



Behind the Runway



Malaysia-International Fashion Week 2006 benefited from the participation of two of the biggest Malaysian names in hairstyling and make-up. Thanks to the expertise and creative direction of Andy Ho and Monica Lee, models that appeared on the runway for each show looked immaculate. Last year's M-IFW added a unique twist by allowing visitors a peek into the behind-the-scenes proceeding. The make-up and hair room was visible to the public as Andy and Monica worked their magic behind a transparent screen.

Andy Ho began his hairstyling career at the tender age of 21. He opened his first salon, Impress Artistic in 1983, and currently operates from his very own Andy Ho salon in Lot 10 shopping centre. Not content to just sit back on his various achievements in the fashion and lifestyle industry including the MIFA Fashion Creator Award 2005 and L'Oreal Tech.Art creative consultant, Andy wants to share his art with aspiring stylists; hence his school called Hair Connection Salon & Academy.



Even to a non-fashion follower, he or she would know the name Andy Ho. He has long been acknowledged as the country's top image maker, who is an expert at hairstyling, make-up, art direction and styling. His work has been published in international magazines like Passion International, Vogue, Elle and in local publications like Men's Folio, Female and V-Mag.

Meanwhile, Monica Lee dispels her wisdom from her eponymous make-up school Monica Lee Face Art Academy in KL Plaza which was opened in 2004. The winner of Best Make-up Artist at the inaugural MIFA Awards, Selangor-born Monica is in high demand for fashion and commercial shoots. Her ultimate goal is to raise the standards of the make-up industry in Malaysia.

