



BOUQUET LARNEY. The flowers were by Hoy P'loy.



TO DIE FOR DOLL! Nicky Greenwall, Nicola Breytenbach and Louise Carver.



WIGGY WITH IT. The hostesses were dressed like Marie Antoinette.



PRETTY KITTY. Lady Kitty Spencer (Prince Harry's cuz!), Jill Grogor and Victoria Aitken.



ROSY AND DIZZY. Rosie Motene and Dizzy Taylor.



ANIMATION. Annie and Petronel Malan with Jennifer Su.



AND THE OSCAR GOES TO ... Oscar Pistorius hugs Thoko Qoboza.



WINNER TAKES IT ALL. The big prize of a tanzanite stone worth R195 000.



BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL. The Style Awards winner Mandla Sibeko with Jena Dover.



DANCING QUEEN. Danielle Franco and her partner Alan Gerschowitz.



SIMON SAYS. Simon Rademan and Clayton Robbertze.



PLACES PLEASE. The table settings at the Michelangelo.



SPIN THE BOTTLE. Brad Habana, Adrian Liebenberg, Thulani Hadebe.

'Too much fabulous', darling



THE VIPs ARRIVE. Simphiwe Majola greets a guest.



BLONDE MOMENT. Genevieve Morton and Roland Schoeman.

The 12th Style Awards were held red-carpet style at Nelson Mandela Square in Sandton last weekend. The event resembled the Oscars as the 'stars' arrived dripping in designer labels and diamonds. Afterwards dinner was

served at the Michelangelo Hotel and the winner was announced at FTV. Mandla Sibeko walked away with a Tanzanite stone from the Tanzanite Foundation, a four-night stay at Thanda Private Game Reserve, a stunning men's bracelet from Christoff Jewellers and a mammoth supply of Jameson Gold.

CAREFUL OF THE SUNGLASSES. Leanne Liebenberg and David Tiale.



THE BRAIDY BUNCH. Vuyo Veroni, Nkini Phasha, Sylvester Chauke, Linda Makhanya.



WILD THANG. Emmanuel Castis and Tony Gois.



GLITZY. Claudia Henkel and Greg Benatar.



SKINNY MALINKY. Nicola Breytenbach in a Marc Bouwer dress and diamonds by Shimansky.



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AIR KISSING? Jennifer Su and David Tiale come at Noni Gaza from various directions.



... I spotted all the dresses from the awards, such as Noni Gaza's pink Stoned Cherrie dress with green collar and Ashley Hayden's fabulous bronze dress - from, of all places, Woolies!
The FTV cameras were rolling and the excitement palpable; some folk even made three entrances to get their TV debut just right. And the airkissing was at an all-time high. Jena Dover was the most beautiful person there in a sea-green dress with crystal earrings. Jennifer Su's beautiful sugar-pink chiffon creation from Abigail Betz, worn with a Swarovski necklace, turned out to be a death trap for other people's stiletts. Annie Malan knocked 'em dead in a dress from Doré, and brought along her US-based sister Petronel who was quite blasé about all the hoo-ha as she had just come back from the Grammys. Claudia Henkel arrived with



COLOUR ME PURPLE! Liesel van der Westhuizen and David Tiale (right).



Greg Benatar, the MD of Alliance Media, who I last saw at the awards two years ago with his ex, Annabel Bond. Rosie Motene arrived in a yellow Pallu dress heavy with cleavage with her man-friend, the very pretty, long-braided Nkini Phasha. Even Bryan Habana's brother Brad was at the do. I met up with Prince Harry and William's lovely blonde cousin Kitty Spencer, who is a countess (or is that her mother? We South Africans can't get to grips with the English peerage system. We usually just say to all the larnays: "Hi, howzit! Come and have a braai with us!"). Yann Gillet, the GM of the Hyatt Regency attended to show support for his favourite Mandla Sibeko, who was the overall winner and won the most stylish business personality, a new award sponsored by Jameson Gold and Wanted. "Look at all the beautiful people!" Yann cried. Great surprises all round as Mandla isn't the type who wears his sunnies day and night and swans around to functions.

"Blade runner" Oscar Pistorius arrived early with his lovely blonde girlfriend Vicky Miles and turned out to be such a sweetheart we all wanted to eat him up. What a darling and how proud he has made his country.
The dinner in the Michelangelo hotel ballroom was salmon tartare, champagne and cherry sorbet and roasted duck à l'orange - but we had to wait till 9pm to eat. Not everyone is a toothpick so there were some rumbling tummies ...



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