



## eVent! up close

Hairstylist Peter MacDonald moved to Kelowna from Toronto in March, and opened Stare Hair below the Cannery Lofts, on Ellis Street, in May. With 10 years experience under his belt — including stints at Holt Renfrew in Toronto and at celebrity stylist Daniel Galvin's London, England, shop — MacDonald opened Stare Hair in Toronto two years ago. The one-man shop is a mix of classical and edgy, and MacDonald describes his style as traditional with a rebellious streak. While hairstyling is his vocation, MacDonald considers music his avocation. He plays the piano, bass and guitar, and has been working on recordings for cocktail party settings.

# Peter MacDonald

### Secret ambition ...

I've always liked theatre. Even if it was a bit part in a play with, like, two or three lines — just to get up and be in a play.

### What's in your CD player?

I've got a kind of mixed '70s and '80s compilation, and a Cecilia Bartoli, arias, opera — you'll find a little of everything in the shop: Rock 'n' roll and opera.

### Most prized gadget ...

I have a four-track, to record music. A four-track is a recording machine where you can lay down tracks. Each track is one instrument — say, guitar and piano, one voice and two voice. It's like a sketch-book for musicians, to lay down ideas and build on them. It's an older gadget, but then I'm an older gadget myself.

### Trends you love ...

Miniskirts. Not for me personally, though.

### Trends you loathe ...

I hate this really bold colour in women, like you have, like, blondes and blacks. Like, Debbie Harry did it in 1980 and suddenly it's resurrected and brought back and it's been done to death. I'm kind of a purist in hair — I like natural-looking hair.

### Best thing about bedtime ...

That I've got one. I've got a roof over my head, and when my head hits the pillow I'm asleep in five or 10 minutes — no tossing and turning.

### I'd love to spend the day with ...

Anybody who's committed to any field where they've found inspiration. You might have a thing for bonsai plants and you know the ins and outs. Anybody who's devoted to their craft.

### When I splurge on myself ...

I buy shoes and CDs. I have a good collection of both.

### I'm a real geek when it comes to ...

Glasses. I like collecting nice frames. I like the older style, retro. They say corrective surgery, get it fixed, but I'm a little bit more traditional or old style.

### I like where I live because ...

It's very mild, a beautiful temperature and five minutes from the beach. I'm an aqua-man — I love the water.

### What entertains you ...

Good music — chamber music — decent movies, retro films, Martin Scorsese films, Quentin Tarantino — good stuff — art shows, creative endeavours, watching people do a thing — ballet, opera, all this stuff I love. Theatre.



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### Favourite way to get around ...

Bike. Bicycle. Pedal power. Human power.

### I'm bad with ...

Computers. Very slow. Didn't take typing — I just learned how to cook, right? I'm getting better — I do have a website, and I enjoy going on line. I'm just not very savvy. In my work, I don't really need to spend a lot of time with comput-

ers. If I'm on a keyboard, it has 88 keys.

### Famous last words ...

Don't quit five minutes before the miracle happens. Think positive when things are going difficult. It is definitely essential. We have to keep trying and not give up because we just don't know when things are going to turn. I've come to Kelowna with that attitude.



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