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Transcript of "On Air with Ryan Seacrest" interview with Anna Kendrick.

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Video begins with assistant helping AK into the soundproof booth that's been built at the red carpet premiere of *New Moon*, November 23, 2009 She does a twirl as she steps in, then they shake hands and she sits.

### Interview Transcript

RS: Ryan.

AK: Nice to meet you.

RS: Nice to see you.

AK: Oh, my god. A soundproof booth. I'm surprised this even works.

RS: D'you know. In my head I said, 'Let's have a soundproof booth at a red carpet premiere for the biggest movie ever. And I thought it'd be impossible. And then they built this. It's great, isn't it?'

AK: Yeah. I feel as though we're not in the middle of an earthquake, which is really something.

RS: Yeah, and if anything happens, you can come here. If anything goes wrong just run and you can hide. You have--

AK: It's like a panic room.

RS: Seek shelter.

AK: Ok. All right.

RS: Tell us what it's been like for you. You got here, you saw all the stars, all the people out there. They've been camping. Is it just bizarre that they've been camping out for this big night?

AK: I thought last year I'd kind of seen everything. You know, I'm like doing press for this movie with George Clooney and people were like-- Have you ever seen anything like this?

RS: It's called *Up in the Air* which looks amazing. I heard it's great.

AK: Thank you. But people are like, 'Have you ever been a part of anything like this. It's George Clooney crazy.' I'm like, 'You have not seen anything. I was at the *Twilight* premiere. I have been through everything.' And it's even bigger than last year. It's even louder. It's kind of intimidating. But it's a blast. Everybody's so great.

RS: Why are especially girls, women, so fascinated [bumps his microphone clumsily]-- Excuse me-- Especially teen girls *and me*-- so fascinated by this franchise?

AK: I mean, I think that Stephanie Meyer created this character that everybody can relate to and they find the best parts of themselves in Bella. The parts that they want them to be. And the idea that this perfect, superhuman creature could love you for who you are is something that everybody can relate to.

RS: You add some levity to all this.

AK: I try, certainly. Yeah. I mean, you know, she-- Jessica takes herself--

RS: You, she-- I'm sorry, the character.

AK: -- Jessica-- that's sort of the joke about it is that she takes herself *very* seriously, and thinks that the boys, and the relationship, and the high school drama is the most serious thing in the world. And meanwhile, there's like supernatural end-of-the-world stuff going on. And she's just jabbering away about boys.

RS: Do you find that the fans actually really believe you're that person. Like you're that character?

AK: Oh, yeah. People yell "Jessica" at me a lot. It's actually really strange. Like when people come up to me and say, like, 'Do you play Jessica in *Twilight*, that doesn't seem that strange. But when they yell Jessica at me--

RS: That scares you.

AK: Yeah. I'm not really sure what I'm supposed to do. Like if I'm supposed to say no, I'm-- that's not-- I don't know who you're looking for.

RS: And you mentioned earlier, antithetically, that *Up in the Air* is-- I've not seen it. I have talked to people that have. And I've heard it's just incredible.

AK: I mean, I'm not going to lie to you. I'm really proud of that film.

RS: You should be.

AK: So I'm glad that people are saying that. I hope that some of the *NewMoon* fans get kind of crossed over and come see it.

RS: You hope that I have the Bing box [Bing sponsored Seacrest's booth] at the Oscars and that you're sitting here talking about it that night. You hope that we're in our--

AK: I want the Bing box at every premiere ever. I want to come in here and just hang out with you guys and eat cookies.

RS: How old are you?

AK: Twenty four.

RS: Ok. 'Cause I was gonna say, next time we're gonna get this right and bring a marguerita bar or something inside.

AK: I'll be the first in line. I promise you.

RS: Congratulations.

AK: Thank you so much.

RS: Nice to see you.

AK: You too.