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COPRA BALL 2026 CELEBRATES INDUSTRY EXCELLENCE AT THE ENCHANTED BOTANICAL BALL

The Cosmetics & Perfumery Retailers Association (COPRA) proudly hosted its annual COPRA Ball 2026 – The Enchanted Botanical Ball on Thursday 5 November at the prestigious Royal Lancaster London.

Bringing together more than 500 professionals from across the beauty and fragrance industry, the evening celebrated industry excellence while raising vital funds for Look Good Feel Better (LGFB), the charity helping people face cancer with confidence.

Presented by Felicia Fields Hall and hosted by COPRA Chair Louisa Harris, guests enjoyed an evening of networking, entertainment and celebration, attended by senior representatives from leading retailers including Harrods, Debenhams, Sephora, Boots, QVC, John Lewis & Partners, Beauty at Next, ASOS, Space NK and The Perfume Shop. The event also welcomed leading beauty and fragrance brands from across the prestige, luxury and mass-market sectors, alongside industry organisations including the British Beauty Council, The Fragrance Foundation and Beauty Bulb.

COPRA was delighted to welcome broadcaster, founder, beauty journalist and industry friend Ateh Jewel, who hosted this year's charity raffle. Guests also heard from Gill Smith, Chair of Look Good Feel Better, who was joined on stage by beneficiary Lucy Prouten, whose heartfelt personal story highlighted the life-changing impact of the charity's work.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of COPRA's prestigious industry awards.

Brian Stanton was honoured with the COPRA Industry Excellence Award, recognising his outstanding contribution to the beauty industry and his lasting impact on the sector throughout an exceptional career.

Commenting on the award, COPRA Chair Louisa Harris said:

"Brian truly embodies the spirit of the COPRA Industry Excellence Award. Not only has he dedicated years to building and scaling beauty brands with outstanding success, but he also brings exceptional people skills, genuine compassion, commitment to community and a real sense of fun. We are delighted to recognise his remarkable contribution and celebrate this achievement with him."

COPRA also announced Aspects Beauty as the winner of the Supplier Excellence Award 2026, recognising the company's outstanding partnership approach, service excellence and continued support of both retailers and brands across the UK beauty industry.

The award was presented by Errol Douglas MBE, internationally acclaimed hairstylist, entrepreneur and longstanding supporter of the beauty industry.

The Supplier Excellence Award celebrates organisations that consistently demonstrate excellence in collaboration, innovation and commercial performance. Aspects Beauty was recognised for its trusted partnerships, passion for prestige beauty and commitment to delivering value across the sector.

COPRA congratulates both award winners and extends its sincere thanks to all sponsors, guests, members and supporters who helped make the 2026 COPRA Ball such a memorable and successful celebration of the beauty industry.

Following the success of the COPRA Ball 2026, COPRA now looks forward to welcoming the industry to the COPRA Awards Lunch on 5th May 2027 at The Savoy, London, where excellence and innovation across the beauty and fragrance industry will once again be recognised and celebrated.

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About COPRA

The Cosmetics & Perfumery Retailers Association (COPRA) brings together retailers, suppliers and brands from across the UK beauty and fragrance industry, fostering collaboration, recognising excellence and supporting charitable initiatives that make a positive difference.