

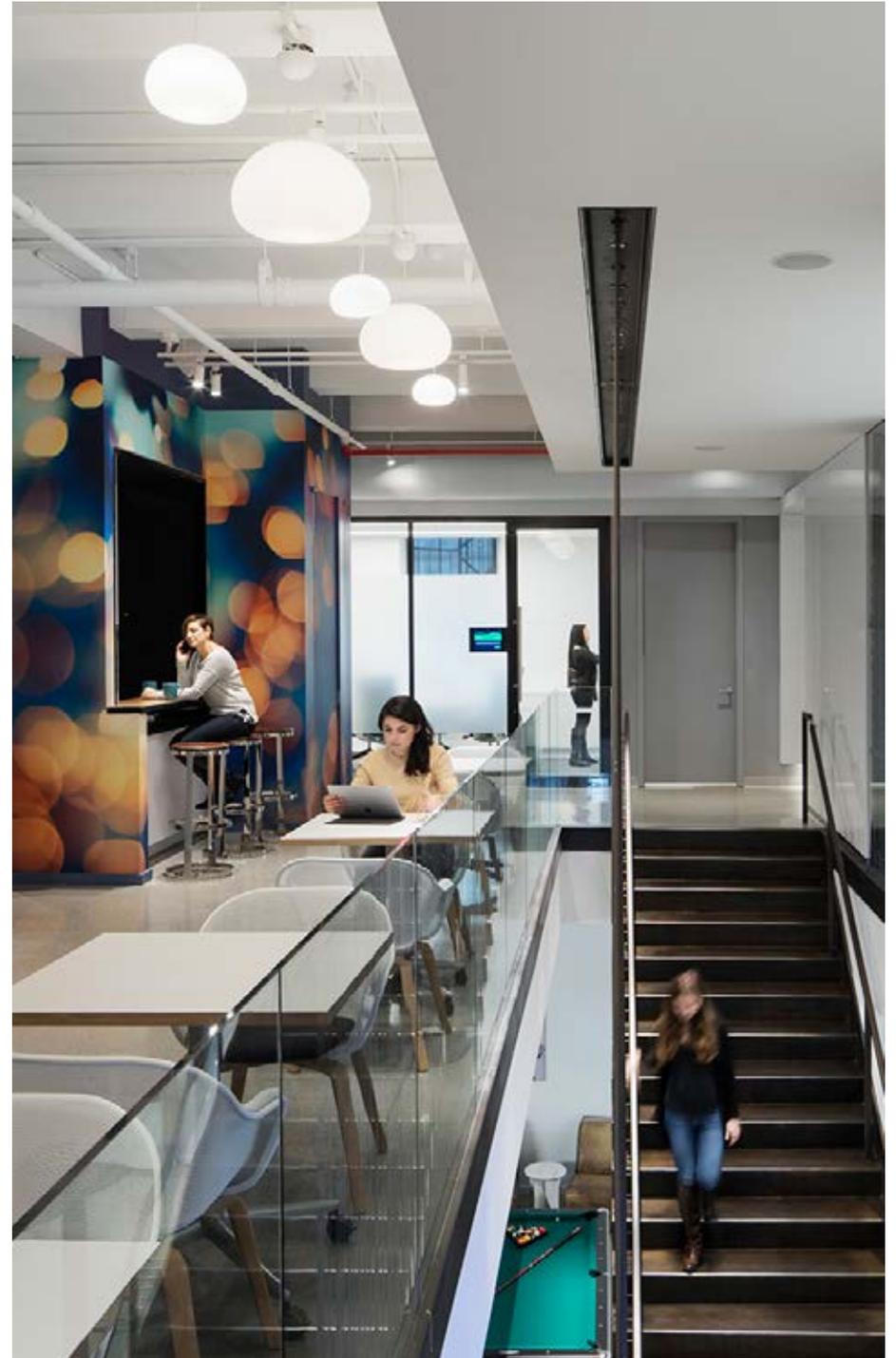
Return to the Workplace



Focus on Wellness

The Coronavirus has amplified the importance of wellness and safety in the workplace. As organizations transition from stay-at-home mandates towards new ways of working together, we are here to help.

Managing a successful shift back to the workplace requires expertise, flexibility, compassion, and a practical approach. We stand ready to partner with owners, operators, and tenants to develop and implement strategies to prepare buildings, workspaces, and their occupants for the next chapter.

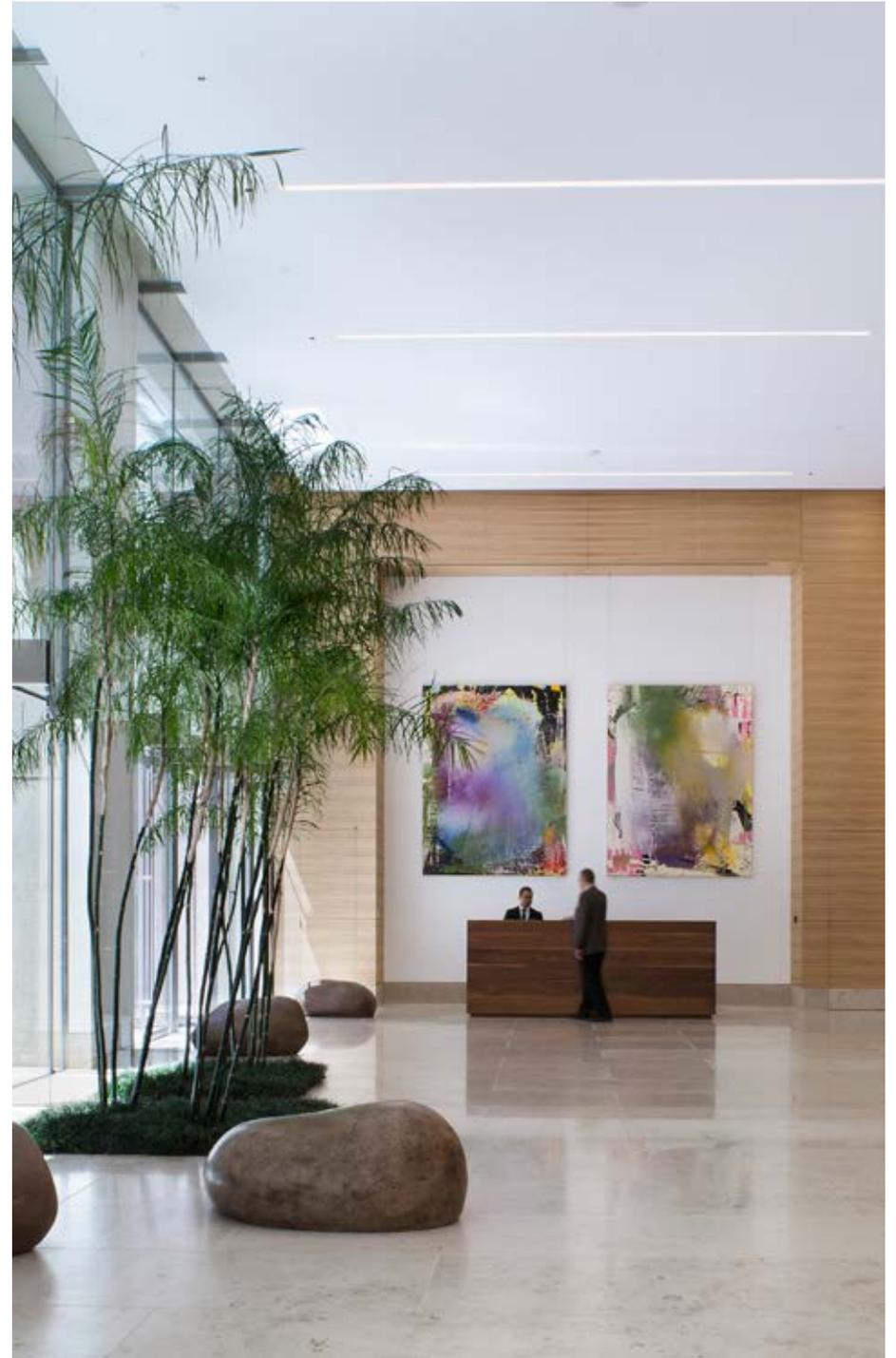


Lobbies & Shared Spaces

The design of public areas and amenity spaces adapts to address social distancing and minimal surface contact, supported by new operational protocols.

Considerations:

- Touchless building entries and security / sign-in procedures
- Walk-off mats, sanitizing, and use of non-porous surfaces
- Increased spacing or elimination of seating areas
- Elevator cab interiors and touchless controls / dispatch
- Touchless restroom doors, fixtures, and accessories
- Signage programs for public awareness
- Protocols to limit occupant density and moderate traffic





Space Planning

Responsive interior planning approaches decrease density in office spaces as tenants implement partial Work-From-Home models or phased re-entry to office spaces.

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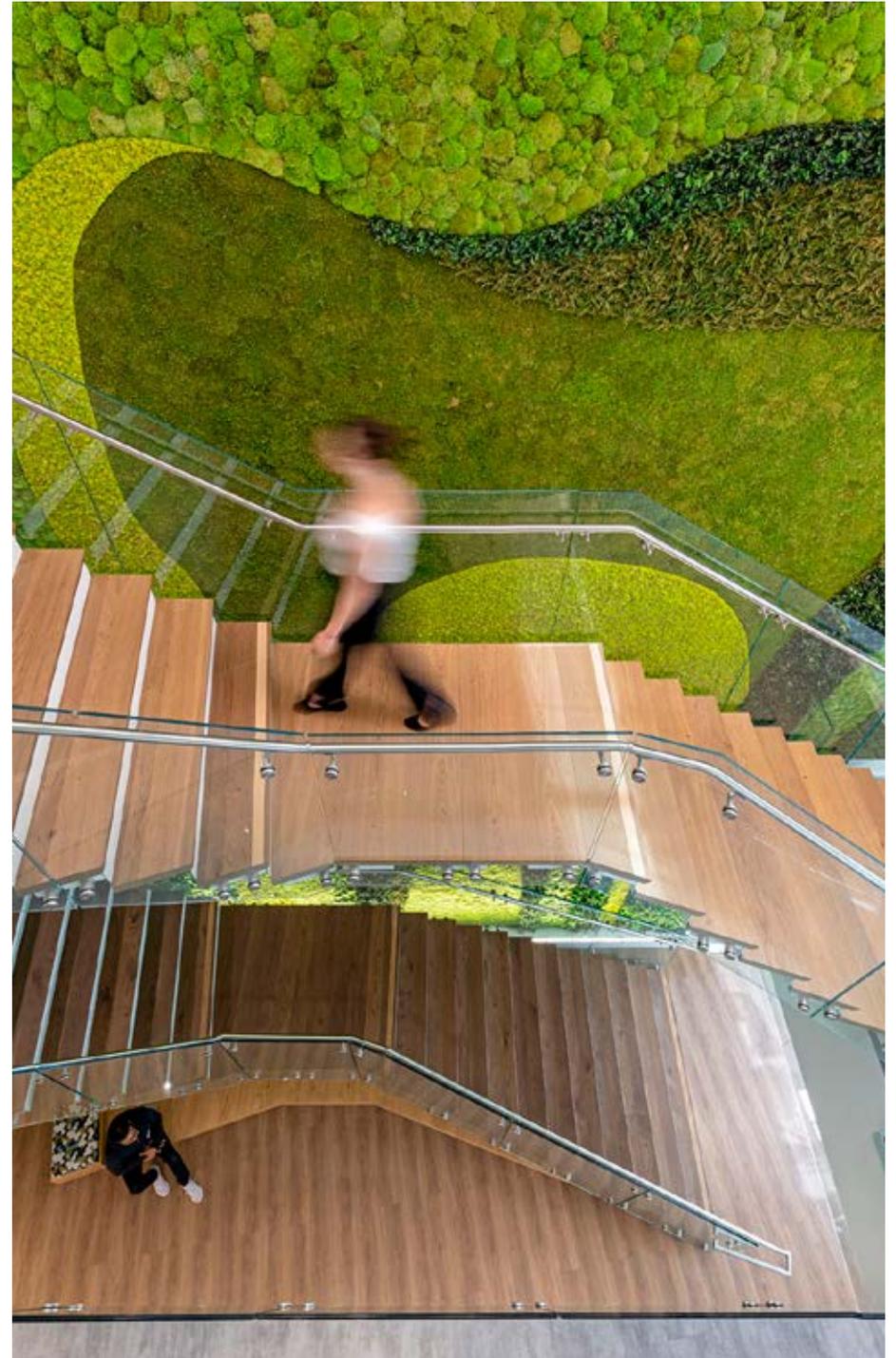
- Reconfiguration and retrofit of reception area and desks
- Adjusting shape and spacing of furniture in meeting rooms and social spaces to support social distancing
- Decreasing density and reorienting open office configurations
- Redesigning circulation pathways to minimize proximity and encounters
- Minimizing shared physical resources, including personal storage
- Isolation of mail and delivery processing
- Operational protocols to control occupant density (i.e. Hoteling, or Work-From-Home)

Indoor Air Quality

Human health and well-being are directly impacted by building infrastructure, in particular mechanical systems affecting indoor air quality.

Considerations:

- Increased ventilation and humidity levels
- Enhanced access to fresh air, limiting recirculation
- Added filtration and frequent filter replacement
- Regular, thorough cleaning of vents, units, and coils
- Air quality monitoring and control during construction and occupancy
- Compliance with certification standards (LEED, WELL, Fitwel, RESET)





Virtual Connections

With increased reliance on digital interactions, spaces dedicated to communication are optimized for health and wellness as well as productivity.

Considerations:

- Personal device and mobility strategies
- Increased access to settings for video and audio communication
- Distributed smaller locations in lieu of singular, large spaces
- Wireless connectivity and touchless (voice / gesture) technology
- Limited in-room device sharing / individual device support
- Purpose-built communication technology, acoustics, and lighting systems with future flexibility

Food Service

Providing safe and healthy options for food storage, preparation, and consumption within the office environment enhances quality of life at work.

Considerations:

- Hand sanitation and touchless fixtures
- Handling and storage of supplies
- Food storage and refrigeration
- Non-porous, cleanable food preparation surfaces
- Water purification and touchless dispensing
- Waste containment and hands-free disposal
- Dishwashing and sanitizing
- Enclosed dish and tableware storage
- Protocols to minimize crowding and communal food sharing in designated areas for consumption





Materials

Selection of finishes for the built environment and furnishings to mitigate adverse health effects considers material content, source, and properties.

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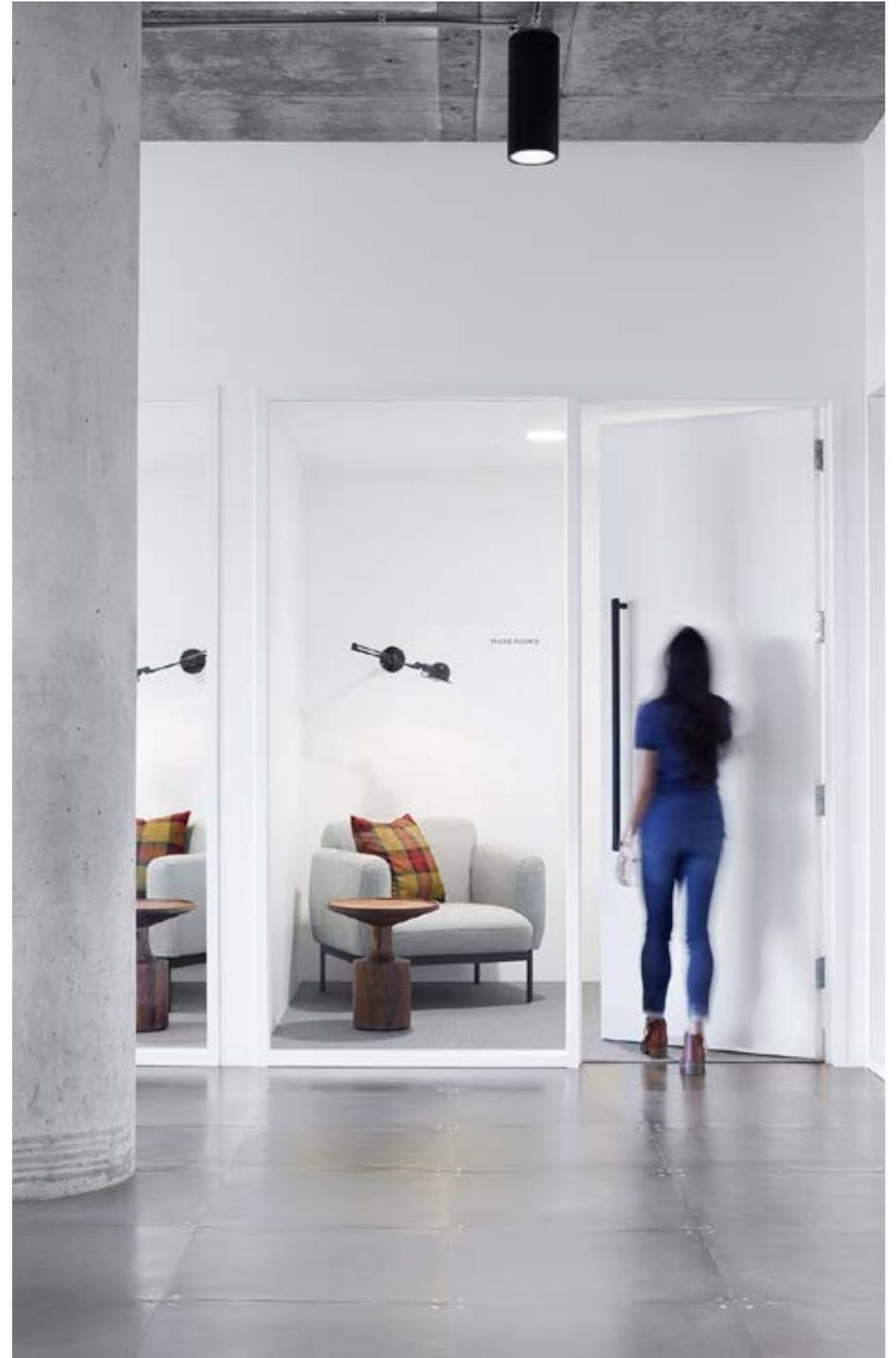
- Non-porous and / or antimicrobial materials in high-use areas
- Moisture resistant materials in wet areas
- Removable and cleanable / bleachable fabrics
- Hard, wipeable seating surfaces in lieu of upholstery
- Eliminating toxic materials and Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC)
- Consideration of durability, reuse, and recyclability

Cleaning

Commitment to a healthier workspace requires clear protocols and participation by occupants as well as janitorial and operational staff.

Considerations:

- Disinfection of public areas and workspaces before re-occupation
- Additional training for cleaning personnel and operations teams
- Increased frequency of cleaning for lobbies, restrooms and amenity spaces
- Enhanced cleaning protocols for workstations, gathering spaces, and especially high-touch areas
- Cleaning of tenant office equipment and screens
- Provision of cleaning materials for personal devices
- Audit of cleaning products and tools for effectiveness and environmental or health impacts





How We Can Help

Huntsman offers a spectrum of services to support owners and tenants in re-occupying buildings and office spaces:

- Evaluation and re-planning of spaces considering density, proximity, circulation systems, and high-touch areas
- Change Management, including employee surveys, review of operational protocols, space usage guidelines, and communication strategy
- Modifications to millwork, fixtures, and equipment in pantries and other areas
- Finish upgrades
- Furniture inventory, design & layout, specification, dealer coordination
- Signage & wayfinding
- Building systems and infrastructure assessment including mechanical, electrical, plumbing, elevators, security, and audio-visual

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