

Awards hailed a massive success

By Mary Ferguson

THE first ever Wrapit Industry Awards have been hailed a massive success, as 300 wedding professionals gathered to hear the winners announced at a glittering ceremony in London.

GMTV presenter Kate Garraway chaired the crowd as she handed out the awards - in association with Conde Nast Brides and Wedgwood - to the cream of the UK wedding industry.

Winners of the wedding planner category: Britt Armstrong Gash and Kelly Chandler of The Bespoke Wedding Company, said when collecting their award: "We would like to say a huge thank you to Wrapit for finally founding awards that recognise all the sweat, blood and tears that we, as an industry, put into each and every wedding."

Pepita Diamond, Wrapit's founder and retail director, said the evening was an "incredible success".

She added: "The buzz in the room on the night, and the phone calls and letters we received afterwards, have filled the team with pride.

"So many people commented on how these awards were long overdue which is astonishing, given the size of



Damian Bailey won Best Photographer.

the wedding market and the unique customer service challenges we face.

"I'm thrilled the most talented suppliers in our market - big and small - are finally receiving the recognition they so rightly deserve for the excellent service they provide."

Winner Peggy Porschen has written exclusively for Wedding Professional this issue - see page 14.



The awards were a great networking opportunity.



Wedding planner Sarah Haywood with Pepita Diamond and Kate Garraway.

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Bridal Dress Retailer

Miss Bush Bridalwear

Bridal Dress Designer

Jenny Packham

Bridal Accessories

Emmy

Wedding Venue

The Bingham

Wedding Planner

The Bespoke Wedding Company

Florist

Sonning Flowers

Photographer

Damian Bailey Photography

Wedding Cake

Peggy Porschen

Wedding Stationery

Lollipop Designs

Wedding Caterer

The Admirable Crichton

Hair & Beauty

Deborah Dowgiel

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