











111 South Wacker

Chicago, Illinois, USA

111 South Wacker is designed as a Class A multitenant office tower. The building's office space is positioned above seven floors of structured parking. The typical office floors are column-free, with 50- and 60-foot lease spans between the center core and the perimeter columns, optimizing efficiency and flexibility.

While the footprint of the building's upper floors covers almost the entire site, the building is open and spacious at street level. To create this sense of space, the perimeter tower columns transfer through the parking floors to provide large, 80-foot spans at the base. The openness of the lobby is dramatically enhanced by the cable-supported, non-reflective glass enclosure and a very compact core. The result is the feeling that the ground floor is a covered outdoor plaza. Floor and ceiling patterns reflect the parking ramp above, creating a consistent, dynamic rhythm that energizes the space.

The enclosure systems are used to express structure and technology, the essential components of today's high-rise construction. The building is enclosed with a unitized curtain wall system with high-performance glass and featuring stainless steel V-shaped mullions that reinforce the vertical expression of the column cladding.

The building was designed from the outset with an emphasis on sustainability and LEED certification in mind. As a result of the sustainable design initiatives, the building became the first ever to be certified LEED-CS Gold.

Project Data

SIZE

53 stories
1,457,000 sf total

FEATURES

Conference center
Fitness center
Restaurant
389 parking spaces
First-ever LEED-CS Gold
LEED-EB Gold
ENERGY STAR

CLIENT

The John Buck Company

Recognition & News

RECOGNITION

- 2015 10-Year Award – American Institute of Architects, Chicago Chapter
- 2009 Divine Detail Honor Award, 111 South Wacker Parking Ramp – American Institute of Architects, Chicago Chapter
- 2006 Chicago Innovation Award
- 2006 Distinguished Building Honor Award – American Institute of Architects, Chicago Chapter
- 2006 Mies van der Rohe Award for Innovation – American Institute of Architects, Illinois Chapter
- 2006 Excellence in Design Award, Commercial – Environmental Design + Construction Magazine
- 2006 Building Team of the Year, Silver Award – Building Design & Construction Magazine
- 2006 GreenWorks Market Transformation Award, Green Buildings – City of Chicago
- 2006 Finalist, Merit Award for New Construction Chicago – Chicago Building Congress
- 2006 Best New Building – Friends of Downtown
- 2006 Best Large Structure Award – Structural Engineers Association of Illinois
- 2006 Award of Excellence, Corporate – International Association of Lighting Designers
- 2006 Lumen Award of Merit – New York City Section of the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America
- 2006 Most Innovative Curtain Wall – Crystal Achievement Awards
- 2005 Development of the Year – Chicago Commercial Real Estate Awards
- 2005 Downtown Office Development of the Year –

2005 Project of the Year, Overall – Midwest
Construction Magazine

NEWS

ENR Midwest Names GP 2020 Design Firm of the Year

James Goettsch Honored With CTBUH Lifetime
Achievement Award

150 North Riverside Wins 2017 Chicago Innovation
Award

111 South Wacker Wins AIA Chicago 10-Year Award