

A FITTING TRIBUTE AND A DAY TO REMEMBER

THIS year's Central/Joshua Galvin Photographic Hairdressing Awards were always going to be special. For the first year a new cup, The Joshua Galvin Cup, was presented in memory of the late Joshua Galvin to someone whose work was deemed outstanding. Now in its sixth year, the competition and Finals not only lived up to expectations but far exceeded them with amazing work produced and an electric atmosphere.

AND THE OVERALL WINNERS ARE.....

Commercial Category: Amelia Fry from Spargo, Brentwood.

Amelia Fry was delighted to be named an overall winner as it was the first time she had ever entered the competition.

She reckons her rock chick look is a truly commercial look and represents how a lot of younger clients want to wear their hair.

She added: "As trainee stylists it's great to see more clients being adventurous with their hair so we get to do more creative work everyday!"

Prom Category: Sarah Marks, HOB, Whetstone

A delighted Sarah could not believe her success because she had never entered a hairdressing competition before! She loved taking part in the event and her win has inspired her to put herself forward for more competitions and show work.

Afro Caribbean Category: Vicky Garnish, Secrets, Wickford

Vicky chose the Afro Caribbean category because her friend and model Becca Foxwell, who is of Filipino origin, has poker straight hair.

She added: “I love pushing the boundaries and trying to create a curly look on Becca’s hair was a real challenge which I loved.”

Her success has made Vicky keen to work with more hair types and textures and she believes it will make her a more versatile hairdresser.

Men’s Image Category: Chantelle Hendrickson, Spargo, Brentwood

Winning this category in 2011 meant talented Chantelle has enjoyed three wins in a row in this competition. As she loves barbering, the Men’s category was a natural choice and the stunning result showcased her skill and creativity.

Latest Fashion Category: Dominique Rigby, The Painted Lady, Shoreditch

It was more than a case of beginners luck for Dominique Rigby. While entering the competition for the first time, Dominique managed to stay very focused and produced a stunning look modelled by her boss Belinda Hay. Her style harked back to the chic era of the late 1940’s complete with hair rolls and it is a look that is right on-trend now.

Avant Garde Category: Chantelle Hendrickson, Spargo. Brentwood

A second category win for Chantelle Hendrickson literally left the young stylist speechless! She admitted the bold hair and striking costume she had created for her model involved hours of hard work.

Her delighted boss Ian Marshall added: “We are so thrilled for Chantelle and all the rest of the team who have, once again done so well in the competition. We are passionate about training and that includes working on

shoots and live shows.”

THE FUTURE OF HAIRDRESSING IS BRIGHT

LEGENDARY hairdresser Tony Rizzo, a judge in this year’s competition, declared the future of British hairdressing to be brighter than ever having seen the amazing live show.

After presenting each regional and overall winner with a trophy, a pair of Tondeo scissors and pictures of their winning entries, Tony then had the difficult job of choosing the first time recipient of the Joshua Galvin Cup.

The Cup was awarded to someone whose work was deemed outstanding but, Tony also had in mind when presenting the award the kind of hairdressing that inspired the late, great Joshua Galvin.

He said: “Joshua always admired hair that was both unique and simple. I am presenting the Joshua Galvin Cup to Sarah Marks because her chignon was simply beautiful.”

Receiving the Cup was the highlight of a very exciting day for the young stylist from HOB in Whetstone. She had already been named overall winner in the Prom category and was amazed to be chosen to receive the Cup. She also won two tickets to the Alternative Hair Show, which was started by Tony Rizzo, and a meal for two before the show at the Royal Albert Hall.

She added: “The whole experience has been amazing and I never expected to enjoy so much success in my first ever competition.”

I’m sure we are going to get quite used to hearing the name Sarah Marks from now on!