

JUST IN

Makeup artists are always pontificating on the importance of "a perfect canvas" for makeup. You rarely hear, however, how important it is for the canvas to have "the perfect paint." Until now. **Crème de La Mer**, the moisturizer touted by legions as a marine-based miracle, is coming out with its SkinColor collection. Available this November, the line bridges skin care and cosmetics—it makes use of La Mer's legendary "magic broth" and then adds light-reflection technology to enhance the appearance of skin. The products (which include supersheer foundation and an airy powder) promise to correct and conceal—consider them the end of bad paint jobs. From \$45 at Bergdorf Goodman and Saks Fifth Avenue. . . . As it turns out, everything really *is* for sale. Just because diets and sit-ups haven't given you "six-pack" abs, that doesn't mean they're out of reach. A procedure being performed by Manhattan's Bruce Nadler, M.D., chisels them into your stomach. Called, ingeniously, "**ab-etching**," the process removes excess fat between the abdominal muscles to "obtain midsection clarity." Nadler uses tiny tubular instruments that require smaller incisions than those used in liposuction, so results are more precise and smoother—not to mention that the mere two-hour procedure makes you look like you spent two years doing crunches. Call (800) 445-0505 for information.



Sharon Stone, the designing muse.

initial instinct

The legendary Louis Vuitton is getting a new designer. Joining forces with Sharon Stone and her sketch pad, Vuitton is introducing a limited-edition collection of vanity cases designed by the Hollywood muse to benefit the American Foundation for AIDS Research. The monogrammed canvas cases come in two styles (one with a jewelry pouch that doubles as a clutch); a third case, signed by Stone, was auctioned at the first Cinema Against AIDS benefit in Venice this past August. Stone's basic instinct just might not be for acting, after all. Available in Louis Vuitton boutiques.

