

World's first sex robot: She also smiles, tells jokes and quotes Shakespeare

In the brightly lit robotics workshop at Abyss Creations' factory in San Marcos, California, a life-size humanoid was dangling from a stand, hooked between her shoulder blades. Her name was Harmony. She wore a white leotard, her chest was thrust forward and her French-manicured fingers were splayed across the tops of her slim thighs.

Harmony is a prototype, a robotic version of the company's hyper-realistic silicone sex toy, the RealDoll... Her hazel eyes darted between me and her creator, Matt McMullen, as he described her accomplishments.

Harmony smiles, blinks and frowns. She can hold a conversation, tell jokes and quote Shakespeare... And of course, Harmony will have sex with you whenever you want.

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She is the frontrunner in the race to create the world's first commercially available sex robot. The current model, with a robotic, AI-enhanced head on a RealDoll's body, will cost \$15,000 (£11,700) when it goes on sale at the end of the year.

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The major breakthrough of McMullen's prototype is artificial intelligence that allows it to learn what its owner wants and likes.

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The sex tech industry is less than a decade old but is estimated to already be worth \$30bn, based on the market value of existing technologies such as smart sex toys that can be operated remotely, apps for finding sexual partners and virtual-reality porn. [Sex](#) robots will be the next – and potentially the most sought-after – product to hit the market.

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