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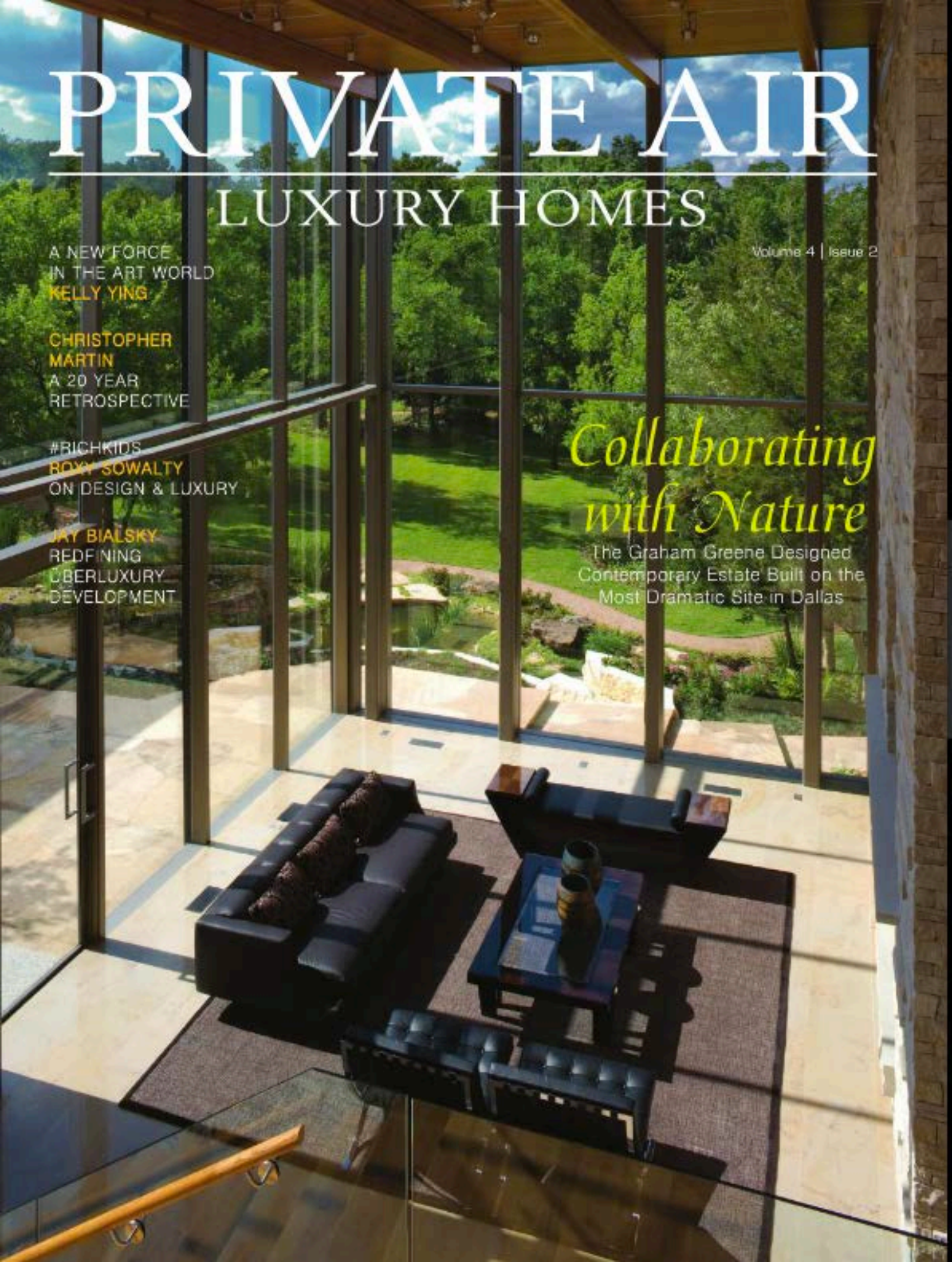
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Known for its monthly "art walks," anything-goes vibe and artist-clad streets, Miami's up-and-coming Wynwood area is now home to a new kind of artistry: Ligné Atelier, The Ligné Group's first standalone home design showroom.

The most recent branch of the luxury design industry company, The Ligné Group, Ligné Atelier was the brainchild of husband and wife duo and cofounders, 29 year-old Meredith and 28 year-old Yuri Xavier. Featuring dazzling chandeliers hanging from the ceiling, yet sitting on the floor, this enchanting showroom combines the best of luxury home design from all over the world. At Ligné Atelier, each elaborate piece isn't meant to be just shopped; it's meant to be admired.

Originally opening The Ligné Group as a business development company, the husband and wife team quickly realized a need for better business sense in the luxury market.

"Designers are incredibly talented people; they're creatives," says Meredith Xavier. "But many times, creative people need help actually running their business. If they strengthen their brand, they'll make more money in the process."

Since then, the power couple has revolutionized the way major design companies, from all over the world, operate their businesses, working with A-list clients like Roberto Cavalli, Mont Blanc, Harry Winston and Cartier, to name a few. Named after the word *ligné*, which is French for "line," The Ligné Group prides itself on being able to work with different designers simultaneously, and each with their own important specialties; thus allowing them to continue making their way into our finest homes.

And now the "crème de la crème" will be featured in the new Miami showroom, Ligné Atelier!

"Ligné Atelier is a jewel box," Meredith says. "It's made so you can walk around and see why each piece is so luxurious. There are chandeliers hanging down all the way to the floor, and you can sit, have champagne and look at a piece of art and really enjoy it. It was designed to be an experience."

The showroom's treasure trove of unique paintings, photography and home décor accents — like Vaheed Taberi's black and white silk hide rug — bring a new kind of luxury to home design. "The word 'luxury' is so overused today. For us, it means bringing things to people that are incredibly special and incredibly well made," Meredith says. "We're bringing them something that they can give to their kids and their grandkids. It's going to be a part of their life for many, many years; and to me, that's what you're paying for." ➔



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FROM THE TOP: Ligné's dynamic duo Meredith and Yuri Xavier. The Wendell's Balance Chandelier well-stocked at the Modern Group's Dwell 55 on Wall Street. Wendell's Jewel Three Crystal Chandelier, and A bespoke coffee table from The Hyland & Venetian collection.

