

Elaine Construction completes Concord Market at MIT - 9,453 s/f

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Cambridge, MA Elaine Construction Company has completed Concord Market on Campus, a 9,453 s/f fit-out of an independent grocery store and full-scale, catering kitchen, within MIT's W20 Stratton Student Center located at 84 Massachusetts Ave.

"This fit-out holds special significance and synergies for us here at Elaine", said Lisa Wexler, president and owner of the certified WBE. "Having recently completed the full-scale renovation of W20, a project my father, Ken Wexler built a generation before, and now having the opportunity to work with the visionary founder, Elizabeth Akehurst-Moore on her second market location feels significant and timely."

The original Eduardo Catalano poured-in-place concrete structure presented challenges, which required exterior reinforcement/creation of retaining walls to support the weight of industrial kitchen equipment and management of penetrations to the waffle slab to maintain its structural integrity. Elaine played a key role in supporting the design team's coordination efforts.

"As someone that cares deeply about sustainability and wellness, it's been great to be a part of this complicated project whose focus is on offering fresh and healthy foods" said director of academic sector and sustainability, Caroline Petrovick.

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