

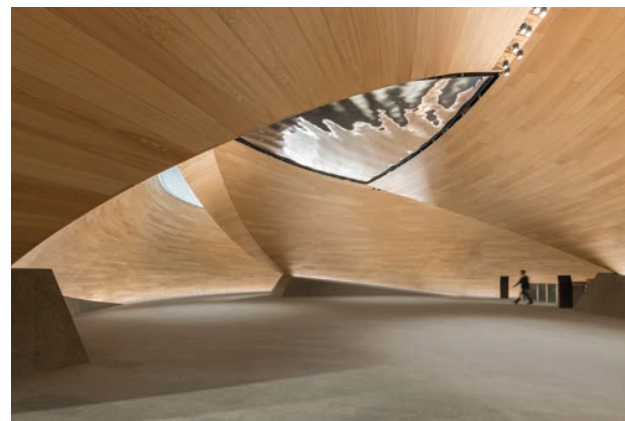
Award of
EXCELLENCE

Bloomberg European Headquarters

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“An unexpectedly striking lighting system reinforces a beautiful workplace interior. The integration of lighting into the fabulous ceiling system creates a textural and visually exciting lighting solution that is comfortable and performs well for an office environment.”

—Lumen Judges

Bloomberg’s new European HQ provides 1.1 million sqft of office space, the most sustainably designed project in the world. The exterior facades give a consistent impression of an interior glow. Indeed, a continuous uplift recessed within the interior base of the windows renders the rich bronze and stone soffits. Vertical ribbed fins, edged with LEDs, define the base of the buildings, while louvered accent lights provide sidewalk illumination. Stone soffits are uplit from linear LEDs recessed within the top of a continuous stone plinth.

The focal point of the lobby is the “Vortex.” Continuous uplighting at the base brings the art piece to life. The spiral stair ascends six floors, with louvered slotlighting at each riser. The custom ceiling system integrates cooling, lighting, and acoustic functions within a 4 inch–deep plane. Developed with and detailed by the architect, 2 million formed-metal “petals” house individual LEDs at the panel intersections. This low-brightness system is dimmed to minimize wattage consumption while still achieving the desired 300 lx on the workplane throughout. Custom pendants add sparkle for dining, and wallwashers illuminate a commissioned felt artwork. The exterior terrace stone soffit is washed by shielded uplighting mounted flush at the perimeter.

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