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Stars show their passion for fashion

Did **Osama Bin Laden** think America would lose its sense of humor? Not likely. And certainly not at the VH1/Vogue Fashion Awards here on Friday night, where **Jim Carrey** confided, "I'm sprinkling Cipro on my corn flakes."

Carrey, the very first celebrity to give $1 million to families of World Trade Center victims, was handed the award for most fashionable leading man. "I've been waiting for this all my life," he gushed. "It's been a long road and I've killed a lot of men, but it was worth it."

Another unlikely honoree was "Pearl Harbor" lead **Josh Hartnett**, who won for fashionable newcomer. "It's weird, because I always wear this," said the actor, indicating his jeans and canvas jacket. Hartnett's presenter was model **Niki Taylor**, beautiful but still wobbly from her near-fatal car accident April 29.

Even Sen. **Hillary Clinton** had a quip, saying, "I think I deserve a lifetime achievement award for bad pantsuits." And turquoise anchor-lady blouses.

Donald Trump showed his street cred from his narrator's perch on a velvet throne, when he flubbed one of his lines. "Oops, my bad," said the developer by way of apology. "Did Donald Trump just say 'Oops, my bad'?" one of the hipper audience members was heard asking.



HUMAN TOUCH: Bruce Springsteen, played the Count Basie Theater in Red Bank, N.J., at a benefit for Sept. 11 victims. The show raised $700,000. AP

And much as Sir **Elton John** hangs out with designers, somehow Yiddish has eluded him. Botching his intro to designer of the year **John Galliano**, when confronted with the word *schmatte*, the "Rocket Man" said "I don't even know what this says." It means rags, Elton. You know — clothes? And with his wardrobe, we hope he doesn't have to pay retail.

Mariah Carey, in bra, tap pants and tuxedo tails, rode out on a motorcycle, looking good and exuding energy. And backstage, before **Gisele Bundchen** left to hang with boyfriend **Leonardo DiCaprio** at The Park, she and **Stephanie Seymour** and gave fellow supermodel Taylor big welcome-back hugs.

On a couch, **Gwyneth Paltrow** whispered with **Sandra Bullock**, who someone dressed in an unfortunate '80s poof dress. The adorable Bullock is one of America's screen sweethearts. Can't someone give her the kind of style advice Paltrow gets?

Lenny Kravitz and **Mick Jagger** were chilling in a trailer — they've cut a single together. Earlier, Jagger had hung out at the Garden with **Paul McCartney** and **Pete Townshend**, following rehearsals for last night's Concert for New York. Jagger had generously urged McCartney to close with a Beatles hit.

But the VH1/Vogue evening took a serious turn with the arrival of Mayor **Giuliani**. "Our hearts are broken, but they are still beating," he said. Rudy brought out **Donna Karan**, **Kenneth Cole**, **Calvin Klein**, **Tommy Hilfiger**, **Vera Wang** and **Carolina Herrera**, most wearing the T-shirt the Council of Fashion Designers of America is selling to benefit victims. The shirt bears a stars-and-stripes heart — which says it all.

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