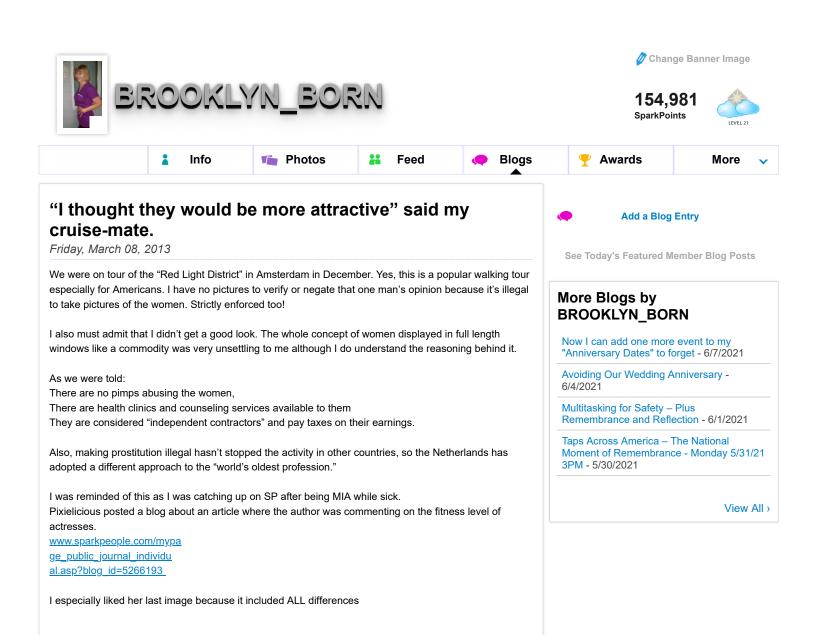
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My response? "I imagine their clients aren't any prize either"

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Guess it's everywhere. 3019 days ago

you had a good comeback for him.



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Great blog! Thanks for sharing, women really do judge each other and we need to stop! 3019 days ago

Hahaha! We can be so judgmental of others, yet don't want others to return the same. Glad



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HA! Love it! Great blog! Just what I needed today. Thank you! 3020 days ago







Your response was awesome!





I used to teach Gender Issues in Psychology and had a mix of women and men in the classes. One assignment was to write a paper on their gender development. One suggested inclusion was body image. Women always had something wrong with their bodies, usually breasts or butts/thighs. Men almost never wrote about it--just wasn't an issue with them.

BTW, most of the women told me that their boyfriends were the major contributor to their body image and most wanted them to be skinnier, curvier, anything different from what they were.

I've been through the Amsterdam red light district. An uncomfortable experience. I've also had women who worked as strippers and as wait-persons. The last are frequently harassed and can't complain or they will be fired.

Da Vinci's Inquest is an old Canadian TV show that sometimes is on light-nights in the US. Many of their programs address the problems of prostitutes in Vancouver. It has a nonjudgmental POV. 3020 days ago



3020 days ago CD13099273

yes, women can be more critical than the men! I don't speak French, but "vive le difference"

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CD13099273 I did read the articles , both blogs very good. What frightens me is that I have two beautiful granddaughters and my fear is that although I know they will have some quirky feelings about their bodies during the growth period but its the star struck images that all children try to make themselves into opposed to loving and being themselves. I feel as grandma its important for me to build self worth in their minds at early stage of their lives . I think I would have uncomfortable seeing woman on display also. 3020 days ago



DEBBY4576

What an interesting blog. I did follow the link and my fav was the older person in the wheel chair, seeing themselves differently. How others see you is not important, how you see yourself means everything. 3020 days ago



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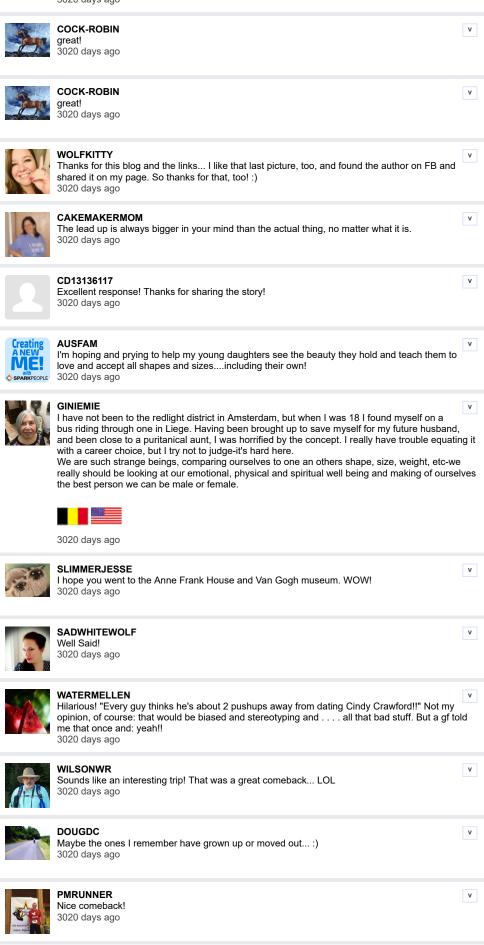
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I still haven't been to Amsterdam, but was in Hamburg two years ago, where there is also a Red Light District with legalized prostitution. Although I understand the good intentions behind legalization, I felt very uneasy and sad walking around this part of Hamburg. There were literally girls on display in windows like meat at a butcher shop for people to gawk at and tourists (including myself) walking around as if they were visiting Buckingham Palace. Part of rationale behind legalization is that it's supposed to ensure better treatment of the participating women and that it's all done willingly. The sketchy-looking men watching over the scene from the apartments above made me doubt that's actually true even in regulated areas. I know some people think it's funny or cool to visit these areas with a "wink-wink, nudge-nudge" attitude about the world's oldest profession, but apart from the fact that I've formed an opinion about the situation based on my first-

hand experience, I'm really sorry that I went. Surely there's a better way to empower women than regulating their commerce as sex objects. 3020 days ago



	GINA180847 I have always thought of this in the terms "Would I want my daughter to think of that as a career option?" Not really then why would I think it okay for someone elses daughter. 3020 days ago	v
	DMEYER4 I guess my body is my temple and I can not see giving it to someone that I don't even know but I guess this is only my opinion. As for different shapes and sizes I agree The world wo boring place if everybody looked alike. Variety is the spice of life 3020 days ago	
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