EY Announces Dr. Diane Alexander of Artisan Plastic Surgery and Artisan Beauté as an Entrepreneur Of The Year[®] 2024 Southeast Award Winner

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ATLANTA – Ernst & Young LLP (EY US) announces that **Dr. Diane Alexander, MD, FACS, and President** of <u>Artisan Plastic Surgery</u> and <u>Artisan Beauté</u> was named an Entrepreneur Of The Year[®] 2024 Southeast Award winner. Entrepreneur Of The Year is the preeminent competitive awards program for entrepreneurs and leaders of high-growth companies.

Dr. Diane Alexander was selected by an independent judging panel made up of previous award winners, leading CEOs and other business leaders. Candidates were evaluated based on their ability to create long-term value through entrepreneurial spirit, commitment to their purpose and the demonstration of growth and substantial impact, among other key indicators.

Dr. Diane Alexander is an award-winning Atlanta plastic surgeon with over twenty years of experience. She is passionate about helping women achieve their desired beauty and confidence through expertly performed breast, body, and facial cosmetic and reconstructive procedures. She co-founded the first all-woman physician plastic surgery practice in Atlanta, now known as Artisan Plastic Surgery. As an artist and a surgeon, she has expanded her expertise into skincare and wellness at Artisan Beauté, empowering patients to feel beautiful and healthy inside and out.

Headquartered in Atlanta, **Artisan** is a premier female-founded and managed cosmetic & reconstructive plastic surgery and luxury Medspa enterprise of scale. Since 2000, it has operated to serve patients in the metro Atlanta region and beyond. Artisan's dual offering uniquely allows for the cross-pollination of patients between its surgical practice and Medspa locations, providing a comprehensive and unmatched approach to aesthetic care. **Artisan Plastic Surgery**, the first all-woman physician plastic surgery practice in Atlanta, specializes in advanced facial, body, and breast treatments with board-certified female plastic surgeons renowned for their expertise and patient care. **Artisan Beauté** offers sophisticated non-surgical aesthetic procedures, from artful injections to state-of-the-art laser treatments, dedicated to empowering beauty and inspiring confidence through personalized experiences. This integrated approach ensures exceptional aesthetic results, comprehensive care, and optimal wellness for every patient.

"I am deeply honored to be recognized as an Entrepreneur Of The Year® 2024 Southeast Award winner," said Dr. Diane Alexander, President of Artisan Plastic Surgery and Artisan Beauté. "This award is a testament to the dedication and passion of our entire Artisan team. Since 2000, we have been committed to revolutionizing aesthetic care by blending advanced surgical techniques with luxury non-surgical treatments. Our skilled and board-certified team enables us to provide personalized, state-of-the-art care. This recognition confirms that we are pushing industry boundaries in all the right ways, empowering our patients, and fostering confidence through exceptional care."

As a Southeast award winner, Dr. Diane Alexander is now eligible for consideration for the Entrepreneur Of The Year 2024 National Awards. The National Award winners, including the Entrepreneur Of The Year National Overall Award winner, will be announced in November at the <u>Strategic Growth Forum</u>[®], one of the nation's most prestigious gatherings of high-growth, market-leading companies.

Entrepreneur Of The Year recognizes many different types of business leaders for their ingenuity, courage and entrepreneurial spirit. The program celebrates original founders who bootstrapped their business from inception or who raised outside capital to grow their company; transformational CEOs who infused innovation into an existing organization to catapult its trajectory; and multigenerational family business leaders who reimagined a legacy business model to fortify it for the future.

The Entrepreneur Of The Year program has recognized the leadership of entrepreneurs such as:

- Daymond John of FUBU
- Hamdi Ulukaya of Chobani, Inc.

- Holly Thaggard and Amanda Baldwin of Supergoop!
- Howard Schultz of Starbucks Coffee Company
- James Park of Fitbit

- Jodi Berg of Vitamix
- Kendra Scott of Kendra Scott LLC

- Michael Happe of Winnebago Industries
- Reid Hoffman and Jeff Weiner of LinkedIn Corporation
- Sheila Mikhail of AskBio

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About Artisan

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Artisan Plastic Surgery, the first all-woman physician plastic surgery practice in Atlanta, is a leading Atlanta-based cosmetic surgery facility specializing in advanced facial, body, and breast treatments. Founded by Drs. Diane Alexander and Bernadette Wang Ashraf, Artisan Plastic Surgery is renowned for its talented team of female plastic surgeons, all of whom are board-certified by the American Board of Plastic Surgery and members of the American Society of Plastic Surgeons. With over 20 years of experience in cosmetic and reconstructive plastic surgery, the team at Artisan Plastic Surgery has successfully helped numerous patients enhance their appearance and boost their confidence through facelifts, liposuction, and breast augmentation procedures.

<u>Artisan Beauté</u>, a Luxury Med Spa founded by Dr. Diane Alexander, MD, FACS, offers an array of sophisticated non-surgical aesthetic procedures. The Medspa is dedicated to the science and art of beauty, providing services that range from artful injections and complex liquid facelifts to state-of-the-art laser resurfacing and age management treatments. Artisan Beauté is committed to empowering beauty and inspiring confidence through personalized experiences, using the finest luxury skincare products and the latest safe and effective laser and skin-tightening technology.

Supported by a talented team of female surgeons and Medspa professionals, Artisan combines expertise, artistry, and advanced technology to deliver exceptional patient care and aesthetic results.

About Dr. Diane Alexander

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In 2000, Dr. Diane Alexander co-founded the first all-woman physician plastic surgery practice in Atlanta, now known as Artisan Plastic Surgery. As an artist and a surgeon, she has expanded her expertise into skincare and wellness at Artisan Beauté, offering a 360-degree approach to health, beauty, and wellness. Artisan Beauté and Plastic Surgery serve over 70,000 patients.

Dr. Diane Alexander is board-certified by the American Board of Plastic Surgery and a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons (FACS). She is also an American Society of Plastic Surgeons (ASPS) member. Her leadership roles have included serving as the Chief of Surgery at Northside Hospital. Recognized for her contributions to the field, the Consumers Research Council of America named her one of the top plastic surgeons in America. Dr. Diane Alexander has been named a Top Doctor by Atlanta Magazine every year since 2014 and was recognized as the Best Facelift and Body Surgeon in the South 2023 by Cure for Aging. Additionally, she was recognized by the Women Presidents Organization as one of the Women2Watch of 2023, identifying the top 50 women-owned businesses in the world.

Her academic background is as distinguished as her medical career. Dr. Diane Alexander graduated cum laude from Yale University, where she studied history, art, political science, and pre-medical courses and

performed as a cellist with the Yale Symphony. She earned her medical degree from Albert Einstein College of Medicine in 1990, where she was elected to the Alpha Omega Alpha national medical honor society and continued to play cello in a local orchestra.

Dr. Diane Alexander completed her general and plastic surgery residency programs at Emory University. During her clinical training, she worked as a fellow in the transplant immunology department with Drs. Chris Larsen and Tom Pearson, performing micro-surgical techniques such as mouse heart transplants. Her research efforts were supported by grants from the Plastic Surgery Educational Foundation and the National Institutes of Health. Additionally, she has co-published dozens of articles in peer-reviewed scientific journals and lectured extensively in the United States and abroad. Early in her career, Dr. Diane Alexander served on the Georgia Breast Cancer Coalition board, demonstrating her commitment to advancing women's health. She has also been featured in local and national media outlets, including the New York Times.

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