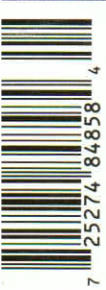


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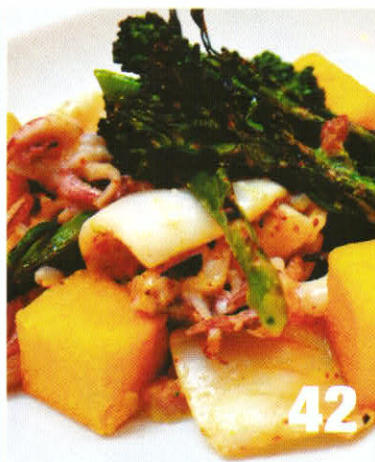
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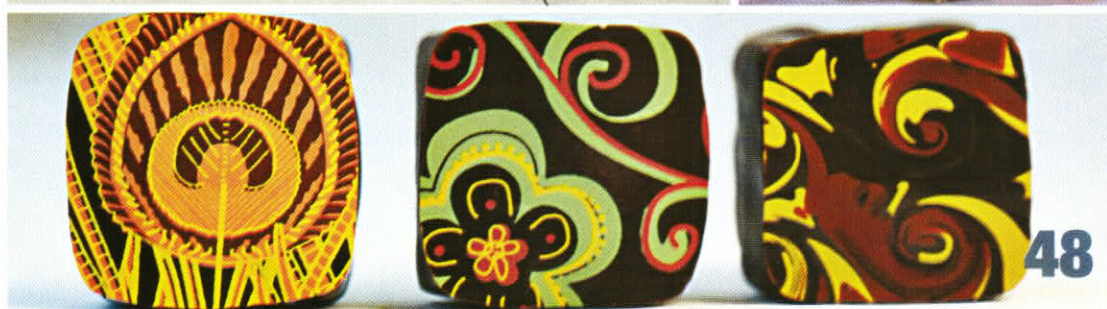
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ABOVE: Cocktail dress (\$1,725) by Redux Charles Chang-Lima, belt (\$238) by Streets Ahead, coat (\$2,990) by Oscar de la Renta, sunglasses (\$460) by Dior and Portside heels (\$375) by Stuart Weitzman, all from City's Best nominee Halls; 14-karat gold hoop earrings (\$995) from Fine Jewelry nominee Swirk. Baby Cambrie's Leopard party set (\$75) by Haute Baby and baby moccasins (\$28) by Trumpette from City's Best Kids' Boutique Mady & Me. City's Best Realtor Jessica Walker's jewelry from Fine Jewelry nominee Tiffany & Co.: Apollo clip brooch (\$24,500) by Jean Schlumberger, key pendants and chains (\$1,000-\$300), house key ring (\$195). 2010 XF Jaguar (\$62,875) from City's Best Luxury Auto Dealer Aristocrat Motors.

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Our annual love note to Kansas City waxes poetic over fabulous places to visit and people to see.
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Spotted: One beautiful woman, moving chameleon-like among the City's Best.
STORY BY RON BERG, KAMI BREMYER & MARINA PROCTOR | PHOTOGRAPHY BY RON BERG

70 SIGNATURE COCKTAILS
A master mixologist analyzes the concoctions of five local bars in search of the libation that best represents Kansas City's storied past, present and future.
STORY BY RYAN MAYBEE | PHOTOGRAPHY BY KENNY JOHNSON

ON THE COVER: Represented by Seven, Adriane wears necklaces by David Yurman and Stephen Webster (with the exception of the coral KC pendant); sterling silver and black rhodium Superstud earrings by Stephen Webster (\$365), all from City's Best Fine Jewelry winner, Tivol, 220 Nichols Road, 800-829-1515. PHOTOGRAPHY BY ANN BROWN | MAKEUP & BODY PAINTING BY ANDY CHAMBERS

KC HOME DESIGN &
MIDWEST COMMERCIAL JOURNAL'S
DESIGN EXCELLENCE AWARDS

1. Guests enjoyed delectable treats from Bice
2. Jill Tran of Jill Tran Interior Design
3. Clockwork Architecture + Design's Christian Arnold, Jen Isom and Neil Sommers
4. Event sponsor Magic Touch Cleaning's Trisha and Gary Walker with *Midwest CJ's* Dara Macan (right)
5. Madden-McFarland's Connie Fey with husband, Dick (left), and Rick Hughey
6. Award statues designed and created by Studiobuild's Jerad Foster and the University of Missouri-Kansas City Civil Engineering Materials Group

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