

The clients' wish for extravagance has been satiated, but in a controlled manner. Bling brilliance makes an appearance on the velvet and suede furnishings, a metallic textured wallpaper and the crystal-droplet-encased glass partition that separates the living and dining rooms. The latter also ensures transparency, and the under-lit, sparkling crystal droplets up the glamour quotient of the space.

AN IDEA BY **ARCHITECT BHAVNA JACOB**

TEXT: **RUPALI SEBASTIAN**, PHOTOGRAPH: **SEBASTIAN ZACHARIAH**, COURTESY **THE ARCHITECT**

Clever Cue: A call for glitz needn't be made through a clarion of ostentation. Bling can be balanced; flashy can be reined-in. A neutral palette layered with glamour-infused elements will help.

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Le Sutra - The Indian Art Hotel celebrates our country's culture through contemporary Indian art. The Nirvan room, featured here, is designed around the Ajna (third eye) *chakra*, and pays homage to the Buddha. A fresco behind the bed depicts Prince Siddhartha's spiritual journey to becoming Gautama Buddha. Up-lighters subtly enhance the beauty of the customized art piece. The fresco not only adds a touch of colour to the white room, but also captures the peaceful essence of the space.

AN IDEA BY **LE SUTRA - THE INDIAN ART HOTEL**

TEXT: **DEEPA NAIR**

PHOTOGRAPH: COURTESY **THE HOTEL**

Clever Cue: Customized conceptual art is an effective way to lend vibrancy and character to an area.

