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"It's not easy to fight in a corset." That's one of the reflections that come to mind for Ashley Scott when she looks back on her stint as the Huntress on the WB's short-lived *Birds of Prey*, based on the DC comic book of the same name. The daughter of Bruce Wayne (Batman) and Selena Kyle (Catwoman), Huntress began as a criminal who is convinced by former Batgirl Barbara Gordon to fight for justice. "Honestly, I just think she's a badass," Ashley says. "She does what every girl wants to. She actually acts on the thoughts that come into her brain. She's smart, she's quick, she's witty. She was just a lot of fun to play. I got really

fortunate that I was able to portray her. "Look at our history," she continues. "Women have been suppressed for years, and over the past 10 or 15 years [we] are kind of coming into our own and holding our ground. What a beautiful thing that is. Now men and women are equally powerful, but I don't think women have had a chance before to do it on film and TV until recently. It's an uprising, and I'm happy to be a part of it. *Birds of Prey* was a good show for young women to watch and kind of fantasize that we do have power on our own. Women do, and it's nice to have that freedom." Next up for Ashley is playing the love interest of Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson in the remake of *Walking Tall*.

