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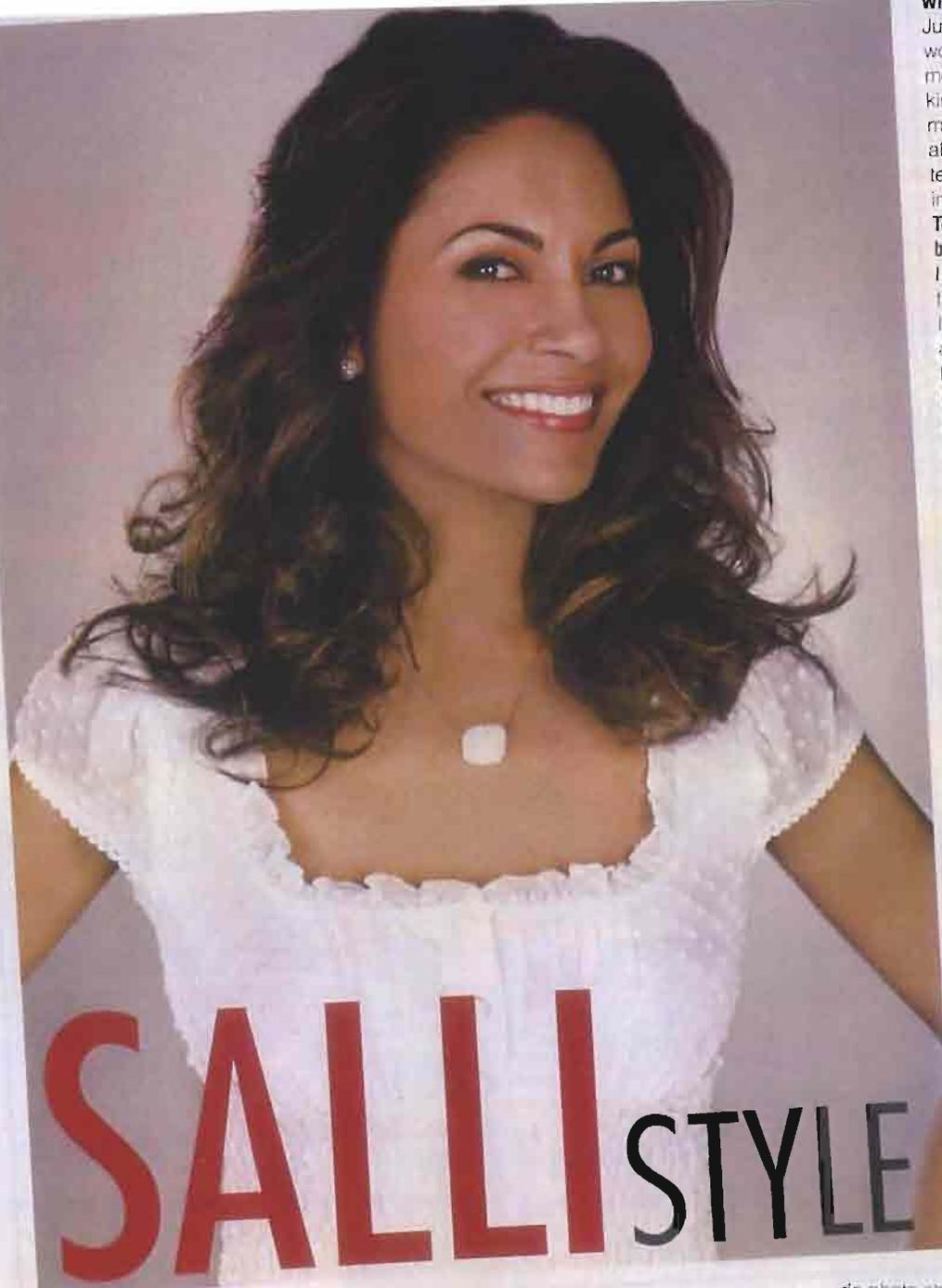


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MS. RICHARDSON'S BEAUTY MOVES

Salli Richardson's middle name should be *multi-tasker*. This gorgeous star can do it all—from a leading role in the Sci Fi Channel show *Eureka* to a part in the blockbuster *I Am Legend*, starring Will Smith, to her most important starring role—mother to her 2-1/2 year old daughter Parker. But the busy actress carved out some time to chat with *Sophisticate's Black Hair* to talk about everything from her evolving style to favorite hairstyles to how she finds time to unwind. Read on...

Between your role on *Eureka* and the movie *I Am Legend*, you're making a splash in the sci-fi genre. Were you a fan before this?

I don't know if I was necessarily a sci-fi fan, but I've always been one of those people that liked scary movies. I'm always searching for the best scary movie I could find.

You play Will Smith's wife in the movie *I Am Legend*. What was it like working with him?

Will was like every actor should be on a set—just such a nice man. You can tell when you come on the show if the lead actor is a nice guy because there is an ease and friendliness to the set. He doesn't allow people to be rude or nasty because he's not like that so it just sets a whole tone for the set.

What were the challenges in your role? Just the situation...you see the world ending before you. Being a mother, it's easy to draw in those kinds of emotions. You could be in mortal danger, and it's not just about you anymore. It's about protecting your child and that always intensifies everything.

Tell us about the new hairstyle you've been wearing...

I always wore it one length, and this is the first time, actually, that I've had all of these layers cut in it and it sort of flips up at the bottom. It's to my shoulders, but with layers that come up to my nose. It's the most body I've ever had and I love it!

What types of styles have you worn in the past?

I always thought there wasn't a lot I could do with my hair—except when I cut it short. [Short hair] seems easy, but it's even more high maintenance because you have to get it cut so often to keep it looking good and use lots of product to make it look funky. [I wore cornrows] for a role, but I did start enjoying them for the summer. It was just so easy, and sometimes a whole new look is just fun. Sometimes you just do things to your hair you don't really think you could carry it off and then it works. Now [my hair] is the best with all of these layers. I wish I would've known this years ago.

What are your go-to products for your hair?

I use Kerastase, it just really keeps my color together without fading. I wash my hair every day and blow-dry it so much when I'm shooting that my color just starts to fade.

How would you wear it if you were going to an event?

I'll do hair extensions when I do photo shoots and if I go to an event, it just adds volume. I always seem to want it curly, too. That's when hairpieces help a lot, they add that fullness and the pieces seem to curl better. I love when I can have little ringlet curls everywhere.

How are you caring for your daughter Parker's hair?

I use a lot of leave-in conditioner with her. I don't have to wash her hair as much. It seems to get dry because she's out playing a lot in the sun. The conditioner seems to save it, or she's just a frizzy mess!

What beauty products must you always have with you?

With eyebrow pencil, mascara and lipgloss. I can make it anywhere. If your eyebrows are done, you're okay. Eyebrows frame your whole face. I notice eyebrows a lot. There's a brown pencil from Anastasia that I use. I like

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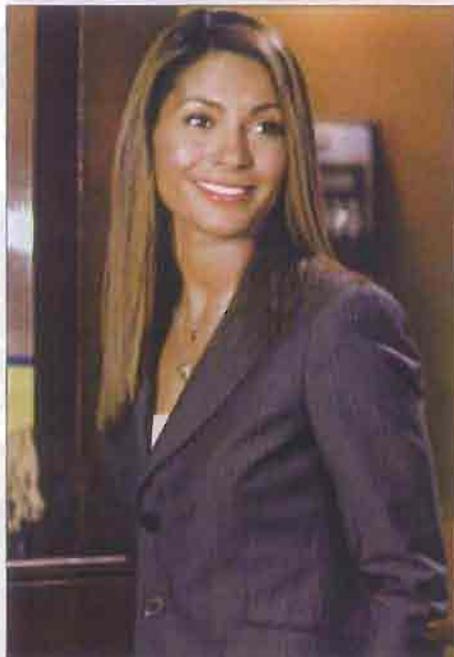
to use a lot of earthtones, and I always like a nice smoky eye look.
Is there anything you do to make yourself feel especially glamorous?

Especially when I'm working, and I can't get a facial, I'll give myself a good facial. There's a few masks that I have at home, and I'll use a deep hair conditioner once a week and body scrub. I try to really keep my little beauty regimen up once a week.

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How would you define your personal style?

I'd say elegant. I try to be funky, but it never seems to happen...that's not what I'm normally drawn to. I wear a lot of Diane Von Furstenberg wrap dresses, I just bought some fabulous Prada sunglasses, but I'm always working so there's no reason really to



pull them out. I'm waiting when I'm done [filming the show] to get a new bag—I keep saying that I'm going to get some fabulous Gucci bag, but then I look at my little girl. Everything is all about your little girl, and I go "Hmm...well Mommy will get two Coach bags and buy you something better." It's not that important for me to have it anymore.

How do you balance your work life with your personal life?

Honestly, I don't know. I never knew it was going to be so difficult. Any spare time I just spend with my daughter. I do still make sure that I find time for myself to go to the gym and do whatever I need to do to keep myself sane. I go to the trainer for an hour, which just

In the Sci Fi show Eureka, actress Salli Richardson plays Allison Blake, a government liaison between the secret community and the Pentagon. While Salli has worn long sleek hair for a few years, the recently snipped her lengths into a heavily layered shorter look.

releases that craziness in you. I try to get a massage whenever I can. SBH



SALLI'S BEAUTY GOODS

Ms. Richardson's Get-Glam Goods

ROUND BRUSH "With a roller brush and a hairdryer, I can pretty much make it anywhere," explains the actress, who creates volume with the round brush when drying her hair.

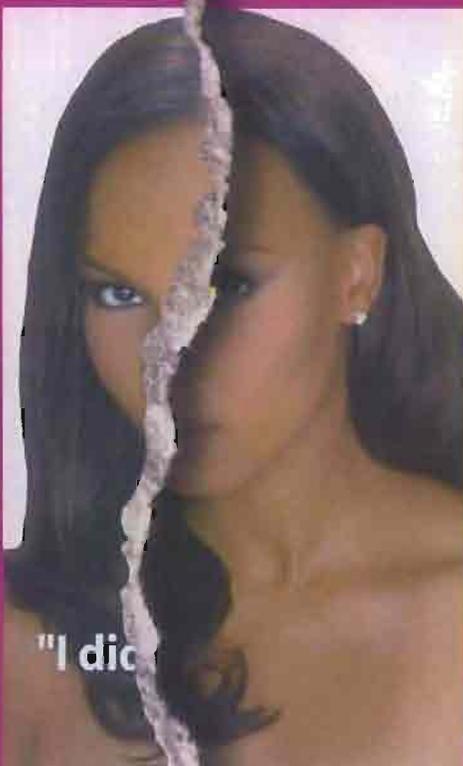
HOT ROLLERS "I put hot rollers in my hair to give it a nice lift," shares Salli. "It lasts and leaves my hair full and bouncy for the day."

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