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Design-minded denizens should shop **Hello World's** uptown location (257 S. 20th St., 215-545-5207; shophelloworld.com) to find gifts, accessories and home décor. We especially like the Melie Bianco vegan handbags—the line's cruelty-free faux leather looks like the real thing. Over at **Casa Papel** (804 N. Second St., 267-761-9149; casapapel.com) in Northern Liberties, the specialty is custom papercraft and design. Head here to browse a pretty selection of cards and stationery, or have a coffee-table book or photo album bound. If saving the planet is on your mind, stop by the newest outpost of the **Big Green Earth Store** (934 South St., 267-909-8661, biggreenearthstore.com), which stocks tons of eco-friendly home products, including electronics. (Our favorite: computer cases equipped with solar panels that can gather enough energy to charge a laptop.) For inspired décor, be sure to visit **Ligne Roset** (4131 Main St., Manayunk, 215-487-2800; ligne-roset-usa.com). The Spindle table, a fabulous modern piece created by local designer Brad Ascalon, features a black-lacquered wooden spindle sandwiched between two sheets of clear curved glass. Thanks to a unique partnership, Ascalon, a Cherry Hill native, is one of only two American designers fortunate enough to be able to collaborate with the French company.



PHILLY'S BEST BLOOMS

Now is the perfect time to plant a new flower box—or, better yet, have local garden experts create one for you. **Poppy Flower Shop** (616 S. Sixth St., 215-574-1221; poppyflowershop.com) offers a wide variety of flowers and herbs to choose from, including cold-weather species like kale and sedum. At **City Planter** (814 N. Fourth St., 215-627-6169; cityplanter.com), botanical experts work with you to select a flower box full of plants; about a week later they'll deliver the finished product to any Center City address. For the definitive custom window box, call up the pros at **Philadelphia Windowbox Company** (610-310-1973; philadelphiawindowboxcompany.com). They'll start with a wooden box and then paint, stain and add molding or paneling to it so that the new addition matches the exterior of your home. And don't worry about frost: During the winter months, staff will refresh your box with evergreens and other hardy cold-weather plants.



FROM LEFT: Brad Ascalon Spindle table at Ligne Roset; a Melie Bianco vegan handbag from Hello World; pretty paper at Casa Papel

Petulia's Picks >>

While shopping in Center City recently we spied a few must-have home items at **Petulia's Folly** (1710-12 Samson St., 215-569-1344; petuliasfolly.com). Our favorites? Large hand-painted marble cups from India—gorgeous and versatile vessels that could serve as vases or decorative pieces. On sale at \$48 apiece, the cups come in four colors and all feature unique patterns.

