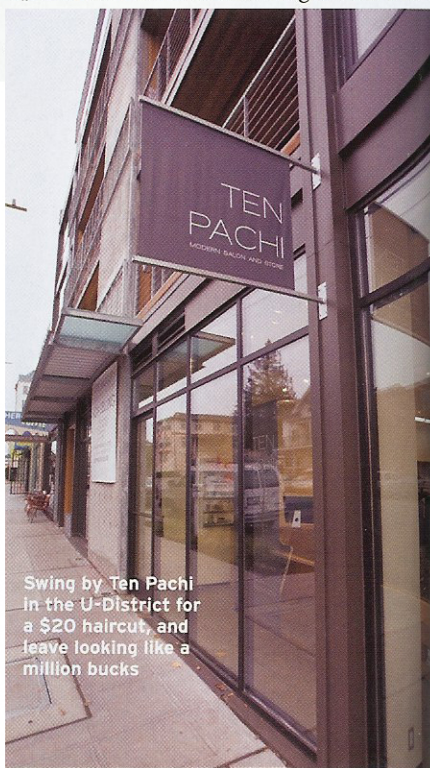


Ten Pachi

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* Dot Hachey, owner of hip new Ten Pachi, has been in the beauty biz for 20 years, opening her first salon 13 years ago in Washington D.C. (where she catered to White House employees), followed by another one in Baltimore. She closed it in 2002 to move to Seattle. Since then, she's trained in Tokyo, London and New York City. "I said, 'The next salon that I open, I will own the building rather than

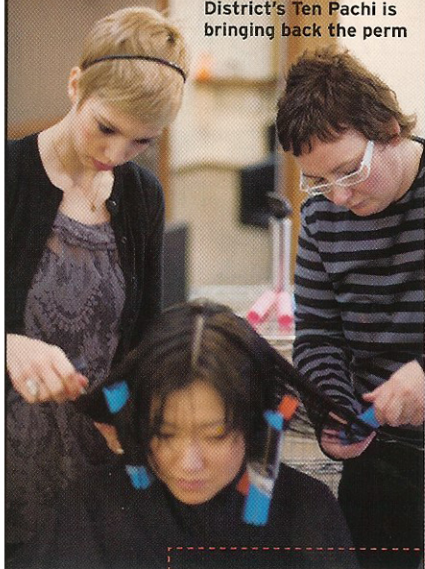


Swing by Ten Pachi in the U-District for a \$20 haircut, and leave looking like a million bucks

rent.' I found this dilapidated place on the Ave and partnered with a developer to make it exactly the way I wanted it," Hachey says. Even with her experience, she doesn't see why the cost of maintaining hot locks for a month should equal a car payment. That's why her cuts are \$20. Always. You can pay a little extra for an awesome blowout (\$5-\$20, depending on how much hair you've got) or do it yourself at the salon's blow-dry bar. >

VIBE: Ultramodern, clean white décor with bamboo benches, Italian space-age hair dryers and a black power-line mural on one wall > **CLIENTELE:** University of Washington students, hip Ravenna residents and deal-seeking stylistas > **SPECIALTIES:** Of-the-moment cuts; texture perms with rods and solution imported from Japan > **EXTRAS:** Buy adorable stationery in the salon's small shop > **PRICES:** Cuts, \$20; color, \$40 and up; highlights, \$40 and up > **CHAIRS:** Seven > **PRODUCT LINE:** MOP

Dot Hachey (right), owner of the U-District's Ten Pachi is bringing back the perm



BEAUTY TRENDS >>

Ride the Wave: THE NEW PERM

Before you break out the neon minidress you've been hiding in your closet since 1990, know this: Perms have moved out of the '80s and are light years away from the crunchy, tight curls of that era. The new look is thoroughly modern, from touches of texture to soft waves to Veronica Lake-style swoops. "People think, 'Aren't perms out?' But they're not! For the past 15 years, while nobody except my grandmother has been getting their hair permed, techniques have been perfected in Asia," explains Dot Hachey, owner of **Ten Pachi** (*University District, 5611 University Way NE; 206.985.1010; tenpachi.com*). That's why Hachey imports her perm rods and solution from Japan. "It's about perms that don't look like perms," she says. "Stick-straight hair won't hold curl at all, but after a perm it will. The perm gives you options."

Still freaked out by those horrid-smelling solutions of yore? Put away your nose plug—and your fears. Today's perm solutions are gentle; some stylists, including Laura Anderson at **Halo Salon** (*Downtown, 1919 Third Ave.; 206.256.0715; halosalon.com*) and Bianca Brookman at **Aria Salon** (*Capitol Hill, 1103 E Pike St.; 206.568.3545; ariasalon.com*), even let the solution neutralize overnight to reduce the chemicals put on your hair. And with hair damage off your list of excuses, why not go for it? L.G.