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### Carbon 12's Ultimate Guide to Miami

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Founded in 2008 by 47-year-old Kourosh Nouri and 32-year-old Nadine Knotzer—both half-Iranian, half-Austrian—**Carbon 12** was the first contemporary art gallery to open in Dubai with an international program. In a country where art was limited until recently, the pioneering gallery filled a gap in the market by representing diverse (established and up-and-coming artists) like André Butzer, Michael Sailstorfer, Gil Heitor Cortesão and Sara Rahbar, to name a few. 10 years later, Dubai's art scene is in full swing and has solidified its place on the international map. "We've really impacted how things have evolved here, says Nouri before adding, "it feels amazing to see the art community reaching maturity".

Next week Carbon 12 will be the only regional gallery to show in Miami at the **New Art Dealers Alliance** fair (a non-profit collective dedicated to showcasing new voices in contemporary art), where they'll be exhibiting work by Bernhard Buhmann, Amir Khojasteh, Sara Rahbar, Anahita Razmi, Philip Mueller and Monika Grabuschnigg.

As regulars at Art Basel Miami Beach, we caught up with Carbon 12's founders and asked them to give us the lowdown on where to hang, eat, drink, shop and check out art (outside the fair).

Best sandwich spot

Versailles

[versaillesrestaurant.com](http://versaillesrestaurant.com)

Best lunch spot

Blue Ribbon

[blueribbonrestaurants.com](http://blueribbonrestaurants.com)

Best place for dinner

Puerta Sagua

[puertosagua.restaurantwebexpert.com](http://puertosagua.restaurantwebexpert.com)

Mr. Chow

[mrchow.com](http://mrchow.com)

Best spot for drinks

Edition Hotel

[editionhotels.com](http://editionhotels.com)

Best place to party

Eden Roc

[edenrochotelmiami.com](http://edenrochotelmiami.com)

Best manicure / nail art spot

Vanity Projects

[vanityprojectsnyc.com](http://vanityprojectsnyc.com)

Best galleries outside of the fair

ICA

[icamiami.org](http://icamiami.org)

The Bass

[thebass.org](http://thebass.org)

Nina Johnson Gallery

[ninajohnson.com](http://ninajohnson.com)

Best places to shop

Kith

[kith.com](http://kith.com)

The ultimate spa

The Standard Spa Hotel

[standardhotels.com](http://standardhotels.com)