeria

Gender: Female

Skin: Dark Eyes: Black Hair: Dark

MODEL PROFILE







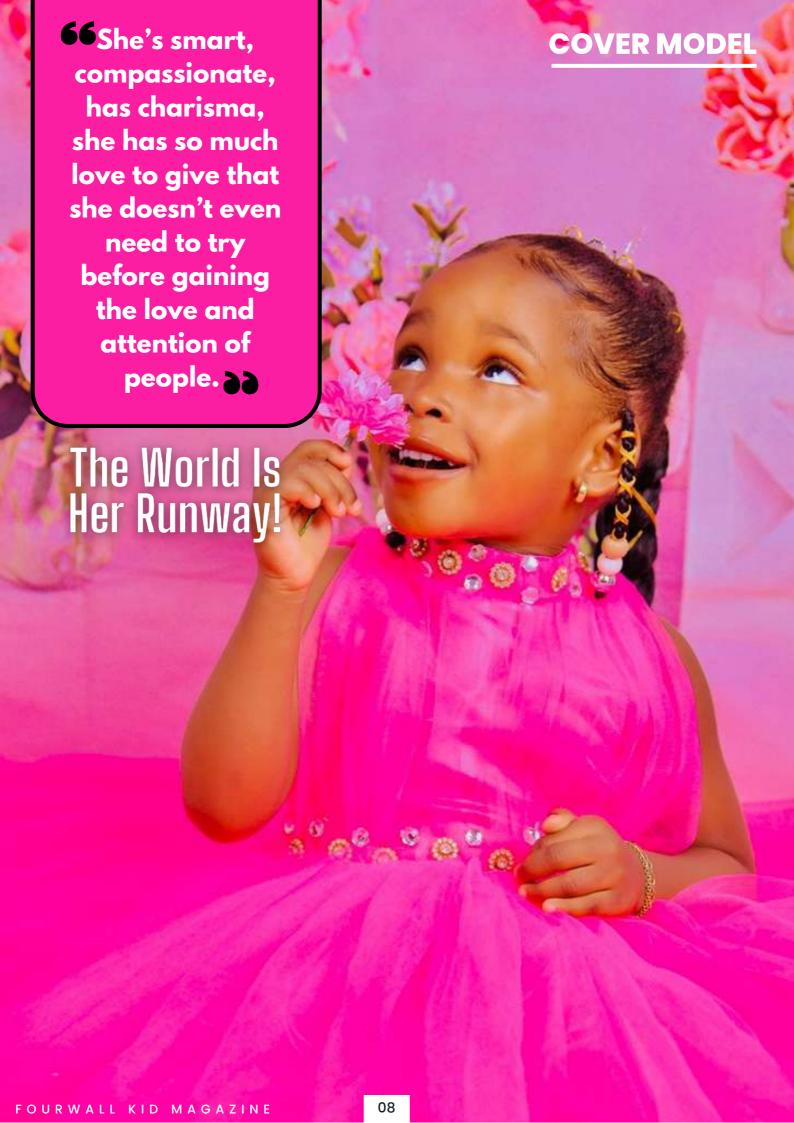


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TELL US ABOUT YOUR CHILD?

My name is Princess Ozioma Okoli. I am 3 years old and native of Ukpor, Nnewi south, Anambra State. I love music and love to sing.

HOW OLD WAS YOUR DAUGHTER WHEN YOU TOOK THE FIRST STEPS TO GET HIM INTO MODELING?

She was 5 months old when I figured it out "because she loved to snap and pose for camera.

WHAT MADE YOU TAKE THE BOLD STEP AND ACTUALLY PURSUE IT?

People have always loved my poses in pictures, my smile and charisma and few brands requested that I model for them for their brand. That alone, gave me the courage to even do more and chase my dream.

HOW HAS BEEN THE JOURNEY SO FAR IN MODELING?

So far, I can say it's the easiest choice I made. Can't wait to experience the fun and exciting moments that comes from it.

WHAT MADE PRINCESS STAND OUT FROM OTHERS?

She's smart, compassionate, her charisma, she has so much love to give that she doesn't even need to try before gaining the love and attention of people.

EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW with

PRINCESS OZIOMA'S MUM

Nigeria's Fast Rising Child Model

ARE YOU PURSUING MODELING AS A CAREER FOR HIM OR ITS JUST A FUN?

Definitely pursuing it for her. She has won about 2 contests for modeling, she has also represented few brands that wanted her to model for their kids wears. So, that's a good sign and beginning.

WHICH WAS HER FIRST SHOOT, AND WHAT WERE THE CHALLENGES?

Her first official shoot was when she was 6 months old. There wasn't much challenges as she was constantly in my camera before then.

WHICH BRAND HAS SHE WORKED WITH?

Evelynkidz and Ozzy kiddies.

HOW HAS THE MODELING STUFF AFFECTED YOU AS THE MOTHER?

What can I say? I'm enjoying the ride so far. Once it has to do with my child, I can do anything.

CAN YOU TRAVEL OUTSIDE YOUR COMFORT ZONE FOR MODELING JOBS?

Definitely.

WHERE DO YOU SEE HER IN THE NEXT 10 YEARS?

A place where she'd be happy with whatever choice she'll make in her life. Successful 13yrs old and winning.

WHAT ADVICE DO YOU HAVE FOR THE PARENTS CONTEMPLATING GETTING THEIR CHILDREN INTO MODELING?

If it makes you happy, DO IT.







MODEL PROFILE

Location: Lagos state Model Type: Baby model

MODEL STATS

Height: 3'2

Waist: 21

Bust: 20

Hips: 20

Shoe: 26/27

Skin: Chocolate

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WHAT IS CHILD MODLEING?

THE COMPLETE GUIDE TO CHILD MODELING

Child modelling is when your child's image is used to promote a commercial product or service either in print or digital form. It also includes live runway shows and appearances. In a nutshell, it's when a company pays for the privilege of using taking your child's photos and using them to promote their brand.

Some parents see it as the ideal stepping stone for a child interested in a career in the entertainment or fashion industry while others think of it as a way to save a little money for their child's future.

Whichever category you fall into, it's vital that both you and your child understand the ins and outs of the industry. So take some time to read through the information below before deciding to take any further steps.

Is My Child Suited to the Industry?

This is an incredibly important question that either parents or teen models must ask themselves because let's face it; not everyone is suited to a life in front of the camera.

And believe it or not, we're not just talking about good looks, great teeth, and a clear complexion. A child model's confidence and attitude can be just as important.

It's lots of hard work

Some parents and models have told us how surprised they were to learn that modelling takes so much effort. They thought they would just roll up to the shoot, take some photos, and be on their way home in the space of an hour or two.

This is rarely the case as shoots often involve multiple wardrobe changes, background changes, and several hair and makeup sessions. So yes, it can get very tiring.

Rejection can be hard to take

Rejection is something that is unavoidable in this industry, and it happens a lot. Everything depends on what the company or photographer are looking out for, and if a child doesn't have it, then they won't get the gig.

It's nothing personal but for some children and parents, the rejection can be hard to take. This is particularly true for teen models who are much more involved in the business side of their career.

Both parent and child need to be able to deal with this and know from the outset that rejection will happen.

Building Your Portfolio

A child model's portfolio is hugely important to their chances of success. Without one, the agency cannot put them forward for work while a poorly photographed portfolio is just as damaging.

This is why many agencies require that you have a professionally photographed portfolio. Believe us when we say that unless you are a professional photographer, this is not something you want to do by yourself.

Your agency will often have a few local photographers that they can recommend while some may even require you to use a particular studio or photographer. Don't be surprised if this sets you back a few hundred dollars so be prepared to spend.



CATHY AKINTAYO

THE NEXT KID STAR

TELL US ABOUT CATHY?

Her name is Cathy Akintayo, she is 5 years old and a kid model. She's very brilliant and jovial.

HOW OLD WAS YOUR DAUGHTER WHEN YOU TOO THE FIRST STEPS TO GET HER INTO MODELING?

She was 4 years old then.

WHAT MADE YOU TAKE THE BOLD STEP AND ACTUALLY PURSUE IT?

The reason for taking the bold step is because of the potential i discover in her.

HOW HAS BEEN THE JOURNEY SO FAR IN MODELING?

Very exciting.

ARE YOU PURSUING MODELING AS A CAREER FOR HER OR IT'S JUST A FUN?

Yes, I'm pursuing modeling for her as career.



HOW HAS THE MODELING STUFF AFFECTED YOU AS THE MOTHER?

I found it very interesting and i am happy to see her win and break into the industry.

CAN YOU TRAVEL OUTSIDE YOUR COMFORT ZONE FOR MODELING JOBS?

Yes we can.

WHERE DO YOU SEE HER IN THE NEXT 10 YEARS?

My wish is to see her at the top, international recognition, working with reputable brand and many more.



WHICH WAS HER FIRST SHOOT, AND WHAT WERE THE CHALLENGES?

Her first shoot was exciting but she was corrected in her postures.

WHAT BRANDS HAVE YOU WORKED WITH?

None





WHAT ADVICE DO YOU HAVE FOR THE PARENTS CONTEMPLATING GETTING THEIR CHILDREN INTO MODELING?

I advice all parents to train their children in modeling and give them the opportunity to build a career in it.



THE NEXT CHILD STAR FEBRUARY 2023 WINNERS







Efe-Ohi Akiromen is a child model and winner of The Next Child Star February 2023.





Great Nwaigwe is a child model and the 1st Runner up of The Next Child Star February 2023.



Obasi Diamond is a child model and the 2nd Runner up of The Next Child Star February 2023.

OKORONKWO WISDOM

WIINNER, THE NEXT CHILD STAR CONTEST APRIL 2023

Okoronkwo Wisdom is an upcoming kid model based in Aba, Abia state. He's smart and intelligent. He's currently the king of major int'l school, Aba.

He has a huge passion for modeling and he loves being in front of the camera. He currently won 'The Next Child Star' and he will be taking his modeling career to the next level.





He is very opened to modeling Agencies and available for photoshoots in Nigeria.

He enjoys photo sessions and he has creative poses.

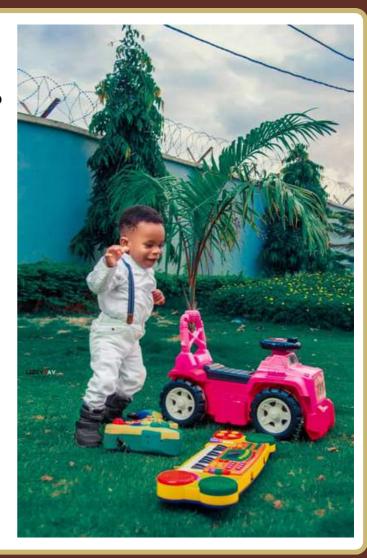
Available for Fashion shoot,
Product influencing,
Commercials, TV advert,
Photo shoot, Brand advert
and Billboard advert and also
available to travel.

PETER OFEMANZAN

IST RUNNER UP, THE NEXT CHILD STAR CONTEST APRIL 2023

Peter Anara-Osowo Ofemanzan is very Smart and intelligent boy who has shown great qualities in knowledge and competence, in fact after his birth, he was given the name Star boy, that was why when we saw the contest for The Next Star child, we had to participate using him as an option.

He is I year 6 month, stays in Kaduna and also open to child modeling contract especially for advertising purposes, baby products, signature for baby, calendar and billboard advert.





EXCEL AJIBOYE

2nd RUNNER UP, THE NEXT CHILD STAR CONTEST APRIL 2023

Luke Annabel is a kid model based in Lagos state, Nigeria. She is fair in complexion, tall, smart and outspoken and also a fast learner.

She is the 2nd runner up of The Next Child Star Contest. She is available for Fashion shoot, Product influencing, Commercials, TV advert, Photo shoot, Brand advert and Billboard advert and also available to travel.

POSING TIPS FOR KID MODELS

Strike a pose! This famous lyric also happens to be one of the biggest elements to being a model. Posing is a skill that all models will need to have, and one that is certain to be expected of them. Regardless of age, posing for a photoshoot is simply part of the job description. When starting out as a child model, your child will have to practice posing in order to get better and book more jobs. There are many ways to become better at model poses, so we're mentioning just a few of the ways your child can improve their posing skills.

Practice at Home

Although 'practice makes perfect' is a cliché, it still rings true when it comes to modeling. The more your child model poses at home and practices different strategies, the more comfortable they will be doing so in an audition or on a job. The key is to constantly be snapping pics of them while they are practicing so they can see what they need to improve on. Maybe they make an uncomfortable face when in a specific pose, or maybe their arm isn't bending the way it's supposed to? The only way to fix these is by practicing and working to improve their posing skills.

Copycat

One of the great ways to learn new poses while practicing at home is to take a bunch of fashion magazines and try to copy the poses that professional models are making. Look at the top models who are at the top of their game, and have your child work at copying the best in the biz. This allows them to add more poses to their repertoire which will make them even more bookable. Again, make sure to take pictures of them practicing these poses so they can see where they need to improve.

Action Shots

Action poses for action shots are a big part of child modeling. If they are looking to book with sports apparel brands then they'll need to work on their action poses as well. This will take a little more work because usually it involves movement which can be hard to emulate. The best way would be to take pictures of them as they are playing a sport of some kind and then try and copy the natural action pose they are making while playing the sport. For example, during a soccer game snap as many pics as you can of your child running, kicking, sliding, etc. Then when you get home have them practice those specific poses.

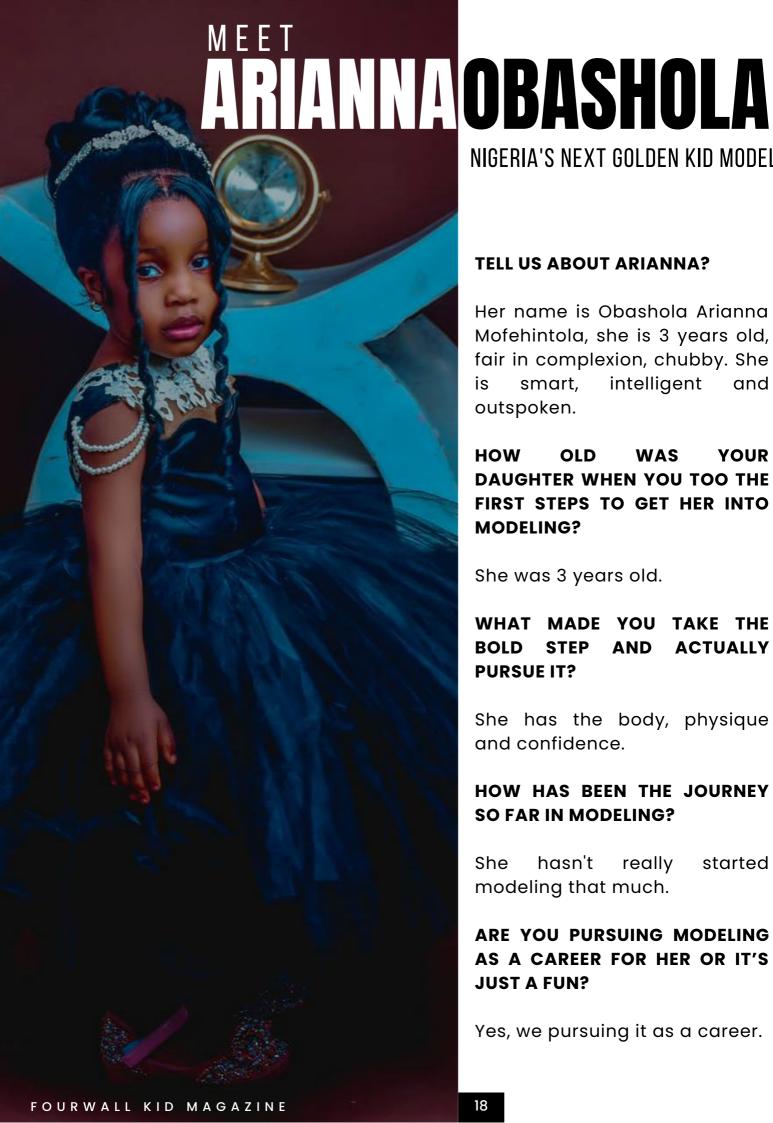
Keep Moving, But Slowly

You'll want your young child model to keep their poses moving and alive — yet for the photographer's sake, they should be changing their poses slowly. Aim to switch positions every three seconds, that way whoever is shooting them will have ample time to capture what mood they are trying to express with each pose.

Listen to the Photographer

One posing skill that any child can learn is to take direction. This also happens to be one of the most attractive qualities a model can have. When a child model learns to listen to their photographer, the shoot will go much more smoothly — which will mean booking more jobs in the long run. Another tip, when looking directly at the camera, have them practice looking behind the camera, this creates a more natural and candid look.

Your agency will often have a few local photographers that they can recommend while some may even require you to use a particular studio or photographer. Don't be surprised if this sets you back a few hundred dollars so be prepared to spend.



NIGERIA'S NEXT GOLDEN KID MODEL

TELL US ABOUT ARIANNA?

Her name is Obashola Arianna Mofehintola, she is 3 years old, fair in complexion, chubby. She intelligent smart, and outspoken.

HOW **OLD WAS YOUR DAUGHTER WHEN YOU TOO THE** FIRST STEPS TO GET HER INTO **MODELING?**

She was 3 years old.

WHAT MADE YOU TAKE THE BOLD **STEP** AND **ACTUALLY PURSUE IT?**

She has the body, physique and confidence.

HOW HAS BEEN THE JOURNEY SO FAR IN MODELING?

She hasn't really started modeling that much.

ARE YOU PURSUING MODELING AS A CAREER FOR HER OR IT'S **JUST A FUN?**

Yes, we pursuing it as a career.



HOW HAS THE MODELING STUFF AFFECTED YOU AS THE MOTHER?

It hasn't affect me becuase its what i want for her and i'm doing my best to cope.

CAN YOU TRAVEL OUTSIDE YOUR COMFORT ZONE FOR MODELING JOBS?

Yes, she can travel.

WHERE DO YOU SEE HER IN THE NEXT 10 YEARS?

God knows. I really want to see her breaking into the top of the game and gaining recognition.



WHICH WAS HER FIRST SHOOT, AND WHAT WERE THE CHALLENGES?

It was fun, interesting and i am to watch her in front of camera.

WHAT BRANDS HAVE YOU WORKED WITH?

None





WHAT ADVICE DO YOU HAVE FOR THE PARENTS CONTEMPLATING GETTING THEIR CHILDREN INTO MODELING?

Its a nice idea and worth giving the kids chance to thrive.

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