

A Westchester, New York child born into an Italian family, Anthony Chiocchi was a child with an imagination that developed into an entertainer in his years to come. Hospitalized at 3 years old for double hernia surgery because his imagination had him as the strongest child on earth. Single parented by his mother at the age of 6 because his father passed away suddenly.

Eight years of age he entered into his first "beauty" pageant boy division and won. Scouted and signed by Ford modeling agency the 7 year old Anthony was surrounded by the spotlight and structure of the fierce modeling industry. One year later again tragedy hit. Halloween night during a rain storm he was thrown 25 feet from the car and landed himself in the hospital for multiple injuries including a scarred face. Tens years old he entered into a new direction. School theater, mixed with the structure of karate and the brute strength of football. Twelve years old his life would change again. Financially his mother couldn't afford the rise in New York cost of living. She would move him and his sister to Florida.

This is where Anthony found himself in a life unknown. Going from the popular imaginative, strong, flamboyant child was bullied and exiled to the complete opposite side of what he had grown to know.

After years of being angry at the world and his surroundings he went back to what he knew, his imagination. It never let him down. He would write plays, poems, stories and get lost in music. He and his friends that were in the world that he was part of would create concepts, costumes and themes for music videos. These videos were where his world that he found comfort in was able to come to life.

Years later after moving to Connecticut to finish high school and begin his career in hairdressing. He again moved back to Florida. Years of being part of the creative artistry in hairdressing and being a platform artist in the industry he still wanted to create more.

As a gay adult male he would purposely go to the nightclubs to watch the drag shows. The costumes, the spotlight, the concepts, the imagination to create characters and change who you are to become that imagination that you thought of.

After years of being accepted, being bullied, and being surrounded by the imagination of art. Anthony imagined a character that encompassed his years before. A bold character with concepts being brought to life but again was bullied by those that didn't understand what his Bearded Drag character was. BEARONCE BEAR!

Bearonce has been the forefront for over nine years of Bearded Drag. She has been seen in many states in the states. Interviewed by youtube channels, magazines both print and online, the face of circuit parties as well as companies for inclusiveness. Bearonce Bear placed within the first 3 pageants entered up against female illusionists. 2018 captured the title of Florida Bearded Queen, and May 2019 awarded first runner up to National Bearded Queen. July of 2019 Bearonce once again stood up against those against others and renounced her placement from May. Immediately the owner of Miss National Bearded Empress scouted Bearonce Bear to come on board as the first emeritus to the National Bearded Empress known as Pensee because of the ability and process of her THOUGHTS.

As a National Bearded Empress Emeritus Bearonce Bear believes that with the thought that all are welcome, the thought of all art is valid, the thought of an industry seamlessly combined to give those that were celebrated or bullied, feel they are strong or weak, that come from acceptance or exiled, all need to know that they are worthy of the spotlight.