

## POTAMUS TRADING

*Boston, Massachusetts*

*Client: Potamus Trading LLC*



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Potamus Trading is a team of traders, analysts, and technologists who specialize in delivering custom electronic execution services to broker-dealers and institutional traders. Potamus asked Elkus Manfredi Architects to create a new office that would support its intensive work environment and collaborative culture, accommodate the firm's growth, and serve as a tool to attract the best staff — all while reflecting the energy, spirit, and wit of the Potamus brand.

Located in a Seaport District building overlooking Boston Harbor, the new offices feature an open, flexible floor plan. At the entry, a life-sized hippopotamus greets visitors. The reception desk doubles as a DJ booth, and the main conference room features a vibrant original art installation covering one wall. Oversized windows with views to the waterfront line two sides of the office. A spacious central trading floor provides a variety of seating areas surrounding trading stations. Three comfortable living room settings along with private niches are all located just feet from the trading seats to support the traders' need to conduct high-speed market transactions in which every millisecond counts. On the perimeter of the trading floor are glass-fronted conference rooms and offices. The sunlit kitchen is in constant use for meals, work, and conversation, as well as for gatherings and client entertaining. A huge video screen and acoustically separate media gaming room help employees relax after the markets close for the day.







