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### PARIS HAIR SPRAY!

"It's the imperfections that make it interesting," says Odile Gilbert about styling hair. For nearly three decades, this French hair guru has distinguished herself backstage at Galliano and Gaultier shows, among others, and at many magazines. Friend and frequent collaborator Karl Lagerfeld wrote the introduction to *Her Style* (Fl. Steidl, \$68), a new retrospective of Gilbert's work.



### NEW YORK MINT CONDITION

Can any present beat this faux-pearl-studded pullover by cashmere king Lucien Pellat Finet? Only his ultra-exclusive crewneck embellished with a colorful Swarovski-crystal butterfly. Both sweater styles are sold at Barneys New York, for \$1,065 and \$1,875, respectively.

### NEW YORK BACK IN BLACK

Kembra Miller—who leads the New York out-band the Voluptuous Horror of Karen Black and is famous for performing in blue body paint, a fright wig, and nothing more—has a new day job. Black and white dresses, originally conceived as business-appropriate clothes for her bandmates to wear on appointments, are sold at Miller's mom's store, Whispers, in Pacific Palisades, California.



### ROME CRYSTAL VISION

With chandelier earrings topping wish lists, you could do worse than these rock-crystal and diamond numbers by Fabio Salini. The Italian jeweler, formerly of Bulgari, counts Queen Rania of Jordan among his best clients. Noncrystals can view his latest collection at [www.fabiosalini.com](http://www.fabiosalini.com).



### LONDON WINGS OF DESIRE

Pair the sexiness of Jimmy Choo stilettos with the saucy whimsy of Lulu Guinness Mary-jones and what do you get? Beatix Ong's new shoe collection. The British cobbler graduated from Central St. Martins' design school and worked for both labels before setting off on her own this year. Her suede and marabou-feather things, new for spring, will be available at Geraldine in New York.



### NEW YORK VAL'S GALS

Valentino's muse of the moment is the flower-haired Gwyneth Paltrow, but in the '60s there were two other blondes in his life: Martha Phillips (pictured left) and Lynn Marulis (far left), the mother-daughter owners of the landmark Park Avenue boutique Martha. Not only did the duo launch Valentino's career stateside, they introduced New York's upper crust to the hippie chic of Giorgio Sant'Angelo and were loyal supporters of Golpes and Nordl. Marulis' private couture collection is to be auctioned December 10 at Doyle New York.