

2003 International SPA Association Conference & Expo

In a city known for doing things on a grand scale, the 2003 International SPA Association Conference & Expo in Dallas was definitely a major event. Held in October at the Wyndham Anatole, the 13th annual ISPA Conference proved once again to be the premier spa industry event of the year. More than 2,000 spa professionals from 30 countries enjoyed a huge exhibit hall and a full slate of classes.



1. Oscar Martinez and Orlando Hidalgo of Hosteria Las Quintas Eco Spa in Mexico greet the forever young Sheila Cliff of the Oaks at Ojai and the Palms at Palm Springs.

2. Melanie Souza introduces the Authentic Swiss Hormeta Skin Care line to ISPA attendees.

3. The group from Physiodermie (Methode) take time to party together. Left to right: CEO Amir Hussein, Manon Pilon, Tanya Stuart, Celine Lacoste and, in back, Adham Zulfikar.

4. Cheri Odum of Universal Companies poses in front of the company's impressive exhibit.

5. The crew from Comfort Zone, (left to right) Stan Klet Jr., Natasha Moretti, Barbara Gavazzoli and Barry McCaffrey surround Ingo R. Schweder of the Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group (center).

6. Véronique Morin of the Québec Tourism Bureau chats with Claire Levasseur of Spas Rlais Sante, a Canadian association of spas professionals.

7. Philippe Hennesey, surrounded by CosmoproGroup cowgirls, prepares to take the stage to welcome ISPA attendees to the lavish and fun-filled Black Tie & Boots Ball, sponsored by Pevonia/Cosmopro.

8. Jacquie Johnson and Kim Misuradze of Creative Nail Design brought a stylish Fifth Avenue touch to the Black Tie & Boots affair.

9. Lisa Wolfe of La Bella Donna (left) poses with Jeff Kohl, president of ISPA, and Eva Maurice.

10. Melanie Valdez of Creative Beauty Innovations shares the spotlight with Bryan Durocher of Durocher Enterprises after his well-received presentation at the crowded CBI evening event.

11. A talented band kept the dance floor crowded at the Pevonia/Cosmopro Back Tie & Boots Ball.