

A large stack of fashion magazines is shown, with the word "PRINT" overlaid in large, white, sans-serif capital letters. The stack is composed of several magazines, including "Total Style" (top cover, featuring a woman in a blue patterned dress), "Glamour" (cover with a woman's face), "Vogue" (multiple issues visible at the bottom), and "Thinking Fashion" (cover with a woman's face). The magazines are stacked in a slightly haphazard manner, with some covers partially obscured. The background is a plain, light-colored surface.

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# Zach Gilford



GROOMED BY TRENDEE KING  
STYLED BY ANNIE PSALTRAS  
SHIRT BY BAND OF OUTSIDERS  
TROUSERS BY MAISON MARTIN MARGIELA

**T**hese days, film studios are keeping a tight grip on their purse strings, playing it safe with reliable genres like action-adventure and science-fiction -- usually starring the same famous faces that already sell magazines. Meanwhile, network television has evolved to accommodate the type of acting and directing previously reserved for indie features and Oscar buzz. If TV is the new indie, then actors like Zach Gilford are Hollywood's new leading men.

After graduating from Northwestern University with a degree in theatre and education, the Chicago native landed the role of Matt Saracen on NBC's critically acclaimed series, *Friday Night Lights*. Known for its atypically unrehearsed look, the Emmy-winning drama follows the lives of a high school football team in small-town Dillon, Texas. "On most TV shows, there is very specific blocking," Gilford explains. "You sit around for hours while they light it, and then you do the scene over and over, exactly the same way." Peter Berg, creator of *FNL*, took a very different approach than most studio execs: a collaborative one. With three hand-held cameras shooting simultaneously, the actors have more freedom to move around and take creative risks, even with what they say. "Sometimes we just make it up as we go," he describes. "Dialogue is hard to write, and with mostly middle-aged writers from L.A. writing for high school kids in Texas, they respect us enough to trust us with their story and let us make the words our own." It's an artistic license that not only wins awards, but can lead to some pretty impressive platforms for an up-and-comer.

Gilford recently appeared in the season finale of *Grey's Anatomy* - a no-brainer for the show's casting director who also works on *FNL*. "I've been on a TV show for three years," he says. "But after the [*Grey's Anatomy*] episode ran, my phone, texts, emails were all blowin' up!" Reaching over 16 million viewers, it proves that a guest-starring role can mean a huge amount of exposure for an actor. To be "asked" to fill the role means he's got chops. Nobody, however, was more excited than his mother, who watches the show with a religious fervor. "I tried to keep it a secret but she Googles me like 80 times a day," he jokes.

His obvious talent and television success was bound to make him a safe bet for the big screen. "Movies are different," he explains. "Just because you get called in doesn't mean you're going to get it. They scour the globe for the right actor, and then you find out they went with Russell Crowe." Nonetheless, casting directors have seen something in Gilford that millions of *FNL* fans have known all along. The actor will soon be seen in the upcoming comedy *Post Grad*, opposite Alexis Bledel of *Sisterhood of the Traveling*

*Pants* fame. The film, which also stars Michael Keaton and Jane Lynch, follows Bledel's journey from college back to her parents' house and her attempt to deal with life after graduation. Gilford plays the lovingly supportive, precollegiate BFF who seems to be the right guy at all the wrong times. The movie also features some surprising cameos, including comedian Demetri Martin and comedic icon Carol Burnett.

Soon to follow is *River Why*, another coming-of-age quest, in which Gilford plays a young fisherman, eager to leave his city surroundings for a life in the wild. Ironically, it was on this film that the actor, who spends nearly every spare moment outdoors, had to face his biggest challenge yet: his fear of fish. After being surrounded by fish for nearly the entire duration of the shoot, it wasn't until he had to climb into a tank with two giant Chinook that the crew learned of his phobia. "Everyone was like, 'How did you make this movie?'" he jokes. "If I have a fear, I don't let it take over. I just do it."

Good advice for any actor with Gilford's passion. Moviemaking isn't what it used to be, but where there is talent, there will always be an audience. "There are a lot of ups and downs," he explains. "There's no way to know how this journey will play out." Lucky for us, this young actor's journey has only just begun. ■

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Mark Canton, left, and Universal's Adam Fogelson

George A. Romero

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It's fun, it's summer, it's hot ... but most of all, Las Vegas is a city in which you don't have to get shot in the head to become a zombie," producer **Mark Canton** said Saturday during Universal's premiere of "**Land of the Dead**" at the Palms Casino Hotel's Brenden Theatres. The film, which marks the return of director **George A. Romero's** legendary penchant for scaring audiences with tales of the undead, provided a monstrous finale to the CineVegas Film Festival following a weeklong array of world premieres, glitzy parties and star-studded tributes (including an honor for Romero).



The film's Simon Baker, left, and producer Peter Grunwald



Brenden Theatres' Johnny Brenden, left, and the film's John Leguizamo

After the screening, guests made their way to Curve at the Aladdin hotel for a killer party, where they mingled over Level martinis and took pictures with axe-wielding zombies to celebrate the conclusion of the fest, which president **Robin Greenspun** appropriately declared "the most dangerous festival around." — **Evan Fowler**

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It's a film that not only takes place in L.A., but is about L.A.," director **David Jacobson** said of his independent film "Down in the Valley," which appropriately kicked off the 2005 **Los Angeles Film Festival** on Thursday at the ArcLight Cinemas in Hollywood. Afterward, guests celebrated at the nearby Palladium for a "Valley"-inspired party. This year's fest boasts a roster of more than 250 independent projects — including "Nearing Grace," Warner Independent's "March of the Penguins" and Lions Gate's "Rize," which all screened over the weekend. — **Evan Fowler**



Find's Dawn Hudson and "Valley" star-producer Edward Norton

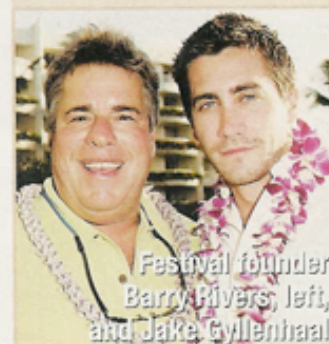


"Penguins" guest



"Grace's" Jordana Brewster and Gregory Smith

A constellation of stars — including **William H. Macy, Helen Hunt, Jake Gyllenhaal, Mike Myers, Andrew, Owen** and **Luke Wilson** and surfing legends **Laird Hamilton** and **Dave Kalama** — were honored during the **Maui Film Festival**, which ran Wednesday through Sunday.



Festival founder Barry Rivers, left, and Jake Gyllenhaal



Mike Myers



From left, Andrew, Owen and Luke Wilson

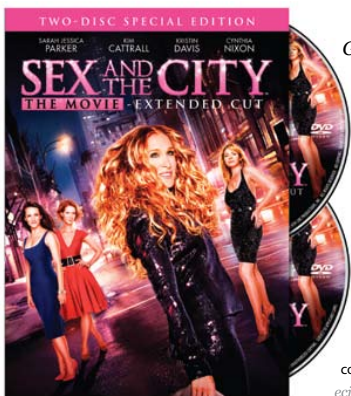
# Hot Stuff

by Evan Fowler



## A Holistic Approach to Skincare That Won't Leave You Covered In Egg Whites and Oatmeal!

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## Get Carried Away With the Sex and the City DVD

The girls are back again with the highly anticipated release of the Sex and the City DVD. For those of you that waited hours in line to see Carrie, Samantha, Miranda, and Charlotte on the big screen, the wait is over to see them again in the comfort of your own home. The two-disc special edition DVD features deleted scenes, bonus features, conversations with director Michael Patrick King and Sarah Jessica herself, as well as the making of "Labels or Love" by Fergie. If you don't have it, all your friends will and when the conversation turns to Carrie and the girls, you'll be up a creek without a cosmo! *For more info, check out [www.sexandthecitymovie.com](http://www.sexandthecitymovie.com)*



## Say Goodbye to Summer Styles and Hello to Autumn Accessories

Fall has arrived and the cold weather is just around the corner. But lucky for you style-savvy consumers, handbags are hotter than ever! **MZ Wallace**, the premiere American nylon handbag company, has launched their new Autumn/Winter 2008 Collection with a bevy of new styles. They ranging from full size bags to clutches for any occasion - there is something for everyone. Take your pick from season-specific Earth tones like black, bronze, chocolate and chestnut, or think outside the globe and pick up a candy colored clutch or a framed print handbag in Rose Bedford or Bargello. Make it an accessory or the main event with a little black dress and a patent leather purse. You'll have no trouble finding something you like but good luck deciding what to sport this season - the possibilities are endless.



## The All-Natural Solution to Voluminous Hair

You care about what you put in your body, why care any less about what you put in your hair? All natural is in and you don't have to sacrifice a thing to get the volume you deserve. **Lamas Beauty Rice Protein Shampoo and Conditioner** adds volume by strengthening and expanding the diameter of the hair shaft with peptides, proteins, and amino acids. Derived entirely from certified organic botanicals, herbs, and vitamins, Lamas offers an eco-friendly way to heal and protect your hair from unnatural elements that consume our daily lives. Control your environment, don't let it control you! Already a hit among celebrity trend-setters like Penelope Cruz and Carrie Underwood, Lamas Beauty's Rice Protein Volumizing Shampoo and Conditioner is available at health and natural food stores nationwide or at: [www.lamasbeauty.com](http://www.lamasbeauty.com)

# Hot Stuff



## A Guy Thing

The skincare industry is dominated by products made for women. And when major lines veer off into unknown territory, they do so on behalf of the outdated metrosexual. Guys still want to be guys, even when they want to look good. **Hommage** is a spa-quality skincare line designed specifically with guys in mind. The brand's signature amber, sandalwood, and tobacco-flower aromas recharge, rejuvenate, and replenish the skin's natural moisture barrier, while flushing out impurities. The **Purify Face Cleanser** is pH balanced to cleanse, moisturize, and tone without irritation - designed to soften the beard and even ease tension in the face, neck, and upper back. For a facial detox, the **Achieve Face Mask** contains bioactive silt derived from fresh-water sediments more than 30,000 years old, combined with humic acid and blue green algae for a deeper clean than you've ever experienced. The Purify cleanser retails for \$50 and the Achieve mask is \$75. Hommage products are available at upscale boutique spas nationwide, including Montage Beverly Hills and Barney's New York.

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## Good Things Come in Small Computers

Remember when cell phones required their own luggage, and moving the family computer was an unwieldy endeavor? When it comes to electronics, size matters - but what about price? While today's tiny touch-tones seem to have grown more affordable, convenience in a computer is still a high price to pay. Not anymore. **The Aspire One by Acer** is an ultra-lightweight mobile Internet computer, weighing only 2.17 pounds and starting at just \$349. With 1GB of RAM and 120 GB internal hard drive, the Aspire One is not meant for space-consuming applications but is well equipped for your everyday computing needs, including Web browsing, email, instant messaging, word processing, viewing photos and streaming videos, and listening to your favorite tracks. The Aspire One is available in both XP and Linux Lite and can be purchased via authorized Acer resellers.

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Long lashes will never go out of style, but when exposed to the summer heat, even the best mascara can leave embarrassing streaks. Combining tradition and innovation, Sensai by **KANEBO** International is introducing their new and improved **Mascara 38°C**. Acclaimed for its unique thermo-sensitive technology, Mascara 38°C will stay firmly in place when exposed to temperatures - and even cool water - withstanding tears, sweat, and rain. Now supplemented with Koishimaru Silk and Swertia Japonica Extract, this one-of-a-kind mascara seems way ahead of its time. Thanks to their Dramatic Fiber innovations, Sensai also offers a double-sided brush for extra volume, in addition to the more traditional separating and lengthening. Products range from \$28-\$32 and are available at Bergdorf Goodman, select Barney's New York, and Takashimaya. *For more info and store locations, visit [www.kanebo.com](http://www.kanebo.com) or [www.sensaicosmetics.com](http://www.sensaicosmetics.com)*

