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A HOT new venue will open at Broadbeach next week and is kicking off on Sunday with the cruisy sounds of Ibiza DJ Jose Padilla, the man behind the mixing of the infamous Cafe Del Mar CDs.

The new restaurant/lounge bar/cafe KOI, located in the Wave building, will host Padilla for his exclusive Gold Coast performance.

The creators of restaurants Sopranos and Sonatas are the brains behind KOI, with owners Patrik and Danielle Gennari looking forward to their new adventure.

Doors open at 4pm and the show kicks off at 6pm.

Tickets are \$40 and are available at the door or on-line at www.edgetix.com



Demi Moore loves her glossy locks

■ Enjoy it

TANAGRA HAIR REPAIR SYSTEM

What does it promise?
To reverse the damage inflicted on hair caused by curlers, straighteners, constant blow-drying and styling. The treatment aims to restore bounce, shine and flexibility, leaving your tresses glossy and manageable. It is estimated 80 per cent of hair damage will be rectified after one treatment, 90 per cent after two and 100 per cent after three. It's recommended a 'booster' session be taken every four to six months.

What's the process?

Hair is washed twice with a detoxifying shampoo to remove product remnants. The treatment uses nanotechnology, which is not as complicated as it sounds, to pass minute particles of natural keratin into the hair shaft. Activating the small Tanagra system box in front of the mirror, stylist Kirsten (Toni&Guy, Broadbeach) passed a wide-bristle brush, which emitted a fine mist of keratin, through sections of my hair. It looked like wispy smoke. Working section by section, the process of passing tiny particles into damaged areas took about 15 minutes. Ironically, given the implement that caused my hair nightmare in the first place, a heated

straightener was used to seal the keratin. To get maximum effect, a second repairing mist was used the same way as the first, this time ensuring the keratin particles become permanent and insoluble.

How much?

About \$75, plus the cost of a blow-dry.

How long?

The process took about an hour, but it depends on the speed and ability of the stylist. While most treatments come with a head massage for relaxation, the Tanagra didn't, although it was the most relaxing hour I've spend at a salon.

The verdict?

I'm hooked. After just one treatment, I felt like one of those women in the TV commercials. Two days post-treatment, my hair is still salon-fresh glossy with a shine I can't remember it having before, and it feels incredibly soft. There are no tugs or snags when I brush and two washes later it still feels amazing. My hair feels like it did when I was a little girl! For your nearest salon go to www.nanokeratin.com

- LAUREN BARKER



EVER fancied yourself as a serious swimwear model or wanted your picture in

Summer's hottest swimwear contest starts at The Coolangatta Hotel on Sunday with the Ralph Australian Swimwear Model of the Year event.

Girls will compete for cash and prizes and the chance to represent the Gold Coast at the national finals where they will chase up to \$20,000 in cash and prizes, and a cover shoot for *Ralph* magazine.

The girls will model after-five and

swimwear for a chance to be No. 1 like last year's winner, Samantha Lee (right), 19.

Heats for the Australasian event will run across Australia and New Zealand with local heats taking place at The Coolangatta Hotel on January 14, 21 and 28 (2pm) and the venue final on February 4 (2pm).

Venue finalists travel to the Coast in late

March for a schedule of appearances, media events and judging sessions, culminating in the national final at Surfers Paradise.

Anyone interested can call Belle on 0421 855396 or the hotel on 5536 9311.



