

High Voltage Hands

CND Rings in 15 Years of Fashion with Spring 2012 Runway Nail Trends



Nicole Miller



Jen Kao



Joy Cioci



Milly

15 years ago, CND pioneered the concept of manicures as runway accessories at New York Fashion Week. This season, CND worked with 21 designers including 3.1 Phillip Lim, Monique Lhuillier and Altuzarra.

“For Spring 2012, manicures are no holds barred – take your nails to the edge with rock star psychedelic designs, sci-fi illuminated finishes, and retro mod brights,” says CND founder, Jan Arnold.

NEW ROCK N’ ROLL

From the opening power-chord to the throb of the bass, sport outlaw glamour and pure adrenaline-blasted nails. Glam rock mani attitude bursts with sharp shapes, color, expression and creativity! Rihanna meets Grace Jones with manicures in hyper-sensory brights and dazzling sparkle to match hi-tech fabrics in spandex, polyurethane, stretch canvas and metal organza. Get the “Mic Check Mani,” as seen at **Nicole Miller**, with a checkered pattern of CND Colours in **Raspberry Parfait** and **Inkwell**. Slick **Ice Blue Shimmer Effect** over the entire nail for an iridescent finish. Rock a poisonously bright ombré, like the “Lethal Love” nails from **Jen Kao**, by using CND Colours in **Inkwell** and **Anchor Blue**. To achieve the fierce medium to long almond shaped nails seen at many shows on the runway, try CND Liquid & Powder or **Brisa™ Gel** enhancements.

ORGANI-TECH

Like the sci-fi classic, “The Twilight Zone,” this season’s manicure is more than immediately meets the eye. Paired with metallic weaves, opalescent chiffon, pleated muslin and paper-light poplin fabrics, seemingly natural nails are infused with radioactive texture in wrinkled cellophane, lattice airbrushing, holograms or transparent glass shards. This other worldly dichotomy takes a neutral or nude backdrop and illuminates with embellishment, like the “Lucite Lace” manicure from **Joy Cioci**, which was created by air brushing white lattice designs on a clear tip. At **Wayne**, white nails were feathered with bold CND Colour in **Blackjack** brushstrokes to shape “Birds of Prey” inspired manicures.

MOD SQUAD

The swingin’ sixties are back! Grab your plaid cropped jacket, tweed pencil skirt and a potent daytime martini to go with retro bright nails in offbeat orange, yellow and persimmon. Recreate the bold and daring “Orange Crush Mani” from **Milly** with saturated CND Colour in **Electric Orange**, or opt for a “Murky Mustard” look from **Karen Walker** by mixing CND Colour in **Bicycle Yellow** with seven drops of **Blackjack**. For true power nails, try fiery coral CND Colour in **Poppyfield**, as seen at **Wes Gordon**.

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