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## **Corderman & Co. begins six new showrooms and offices at the Innovation and Design Building**

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Boston Design Center at 19 Drydock Avenue - Boston, MA

Boston, MA Construction has begun on five customized showrooms and Veson Nautical's global headquarters at The Innovation and Design Building. The retail spaces throughout the Boston Design Center at 19 Drydock Ave. are being built for: Tile Showcase, Circa Lighting, Downsview Kitchen, HOLLY HUNT, and Scavolini Store Boston. Veson will occupy 20,000 s/f of first class office space on floor 6 of 21 Drydock in the mixed-use complex that is part of the Seaport's Innovation District. Corderman & Company is providing construction management services on all six projects.

This \$7.8 million phase of construction within the 1.4 million s/f IDB community is being built in collaboration with the global design firms CBT and IA. The inspiring interior spaces feature the highest quality finishes, a blend of materials, statement lighting, modern furniture, and display systems.

According to Tile Showcase president Fred Merullo: "We were one of the first showrooms here when the facility opened. In that time the IDB has become a premier resource for architects, designers and homeowners. It is one of the most successful centers of its kind in the country. We're in the presence of a mix of world class, creative, and entrepreneurial companies which is an undeniable benefit to our business." Tile Showcase is expanding and relocating from the sixth to the fourth floor of 19 Drydock.

“There is a high level of complexity that goes into every build out,” said Corderman & Co. principal and project manager Linda Liporto. “We are creating distinctive spaces each reflective of our clients’ brand identity. Showrooms have become a growing part of our diverse portfolio.”

Corderman has built 25 creative showrooms as well as 16 offices and studios in the IDB for companies including: Boston Beer, Neoscape, NKT Photonics, MassChallenge Boston, the Thompson Island Outward Bound Education Center, Pierre Frey, Kravet, AIS, KI, Robert Allen, and Waterworks. The Corderman team on the six new spaces is comprised of: Linda Liporto; assistant project managers Stephen Ferriter and Elizabeth Elcock; superintendents Gerry Andrews, Jacob Bashien, Richard Dow, Steve Giordano, Peter Carr, and Frank DiStefano; field operations David MacNeil; laborers Jorge Rivera, Marcus Bairead, Victor Cavero, Ken DeCampo, Juan Buenrostro, Gumercindo Buenrostro, Rodrigo Dos Santos, Lou Hopkins, Matthew Bousquet, Lee Lockett, Victor Cavero, Mark Bousquet, and Sean Keane.

The Innovation and Design Building has been transformed from its 1918 origin as an Army storehouse into a hub of Boston’s innovation economy. Since Jamestown’s acquisition in 2013, enhancements made to the building include the creation of a promenade populated with dining options, programming and event spaces, a tenant experience app, and other amenities which help innovative companies recruit top talent.

The IDB community spans many industries, from marine industrial firms and biotech labs to makers spaces and the Boston Design Center.

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