

# THE ROCKEFELLER UNIVERSITY RIVER BUILDING & HEALTH AND FITNESS CENTER

New York, New York, USA

RAFAEL VIÑOLY ARCHITECTS



Rockefeller University required significant upgrade of its laboratory facilities in order to maintain and enhance its notable biomedical research programs. In 2010, the University commissioned Rafael Viñoly Architects to develop a space plan and master plan in order to project growth for the campus. The master plan yielded four projects: the five-story River Building, single-story

Conference Center, single-story Health and Fitness Center, and a two-story annex enabling project. Through the master planning process, the firm created a general principle to guide the design and development strategy: the University should preserve the garden designed by the renowned landscape architect Dan Kiley and promote the historic character of the buildings bordering it.

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## DETAILS + FIGURES

### Completion

2019

### Size

River Building: 16,640 gsm

Health and Fitness

Center: 2,320 gsm

Total: 18,960 gsm

### Awards

Design Award, New York

City Public Design

Commission, 2015

### Media Coverage

*AIA Oculus*, "A Win-Win at

Rockefeller University,"

Spring 2016

*Crain's*, "Rockefeller

University Eyes Platform

Over FDR," July 2010

*The Wall Street Journal*,

"University Sees Future Above

the FDR Drive," February 2014

### Client

The Rockefeller University

### Consultants

*MEP / FP Engineer*

Bard, Rao + Athanas Engineers

*Structural Engineer*

Thornton Tomasetti

*Civil / Geotechnical Engineer*

Langan

*Landscape Architect*

Mathews Nielsen

Landscape Architects

*Environmental Consultant*

AKRF

*Food Service*

Romano Gatland

*Interior Lighting*

One Lux Studio

*Marine Engineer*

Ocean and Coastal Consultants

*Specifications Writer*

Robert Schwartz & Associates

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