

LIBERTY WHARF

Boston, Massachusetts

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Liberty Wharf, designed by Elkus Manfredi Architects, is located in the Seaport District, Boston's youngest neighborhood. Set on a new pier on Boston Harbor, the project combines three architecturally distinct buildings containing five restaurants and office space with a half-acre of outdoor decking and public boardwalk and a series of touch-and-go docking slips. Its mixed-use program brings restaurant go-ers, office users, and the public to the waterfront. Uniting commercial uses with benefits to the public realm, Liberty Wharf connects the neighborhood to the harbor and completes an important missing portion of Boston's Harborwalk.

Project components include: Legal Sea Food's new flagship restaurant in an 18,000-square-foot, two-story building with a fireplaced roof deck; a 50,000-square-foot building with two floors of specialty Class A offices above two floors of restaurants; and a small kiosk. Buildings are configured to frame expansive view corridors to the harbor from the street. Extensive use of glass maximizes transparency; the wide boardwalk along the waterfront invites public enjoyment. This is a "people place" that appeals to all ages and strengthens the critical mass of urban activity that will stimulate further growth of the Seaport. Grounded in good urban planning, Liberty Wharf will be an important public destination on the harbor for generations to come.





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