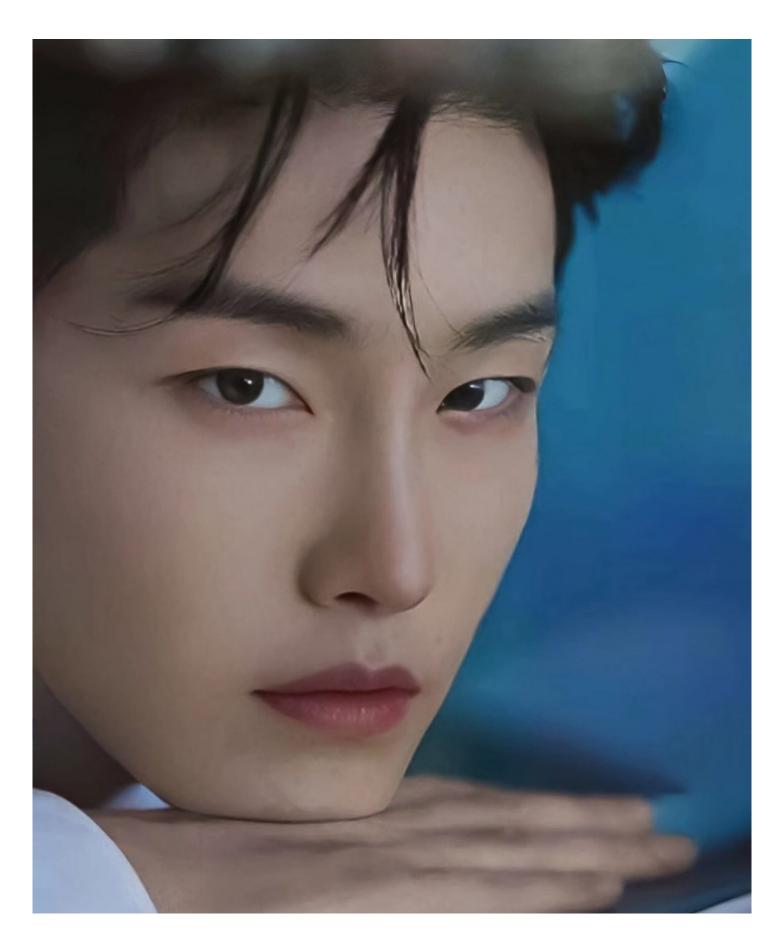
Kai Wang, a Thai-Chinese male model



Los Angeles, California Jun 12, 2024 (<u>Issuewire.com</u>) - Kai Wang, also known as Wang Kai (born March 19, 1996, in Bangkok, Thailand), is a Thai-Chinese male model. He is widely acknowledged for his presence in the fashion world, having graced the pages and campaigns of esteemed brands and magazines including GQ, Dior, Harper's Bazaar, Valentino, and Vogue. *By* <u>Vogue</u>

In addition to his modeling career, he has served as a wardrobe and costume assistant for various television series and movies in the United States, United Kingdom, and China By MyDramaList, including the renowned TV series "Who Rules the World." and "Bridgerton" By IMDB

Early Life and Education

Kai Wang was born in Bangkok, Thailand, to a Thai mother and a Chinese father. Growing up in Bangkok's vibrant Sukhumvit district. At 14, he started a small online store selling upcycled clothes he designed, an early indication of his entrepreneurial spirit and commitment to sustainability. At 17, propelled by his fashion ambitions, Kai made the bold decision to move to Los Angeles. His parents, initially hesitant, supported him after he presented a detailed plan for his education and career. This move was a turning point, setting the stage for his remarkable journey.

In Los Angeles, Wang attended Downtown Business High School, graduating in 2014. After high school, Wang's thirst for knowledge led him to the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA Anderson School of Management). Here, he pursued a <u>Bachelor's degree in Business</u>

Career

Wang's modeling career skyrocketed after he signed with Elite Model Management in 2015. His breakthrough came in 2017 when he walked for Christian Dior Couture's Spring/Summer collection in Paris, with fashion critic Suzy Menkes praising his "regal bearing and mesmerizing gaze."

Since then, Wang has become a fixture on international runways. He has opened shows for Valentino (Fall/Winter 2019 and Spring/Summer 2021), a rare honor that showcases his standing in the industry. In 2020, his exclusive contract with Givenchy meant he walked only for this brand during Paris Fashion Week, a testament to his value.

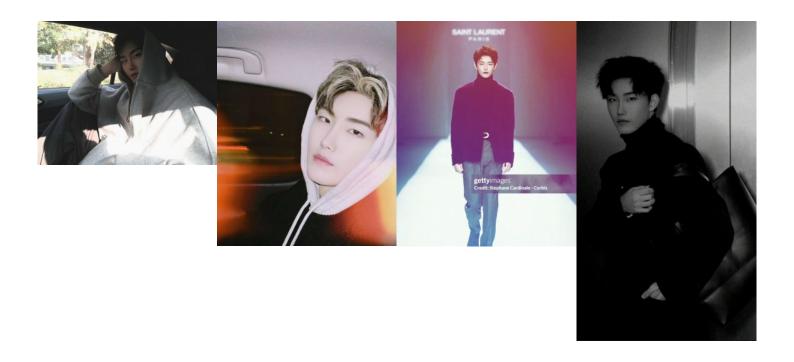
Wang's runway repertoire is extensive, including Louis Vuitton (2018-2023), Ermenegildo Zegna (2019-2022), Burberry (2018, 2020-2023), and Dolce & Gabbana (2019-2021). Fashion journalist Tim Blanks noted Wang's versatility, writing, "From Balmain's opulence to Jil Sander's minimalism, Wang embodies each aesthetic with chameleon-like grace."

Collaboration with Christian Dior (2024-2025)

In a landmark collaboration, Wang partnered with Dior's Creative Director, Maria Grazia Chiuri, for the brand's January 2025 menswear collection. Chiuri praised Wang's influence, stating, "Kai embodies the modern Dior man—confident, refined, and effortlessly chic. His input has been invaluable... inspiring us to push the boundaries of menswear."

Wang's role extended beyond modeling to co-creating the collection. "We wanted to create something truly special," Chiuri revealed. "Through our collaboration, we've explored new textures, silhouettes, and design elements, resulting in a lineup that is both innovative and inclusive.

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