

Design Museum Boston opens on Greenway; Chiofaro donates space

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The Design Museum Boston has opened on the Rose Kennedy Greenway. The headquarters and museum store are located on donated space at The Chiofaro Company's Harbor Garage. True to its motto that "Design is everywhere; so are we," Design Museum Boston has always been unique because its exhibits have been staged throughout the city, rather than in one, centralized building. The opening of its headquarters and museum store represents a watershed moment.

Founded in 2009 and boasting a rapidly-expanding membership, the Design Museum will continue with a city-wide model for its exhibits and programming, but now also has a brick-and-mortar home to host events, introduce visitors to its offerings, showcase current exhibits on-site, and make available unique examples of design for purchase.

"We're thrilled to be in the heart of the most exciting part of Boston â€" the waterfront. Our new home gives us exposure to tens of thousands of tourists and visitors every day," said Sam Aquillano, co-founder and executive director of Design Museum Boston.

"It's great to see Design Museum Boston open its doors in a neighborhood that has suddenly become Boston's most prolific square mile for museums. Within one square mile, visitors can take in the New England Aquarium, Design Museum Boston, the Tea Party Museum, the BSA Space, the Children's Museum, the Boston Fire Museum and the Institute of Contemporary Art. The waterfront is now home to museums for every taste and style," said Donald Chiofaro, president of The Chiofaro Co.

"The opening of the Design Museum is a first step in our 'City to Sea' initiative, a collaborative effort of The Chiofaro Company, International Place and the Harbor Garage to celebrate arts, culture and community on Boston's Downtown waterfront," said Chiofaro.

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