

The tooth behind a perfect smile...

MERVYN Druian and Ken Spektor never fail to make their clients smile.

Together they have played a major role in bringing dentistry into the 21st century.

It was they who brought the possibility of perfect teeth to the UK by introducing veneers and ultrasonic teeth whitening.

And their skills have even been called on to transform the teeth of participants of cult TV show



■ KEN SPEKTOR

Extreme Makeovers. Mr Druian said: "It is amazing what a difference your teeth can make.

"Often all a person needs is a perfect smile and it can change their life and make them much more confident."

Despite all the glamour, the pair – both originally from South Africa – do not fit easily into the stereotype of top-level cosmetic and dental surgeons. Both are keen to give something back to the profession.

Their practice in Haverstock Hill, Camden, is decked out with weird and wonderful artefacts from Mr Spektor's annual visits to South America.

Each year he travels to the mountainous regions of Guatemala to give dental treatment to the indigenous tribe people there.

Mr Druian said: "I like to give something back by mentoring other dentists.

"Barely a day goes by without a dentist at the surgery observing our work."

And 30 years of practising dentistry have failed to dampen his enthusiasm for the job. He said: "The future is bright for dentistry and I feel extremely lucky to be a dentist in this day and age." – JESSICA ROGERS

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