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New project breaks ground in Belltown's thriving north end

The highly anticipated Gallery Condominiums has recently broken ground at the corner of Second Avenue and Broad Street in Seattle's Belltown neighborhood. Scheduled for occupancy in 2008, these 214 stylish residences are among the latest addition to the neighborhood's thriving north end, which is seeing a new influx of residences, retail and amenities.

The most exciting amenity to arrive is the Seattle Art Museum's new Olympic Sculpture Park. Next weekend, the nine-acre outdoor park will open just two blocks west of the Gallery site. In addition to a variety of sculpture by renowned artists, this world-class museum will feature a 7,000-square-foot glass and steel pavilion to house special events, temporary exhibitions, public programs and a café, with stunning views of the Olympic Mountains and Elliott Bay. The Olympic Sculpture Park is open year-round, free to all, and just a short walk for Gallery residents, making it the perfect addition to this in-city neighborhood.

The building, designed by Mithun Architects, features two distinct looks. The concrete-and-steel structure has a traditional brick exterior, framing a modern glass-and-steel centerpiece, which seamlessly integrates the historic buildings of old Belltown with the more contemporary design of the new.

"Our goal was to bring a more modern design to the neighborhood, yet still fit in with the existing architecture," says Suzi Morris of Schnitzer Northwest LLC, investment

View these homes

The presentation center is open daily, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., at 2500 First Ave. in downtown Seattle's Belltown neighborhood.

Getting there

From I-5, take the Mercer Street exit and head west along Broad Street toward the Space Needle. Turn south onto Second Avenue and continue four blocks to Wall Street. Turn right onto Wall Street.

Builder

Gallery Condominium, LLC with development services provided by Schnitzer Northwest.

Prices

From the mid \$200,000s to more than \$2 million.

Information

206-441-0300 or
www.liveatgallery.com.

manager of Gallery. "Belltown is Seattle's most popular downtown residential neighborhood, and we're excited to be a part of its growth."

Gallery offers multiple spaces for entertaining within the building itself. One such amenity is the project-exclusive Supper Club, a fully equipped, on-site gourmet kitchen and dining area where residents can host private dinners and parties. It connects to a lounge area that includes an entertainment center with large-screen television and stereo



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system. The room opens onto a large common terrace, perfect for indoor-outdoor entertaining.

Also, there is a two-story lobby with concierge services, a fitness center with yoga room, business center, two guest suites and an outdoor rooftop garden terrace that offers panoramic views of downtown Seattle, Elliott Bay and the Space Needle.

Sales of Gallery's one- and two-bedroom homes, SkyLofts, New York-style street level townhouses and spacious penthouses began in late 2006, and since then, hundreds of buyers have visited Gallery's presentation center. One of the most talked-about features at Gallery's presentation center is the full-scale, open one-bedroom residence. Starting in the mid \$200,000s, these homes range in size from 400 to 846 square feet.

"While we have a wide variety of homes to choose from, the open one-bedrooms have been extremely

popular with buyers," says Laura Brice, community sales manager for Gallery. "The innovative design of the open one-bedroom homes offers the maximum use of space at the most affordable prices."

These homes include integrated in-line kitchens and custom cabinetry, with the option of a uniquely designed "adjustable" entertainment center. The entertainment center not only separates the bedroom from the living space, but it also has a center console that swivels around to face different rooms – perfect for television viewing in either the living room or bedroom.

The signature two-story SkyLofts boast ceilings up to 18 feet tall and floor-to-ceiling windows that frame postcard views of either the Space Needle to the east or Elliott Bay to the west. Some homes offer more than 1,300 square feet. In the early stages of construction, buyers will have the opportunity to combine homes for even larger living spaces.