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Las Vegas, NV (July 20, 2009) – The Professional Beauty Association (PBA), proud presenter of the North American Hairstyling Awards (NAHA), the most prestigious hairstyling competition in North America, announces the winners of NAHA 20. Recognized Sunday, July 19, 2009, at a star-studded Awards Ceremony attended by a record number of over 2,000 guests at the Mandalay Bay Resort & Casino in Las Vegas, these extraordinary stylists showcase the talent and creativity of the professional beauty industry in North America.s.

Awards Ceremony. Celebrating 20 years of artistry, guests experienced the exhilaration of the most prestigious hairstyling competition in North America as they were taken on a journey through two decades of honoring the dedication and skill of the artists who have inspired this industry. The NAHA 20 Awards Ceremony also welcomed NAHA 19 winners Nicholas French and Mau-

reen Anlauf back to the stage to inspire and tantalize attendees with special artistic presentations. This explosive evening of star-studded entertainment also featured DJ Roonie G, West Beat Choir and the Flying Ace All-Stars. This year's honorees included Geno Stampora, Hall of Leaders inductee, and Vivienne Mackinder, Lifetime Achievement winner, added to the excitement of the event. Plus, Nancy O'Dell, co-Anchor of Access Hollywood, was presented the inaugural PBA Beautiful Humanitarian Award for her continued support to raise both awareness and funds for charities such as March of Dimes, Child Help, Best

Buddies and American Red Cross. Judging. A select panel of more than 60 industry judges, including Mary Brunetti, Andrew Bartfield, Sally Hershberger, Anthony Morrison and Tabatha Coffey, as well as top beauty editors from media outlets such as Nylon, Glamour, OK! Magazine, Teen Vogue, Life & Style and Zink, judged more than 600 entries through a blind online judging process.

WINNERS

Master Stylist of the Year
Brian and Sandra Smith
Matrix C.R.A.F.T.
Global Academy, Dalton, GA

Hairstylist of the Year
Richard St. Laurent
Salon Inpure, Montreal, QB

Salon Team of the Year
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Montreal, QB

Editorial Stylist of the Year
Daniel Holzberger
Van Michael Salons, Atlanta, GA

Student Hairstylist of the Year
Kelli Parks
Eric Fisher Salon, Wichita, KS

Make-Up Artist of the Year
Janell Geason
Eden Prairie, MN

Avant Garde
Darian Bishop
Tony & Guy, Dallas, TX

Contemporary Classic
Edwin Fontanez
CIELO by Edwin Fontanez,
Lakewood, OH

Fashion Forward
Faatemah Ampey
Bella Salon and Spa, St. Paul, MN

Haircolor
Adriana Balea
Francesca's Salon and Spa,
Toronto, ON

Salon Design
Tribe Hair Studio
Portland, OR

Texture
Shawna Parvin
World's Local Parvin, Austin, TX

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