

ABODE WAS THERE



(Left to Right) Todd Cowan, managing partner, Capital Developments; Peter Freed, president, Freed Developments and Jordan Dermer, managing partner, Capital Developments. Photo by Spencer Wynn

BREAKING NEWS...

Recognized as last year's fastest selling project and BILD's 2016 Project of the Year, the Art Shoppe condos and lofts broke ground in September. Slated for occupancy in 2019, the Art Shoppe, an obvious homage to the famous furniture store that occupied that block for more than half a century, is one of the area's most fashionable condo and loft projects, with international style icon Karl Lagerfeld on board to design the residential lobbies.

The builders behind this design-driven project, which spans an entire city block at Yonge and Eglinton, are Freed Developments and Capital Developments. The condo has a 28-storey residential north tower that steps down to 12 storey mid-rise building of lofts to the south.

"We bought this site about four years ago, and after all of the hype and excitement surrounding the launch, it's almost surreal to see Art Shoppe really taking shape," says Peter Freed, president of Freed Developments. "To be able to bring a building with such a distinctive approach, a world-famous designer, and an amazing range of offerings to Toronto's most famous street is a fantastic opportunity, and very exciting for us."

The project's pièce de résistance will be its spectacular rooftop garden, boasting a linear outdoor swimming pool and stunning views of the city skyline beyond. Only a few suites remain as 95 per cent of the project is sold.

For more information about the Art Shoppe Lofts + Condos, visit artshoppecondos.com.

UP UP AND AWAY

President Fred Losani gets ready to board a helicopter with invited journalists for an aerial tour of his latest project, Central Park in Hamilton. This may in fact be the first time a GTA developer ever showed a proposed project site from the air.

Inspired by New York City's iconic Central Park, Losani Homes' Central Park is said to be the largest and most innovative master-planned community in Hamilton. The 15 acres of naturalized greenspace, with a park at its centre, naturally, will include a five-acre community pond and an Eco-trail Promenade with walking, biking paths and access to the 10km East Mountain Trail Loop.

The first of four neighbourhoods is Park Ave nestled next to the protected 200-acre Eramosa Karst Conservation Area with freehold townhomes from the low \$300,000s plus detached homes from the high \$400,000s.

For more on this project, visit losanihomes.com.



Top: Fred Losani hosts a helicopter tour of the Central Park property. Bottom: An aerial view of Losani Homes' Central Park community in Hamilton, Ontario. Photos by Duncan McAllister