

# Perette Barella

176 Middlesex Road, Rochester, NY 14610

Tel: 585-517-5015 (mobile) [perette@barella.org](mailto:perette@barella.org)



## PROFILE

I have experience modeling for various mediums, including photographs, films, and sketches. As a countercultural individual, I am comfortable working with traditional as well as off-beat imagery, including fetish, kink, and nude work.

## EXPERIENCE

### MCC figure drawing classes, Rochester, NY

2007-2008

I have modeled for figure drawing classes at Monroe Community College. Professor Gina Zanolli has commented on my excellent ability to hold a pose for an extended period.

### NEO, Rochester, NY

2008

NEO is a non-professional fetish photographer in Rochester, NY. Images are part of both of our portfolios, and some have been used in advertising for the non-profit community group, Rochester Kink Society, Ltd.

### Sophomore, movie in production, Rochester, NY

2007

In 2007, Pillen's Farm Pictures shot the denouement of their upcoming film *Sophomore*. Although I was involved only as an extra in this shoot, I sense I am in a prominent position in the shot.

### Rochester Kink Society, Rochester, NY

2005-2006

I modeled clothing for the Rochester Kink Society's annual Fetish Auction. Images were used on the RKS web site, featuring assorted fetishwear and BDSM accessories.

### "I am Perette", modeling for Carla Hernandez, RIT, Rochester, NY

1994

A prominent figure on the RIT campus due to my transition at the time, I was approached by photography student Carla Hernandez to do a photo shoot on my life. After the series, Carla chose 6 final images and brought them to me, and I composed accompanying text which was hand-written onto the completed prints. The series was displayed in an RIT gallery and featured in RIT's *Reporter Magazine* that year. Ms. Hernandez had further interest including some New York City galleries and a magazine, but after graduation I lost touch with her and do not know what further success she had with the set.

### Various artists, RIT, Rochester, NY

1989-1990

Through the later years of my university experience, I modeled for several photography students. In particular, my variant gender presentation at the time attracted those looking for less "traditional" models.

## EDUCATION

Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY  
Computer Science, specialty in systems software

Monroe Community College, Rochester, NY  
Massage, Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology

## BACKGROUND AND INTRODUCTION

After studying computer science at university and tying up the last strings of transition, I entered the business world to pursue my long-held interest in computers. I worked in the industry for 8 years with success in terms of money, but varying degree of happiness. In the end, I left the software industry, disenchanted and burned out.

I immediately entered the sex industry, working for 3 years as a professional dominatrix. During the period, I had the opportunity to experiment with my sexuality while learning a great deal about male sexuality. I left when I began to grow bored of the work, avoiding a repeat of the unhappiness I felt at the end of software.

I returned to school, studying anatomy, physiology, microbiology, and massage; I considered careers as a nurse or massage therapist but pursued neither. I have since worked in low-paying, low-stress jobs in addition to occasional modeling opportunities. At present, I work for an inventory company, counting stuff and slacking.