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320 South Canal

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canal is a new, 50-story landmark office tower that provides a striking addition to the Chicago cityscape, with over 1.5 million sqft of space.

Lighting at the lobby serves to emphasize the space's unique architectural details, such as its featured faceted walls and ceilings. Clusters of three LED downlights integrate into the faceted ceiling, with sources at each bay illuminating the segmented core wall and glass wall wrapper. The fixtures were pre-aimed during manufacturing to ensure a clean look and minimize aiming time. To balance daylight, One Lux Studio sourced tunable LEDs and advocated for a zero-reflection glass façade, allowing unobstructed views for passersby.

Outside, the tower's 1.5 acre greenspace – the largest privately owned park in the city – is open until midnight. The space is organized around a large, oval lawn and curved path, beautifully illuminated using linear lighting integrated beneath bench seating and bullets uplighting trees. Narrow-beam spotlights, concealed 300 ft up the building's façade, aim down at the park, lending a moonlighting effect. Other architectural elements, like faceted columns at the façade, are illuminated to create a beautiful backdrop to the park.

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