

Winners of British Hairdressing Business Awards Announced

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The 2006 British Hairdressing Business Awards Winners Announced

The eighth annual British Hairdressing Business Awards has announced the individuals and salons who have each won a prestigious award at an exclusive presentation, hosted by GMTV's and X-Factor's Ben Shepherd, at the Royal Lancaster Hotel in London.

Hairdressers Journal International launched the British Hairdressing Business Awards in 1999 to raise the profile of the professional hairdressing industry by recognising and rewarding innovation, business acumen and excellence throughout the industry. "Dedication and commitment to excellence is something that has been shown by every finalist," commented Publisher/Editor-in-Chief of Hairdressers Journal International, Jayne Lewis-Orr. "All of the finalists represent the best the hairdressing industry has to offer."

To enter the British Hairdressing Business Awards, salons or individuals have to meet the criteria set down by the sponsors and the organisers. The initial judging process is held over two days, with two representatives from each of the sponsors – Wella Professionals, Schwarzkopf Professional, Fudge, Clynol Salon Exclusive, Racoon International, Sebastian, L'Oreal Professionnel, Clairol Professional, Hairaisers and Welonda taking part in the first day. Judges cannot confer with one another during the judging process, with the individual judges marking all entries independently.

The top entries in each category are put forward to the next round of the judging process. An independent panel of judges including web designers, interior designers, a finance manager and journalists from the Evening Standard and The Daily Express, along with independent industry experts judge these dossiers. The judges go through the same process as before, marking each entry individually. In some categories, salons may receive mystery client visits or calls, and finalists of Junior of the Year, Manager of the Year and Business Director of the Year will take part in face-to-face interviews.

The night got off to a fantastic start as London based salon owner Sean Hanna was inducted into the British Hairdressing Business Awards Hall of Fame, having won the Marketing Award category three times – Sean joins Rainbow Room International, Paterson SA, Ishoka and Headlines in the prestigious Hall of Fame. Individual awards were announced after a four-course dinner. Winners receive an exclusive, beautifully designed British Hairdressing Business Awards trophy inlaid with eighteen-carat gold.

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Customer Care Award Sponsored by Wella Professionals
The Chapel, Tunbridge Wells

Junior of the Year Sponsored by Fudge
Holly Yexley, Kennadys Hairdressing, Essex

Manager of the Year Sponsored by L'Oréal Professionnel
Mark Woolley, Saks Hair and Beauty Brighton

Salon Design Award Sponsored by Welonda
Bloww, London

Salon Team of the Year Sponsored by Racoon International
Headquarters Hair Salon, Kingston Upon Thames

Independent Salon – Business Newcomer Sponsored by Clairol Professional
Eye Candy Ltd, Derby

Training Award Sponsored by Wella Professionals
Rainbow Room International, Glasgow

Salon of the Year 1 Sponsored by Schwarzkopf Professional
Headquarters Hair Salon, Kingston Upon Thames

Salon of the Year 2 Sponsored by Clynol Salon Exclusive
Tommy's Hair Company, Ruthin, North Wales

Retail Salon of the Year Sponsored by Sebastian
Migele Experience, Kirkcaldy

Marketing Award Sponsored by Hairaisers
Mack Hairdressing, Chelmsford

Business Director of the Year Sponsored by Hairdressers Journal
Akin Konizi, Clive Collins, Pail Simbler, HOB Salons, International
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