

MOST MOVING TRIBUTES

Michael B. & Robin Rotenier

Before the shows, the industry lost two beloved designers, Michael Bogosian (aka Michael B.) in April and Robin Rotenier in May. Both made lasting contributions to the trade—Bogosian was lauded for his micro-pavé work while Rotenier carved a niche making whimsical silver cufflinks—inspiring a series of moving tributes at JCK. At the Michael B. memorial, Bogosian's wife, Aida, presented Adam Adourian of Sareen Jewelry with the Essence of Excellence award, honoring a bridal designer who espouses Michael B.'s values. "He gave us a road map on how to build our bridal business," said Richard Eiseman of Dallas' Eiseman Jewels. "His jewelry helped connect families and connect lives." —JH



Adourian and Bogosian