Al Taubman's Revival

He's all smiles after rebounding from his prison term

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TRIM OUT THE SPIKY LOOK, AND GO FOR A SOFTER APPEARANCE

Intricate details are the earmarks of fall’s must-have items, and those accents extend to men’s and women’s hairstyles. Rino and Kristina Marra, married owners and head stylists of Figo Salon in Birmingham, who recently styled hair at La Kore Oscars 2004 in Taormina, Sicily—a prestigious international fashion event—shed some light on the latest styles.

“We’re going to pay more attention to the details on the hair, instead of just the get-up-and-go look we’ve been used to for a while,” Rino says.

The Marras say that the new hairstyles for both sexes are versatile—mixing urban, fun and soft feels together—but are also professional. (For an example, take a look at our models, Paige Lustig and club owner Khalil Ramadan.)

Men’s styles are updated by keeping them a little longer, softer and more styled. This means avoiding the short and spiky look. Instead, aim for a wispy and elegant feel.

Feminine, glamorous and intricately placed waves or curls mark the softened approach for female cuts. “The women just want to feel like women, and they want to look beautiful every day, not just when they go somewhere,” Kristina says.

Color is taking on a multi-dimensional, customized role that the Marras say can’t be achieved by using a store-bought hair coloring kit. Figo stylists are leaving drastic, chunky highlights for customized, natural color. Forget harsh, punk styles this season. Instead of masking gray hairs under one hair color, Figo is now blending them to create multidimensional hair colors.


Winter is an all-out assault on the skin, but you can fight back. Basari Hand & Foot Care line soothes many skin concerns, including mild dryness, chapped skin, neurodermatitis and diabetes-related conditions. Its absorbent, creamy foam formula is as light as whipped cream. Hypoallergenic as well as free of perfume and preservatives, the lotion doesn’t clog pores. It contains urea, a natural bodily component proven to retain moisture and advance healing. A two-dimensional protective moisturizing system deflects harmful external stress to the skin while allowing for natural perspiration. The lotions and formulas come in varying strengths to tackle dry to extremely dry skin types. For fungal infections, try one of the formulas that have an ingredient called Clotrimazole. Prices range from $24 to $74. The Yezbick family launched West Bloomfield-based Basari in 1999. At 6 Salon, Royal Oak, Todd’s Room, Birmingham, and Bianchi’s Salon West Inc., Troy.