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CIAO ITALIA

An Italian Pavilion furniture showroom is opening in a newly redesigned location in the Miami Design District. This is the factory showroom for several brands including Meson's Cucine, Cerasa bathrooms and Victoria bedding and closets. The Italian Pavilion represents many Italian manufacturers and carries a range of items from contemporary upscale sofas to kitchen islands (like the Meson island above, \$18,000). A Meson kitchen from the high-end line starts at about \$15,000. Italian Pavilion, 4100 NE Second Avenue, Suite 101, Miami; 305 571-1801.

DESIGNED FOR LIVING

Lori Greenberg, an interior designer, has opened the custom design house Lori Frank USA in the Miami Design District. Greenberg's line of furniture includes Biedermeier, classic, old world and Art Deco designs. The collection consists of armoires, beds, benches, desks, dining tables and accent pieces. Each is made using traditional methods and can be custom designed. Lori Frank pieces are made from a variety of woods including walnut, cherry, pine, wenge and teak. The showroom is open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and by appointment. Lori Frank USA, 3852 North Miami Avenue, Miami; 305 573-5280.



VIVA VIVAI

Vivai, a furniture and accessories showroom from Uruguay, has opened on Miracle Mile in Coral Gables. The store carries eclectic and upscale furniture from Europe and Asia. Vivai furnishings can be seen at Jade residences on Brickell as well as at Le Meridien and Trump Towers in Sunny Isles Beach. Their 10,000-square-foot showroom holds 15,000 items including sofas, lamps, candles and picture frames. They also carry Bang & Olufsen sound systems. Vivai was founded by Daniel and Veronica Baikovicus, second-generation entrepreneurs who grew up traveling around the world with their furniture-collector parents. The Swivel chair (above \$1,200 for the chair, \$450 for the foot stool) are available at Vivai, 340-350 Miracle Mile, Coral Gables; 305 529-0503.



DESIGNING THE ELEMENTS

Farrago Design, a furniture manufacturer based in New York, offers its Sand collection of modern furniture at the Tui Pranich & Associates showroom at the DCOTA. The Sand line, like this mirror, above, was inspired by the drought-stricken regions of India and is made from materials like aluminum, wood and camel bone chips. The collection was launched in 2005 at ICFF in New York. Sand includes tables, benches, light fixtures and accessories. See the collection at Tui Pranich & Associates, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania Beach; 954 925-6801.