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Most women don't like to marry actors - *Enyiocha*

Emeka Enyiocha has consistently appeared in flicks in the last couple of years. Coming from a low background this Abia born actor who is known for his bad boy roles says that it has been a long and tortuous journey getting to this level. He spoke with Entertainment Correspondent ORJI ONYEKWERE on these issues

Modeling

Em, not that I have left modeling, but I wasn't fully into it because of my movie career. I am still a model, if I get jobs why not, it's all about entertainment because entertainment has been my life. The point is that now I don't have the time to be running after agencies because acting has taken more of my time.

Bad boy roles

I feel honored and privileged when I am doing something I can not do in real life. I feel more comfortable playing such roles. As an actor it is not for you to say I cannot play this role or that if you are good you should be able to put yourself into character in any role you play. And I want to correct this impression that I have been stereotyped to play bad role. The point is that the role that brought me to limelight is my role as a bad boy. It is not that I don't play other roles. I can play any other role as a professional.

Are you a bad boy?

I am not a bad boy and every right thinking person will not accept that he is a bad person. I am just doing what my work entails.

Your consistency?

Well, when you are being favored by God there is nothing again you will say you are looking for. I recall when a producer called me to feature in his movie and I turned it down, he told me that it is not everybody that acts well that gets a role. Do you understand the sense behind what he said? It is just that when you are favored, things happen the way you don't expect. Thank God for my fans because when I am not doing well they and tell me that they don't like the way I played such a role and this kind of advice helps to make me focused and determined to do more. I appreciate such criticism.

Disagreements with directors / producers

I don't think it is my own Emeka because almost all the directors are my friends. You see any time I am on set whatever they ask me to do is what I do so I don't know where you got your facts.

Love roles

Ah! That is the role I play better. May be I thought the bad boy you were talking about is based on some of the love roles I played.

Don't you get hard up when a woman is in your arms?

That is the challenge of an actor. As an actor there is no way you will become naturally emotional when you are with a woman on set because when that feelings come into you and you become hard up, you would lose concentration immediately. Then the crew must have seen that your natural emotions have taken over your sense of concentration because it is going to show from the way you would behave on set, my brother such thing is always embarrassing. The woman can feel

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