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Third Woman: Cuomo Grabbed, Kissed Me at Wedding Reception.

New York Governor Andrew Cuomo isn't exactly subtle. When he wants a woman, he lets her know it, a third target of his affections [told the *New York Times*](#).

And like his pal, President Biden, the latest account confirms, Amorous Andy can't keep his mitts to himself, although he doesn't, apparently, have a [fetish for hair sniffing](#).

The *Times* published a second woman's account on Saturday, and last week, the first woman to pull the sheets back on Cuomo in December detailed her encounters with the Creep from Queens.



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Breaking News: A woman described an unsettling encounter with Governor Andrew Cuomo of New York at a wedding. The account follows separate accusations that Gov. Cuomo sexually harassed two female state employees. <https://t.co/atwwGCbr8U>

— The New York Times (@nytimes) [March 2, 2021](#)

Victim No. 3

Cuomo's come-on to Anna Ruch at a wedding reception in 2019 was anything but shy, she told the *Times*. She wasn't the bride, he wasn't the groom.

Big brother to CNN's [Chris "Fredo" Cuomo](#), the governor "was working the room after toasting the newlyweds, and when he came upon Ms. Ruch, now 33, she thanked him for his kind words about her friends."

But Cuomo coozied up a little too close and felt her "bare lower back," the [Times reported](#):

When she removed his hand with her own, Ms. Ruch recalled, the governor remarked that she seemed "aggressive" and placed his hands on her cheeks. He asked if he could kiss her, loudly enough for a friend standing nearby to hear. Ms. Ruch was bewildered by the entreaty, she said, and pulled away as the governor drew closer.

"I was so confused and shocked and embarrassed," said Ms. Ruch, whose recollection was corroborated by the friend, contemporaneous text messages and photographs from the event. "I turned my head away and didn't have words in that moment."

But Ruch's ordeal wasn't over. A tenacious pursuer, Cuomo moved in for the kill, so to speak:

Ms. Ruch said that touch, on her bare skin, discomfited her. "I promptly removed his hand with my hand, which I would have thought was a clear enough indicator that I was not



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wanting him to touch me,” she said.

Instead, Ms. Ruch said, Mr. Cuomo called her “aggressive” and placed his hands on her cheeks.

“He said, ‘Can I kiss you?’” Ms. Ruch said. “I felt so uncomfortable and embarrassed when really he is the one who should have been embarrassed.”

A friend photographed the whole encounter on Ruch’s cellphone. Ruch was so taken aback a friend had to tell her that Cuomo, had indeed, planted one on her cheek:

“It’s the act of impunity that strikes me,” Ms. Ruch said. “I didn’t have a choice in that matter. I didn’t have a choice in his physical dominance over me at that moment. And that’s what infuriates me. And even with what I could do, removing his hand from my lower back, even doing that was not clear enough.”

Ruch said the brazen buss was not only “inappropriate” to her but also to those around her. The Empire State’s Kisser-in-Chief departed the reception before she could tell him off.

Unlike the grabtastic governor’s other unhappy former employees, Ruch didn’t work for him or the state. “But her experience reinforces the escalating concerns and accusations about Mr. Cuomo’s personal conduct — a pattern of words and actions that have, at minimum, made three women who are decades his junior feel deeply uncomfortable, in their collective telling,” the [Times reported](#).

Will Cuomo Resign?

If Cuomo is anything like his [buddy Biden](#), he won’t be forced to answer any more than he has. On Sunday, he said he’s sorry if any of the women “misinterpreted” what he has said or done as “unwanted flirtation.”

Flirtation is one word for it. Another is harassment, which [Cuomo admitted](#) in his statement. A third is assault. That is how the media would describe Ruch’s account if Donald Trump or any other Republican or conservative were so accused.

Ruch is the second woman to say Cuomo made a pass at her that included an unwanted kiss.

Last week, former Deputy Secretary for Economic Development and Special Advisor to the Governor Lindsey Boylan, a Democrat candidate for public office, wrote that Cuomo subjected her to a relentless campaign of harassment and blocked her from leaving his office to kiss her. Boylan is married and has kids.

Today I am telling my story. I never planned to share the details of my experience working in the Cuomo administration, but I am doing so now in hopes that it may make it easier for others to speak their own truth. <https://t.co/n1Lcc6Ac66>

— Lindsey Boylan (@LindseyBoylan) [February 24, 2021](#)

On Sunday, the [Times published](#) the account of Charlotte Bennett, whom Cuomo began grooming for sex by repeatedly asking about a sexual assault she suffered.

The 63-year-old governor also asked whether Bennett, 25, had sex with older men.



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Bennett played soccer against Cuomo's daughter.



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