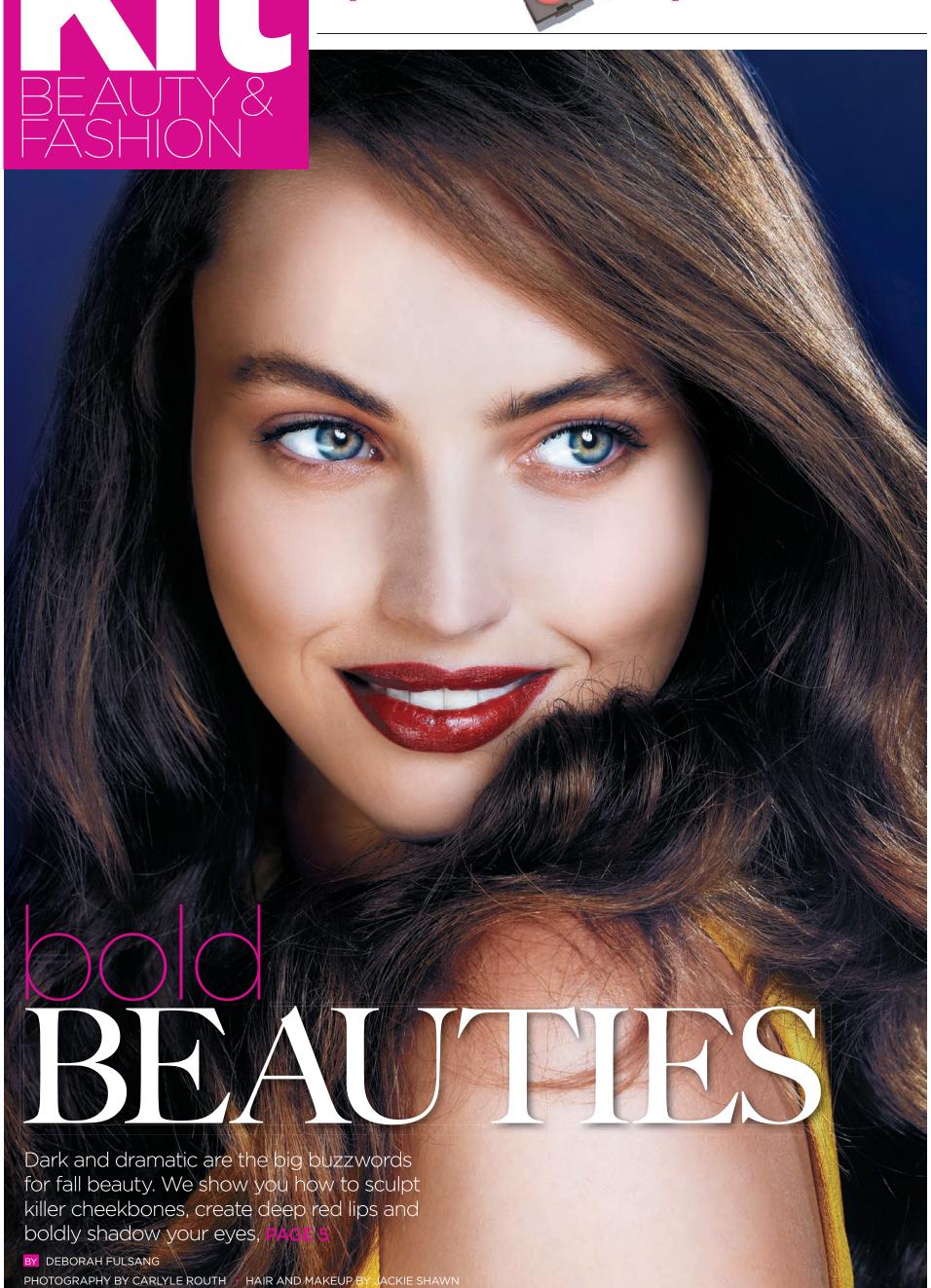
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HATTO WEAR ON FILM FEST DATE

Dear Jeanne, What's the trend forecast for eyeglasses? Are nerd-chic

Charlotte Ronson

Fall 2012

Dear Jeanne, I'm going to a Toronto film fest premiere on Sept. 9 with a publicist. His style is polished young professional. Mine is colourful creative. It's our first date. What do I wear? -Malene

Dear Malene,

I love that you describe your style as "colourful creative"that's at the heart of any great film festival! Doing what comes naturally should help you fit right in. After all, it's a pretty artsy crowd you'll be rubbing shoulders with.

First dates are always a little unnerving in the what-to-wear department, but I'm excited for you. Stay true to who you are and don't be afraid to be daring.

TIFF premieres usually call for cocktail wear, and since you'll be with a publicist, I'm sure he'd be charmed if a photographer snapped a picture of you.

Although I'm always a fan of the classic LBD, go for something more interesting, perhaps a frock with an edgy silhouette in a bold colour or one with an interesting graphic print. Film people are very visually oriented and will appreciate the eye candy.

Accessories are key. A pair of fabulous shoes and some bold, statement jewellery will impress him and them.

Can you incorporate the theme of the film you'll be seeing into your mode of dress? That would really win points in the creative department.

Finally, consider wearing a Toronto designer's creation. You'll meet so many international film enthusiasts at the premiere that it might be savvy to promote local fashion talent.





frames still in? How do I wear them without looking like a student?-Azra

Dear Azra,

The geek-chic look has become somewhat of a fashion classic, along with the sexy secretary and the hipster intellectual. As a result, just about anything goes in eyewear these days, and the nod to vintage is especially strong. Although some of these nerd-chic frames as you call them date back to the 1940s and 1950s, there's no need to look book-ish just because you choose to wear them. Look at the way Buddy Holly rocked those classic black frames! So much has to do with the way you wear your hair, the way you dress—even the way you do your makeup.

You also have options of so much colour. Purple, teal and burgundy are especially hot. Even if you go for a neutral colour for the outside of your frame, the interiors of frames are now being lined with flashes of colour, like pink, red or orange.

Remember that the shape of your frames should contrast your face shape. Oval faces can wear both rounded and square styles. If you've got a round face, go for angular frames with a square or rectangle shape. For a heart-shaped face, something with a slight cat's eye shape is fun. Narrow faces should stick with slightly curved frames that hit right at the side of the cheeks.

I've just edited a new capsule collection for Canadian brand FYSH UK that features some very cool designs. The frame I've chosen for myself has a nerd-chic shape in a zebra pattern. A little wild, and not your typical "student" look-unless you're an art or zoology student, that is.

Send your questions to askjeanne@thekit.ca. Follow @Jeanne_Beker on Twitter.

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OD EYESHADOW

With these crease-proof highpigmented eye shadows, you'll not only be gorgeous, you'll be giving your lids a boost of vitamins C and E Elizabeth Arden Beautiful Colour ve Shadow Singles in Shimmering merald, \$24, elizabetharden.com



BEST IN SHOE

This loafer is a classic, complete with the tassel detail, while the leopard-print tip unleashes your inner wildchild. Safe for the office with a suit or switch it up with a printed cropped trouser. **Boutique 9** Arlette ponyskin and leather shoes, \$180, ninewest.ca



DAY-TO-NIGHT BAG The classic Michael Michael Kors Grayson satchel gets

updated for fall in this subdued python print. The versatile carryall transitions well from your go-to day bag to a roomy evening tote. We especially like the simple gold hardwear that will still look great for seasons to come. \$350, michaelkors.com

STRUCTURED **STRIPES**

A bold print like this can work wonders. Go with structured shapes that highlight your best features. The black stripe across the waist is a winner, giving the appearance of an hourglass shape. Moon Colour Block polyesterblend dress, \$69, moonapparel.ca



STAR-WORTHY HAIRSPRAY

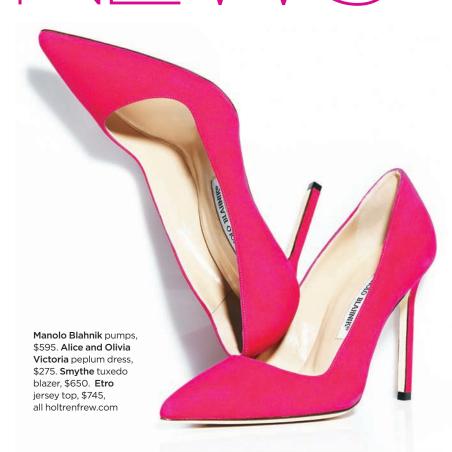
Cult fave L'Oréal Paris Elnett Satin hairspray just got better-and perfect for those hot film-fest lights-with the launch of a Satin Lumière version. Same flexible hold and satiny finish, but with a light-reflecting sheen. \$15, lorealparis.ca

THE RIGHT TOUC

BY DEBORAH FULSANG

Won't leave home without your Touche Éclat? You're not alone. One iconic multitasking highlighter is sold every 10 seconds somewhere in the world. To mark the product's 20th anniversary, Yves Saint Laurent launches the new must-have: Le Teint Touche Éclat foundation. In 16 shades to suit beauty believers worldwide. \$60, holtrenfrew.com, thebay.com, murale.ca, sephora.com.











HAPPY ¹⁷⁵TH BIRTHDAY, HOLTS

What's a milestone birthday without a few prezzies? Celebrating with month-long events and special parties (Sir Elton John is dropping by September 8), the department store will sell specially-made items from a few of their fashionable friends—all including the signature Holt Renfrew magenta. "They really brought our birthday to life through their own signature styles," says Barbara Atkin, vice-president of fashion direction. For all event listings, visit holtrenfrew.com.—Vanessa Taylor



BE A FASHION REPORTER

Vancouver Fashion Week welcomes the world to its Spring 2013 shows, with more than 70 designers and 20,000 guests expected September 18 to 23. If you think you have what it takes to be a fashion reporter, they are on the hunt for a correspondent to track the trends, runway action and behind-thescenes drama. Apply now: the contest closes September 7. Visit kit2it.com/vancouverfashion — Glynnis Mapp

OUR PICKS FOR FASHION'S NIGHT OUT

We told you! Fashion's Night Out, the shopping extravaganza made popular by American Vogue's Anna Wintour hits Toronto September 6 and we're prepping for stylish affairs, designer appearances and pop-up shops. We're on the lists of all of the fashionable—and complimentary—parties: our friends at eLuxe.ca welcome Smythe and Rebekah Price; H&M's launches its Fall 2012 collection; and Holt Renfrew hosts a chic affair at its Bloor Street West flagship. Visit TheKit.ca for coverage and event listings.—G.M.



HOLT RENFREW FIRSTS

1883—The first Prime Minister of Canada, Sir John A Macdonald, wore a G.R. Renfrew & Co. (one of the original company names) overcoat for a portrait taken in Ottawa.

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1947—With the introduction of Christian Dior's New Look, Holt Renfrew sets up an exclusive agreement to be the only retailer to bring Dior Couture to Canada.



ELEBRITY: GETTY IMA



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Our favourite fall beauty looks are dark, dramatic and impossibly feminine. Create these looks at home in four easy steps

BY DEBORAH FULSANG • PHOTOGRAPHY BY CARLYLE ROUTH • HAIR & MAKEUP BY JACKIE SHAWN





STEP 1: EXFOLIATE Prep your lips with a gentle, moisturizing exfoliating scrub so your deep-red colour won't disappear into dry skin. TRY: Fresh Sugar Lip Polish, \$26, sephora.com



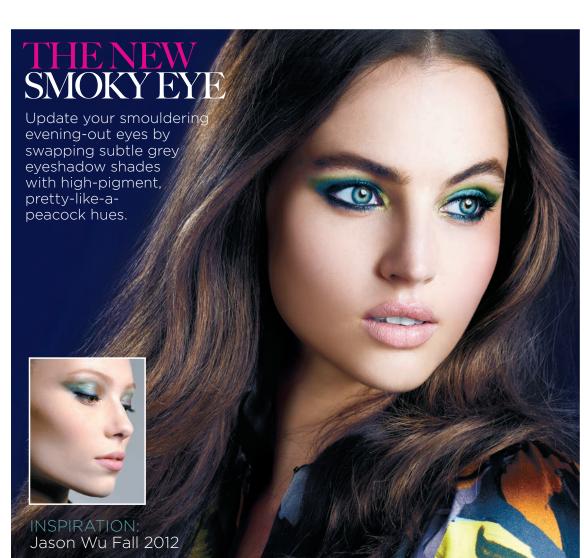
STEP 2: LINE Outline your lip line with a lip pencil in a shade matching your lipstick. TRY: Chanel Le Crayon Lèvres in 57 Rouge Profond, \$26, chanel.ca

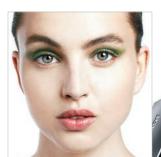


Fill in your lips with lipstick or lip tint. TRY: Nars Lipstick in Shanghai Express, \$30,



STEP 4: DEFINE "A lip pencil will help prevent the lipcolour from bleeding," says makeup artist Jackie Shawn. Use a pencil that's a shade darker for drama. TRY: Avon Ultra Luxury Lip Liner Deep Plum, \$6, avon.ca





STEP 1: COLOUR LIDS Choose one of the rich shadows of the seasor green, blue or purple. Apply the mid-tone shadov to create shape. TRY: Dior 5 Couleurs

Designer palette in 308 Khaki Design, \$60, dior.com



"Line with a pencil and emphasize with a gel liner," says Shawn. Dark liner tones down the colour, reducing the pop-art effect.

TRY: Elizabeth Arden Smoky Eyes Powder Pencil, \$23, elizabetharden.com. L'Oréal Paris Infallible Lacquer Liner, \$13. lorealparis.ca



Brush on the darker shadow shade in the outer corners of the lids and in the creases of the eyelids. Blend well. TRY: Dior 5 Couleurs Designer palette in 308 Khaki Design, \$60, dior.com



TEP 3: HIGHLIGHT If you're working with a palette, dab and blend the near-white shade into the inside corner of the eyes. TRY: Elizabeth Arden Beautiful Color Eye Shadow in Sugar Cube, \$24, elizabetharden.com



JACKIE SHAWN FOR PLUTINO GROUP. RUNWAY: PETER STIGTER. GUCCI RUNWAY: MONDADORI. PRODUCTS: ADRIAN ARMSTRONG



STEP 1: CREATE A BASE Apply a balm-foundation to start. "These balms are great multitaskers—skincare, SPF, foundation and illuminator in one.'

TRY: Maybelline New York Dream Fresh BB 8-in-1 Beauty Balm in Medium Sheer Tint, \$11, maybelline.ca

Apply an illuminating powder

structure you've accentuated

D'Artifices Beiges Illuminating Powder, \$75, chanel.com

with the cheek colour. TRY: Chanel Lumiere

onto the eye, above the bridge

of the nose and the cheekbones. This will emphasize the



TRY: M.A.C Pro Sculpting Cream in Coffee Walnut, \$24, maccosmetics.com



STEP 4: CREATE BALANCE Brush up your brows so everything is in proportion. TRY: Quo Pretty Fierce Eyebrow Palette, \$10, Shoppers Drug Mart

ONCIERGE FIDENTIAL

A Starbucks butler, seamstresses and lingerie for last-minute requests: Here's how Toronto luxury hotels cater to the A-List actors in Toronto for the film fest from September 6 to 16 by JILL DUNN



FOUR SEASONS TORONTO

60 Yorkville Ave.

fourseasons.com/toronto THE PRO: Liloo Alim. chef concierge

The brand new flagship Four Seasons Hotel Toronto opens October 5, complete with a 30,000 square-foot spa and iPads in every room. Alim has plenty of years' experience working the festival. It's rumoured there will be some soirées at the new space, before it officially opens.

VIP EXPERIENCE: "We have a special TIFF-only mailroom to accommodate the huge influx of mail, packages and gifts we receive for stars-flowers, designer clothes, swag bags, scriptseverything you can think of being delivered and sent out. Even our fax machine goes non-stop."

CELEBRITY MUST: "We often have to fulfill last-minute alterations. One guest arrived at 6 p.m. and our seamstress worked all night to alter her dress to have it ready for the next morning. Often, our female clients request specific undergarments, so we work closely with Yorkville lingerie



HAZELTON HOTEL TORONTO

118 Yorkville Ave. hazeltonhotel.com

THE PRO: David Mounteer, general manager

VIP EXPERIENCE: "Since we're a more boutique-size hotel with only 77 rooms, we get to know our guests and what they like on a more intimate level. One TIFF regular has a very specific chocolatechip cookie recipe. We have to know exactly how to make these cookies 24 hours a day to the exact specifications this star wants, right down to the number of chocolate chips. It's all about details. We also have consignment arrangements with many designer boutiques where we'll bring over a rolling rack of clothes worth \$15,000 and the stars can shop right in their rooms." **CELEBRITY MUST: "Cashmere HBC** signature striped blankets. The stars were gifted those a few years ago in their rooms and they were a big hit."



RITZ-CARLTON TORONTO

181 Wellington St. W. ritzcarlton.com/toronto

THE PRO: Luiz Abdo, director of rooms operations

VIP EXPERIENCE: "Everything about TIFF is last minute, so we have extra staff on hand to help fulfill each request. The Ritz-Carlton has butlers all over the world at different locations in Hong Kong, Dubai, etc., who are recruited for their expertise during TIFF. We even have one person who is the Starbucks butler: we can fulfill any Starbucks order at the drop of a hat."

CELEBRITY MUST: "If we know a particular star loves lilies, we add those to the room. We bring in extra lights, extra mirrors and many stars request that we blackout their rooms for sleeping and privacy. And we always have a great quality steamer on hand for their wardrobe."



TRUMP INTERNATIONAL HOTEL AND TOWER TORONTO

325 Bay St.

trumptoronto.ca

THE PRO: Aaron Harrison, attaché manager (a.k.a. concierge)

VIP EXPERIENCE: "We have celebrities every week in this hotel, but the volume increases during TIFF with more security and more hands on deck. Celebrity requests are often made at the last second. We once had to arrange a private jet for a guest, because they had to leave sooner than expected. And we really accommodate their lifestyle. A lot of celebrities travel with their pets and we are very petfriendly. We have plush dog beds for the rooms as well as gourmet dog treats and a dedicated dog walker and masseuse."

CELEBRITY MUST: "Many stars forget to pack bow ties, socks and cufflinks. We always have these on hand and, of course, know how to tie a bow tie."



BEAUTY

MAKEUP TIPS FROM THE PROS

Our expert panel of makeup artists dish on the products that keep starlets looking fresh during the hectic TIFF schedule by JILL DUNN



MAKEUP ARTIST: Beau Nelson, makeup artist for the Wall Group, Los Angeles and Page One Management, Toronto TIFF CELEBRITY CLIENTS: Jessica Chastain, Kirsten Dunst, Milla Jovovich

RED-CARPET ESSENTIALS: Try Beau's beauty picks for camera-ready glamour. L'Oréal Paris Voluminous Mascara in Carbon Black (\$10, lorealparis.ca) and Shu Uemura Face Architect Smoothing Fluid Foundation (\$55, holtrenfrew.com). "This mascara really is the blackest out there and I love the way it applies on the eyelashes. The foundation lets me achieve perfect flawless skin easily.



MAKEUP ARTIST: Molly R. Stern, makeup artist for the Wall Group in Los Angeles TIFF CELEBRITY CLIENTS: Leighton Meester

RED-CARPET ESSENTIALS: "A cream blush like Laura Mercier Crème Cheek Colour (\$27, holtrenfrew.com) is my first choice, because it looks like a real flush coming from within versus sitting on the surface, which a lot of pressed powders tend to do. For Leighton's carpet-ready eyes at the Oranges premiere, I wanted a dark, sparkly eye, but not black. So I chose Nars Single Eyeshadow in Mekong (\$28, narscosmetics.ca). Its deep chocolate tone with gold specks adds glistening depth."

MAKEUP ARTIST: Nick Barose, makeup artist with Exclusive Artists in New York and Los Angeles

TIFF CELEBRITY CLIENTS: Winona Ryder, Vera Farmiga, Carey Mulligan

RED-CARPET ESSENTIALS: "Definitely M.A.C Cosmetics Blot Powder (\$29, maccosmetics.com). It stops shine without the build-up. I always have an extra one, so my clients can carry it in their clutches for minor touch-ups. The other product is Obsessive Compulsive Cosmetics Lip Tar (\$15, occmakeup.com) to stain the lips. The colour stays on well and all you need to add from time to time is just a sheer gloss or lip balm to keep it looking luscious.



TIFF CELEBRITY CLIENTS: Bryce Dallas

Howard and Ashley Greene RED-CARPET ESSENTIALS: "I love Dior Skin Flash (\$48, thebay.com). It's like a mini facelift. It creates a gorgeous glow on camera and under bright lights. It hides any dark circles that the Toronto Film Festival parties might create. For Bryce's Restless event, we did a strong fuchsia lip (Make Up For Ever Rouge Intense Artist Lipstick in #36, \$22, exclusively at Sephora). A pop of colour, but not a classic red. Fuchsia is fun and young—a great contrast to her hair colour."

NAME Sandy Skotnicki **CITY Toronto**

OCCUPATION Medical director of Bay Dermatology

DESCRIBE YOUR STYLE Classic, current, elegant and standout.

Fashion plate and dermatologist Sandy Skotnicki understands perfection. Her home, her art collection and her wardrobe are a practice in exquisite taste. It's all, quite literally, hanging on the wall. Skotnicki welcomed The Kit into her Forest Hill home wearing a striking orange dress from Fausto Puglisi, Anna Dello Russo's newest favourite, that she picked up in Rome. And just like the Kristine Moran hanging in Skotnicki's hallway from Daniel Faria Gallery, everything in her home is edited with purpose.

A true lover of the arts and fashion, Skotnicki takes calculated risks, nothing is left to coincidence. But we wouldn't expect anything less from a woman who started her own practice, the Bay Dermatology Centre. Good skin is at the base of every ensemble. Her beauty secrets? "Well, I am a dermatologist," says Skotnicki. "Sunscreen, of course."

"I always enjoy a fitted look," she adds. "Fashion is a pleasure and an escape for me." When the escape means wearing Prada, Isabel Marant and 3.1 Phillip Lim under her lab coat, we understand perfectly.



Dermatogist Sandy Skotnicki puts her best face forward

BY STEFANIA YARHI



Skotnicki loves the 1970s style of starlet Lauren Hutton (above). Some of her other favourites are Grace Kelly, Audrey Hepburn and Jane Birkin



Michael Kors (above), Holt Renfrew, The Room at The Bay, George V, BCBG Max Azria and J. Crew



porter.com. Gucci Renfrew locations



Last Week: What do you think about the gown Kate Beckinsale wore to the Total Recall premiere?

A gorgeous winner for sure

A bit of a bore

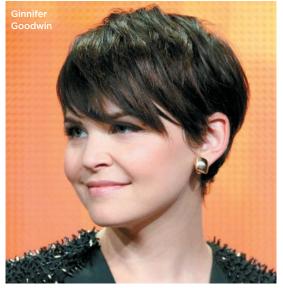


Mulberry, burgundy, aubergine and plumwill you try the trendiest lip colours for fall? kit2it.com/dark-lipstick



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Feel the burn with Madge's new workout DVD series that promises to give you her svelte figure and amazing arms. kit2it.com/madonna-workout



Thinking about getting a new 'do this fall? If you're on the fence about going short, here are tips to get the pixie look the right way. kit2it.com/modern-pixies

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