

Canon Canada Headquarters

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8000 Mississauga Road, Brampton, Ontario

New Building, Commercial (Office or Retail) / Mixed Use



Set upon a landscaped podium, Canon Canada's new LEED Gold headquarters building communicates Canon's brand values of clarity, precision and technological elegance. The four-storey 176,000 SF volume, wrapped in a silvery white curtain-wall with vertical fins of fritted glass, appears to float above its recessed base of black Quebec-sourced granite. The entrance into the site ushers a quiet elegance as you make your way down an internal promenade lined with formal plantings native to the Brampton site, highlighted by Japanese Cherry trees that pay homage to the company's Japanese roots.

The strategic placement of the building was key to ensuring the client's vision for a "building within a park", allowing generous views and connections to nature. The building is set back on the site to create a formal garden space at street level. This garden also serves to hide surface parking from the street and provides staff with an unobstructed view of their surroundings. In order to preserve as much of the existing site as possible, parking for approximately 150 cars was pushed below grade. Mechanical and Electrical spaces were also placed below grade so as to avoid an unsightly roof-top mechanical penthouse, thus maintaining the minimalist elegance of the building's primary form.



The building's interiors balance privacy and collegiality in an open and serene environment with offices oriented around a bright and airy central atrium, where daylight gently washes over travertine floors, maple-plank ceilings and tranquil rock gardens. Ergonomic furniture, interior plantings, individually-controlled lighting and low-VOC materials further enhance staff well-being. Outside, expansive outdoor terraces are linked to a serene walking trail that meanders around a stormwater management pond buffered by a naturalized meadow of native plantings. Inside and out, the project paints a picturesque backdrop for the company whose environmental and sustainability values are ingrained into their corporate philosophy.

