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Billionaire Ron Burkle sells penthouse in downtown L.A. for \$2.5 million



Billionaire investor Ronald Burkle has sold a penthouse unit at the Eastern Columbia Building in downtown L.A. for \$2.5 million. (James Lang / Berlyn Photography | Inset: Getty Images)

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It looks like Johnny Depp isn't the only one checking out of the Eastern Columbia Building.

Los Angeles billionaire investor Ronald Burkle has sold a penthouse within the downtown landmark for \$2.5 million, among the highest prices ever paid per square foot for a residential unit in the Historic Core district.

The three-story unit has a contemporary air with polished concrete floors, subdued hues and modern fixtures. Exposed ductwork and a steel-frame staircase lend a raw note to the 2,010 square feet of interior space.

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