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Monadnock Development completes 300 Huntington - 136,000 s/f

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Brooklyn, NY Monadnock Development has completed 300 Huntington, a six-story, 136,000 s/f mixed-use commercial development in Gowanus/Carroll Gardens, and the neighborhoods' only new ground-up office/commercial building. The building was designed by a partnership of Dattner Architects and Bernheimer Architecture. Concurrently, the Brooklyn-based developer has completed of 300 Huntington's public-facing 8,700 s/f waterfront esplanade, a primary gateway to the Gowanus public waterfront park, designed by SCAPE Landscape Architecture.

Monadnock Construction has moved into its permanent headquarters on the second and third floors of the building. The firm, which has built more than 25,000 units of affordable and market-rate housing in New York City since its inception 45 years ago, was formerly located at 155 Third St. on the Gowanus waterfront and the site of a forthcoming 22-story residential building by Monadnock

Development.

300 Huntington offers access to residential neighborhoods such as Carroll Gardens, Cobble Hill, and Park Slope, along with the area's amenities and nightlife. The building has 49,000 s/f of column-free office space, along with 17,000 s/f of ground-floor retail space. In addition to two 4,000-lb passenger/freight elevators fit for light industrial tenants, the fully electric building offers energy recovery ventilation, and a green roof.

Additionally, Hazel Village — an ethical handmade toy manufacturer that partners with artisans in Peru, Nepal, Cambodia, Colombia, and locally — has signed a lease for its new expanded workshop and showroom.

"Hazel Village's expansion to a new space at 300 Huntington marks a new era for our company," said Jane Van Cleef, CEO of Hazel Village. "The building offers our Brooklyn-based team much-needed room for growth—to our physical space, to our workforce, and to our operations overall—and we eagerly look forward to serving the local community and our customers around the globe by meeting increased demand from our new home."

"Monadnock is pleased to usher in a new year by completing this innovative development and welcoming our tenants and the public to 300 Huntington," said Nick Lembo, chairman of Monadnock Development. "Offering our community brand-new, column-free workspaces, beautifully curated outdoor spaces, and creative retail opportunities is a testament to the work we've long undertaken as part of the Gowanus community."

The boutique mixed-use building largely caters to growing workforce as well as those seeking convenient access to Brooklyn and Manhattan, with transportation options including the F and G trains, multiple bus routes such as the B57 and B61, the Hugh Carey Tunnel, and several Citi Bike stations within a square mile. Maximizing flexibility, natural light, and fresh air, 300 Huntington offers views of city via oversized windows and 13-foot ceilings on all floors. The building offers tenants access to 7,000 s/f of shared private amenity terrace space, along with the recently completed esplanade and public park, designed by SCAPE Landscape Architecture as a key point of entry to the highly-anticipated Gowanus public waterfront space. The esplanade will deliver several amenities to the public such as waterfront spaces for community gatherings and performances, environmental education, ecosystem restoration, and community nurseries.

As the first phase to be completed as part of the overall plan, the esplanade is shaded by oak trees as well as metal latticework and vine trellises that evoke Gowanus' industrial history. Flexible seating options along the building's frontage provide moments of pause, reflection, and relaxation. To help mitigate the effects of stormwater runoff and overflow, the esplanade steps down to a seated overlook and terraced stormwater planters along the canal. Additionally, varying bulkhead heights carve out additional space for a near-contiguous planter with native, water-tolerant plant species to soften the edge condition. Throughout the outdoor terrace, wooden ballast blocks and a textured concrete seat wall provide additional seating options, bordered on one end by a sculpture meadow planted with native grasses.

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