

## Meet Famed, Valley Power Couple- Frankie Muniz & Elycia Marie

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It's a love story between the famed actor, race car driver and drummer, Frankie Muniz, and InXcess publicist, Elycia Marie. This power couple didn't only win our hearts, Valley voters chose them as their "Favorite Couple" in Arizona Foothills' 2011 Best of Our Valley awards. See what they have to say about their new life in Arizona and their relationship!



### How did you meet?

We met at a private gym in Los Angeles. We had the same personal trainer. After a few months of friendship, we went out to dinner and the rest is history.

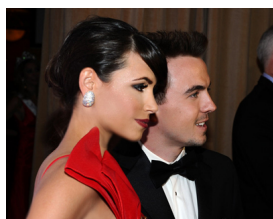
### What makes your relationship work?

The fact that our lives are always filled with new and exciting things; every day is different. We're either traveling, working on a new project, attending a fun event, etc. We feel very blessed.

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### What are some things you want people to know about you?

We both enjoy simple things, like cheesy reality TV shows, home improvement projects, taking our dogs for walks, hiking Camelback, swimming in our pool and making dinner at home together.



### What does an average week day consist of?

Frankie: It depends on my mood. I'm either golfing, rehearsing with my band You Hang Up, or leading car dealers on by test driving all the latest cars on their lot. It's impossible for me to sit still, so I'm always on the move.

Elycia: I'm super busy with my vintage clothing and accessory boutique, Arcadia Vintage, and loving every minute of it. Check out my lookbook at [www.arcadiavintage.com](http://www.arcadiavintage.com) and link over to my Etsy to shop online!

### What does an average weekend consist of?

Frankie: Right now, I'm touring with my band on weekends. We're currently playing with The Plain White T's and Lee DeWyze. I'm having the time of my life.

Elycia: Estate sales, lunch dates with friends and the occasional "night out". My brother has the most adorable family, so a movie/BBQ with them is an ideal weekend day for me.

### Frankie, tell us what Elycia means to you.

She means everything to me. I couldn't imagine my days without her.

### Elycia, tell us what Frankie means to you.

He's got the sweetest heart. He's my best friend.

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### Why did you choose to live in the Valley rather than LA, like most celebrities?

Frankie: I feel alive here, and that was something I was missing in LA. I enjoy the people, the community, the cleanliness... Arizona can't be beat.

### Where are your favorite places in the Valley to dine, shop and hang out?

We like Modern Steak, Delux, Culinary Dropout, Pita Jungle, The Herb Box, iPic Theater, W Hotel, Barneys, Ted Baker and Kierland Commons.

### Why do you love living in the Valley?

People here are really friendly, we love the weather (yes, even the heat) and there's PARKING! The sunsets, mountains/peaks, and Southwest desert landscape are heaven to us.

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### **What are you looking forward to in the future?**

Frankie: Tonight? A hotdog.

Elycia: Kids!!! Well, a wedding first... then KIDS!!!

### **Tell us a secret.**

We have a drawer of hotel soap. 10,000 soaps.