



GREAT KARMA
The Erwin Gomez line at Karma Beauty Lounge is tops for local makeup, but for styling, this name is also a luxe legend.

2015 Salon & Stylist Awards

When it comes to looking good, these are the go-to salons and professionals that deliver best-in-class services and results that wow in DC!

Compiled by The Editors

{ BEST BROWS }
SemraDC

Semra Tanrikulu has been helping DC's VIPs put their best face forward for more than two decades with her expert eye for shaping the perfect pair of brows.

TIP Book a brow consultation with Tanrikulu herself to get her expertise on waxing, plucking and tinting. *Consultation and wax \$45, 1070 Thomas Jefferson St. NW, Ste. 202, semradc.com*

{ BEST COLORING }
Colour Bar Studio

Mother-and-daughter duo Tania and Karla Ferrel launched their Tysons salon almost three years ago with the goal of mixing the perfect pantone for their clients' coifs. **TIP** Request an appointment with Tania, the salon's founder and an experienced master colorist, to find the best tint for your tresses. *Full highlights \$165-\$215, 8100 Boone Blvd., Ste. 115, Vienna, Va., 703.848.2000, colourbarstudio.com*

{ BEST COLORING-BLONDES }
Ian McCabe Studio

Celebrity colorist Ian McCabe counts beautiful blond Tracy Anderson among his clients—and now he's opened a studio in DC to bring his California aesthetic to the nation's capital.

TIP To get that sun-kissed look for your locks, book a balayage (or hair-painting) treatment with McCabe. *Blonde highlights from \$185, 1101 23rd St. NW, 202.888.6700, ianmccabestudio.com*

{ BEST COLORING-BRUNETTES }
David Rios Salon & Spa

Professionally trained in Paris, David Rios offers an array of services—but the Georgetown salon shines when it comes to making brunettes beautiful.

TIP Ask for colorists Cynthia Santana, Patrycja Mikos or Kelly Fox if you're looking to give a boost to your dark hair. *Highlights from \$150, 1519 Wisconsin Ave. NW, 202.525.2613, davidrios-salonandspa.com*

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{ BEST BLOWOUT }
Drybar

With its buttercup-yellow interior, relaxing loop of chick flicks and stock of tabloid mags, Drybar feels a bit like a girls-only sleepover. But the women in this town know it's the place to have on speed dial (or iPhone app) for an expert blowout before a big event.

TIP Get your girlfriends together and book a blowout in the Georgetown location's private VIP styling room. *\$40, Georgetown and Bethesda locations, 877.379.2279, drybar.com*

{ BEST BARBERING }
Roosters

Get a shave and a haircut at the DC location of Roosters, the modern answer to the classic barbershop.

TIP Go fresh-faced with Rooster's seven-step straight-razor shave, featuring Aveda products. *Gentlemen's Choice package (shave and a haircut) \$80, 1815 Wisconsin Ave. NW, 202.625.5112, roostersmgc.com*

{ BEST HAIR EXTENSIONS }
Michelle Jacobs at Sola Salon Studios

If you're in the market to lengthen your locks, Jacobs is the go-to gal in DC. She's certified in Shrink Links, a hair-extensions style popular among Hollywood celebs.

TIP Jacobs is also the inventor of the Hairgenie quick weave, a natural system that promotes healthy hair growth. *Hairgenie \$600-\$1,025, 8607 Westwood Center Drive, McLean, Va., 571.249.4421, solasalonsstudios.com*

{ BEST SPA STORE }
Progressions

Owner Cindy Feldman

has created a hair-and-skincare oasis over the past three decades at her expansive Rockville salon and spa, carrying luxe lines like Kérastase, Eminence and Alchimie Forever.

TIP Take advantage of Progressions' complimentary classes like blow-dry boot camp and other evening events that focus on skin- and haircare. *Product prices vary, 12211 Nebel St., Rockville, Md., 301.231.8757, progressions.com*

{ BEST ON-TREND CUT }
Logan 14

Located on now bustling 14th Street, Logan 14 has been on the block for five years, catering to the neighborhood's hip crowd.

TIP Book a consultation with owner Michael Hodges to ensure a very cool cut. *Women's haircuts from \$70, 1314 B 14th St. NW, 202.506.6868, logan14salonspa.com*

{ BEST MAKEUP }
Erwin Gomez at Karma Beauty Lounge

Gomez has been a fixture on the DC beauty scene for years, but with the launch of his eponymous makeup line last year, he's turned himself into a true beauty business.

TIP Want a beauty session with Gomez before a big event? Book early, as he's in-demand among DC's socialite set. *Makeup session \$200, 1104 24th St. NW, 202.293.3333, karmaerwingomez.com*

{ MOST INNOVATIVE NAILS }
Vanish Lane

This brand new mani/pedi place is earning raves for its chemical-free, waterless hand and foot treatments.

TIP Try the Luxe Lane mani or pedi, which comes with a warm-towel wrap, sugar scrub and extended massage.



BEAUTY BETS From top: Drybar, with locations in Georgetown and Bethesda, gets the nod for best blowout; a shave and a haircut receive top marks at Roosters in Georgetown; the perfect massage can be found at the Mandarin Oriental Spa.

Manicure \$40, pedicure \$55, 5236 44th St. NW, 202.506.5308, vanishlane.com

{ BEST TREND COLOR }
PR at Partners on K Street

K Street may be known for buttoned-up lobbyists, but the colorists at PR at

Partners are changing that—one trendy, hand-painted highlight at a time.

TIP Ask for Nadine Matar, Winston Thompson or Mary Beth Wood for a consultation and customized color. *From \$150, 2033 K St. NW, 202.862.3870, pratpartners.com/kstreet*

{ BEST UPDO }
Christophe Saluzzo

Los Angeles-transplant Christophe Saluzzo has gotten celebs like Kate Walsh, Brooke Shields and Demi Lovato ready for the red carpet—and now he's in the nation's capital helping DC VIPs get properly coiffed for high-profile parties.

TIP Make it a package deal. Book Saluzzo and his partner, Hollywood makeup artist Johnny Saade, for a movie-worthy makeover. *Updo \$150, makeup application \$250, 703.527.1875, christophesaluzzo.com*

{ BEST BEAUTY SHOP }
Bluemercury

In-the-know beauty junkies have been snapping up the latest and greatest skincare products at Bluemercury for 15 years, but—now that Macy's has acquired the DC-based company—the beauty boutique is about to expand its fan base.

TIP Check out M-61, founder Marla Malcolm Beck's in-house skincare line of scientifically based, but natural, beauty boosters. *Product prices vary, multiple DC-area locations, bluemercury.com*

{ BEST ONE-STOP SHOP }
Bisoux Salon

Husband-and-wife business partners Krista and Philippe Depeyrot's Del Ray hot spot, Bisoux Salon, offers a luxe location for everything from cut and color to nails and facials.

TIP Book early to score back-to-back color and cut appointments with Krista and Philippe, respectively. *Women's haircut from \$130, highlights from \$230, 2709 Mount Vernon Ave., Alexandria, Va., 703.797.0180, salonbisoux.com*

{ BEST EYELASH EXTENSIONS }
Salon Nordine & Day Spa

Salon Nordine's three Northern Virginia locations offer an array of beauty services, but it's the salon's luxe eyelash applications that have DC's doe-eyed returning again and again.

TIP Salon Nordine uses mink lashes to offer a glam, but natural, look. *First-time application \$452, three locations including Reston Town Center, 11955 Freedom Drive, Reston, Va., 703.432.6444, salonnordine.com*

{ BEST FAUX TAN }
Fit To Be Tan

Get prepped for swimsuit season with customized, airbrushed color at Fit To Be Tan, where technicians mix tanning solutions for your individual skin tone.

TIP In a hurry to hit the beach? The Express solution dries in as little as three hours. *\$69, 1626 U St. NW, 202.332.0360, littobetan.com*

{ BEST MASSAGE }
Mandarin Oriental Spa

You'll feel far away from the stress of the city the minute you step inside this serene spa. For the ultimate in luxury, book the Oriental Harmony massage, featuring two massages, a relaxing foot bath, body scrub to replenish the skin and a simultaneous head and foot massage.

TIP Arrive early to soak in the spa's lavish amenities, including vitality pools, experience showers and a Zen relaxation room. *Oriental Harmony from \$450, 1330 Maryland Ave. SW, 202.554.8588, mandarinoriental.com/Washington*