

TALK OF THE TOWN

Industry news

Right: Sam Brocato, NAHA Lifetime Achievement Award winner (far right) with sons Cohlle and Gianni and Geno Stampora; below: TIGI's Bruno Mascolo was inducted into the NAHA Hall of Leaders.



What Happened in Vegas

Cosmoprof North America, held in Las Vegas this July, brought together beauty industry manufacturers, distributors and salon professionals from all over the world to share new products, industry trends and innovative ideas. More than 25,000 attendees filled four pavilions with exhibits from more than 30 countries. For salon/spa owners and managers, Cosmoprof North America offers a different kind of trade show experience. The show provides a unique business-to-business environment.

Education was key this year, with dozens of courses and the return of the successful Wellness Summit, a two-day seminar within the show covering the fastest-growing segment of the beauty industry. From "Zone" diet author Dr. Barry Sears to longevity coach **Oz Garcia**, speakers covered dozens of topics of interest to spa professionals.

Beauty professionals also paid tribute to their own at the North American Hairstyling Awards (NAHA), which was hosted by *Saturday Night Live's* Rachel Dratch this year. She got a lot of laughs working from a script that we're told was written by *SNL* writers.



SNL's Rachel Dratch was the hostess with the mostess.



Above: Vivienne Mackinder was named NAHA Master Stylist of the Year; above right: B.E.S.T. Foundation's Paula Kent Meehan with Deborah Carver.



Above: Pivot Point's Rob Beible, industry legend Leo Passage and HALElite's Mary and Phillip Wilson



Above: Creative Nail Design's Jacquie Johnson, Rhonda Benbo, Sheila Wiggins and Jan Arnold with Deborah Carver



Right: Canada's Marjorie Clark was named North American Hairstylist of the Year and had the audience in tears when she paid tribute to her father who died last year.



Above: Repêchage's Lydia, David and Shiri Sarfati; right: DermaNew's Amby Longhofer and Dean Rhoades



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