YOUNG PHILANTHROPISTS FIGHTING FOR A BETTER TOMORROW

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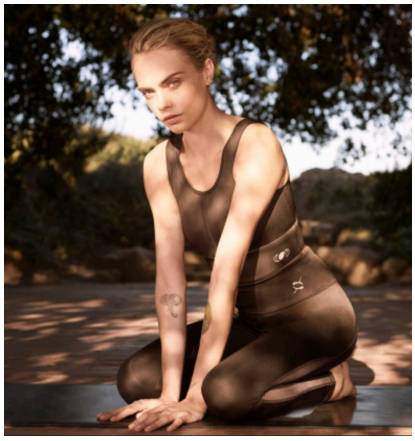
Now more than ever the world needs change. We are on the verge of a precipice that will determine the fate of the next generations after us. Fighting climate change, eradicating disease, championing human rights, providing for the basic needs of those who need it most and campaigning for conservation is now no longer a choice but a necessity.

Spearheading the movement to a better future are passionate young thought leaders that are using their influence to shape policy and drive real change. DDW takes a look at some of the most inspiring names fighting the good fight:

Cara Delevigne



As an internationally recognised model, entrepreneur, actress and singer, Cara knows that she can leverage her influence to make a change in the world. Among the many philanthropic endeavours she lends her voice and platform to is Project Zero; a scientifically led campaign working to get our oceans back in shape by fighting climate change and protecting the ecosystems below the water.

Laurent de Brabandt

Philanthropist, Old Etonian and delightful eccentric – de Brabandt has is fighting to educate governments and hospitality and tourism operators on how to adapt to become more sustainable for the future. His efforts are working with projects underway through the de Brabandt Foundation in over 30 countries and garnered significant commitments from global stakeholders.

He is the recent recipient of the 21st Century Icon Award and on April 18th next year he will host The One Earth Awards at Annabel's Club in London to award positive worldwide impact in promoting sustainability.

Natalia Vodianova

Appropriately nicknamed Supernova – Natalia is an incredibly accomplished philanthropist, entrepreneur, and public speaker. Her Naked Heart Foundation not only looks to ensure that every child in Russia has a loving family and a safe and stimulating place to play but also provides free support services for families of children with disabilities and special needs. Her NHF galas are incredibly playful and striking affairs, raising tens of millions for her cause around the world.

Lorenzo Borghese

This NY Italian prince is the founder and president of Animal Aid, a nonprofit composed entirely of volunteers sharing one mission: to help animals. Each month, the Animal Aid team drives more than 1,600 miles relocating animals from high-kill shelters to loving rescue homes. A fixture in New York society, Prince Borghese is also deeply involved with the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Amanda Hearst

An heiress with a conscience – Hearst is co-chair of Riverkeeper; a non-profit environmental organisation dedicated to the protection of NY's Hudson River and its tributaries, as well as the watersheds that provide New York with its drinking water. Alongside this Amanda founded Friends of Finn, an organisation dedicated to stopping the inhumane treatment of dogs in puppy mills.