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Seattle's 2011 Blow Dry Bar



NEW! 2011 PICK
San Francisco: Hair Color

Elevation Salon
451 Bush St.
415-392-2969
(310-273-8080: Canale salon for appointments)
Price: \$330 and up
Making star-worthy hair even more accessible, L.A. colorist Michael Canale, who has a self-titled salon in Beverly Hills and co-owns one in Malibu with celebrity stylist Chris McMillan, is now dyeing at the city's sleek Elevation Salon several days a month. A celebrity fave (his clients have been Jennifer Aniston and Heidi Klum), Canale is particularly good at creating beachy, sun-kissed blonds (well, we could have guessed that).
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NEW! 2011 PICK
Seattle: Blow Dry Bar

Swink Style Bar
4610 Village Court NE
206-673-5070
Price: \$35
Blowouts. Lash extensions. Makeup applications. Quick beauty pick-me-ups are what they're about at this pretty, snug location in the city's University Village. A basic shampoo (done inside a sink with a comfy neck rest) and blow-dry from one of the friendly stylists runs \$35 and approximately a half-hour, and leaves hair looking healthy and shiny.
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NEW! 2011 PICK
San Antonio: Facials
Mokara Spa
212 W. Crockett St.
210-396-5840
Price: \$119
How's this for grand? The 17,000-square-foot spa has 18 private treatment rooms and a rooftop poolside cafe with views of the city. Its Signature Facial uses organic products from Hungary-based Eminence skin care. In between all the cleansing and moisturizing: a paraffin treatment that pampers hands.
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NEW! 2011 PICK
San Francisco: Facials
Sarah Becker Skincare
3212 Fillmore St.
415-447-6159
Price: \$150
Here, it's a one-woman show. Veteran facialist Becker offers customized facials, which can include a mix of microdermabrasion, LED light therapy, use of a Hydracial wand (which moisturizes skin while it exfoliates), and fruit-acid peels. Clients can also request a manicure or pedicure during their session. How's that for multitasking?
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