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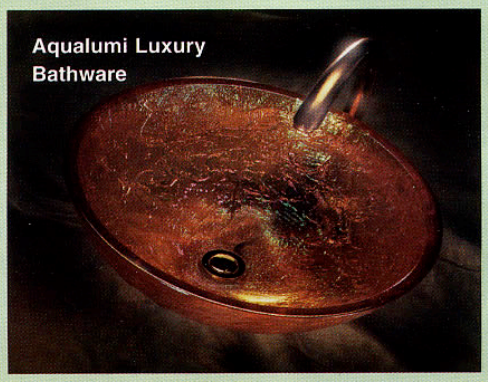
—with industrial-finished railings fabricated of esh and polished metal—are perfect for par- ile inside lies unfinished 10-foot-high ceilings t-high in the penthouses) with exposed air oning ducts and raw cement floors. Common include a large rooftop pool en-air cabanas and a mod- ess complex.

en there is the much-talked- residential and mixed-used oment destined to become a ighborhood itself, **Midtown** (3110 NE 2nd Ave., Miami, 33137; 305-757-0001; nmiami.com). Architect Oppenheim has incorporated an style into the project, hing the visual impact of the g and unifying it to the natu- dscape of its surroundings— include the Performing Arts and Miami Design District. 69 studio, one-, two- and edroom units with 60 differ- loor plans range from 00 to over $2 million and are for completion in summer t's reminiscent of New York's SoHo district with of luxury: Think amenities such as a medita- arden, concierge, private storage facilities, swimming pool overlooking Biscayne Bay diverse range of retailers on site, including restaurants, a hotel and residential square. A ocks north you'll find **Platinum Condos** (480 30th St., Miami; 305-573-6522; mcondo.com), a 22-story, 119-unit high rise ed by Fullerton Diaz architects and Michael nterior designers. One-, two- and three-bed- ofts and apartment homes are still on sale from 00,000s to $600,000. Scheduled for a March, completion, the residences—some with 17- or t ceilings—feature floor-to-ceiling glass win- private balconies (offering great views of ne Bay), imported designer baths and Italian ns with energy efficient stainless steel appli- Common areas include amenities such as a zi, spa and meditation garden, fitness center, oom, valet parking, concierge service and 24- ecurity, and you're close to all the brand-new sses on Biscayne Boulevard.

ou'll be just down the street from **Shin ess Center (2125 Biscayne Blvd., Ste. 540, ; 305-571-9090; Shinwellness.com)** where ind nutritionists, psychologists, massage ther- life and business consultants, chiropractors, acupuncture and Tai Chi. It's a unique well- tudio—which helps guests "maintain vitality in a one-stop mind, body and spirit shop—and the deep tissue and hot stone massages among its treatment highlights. After you fix your body, fix up your new home. Mention Ocean Drive all month at **Luxe + Natura** (3214 NE 2nd Ave., Miami; 305-438-1231; Luxenatura.com) and receive 20 percent off everything at this contemporary, high-end bathroom furnishing store. It's the best source in Miami for high end, hand-carved stone vessels and vanity tops, acrylic panels embedded with various materials, beach pebbles and fine European bathroom furniture. If you want a distinctive traditional or contemporary kitchen or bathroom, start looking at one of Miami's best showrooms. Expect only the best in quality, and spectacular selections, Luxe + Natura will engage even the most refined tastes. **Aqualumi Luxury Bathware** (5050 Biscayne Blvd., Ste. 101, Miami; 305-759-5300; Aqualumi.com).

Cynergi, located in the middle of the Wynwood Art District



Aqualumi Luxury Bathware

Here, you'll find a well-informed sales staff who can direct you toward the finest products from the world's most respected manufacturers: Kohler and Toto, American Standard, Delta, Watermark, Blanco and many more. Product specialists are on-hand to help home remodelers select appropriate fixtures and accessories; they'll even help you read your blueprints and assist with installation, warranty and delivery specifications. Aqualumi can also assist developers and real estate investors looking to finish up their units. Bring in your project's specifications and a specialist will expertly orchestrate the layout of your bathroom and kitchen fixtures. To spruce up your living room, visit **Jalan Jalan** (3921 NE 2nd Ave, Miami; 305-572-9998; Jalanmiami.com), where "clean, simple design with a global point of view" is the motto. This 4,000-square-foot showroom is an eclectic, ethnic bastion of furniture and accessories. Shop for comfortable, modern, unique pieces—including sofas, tables, lighting, beds and casegoods—discriminatingly imported from Asia, Africa, Europe and South America. If ultra-modern and ultra-sleek is your look, visit **Aluma Design** (5 NW 36th St., Miami; 305-401-5948; Alumadesigns.com) for more home furnishing accents. This cutting-edge framing and furniture store's first products resulted in the Aluma patented Art Framing System. Based on a main structure of perforated high-grade aluminum combined with other contemporary materials and hardware, it presented a simple-yet-versatile way of custom-framing any media. Architects and interior designers loved the industrial, minimal look of these frames so much, Aluma Loft was born: The Loft line features panels, furniture and mirrors based on this same Aluma signature high-grade perforated aluminum, ranging in sizes from 15 x 18 to 42 x 50. The store also sells artwork for the frames, including photographs by respected British photographer Michael Thoennes.

Biscayne Boulevard's "Upper East Side"—the area that crosses streets in the 60s and 70s—is a five-minute drive from the Miami Design District and downtown. It's where you'll find amazing spas and boutiques with quality services and merchandise at reasonable (read: rents are still cheap!) prices. For example, **Meduhr Day Spa** (7285 Biscayne Blvd., Miami; 305-758-5750; Meduhr.com) is a neighborhood spa that's bright, cheery and modern, named after a word the owner claims means "feel beautiful." The tiny hideaway is known for its already inexpensive nail, wax and facial treatments, yet posts different weekly discounts on its website. Then there's two-year-old **American Brazilian Body Waxing** 6815 Biscayne Blvd., Miami; 305-756-7794; Abbfashion.com), a clean-and-simple waxing center. It's casual, relaxed and private, and famous for its