BRILLIANT: WHITE IN DESIGN LINDA O'KEEFFE
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Along with a cleansing visual pause, Noriega-Ortiz instilled an illusion of space into a small hallway in this Miami house. Rendered in the same bone white as the background wall, a Victorian chair slips into the guise of sculpture; the focal play of a tiny mirror in a wide circular frame draws the eye and underscores the poetry of the scalloped plater archway.

The crisp white lines of a Ridgefield, Connecticut, kitchen have chic connotations for its designer, Lynne Scalo. "This room is like the quintessential 'little white dress' in that everything is exactly scaled and tailored,"

she says, likening the white Venetian plaster walls to freshly painted nails. Southeastern light amplifies the white swirls in the poured-resin table and bounces off the rock-crystal chandelier.