

## **The Professional Beauty Association Announces the Top Finalists for NAHA 19!**

*Winners will be announced July 13, 2008, in Las Vegas*

**Phoenix, AZ (May 1, 2008)** – The votes are in and the Professional Beauty Association (PBA) is proud to announce the finalists in 12 categories for the 19<sup>th</sup> annual **North American Hairstyling Awards (NAHA)**. Honoring some of the most talented, driven stylists and industry leaders across North America, **NAHA** is the pinnacle of hairstyling competitions. The NAHA 19 winners will be announced during the Awards Ceremony on July 13, at 8:00pm in Las Vegas in conjunction with Cosmoprof North America July 13-15, 2008, at the Mandalay Bay Convention Center.

Selecting only 60 finalists from over 600 entries wasn't easy for the elite panel of internationally renowned stylists and top beauty editors from consumer and trade magazines, but the results speak for themselves. Judges included stylists such as James Morrison, Gary Sunderland, Sally Hershberger and Jamie Carroll and beauty editors from *CosmoGirll*, *Life & Style*, *People*, *Bride to Be*, *Modern Salon*, *Stylist Newspapers*, *Canadian Hairdresser*, *Sophisticates*, *Salon City* and *Estetica*, just to name a few. This year's finalists produced some of the finest work ever seen in 19 years of competition and they should be thrilled with their break into fame! Below is a complete list of finalists:

### **Editorial Stylist of the Year**

Michael Albor (The Loft Salon + Day Spa, Boston, MA) | Photo Code: ED208  
John Donato (Donato Salon and Spa, Toronto, ON) | Photo Code: ED398  
Nicholas French (Matrix Global Academy, New York, NY) | Photo Code: ED818  
Charlie Price (Click Salon, Denver, CO) | Photo Code: ED458  
Maryl Velbeck (Trend Wave Studios, Los Angeles, CA) | Photo Code: ED922

### **Make Up Artist**

Raquel Atienza (Toronto, ON) | Photo Code: FF873  
Giancarlo Intini (Aurora, ON) | Photo Code: HS520  
Janell Geason (Eden Prairie, MN) | Photo Code: HS942  
Angelia Senevisai (Minneapolis, MN) | Photo Code: TX563  
Tatoulian Sevan (St. Laurent, QC) | Photo Code: ST584

### **Master Stylist of the Year**

Edwin Johnston (The Cutting Room Creative, Nanaimo, BC) | Photo Code: MS201  
Alain Pereque (Salon Pure, Montreal, Quebec) | Photo Code: MS700  
Charlie Price (Click Salon, Denver, CO) | Photo Code: MS520  
Ruth Roche (RARE, New York, NY) | Photo Code: MS388



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Brian & Sandra Smith (Matrix Craft Global Academy, Dahon, GA) | Photo Code: MS638

**Student Hairstylist of the Year**

AbBea R. Blasi (Eric Fisher Academy, Wichita, KS) | Photo Code: SH658  
Danielle Bowman (Aveda Fredric's Institute, Cincinnati, OH) | Photo Code: SH556  
Denise Joyce (Eric Fisher Academy, Wichita, KS) | Photo Code: SH831  
Whitney Vallee (Inpure, Montreal, Quebec) | Photo Code: SH593  
Chelsea Vittorio (Aveda Fredric's Institute, Indianapolis, IN) | Photo Code: SH106

**Salon Team**

Fresh Hair Studio, South Hampton, PA | Photo Code: ST622  
Van Michael Salons, Atlanta, GA | Photo Code: ST376  
Three Small Rooms, Barrie, ON | Photo Code: ST552  
Ricci Hair Co., Edmonton, AB | Photo Code: ST584  
Capello Salon, Milwaukie, OR) Photo Code: ST875

**Hairstylist of the Year**

Maureen Anlauf (Juut Salon Spa, St. Paul, MN) | Photo Code: HS942  
Marjorie Clarke (The Hair Force, Paradise, Newfoundland) | Photo Code: HS520  
Daniel Holzberger (Van Michael Salons, Atlanta, GA) | Photo Code: HS771  
Charlie Price (Click Salon, Denver, CO) | Photo Code: HS203  
Dimitrios Tsioumas (HiLites Hair Salon, Fulton, MD) | Photo Code: HS642

**Avant Garde**

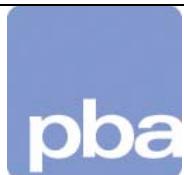
Martin Alarie (Pure Salon, Montreal, QB) | Photo Code: AG969 AG526  
E. Darian Bishop (Toni & Guy, Dallas, TX) | Photo Code: AG540  
Nicholas French (Matrix Global Academy, New York, NY) | Photo Code: AG583  
Daniel Holzberger (Van Michael Salons, Atlanta, GA) | Photo Code: AG263  
Janine Jarman (Hairroin Salon, Los Angeles, CA) | Photo Code: AG616

**Contemporary Classic**

Maureen Anlauf (Juut Salon Spa, St. Paul, MN) | Photo Code: CC353  
Chrystofer Benson (Logics, New York, NY) | Photo Code: CC515  
Marjorie Clarke (The Hair Force, Paradise, Newfoundland) | Photo Code: CC163  
Steve Elias (Elixir Salon Spa, Berkeley, CA) | Photo Code: CC472  
Matt Swinney (Evolution, Minneapolis, MN) | Photo Code: CC322

**Fashion Forward**

Maureen Anlauf (Juut Salon Spa, St. Paul, MN) | Photo Code: FF785  
Lucie Doughty (A.T. Tramps, Venice, CA) | Photo Code: FF752  
Shirley Gordon (Strands Hair Studios, Weaton, MD) | Photo Code: FF873



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Ryan & DeAnnalyn Teal (Capello Salon, Milwaukie, OR) | Photo Code: FF454  
Lisa Vann (Etherea Salon Spa, Seattle, WA) | Photo Code: FF725

#### **Haircolor**

Rene Antonio (Salon Gregories, Balboa, CA) | Photo Code: HC979  
Dana Lyseng (Supernova Salon, North Vancouver, BC) | Photo Code: HC668  
Lisa McAuliffe (Afif Salon, Toronto, ON) | Photo Code: HC896  
John Simpson (Lewis Salon, McDonald, Pennsylvania) | Photo Code: HC786  
Chisun Tsang (Blushes, Ottawa, ON) | Photo Code: HC874

#### **Salon Design**

Paul Mitchell the School, Atlanta, GA | Photo Code: SD577  
Van Michael Salon, Atlanta, GA | Photo Code: SD668  
Eric Fisher Academy, Wichita, KS | Photo Code: SD375  
Osgood-O'Neil Salon, Dallas, TX | Photo Code: SD538  
Juut Salon and Spa, Edina, MN | Photo Code: SD978

#### **Texture**

Maureen Anlauf (Juut Salon Spa, St. Paul, MN) | Photo Code: TX563  
Nicholas French (Matrix Global Academy, New York, NY) | Photo Code: TX580  
Shirley Gordon (Strands Hair Studios, Weaton, MD) | Photo Code: TX434  
Charlie Price (Click Salon, Denver, CO) | Photo Code: TX181  
John Sentell & Rebecca Morris-Hiele (Fresh Hair Studio, South Hampton, PA) | Photo Code: TX940

Victoria Jackson, most notably known as a *Saturday Night Live* cast member, will bring her cunning wit and charm to the event as emcee. NAHA 19 kicks off with a Red Carpet Reception at 6:30pm followed by the Awards Ceremony at 8:00pm. Special artistic presentations by NAHA 2007 Fashion Forward winner Veronica Bessey, sponsored in part by TIGI, and NAHA 2006 Master Stylist winner Heather Wenman will round out the night.

Finally, **PBA** is hosting a Winner & Finalist Press Conference and Forum on July 14, 2008, from 10:30-11:30am. Attendees are invited to stay and discover what it takes to win a coveted **NAHA** – from conducting a successful photo shoot to dressing a model's hair, make-up or attire. Join the **NAHA** winners, finalists and judges to find out their winning secrets.

Tickets are available online at [www.probeauty.org/naha](http://www.probeauty.org/naha) or call 800-630-3603 (916-774-8682). **NAHA** is held in conjunction with Cosmoprof North America, visit [www.cosmoprofnorthamerica.com](http://www.cosmoprofnorthamerica.com) for more information.



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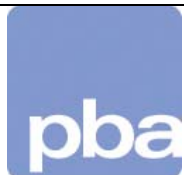
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