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Andrea H Cea – I am the owner and General Manager of Riverwaves Salon. Riverwaves and I have gone full circle, starting my career by working in a salon in Nyack for twelve years, venturing out on my own by renting space, moving to Piermont to build a full-service salon for 25 years, and now, here I am back in Nyack for the last seven years where Riverwaves a unique nail salon resides on North Broadway. I built all my salons from the ground up. I have a knack for utilizing small spaces to their capacity. I always loved the beauty industry. I love being creative physically as well as mentally. I pay attention to detail. I always had a dream and desire to open and operate my own business. My intention upon opening my salon was to provide a beautiful, comfortable, warm ambiance. As soon as you step inside you begin to breathe and relax and leave any worries behind. It's more than a nail salon it's a kind of refuge. Over the years, I have been able to build a strong and loyal client base while providing expert nail and cosmetology services from head to toe for them. I attended Cosmetology school directly after high school. After receiving my license, which I specialized in nails and waxing, I ventured out working for others and then myself. I love being part of the fabric of a community. I am professional, warm, and caring which allows me to reach out to my clients as if they were family. Clients tell me Riverwaves is the Steel Magnolia's of Nyack. It's a cozy, safe, and professional environment with a boutique flair. I am a licensed Cosmetologist. I also have a Bachelor of Science in Vocational Education, which I received when I went back to school after my son was grown. I graduated MAGNA CUM LAUDE. I presently teach at Rockland BOCES. Education is extremely important to me. I continuously mentor all of my staff and believe in teaching them all aspects of the business, not just NAILS. I deeply believe, it makes people more well-rounded and the more skills you have, the more employable you will be, as well as helping them in their day-to-day lives. I have completed numerous workshops, certifications, and advanced education over the years in NYC and Washington DC. I consider myself a lifelong learner.