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Stefanie Brychcy, 25, publicist

### The Sweetheart

**Ideal for:** Long or square face  
**Works best with:** Curly, wavy or straight hair  
**Styling secret:** Shiny, frizz-free spirals that move with you make this look modern instead of stuffy. The trick? Mist each section with hairspray *before* you curl it. This encourages hair to conform to the shape of the iron, creating more resilient curls. Plus, the heat evaporates just enough of the spray's stiffening chemicals to ensure soft strands.



### Still a Jersey girl

Kelly Ripa knows that the most up-to-date (and flattering) way to wear her Jersey volume is just at the crown.



### Salon spy

### We caught these ladies leaving... Laboratory Hair Studio, Morristown, NJ

The top-requested looks at this bustling salon? Gorgeous long cuts that are big on body and versatility, and short styles that are beautifully dynamic.

Who needs Paris...London...Milan? We had a hunch we'd find the most flattering, wearable and ultra-achievable hair trends in our own backyard—and visits to the country's top-rated salons turned out wow-worthy cuts that are guaranteed to become classics. Here, from coast to coast, the cream of the crops—and the insider know-how to make your favorite work wonders for you!



Maria Carlino, 27, real estate agent

### The Dream Weaver

**Ideal for:** Heart-shaped or round face  
**Works best with:** Straight or wavy hair  
**Styling secret:** Long, seamless layers are the key to this cut. But keeping the look light and dynamic rather than helmet-like requires this new take on hair thinning: After your stylist creates the basic shape, ask her to section off one-third of the hair at the crown and add a few shorter layers throughout the area. This technique builds in hidden volume that keeps strands swingy, not static.



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# fall cut

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Lauren Asmar, 27



### The New Farrah

**Ideal for:** Heart-shaped or round face  
**Works best with:** Straight or wavy hair  
**Styling secret:** Today's "feathers" start at ear level for tamer waves that won't make you look like you're stuck in the '70s. For ultimate flattery, stylist Nicole Graff says hair should be curled away from the face and angled slightly downward. This provides volume while elongating a fuller face.

### The Lucky Charm

**Ideal for:** Heart-shaped face  
**Works best with:** Straight, wavy or coarse hair  
**Styling secret:** The magic behind this tousled crop is touchability, which can be a problem with coarse, wiry gray hair (even when it's colored). The answer: Ask for a razor cut, which creates slightly tapered ends that ensure a soft "fluffy" finish.



Danica Carlino, 51, restaurant hostess



Jennifer Mineo, 29, graduate student



### The Trixie

**Ideal for:** Round or oval face  
**Works best with:** Straight, wavy or fine hair  
**Styling secret:** Fear of looking boyish rather than bedazzling prevents many women from embracing a pixie style. But this cutting technique ensures an ultrafeminine outcome every time: Simply ask your stylist to hold the shears at an angle, varying the degree of the angle just slightly with almost every snip and randomly switching directions.

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