

FINAL SPORTS



Colts pull off miracle!

Indy scores 28 in 4th quarter, beats Bucs 38-35 in OT. Controversial penalty seals Tampa's fate ■ 1, 10C

Manning: Colts QB engineers comeback.



And this little piggy sells books

Ian Falconer's third *Olivia* picture book arrives today ■ 1D

Avalon club opens, grandly

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HOLLYWOOD — Light bulbs were being tinkered with, and some corners were blocked off, still under construction.

But none of that stopped the grand opening Friday of an entertainment club called Avalon Hollywood, just a few buildings away from the famous intersection of Hollywood and Vine.

"It's gorgeous! It's beautiful!" said *Boston Public's* **Courtney Peldon**, posing in her miniskirt and ripped Rock and Republic T-shirt on the red carpet leading into the club. Peldon had been there before with her sister when it was known as the Hollywood Palace. "We'd dance and stuff."

Alexis Arquette, **David Arquette's** brother, who showed up in drag, remembered it, too: "The Palace was an old haunt of mine. Hopefully they didn't do too much to it."



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After first opening its doors in 1927, the cavernous former theater has been through many reincarnations — the Hollywood Playhouse, the WPA Federal Theater, El Capital Theater, the Jerry Lewis Theater and the Hollywood Palace.

Stars from the **Rolling Stones** to **Dean Martin**, **Judy Garland** to **Snoop Dogg** have graced its stage.

Now, owners John Lyons and Steve Adelman are hoping to breathe new life into the place as a concert venue and nightclub. The ceiling's historic molding has been power-washed of its caked-on black crud, and a new bar with retractable ceiling off the upstairs area is filled with Moroccan furniture and tile. Draped, hidden VIP lounges were ready for A-listers.

Carlson: *Nip/Tuck* star arrives.



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Drinks on high: The upstairs bar at the Avalon, where the ceiling is retractable.

Faces & places

Last month the duo opened Avalon New York in the old Limelight club building. That one kicked off not as a red-carpet premiere, but as a party for White House hopeful **Howard**

Dean. Among the stars in attendance: **Whoopi Goldberg** and **Al Franken**.

On Friday, Avalon Hollywood relied on deejays and the stars of TV shows, including *Nip/Tuck's* **Kelly Carlson** and *Coupling's* **Lindsay Price** and **Jay Harrington**.

Already lined up for the weeks ahead: a *Vanity Fair* party with **Macy Gray** and a **Lisa Marie Presley** mini-concert.

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People

Young Hollywood a little older

Awards show in its sixth year

By Hillary Atkin
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HOLLYWOOD — With the temperature hovering around 100 degrees, it was an especially hot night for the sixth annual Young Hollywood Awards Sunday at the Avalon nightclub.

Among those trying to stay cool on the red carpet were **Hilary Duff**, **Josh Duhamel**, **Scarlett Johansson**, **Alicia Silverstone**, *Spider-Man* director **Sam Raimi**, **George Lopez**, **Ron Perlman** and **James Garner**.

Duff said she wasn't amused by being spoofed on NBC's *Saturday Night Live* in a sketch satirizing her reported feud with teen star and guest host **Lindsay Lohan**.

"I knew it was going to happen," Duff said. "I don't think she likes me very much, but I wasn't insulted. I think it's really mean when they make fun of people. If I ever hosted *SNL*, I wouldn't do a skit about her. I liked that I got to dress all in pink, though."

Duff later received the Today's Superstar award, one of several given by *Hollywood Life* magazine to showcase merging talent.

The evening was hosted by *Entertainment Tonight's* **Maria Menounos**, and the first award went to **Halle Berry**, who two years ago won an Oscar for *Monster's Ball*. She arrived wearing a white tank top and low-cut jeans with her long hair in a ponytail.

"To know I'm a role model for just one person is special, and this is very meaningful," Berry said before giving presenter and *Monster's* director



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Youth come out: *Entertainment Tonight's* Maria Menounos, right, hosted the awards show, which honored Hilary Duff with a Today's Superstar award.

Marc Forster a big hug.

Other awards went to Raimi (*Dream Director*) and *Clueless'* Silverstone (Hottest, Coolest Young Veteran). **Rachel McAdams** (*Mean Girls*) and Duhamel (*Win a Date With Tad Hamilton!* and TV's *Las Vegas*) received Superstar of Tomorrow awards.

Garner got a standing ovation for his Legend in Acting award.

Singer/songwriter **Ben Jelen** rocked the crowd with songs from his debut album, *Give It All Away*,

which recently hit the *Billboard* album chart.

Johansson, looking smashing in a black sequined dress with a low-cut back and silver heels, hung out at the after-party held upstairs at the Moroccan-themed Spider Club. The most popular drink: the Bay Breeze, a rum, coconut, pineapple and cranberry concoction.



Josh Duhamel: A Superstar of Tomorrow.

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