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Shawmut Design and Construction completes renovation of Four Seasons Hotel Boston

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Boston, MA Shawmut Design and Construction has completed the public spaces renovation at the Four Seasons Hotel at 200 Boylston St. The transformation includes a new restaurant and signature amenities for guests.

Designed by Ken Fulk and built by Shawmut, the renovation to the hotel's lobby, arrival area, and porte cochere creates artful and inspired new spaces that blend the timelessness of the hotel with the grandeur of its Public Garden setting. Guests are greeted with new lanterns, plantings, and a black-and-white-tiled entry court – which extends from the porte cochere throughout the lobby – drawing inspiration from the homes of surrounding Beacon Hill and Back Bay neighborhoods. The Shawmut team relocated the entry and arrival area, which feature Italian limestone walls that blend into the limestone-finished ceiling.

A mural hand-drawn by Fulk's art department and inspired by the Public Garden wraps the entirety of the reception wall. There are two hidden doors, one which leads to a "kids-only" toy closet for young guests to experience on their arrival. The room features playful colors, antique glass, and custom millwork.

The lobby layout has been reimagined as a series of smaller lounge spaces for a new generation of guest experiences, with curved entryways between each to create perspective. Shawmut prefabricated the round trims and curves along with the stone that surrounds them to create the

seamless entryways.

Coterie, the hotel's new lounge and restaurant, features a soft color palette inspired by garden florals, vintage lighting, and a zinc-topped bar with leather and brass details. Located in the former reception space, Shawmut installed a custom mosaic floor designed by Fulk using six different types of marble, fabric-wrapped wall panel system, and built-in banquettes. Opposite Coterie is the Library, featuring custom bookshelves that guests can select books from.

"The Four Seasons Hotel Boston is an iconic fixture in Boston, and our team was excited to be part of its transformation," said Dave Lyskowski, project executive, Shawmut Design and Construction. "Ensuring guests and residents experienced minimal disruptions while the hotel remained open during the first phases of the project was key. Thanks to the true collaboration and proactivity of everyone involved, we were able to push the schedule forward and open on time despite supply chain challenges."

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