

IN Holiday Spirit

Out In Jersey's hot picks for great gifts!

Face to Face NYC Having a DELUXE Skin Care Session

by William R. Loschiavo

So what do you give to the man that has everything? What gift could possibly make him crack a smile—maybe even a smirk—this holiday season!?

As seen on The Today Show and on Howard Stern, Enrique Ramirez is the owner of the New York boutique spa “Face to Face NYC.” Face to Face is located conveniently at 20 West 20th Street, and regular clientele includes Emmy award winning Neil Patrick Harris, the tri-state’s favorite weatherman, Sam Champion, and the list goes on. Recently, I embarked on my own journey to Face to Face, in an effort to see if it really lives up to the hype it receives.

As I made my way into New York’s Flatiron District, at first glance, I was surprised to see that the celebrity spa was tucked away in what appeared to be an undistinguished office building. However, I made my way up to the sixth floor, into Suite 603 and was promptly greeted and welcomed into an elegant, retro-glamour infused waiting area. As I was appreciating the obvious talent of whomever designed the interior of the chic space, the charming Enrique entered and put me at ease

at once with his charismatic and welcoming manner.

Once we made our way into a room, my senses were immediately relieved by soothing music, dimmed lighting, and a peek of the city through the blinds behind the bed. As I enjoyed the view, I was instructed to remove my top so that the skin care treatment could commence. The process began with a facial cleansing, followed by Enrique analyzing my skin and deciding what he felt I needed most. I tend to suffer from dry skin and closed pores, in particular on my nose. Therefore, I received the Glow Zone Facial with a microdermabrasion add-on.

After my initial cleansing, and once the microdermabrasion had been completed, a pre extraction, hydro-peroxide softener mask was applied. This procedure dissolves dead skin cells and removes impurities, while clarifying skin at the same time.

Then began the extractions, which has done wonders for my nose. I have used Proactive, Neutrogena, and various other name brand products to remove the blackheads on my nose. No product has worked sufficiently and has lasted as long as the results from this treatment have.

The Glow Zone Facial continued with a seaweed mask, which hydrates the skin as the cool temperature reduces redness cause by the extractions.

My celebrity facial ended with an oxygen mist, to nourish the cells and further hydrate skin.

Of all the name brands I have used, of all the things I have done, and health changes I have



Photo by Taylor Siluwe.

made, nothing has worked as briskly and has benefited my skin as much as my Glow Zone Facial at Face to Face NYC.

Face to Face has changed the way I look at facial treatments, and has saved me a vast amount of money as well. My 80-minute facial came out to \$180, and the microdermabrasion add-on merely an additional \$65. I have thrown away my entire stock in Proactive and Neutrogena, and have dedicated myself to one facial a month.

For that alone, beyond a convenient New York location and the eye candy of Enrique Ramirez, I give Face to Face 5.5 stars out of 5. It really does the trick that much!

Face to Face NYC accepts major credit cards, checks, and cash. Gift certificates are available. Prices are subject to change. State that you were recommended by Will of Out in Jersey and receive a 15% discount on any purchase.

Make The Yuletide Gay

reviewed by Toby Grace

This is a Christmas movie everyone can enjoy. You could even put it on TV while the family is recovering from the feast and the Christmas turkey is being digested. College senior Olaf ‘Gunn’ Gunnunderson is totally in love with his very gay sweetheart, Nathan. The boyfriends part for Christmas break but Nathan’s cold, self-absorbed family has gone on a cruise without him. Nathan then decides to go to Wisconsin and surprise his true love. When he gets there, there are indeed a few

surprises: Gunn is in the closet; Gunn’s mom, Anya is a major Christmas enthusiast who says “Dontcha” frequently; and Gunn takes after his dad Sven, anatomically speaking (a fact learned when Gunn’s stoner dad greets Nathan at the door in an open bathrobe).

The handsome Keith Jordan plays Olaf, and Adamo Ruggero, out star of “Degraasi: The Next Generation” plays Nathan, the unexpected boyfriend. Adamo’s dark eyes and cute look make for a character you can’t resist falling in love with. With an excellent supporting cast, director Rob Williams has produced a small but delightful Christmas classic. If you like Christmas, young love and happy endings, you can’t miss with this one.

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