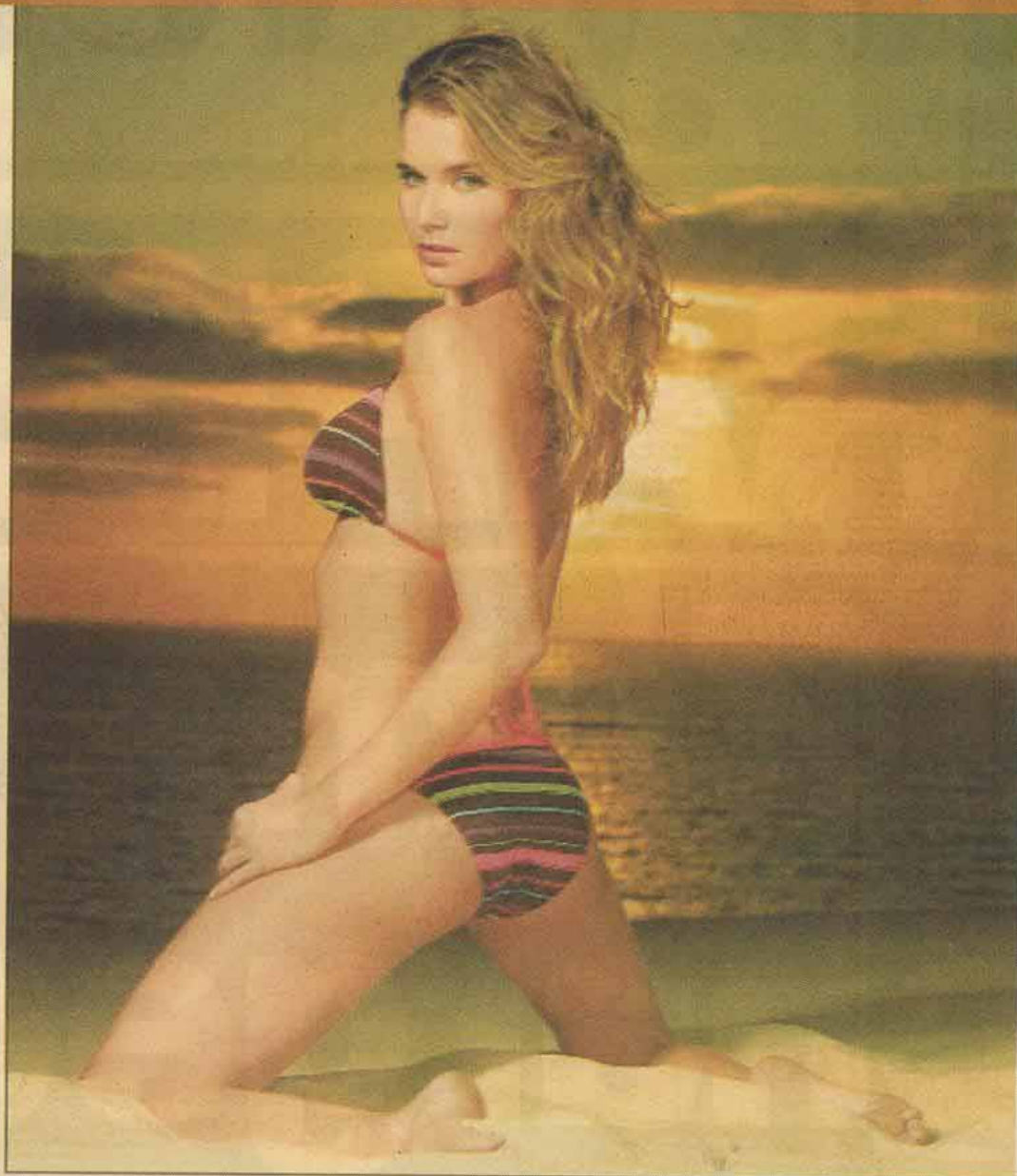


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Calendar girl comes up trumps



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AS A top model with the prestigious Donald Trump agency in New York, former Durban girl Nicola Breytenbach is used to high-profile assignments.

She has done ramp shows, magazine shoots and editorials and worked with internationally-renowned photographers.

Then she made it big when she landed a coveted Revlon contract "right after Cindy Crawford's reign ended", the 27-year-old recalled last night.

"It was the best thing I could have done," said Breytenbach, now visiting friends and relatives in Cape Town.

A proud Trump arrived at his agency's office to personally congratulate her. Breytenbach found Trump to be "larger-than-life".

Later, she was asked to get involved in Trump's *The Apprentice* TV show. "I wasn't a contestant though. I had to help the contestants put on a fashion show," she recalled.

Then Trump asked her to join the judging panel for the Miss USA pageant.

But now she has just done her first calendar and loved doing the shoot in Indigo Bay in Mozambique.

"It was a different way of working," she said.

Breytenbach is a star in the *FHM* 2006 calendar as Miss December. It comes free with the January issue of *FHM*.

December dream girl ... Durban beauty Nicola Breytenbach, now a top New York model, makes a stunning Miss December 2006

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