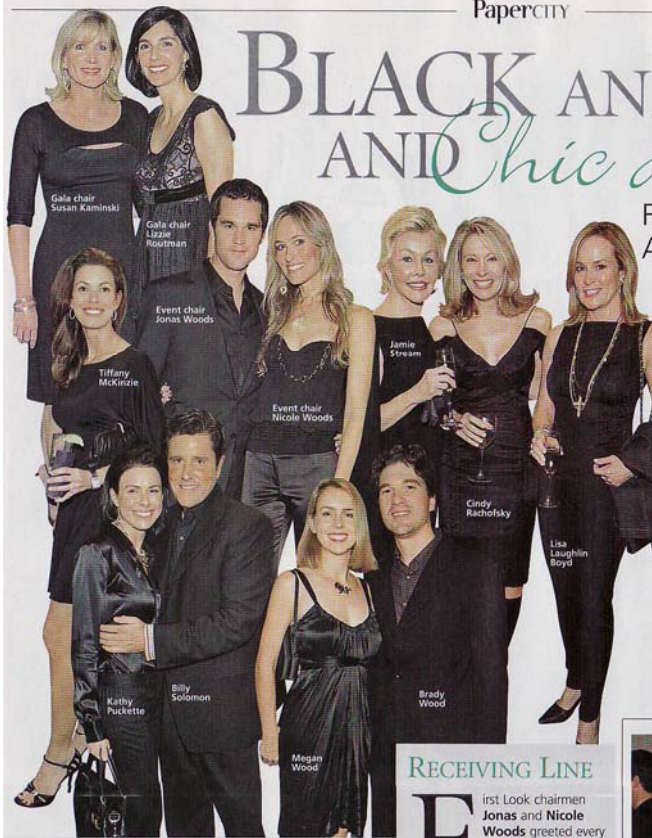


# BLACK AND BLACK AND Chic All Over

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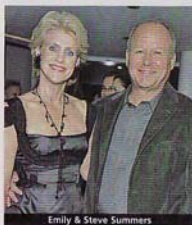


## LEVEL TWO, PLEASE

Two by Two chairmen **Susan Kaminski** and **Lizzie Routman** wanted to shake things up for First Look — the highly anticipated Thursday night pre-party before the Two by Two for AIDS and Arts gala benefitting amfAR and the Dallas Museum of Art. How do you elevate an already astonishing event to a higher level? By tagging the evening "Paint the Town Black," crowning a stylish couple as chairs (**Jonas and Nicole Woods**; the twosome has quite the connection to Victory Park) and mailing one of the most clever invites we've seen — the text wrapped around a tube of black paint. The request was for guests to dress in "black on black chic," and even **Gary Ferraro** and his endless valet staff at Jack Bowles Services bore black Bentley tees — all a striking counterpoint to **Cindy and Howard Rachofsky's** stark, white mane.

## RECEIVING LINE

**F**irst Look chairmen **Jonas and Nicole Woods** greeted every guest at the door — such a charming gesture. "So glad you could make it!" they effused to **Susan Devening**, clad in black except for her ivory Prada wedges. **Sharon Young, Rex Cumming, Cindy Schwartz, Bonnie Pitman, Karen May, Michelle and Jesse Shelmire, Melinda Knowles, Megan and Brady Wood, Brian Bolke, Rozalyn St. Pé Colombo, Anne and Steve Stodghill, and Joan Davidow** filed in one by one, draped in black and welcomed by the Woods. "You have to try the lamp lollipops from Kenichi — you know it's coming to Victory?" said Jonas to **Susan Posnick**, who was wearing a gray Behnaz Sarafpour dress. When we inquired why she wasn't robed in the requested color, the witty Posnick replied, "Gray. It's the new black, isn't it?"



## HAUTE HOMMES

Finally a fête to gush about what the gents were wearing: We spotted **Joe Carroll** in a black Dior jacket piped in white; **Doss Alexander** in a teal Dolce & Gabbana smoking jacket; and **Cody Wilhite** in head-to-toe Dior — think tuxedo shirt, black vest worn open, and floppy silk bowtie. "Joe asked me if I was performing on Broadway tonight," said Wilhite. Come to think of it, his look was rather *Victor/Victoria*. There was **Sam**

**Saladino** with a silver and black sash tied loosely around his neck. "This is my homage to the new wing of NorthPark — I bought it at Energy. It's not too Stevie Nicks, is it?" **Christopher Ridolfi** was in a bright-blue Ferre shirt: "I like going against the grain, anyway," he said. Also spotted were **Cole Daugherty** in APC dark-washed jeans purchased in Hong Kong and DMA director **Jack Lane**, rather eye-catching in a hot-pink tie.