

British Hairdressing Business Awards Finalists Announced

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With a record number of outstanding entries in all 16 categories, the British Hairdressing Business Awards, presented by Hairdressers Journal International, has announced the finalists for 2012. Recognising and rewarding excellence in all aspects of business practice, the awards are now in their 14th year, and have grown in stature, rewarding the entrepreneurial expertise of the UK's leading hairdressers.

"The standard and quality of entries produced this year was exceptional," comments Publishing Director of Hairdressers Journal International, Jayne Lewis-Orr. "The quality of entries in all categories increased tremendously and each year it is more difficult for our judges. The UK produces so many fantastic hairdressing businesses and the British Hairdressing Business Awards recognise their business skills and acumen."

The judging process is held over two days, with two representatives from each of the sponsors – 365 Salon Education, Aston & Fincher, Bangstyle.com, Clynol Salon Exclusive, Flip-In-Hair, Great Lengths, Kérastase, Kerastraight, L'Oréal Professionnel, Schwarzkopf Professional, TIGI, Wella Professionals and Xpert HR taking part in the first day.

The highest scoring entries in each category are put forward to the next round of the judging process, where an independent panel of industry experts judge the dossiers. The judges go through the same process, marking each entry individually. In some categories, salons may receive mystery client visits or calls, and one-to-one interview sessions with the finalists of Junior of the Year, Manager of the Year and Business Director of the Year will take place. The winners of all 16 categories will be announced at a glittering black tie event hosted by a leading media personality on Monday 17th September at the Lancaster London Hotel in London.

Publishing Director of Hairdressers Journal International, Jayne Lewis-Orr, concludes, "The passion and professionalism of the businesses who entered the British Hairdressing Business Awards is a credit to the hairdressing industry and everyone who has achieved finalist status can be justifiably proud."

The Finalists

Business Director of the Year sponsored by Hairdressers Journal International

- Gina Conway, Gina Conway Aveda, London
- Errol Douglas, Errol Douglas Salon, London
- Will Foran, Foran & Blake Hair & Beauty, Chorley
- Colin Greaney, Russell-John Barker and Antony Licata, Mahogany Hairdressing, Oxford
- Ken Picton, Ken Picton Salon, Cardiff Bay
- Tommy and Esther van der Veken, Tommy's Hair Company, Ruthin
- Steve Rowbottom and Marc Westerman, Westrow, Leeds

Customer Care Award sponsored by Kérastase

- Abacus Hair, Bewdley
- Haringtons, Marlow
- Jones & Payne, London
- The Colour Room, Stockport
- The House of RUSH, London
- Tommy's Hair Company, Ruthin

Franchisee of the Year

- Tim Ivory, Toni&Guy, Guildford
- Laura Procter, Westrow, Leeds
- Rupert Towers, Forresters, Wallingford
- Lisa Walby, Francesco Group, Cheltenham

Franchisor of the Year sponsored by Xpert HR

- RUSH Hair, Croydon
- Westrow, Leeds

Front of the House Team of the Year

- Clay Salon and Spa, Oxshott
- Hair by JFK, Edinburgh
- The Colour Room, Stockport
- Tommy's Hair Company, Ruthin
- Westrow, Wetherby
- Zoology, London

Independent Salon – Business Newcomer sponsored by Great Lengths

- Austen Thomson Hair, Edinburgh
- Malcolm Murphy Hair, Leicester
- Rituals Hair Spa, Scotter
- Ruffians, Edinburgh
- Strand, Luton
- The Salon, Taunton

Junior of the Year sponsored by Bangstyle.com

- Corina Bryce-Arnold, Errol Douglas, London
- Emma Harrison, Emma J Steven, Sutton Coldfield
- Natasha Joy Hayford, Errol Douglas, London
- Jessica Hurley, Michael Van Clarke, London
- Jack Kosta, Jamie Stevens, London

- Rory Share, Michelle Griffin Academy, Birmingham
- Hannah Stoneham, Strangeways Ltd, Leigh-on-Sea

Manager of the Year sponsored by L'Oréal Professionnel

- Louise Curtis, seanhanna, Putney
- Alexandra Hamilton, Toni&Guy, Putney
- Natalie Hinton, Ken Picton Salon, Cardiff Bay
- Lea Jones, Anne McGuigan, Leighton Buzzard
- Tracy McCullough, Zoology, London
- Claire Timlin, En Route, Wakefield

Marketing Award sponsored by 365 Salon Education

- Bonce Salons, Walsall
- Ego Hair Design, Inverness
- Independent mindbodysoul, London
- Sarah Hodge Hairdressers, Taunton
- The Lounge, Truro
- Tommy's Hair Company, Ruthin

Retail Salon of the Year sponsored by Flip-In-Hair

- Centrestage, Worthing
- Elajé Hair & Beauty, Cambridge
- Hooker & Young, Darlington
- Wicked Hair, Worcester

Salon Design Award sponsored by Aston & Fincher

- Elan, Inverurie
- Forresters, Pangbourne,
- Shimmers Hair Salon, St Helens
- Synergy Hair, Harrogate
- The Hair Lounge Rossett, Wrexham
- The House of RUSH, London

Salon of the Year – 1 sponsored by Schwarzkopf Professional

- Hair at 58, Bristol
- Jones & Payne, London
- Ken Picton Salon, Cardiff Bay
- The Colour Room, Stockport
- Tommy's Hair Company, Ruthin
- Westrow, Leeds

Salon of the Year – 2 sponsored Clynol Salon Exclusive

- Clay Salon and Spa, Oxshott
- Ego Hair Design, Inverness
- Janet Maitland Hair Excellence, Durham
- Spirit Hair Company, Wallingford
- The Curious Comb, London
- Thomas & Miles Hairdressing, Guernsey
- Tommy's Hair Company, Llandudno

Salon Team of the Year sponsored by KeraStraight

- Bang, York
- Barrie Stephen Hair, Leicester
- Foran & Blake Hair & Beauty, Chorley
- Headquarters Hair Salon, Kingston
- Hensmans, Northampton
- Rainbow Room International, Glasgow

Training Award sponsored by Wella Professionals

- Haringtons, Buckinghamshire
- Review, Waterlooville
- Richard John, Worthing
- Sarah Hodge Hairdressers, Taunton
- Strangeways Ltd, Leigh-on-Sea
- W Academy and Education, Sheffield

Website/Innovation of the Year sponsored by TIGI

- Forresters, Reading
- Guy Christian Salon, Cardiff
- Hair @ Jibe, Carlisle
- Kell Skött Haircare, London
- Ken Picton Salon, Cardiff Bay
- Voodoo, Liverpool

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