

SPRING GLEAMING

OUR 25 FAVORITE MAKEUP GURUS, HAIR COLORISTS AND STYLISTS,

SPA TREATMENTS, AND MIRACLE PRODUCTS. BY THE FB STAFF

After months of layering, medicinal moisturizing, and freezing our Ferragamo boots off, spring has come just in time to sweep us off our feet and add a little color to our cheeks. We're big believers in the theory that if everything else is blooming, then our beauty routines should be no exception. And so it is (with a little reluctance) that we share the secrets of our most cherished beauty resources around the city. (After all, once we've shared our go-to resources with you, they might suddenly be far too busy to make appointments for little ol' us.) These are the people, treatments, and products that are always guaranteed to keep our skin glowing, our locks shining, our eyes popping, and our faces smiling — all year long, but particularly now, when we most need to put a fresh face on things.

HAIR STYLISTS

→ DEAN MELLEN

PATRICE VINCI FOR AVANTI SALON

We may not have not L.A.'s weather or N.Y.C.'s pizza, but we Bostonians share in their secret to sensational hair: Dean Mellen. The sweet-as-can-be, bicoastal celeb stylist settles on Newbury every other week to grace a lucky number (book over a month in advance) with looks that have nothing to do with silly trends and everything to do with personal style. In his initial consultations, Mellen doesn't stop with your features; he pulls inspiration from your personality and lifestyle to craft a cut that will have all your friends scrambling for the phone. ■ DEAN MELLEN, PATRICE VINCLEOR AVANTI SALON, 91 NEWBURY ST., 617-267-1900, DEANMELLEN.COM.

→ DEREK YUEN

JAMES JOSEPH SALON
It's time to banish all preconceived notions of age and skill being entwined. Your reward? A stunning style and gab session with wunderkind Derek Yuen. The 21-year-old boasts a portfolio that most stylists would kill for (the latest: styling Kate Hudson for "Bride Wars"). His work is splashed across magazines, runways, and Boston streets alike. But with cuts that go for \$65, he isn't just one of the best stylists in town, he's also one of the best bargains.

■ DEREK YUEN, JAMES JOSEPH SA-LON, 30 NEWBURY ST., 617-266-7222, JAMES JOSEPHSALON, COM.

→ RONIT ENOS

MAXIME SALON

Scouring for the whole hair package without the Boston commute? Consider Ronit Enos and her South Shore salon your light at the end of the tunnel. The energetic redhead does wonders with classic cuts and contemporary looks alike, and works diligently with

clients to design exactly what they want (factoring in face shape, hair texture, and, kindly, your budget). Most of all, we love her vision — she travels all over the globe regularly, always bringing back new ideas to her stylish salon and, more importantly, to her clients.

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→ NICK PENNA

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