



CIBC Square

by WilkinsonEyre

WilkinsonEyre has masterplanned three linked sites of 33,000m² for commercial use, adjacent to Union Station in Toronto. The masterplan provides twin 250m-high commercial towers positioned on opposite sides of a rail corridor and linked at high level by a sky park.

The total development will be constructed in two phases to provide high quality office and amenity space. The overall development integrates closely with Toronto's public transport system providing a new bus terminal for Metrolinx, as well as new connections into Toronto's Union Station, subway and lightrail (LRT) systems. CIBC announced in 2017 that they would be the project's anchor tenant, taking space in both phases.

The first phase of CIBC Square, 81 Bay St, is a 54-storey tower and associated podium, which includes various tenant amenity spaces including a large auditorium, restaurants, retail, and the new bus terminal. A new one acre landscaped park spans the rail corridor connecting 81 Bay north of the rail corridor.

Both towers feature a lightly folded glazed façade, creating a diamond pattern which repeats every ten storeys, adding a vertical scale and modulation contrasting with the surrounding buildings.

Details

Location: Toronto, Canada
Client: Ivanhoé Cambridge
Design Architect: WilkinsonEyre
Executive Architect: Adamson Associates
Services Engineer: The Mitchell Partnership
Structural Engineer: Read Jones Christoffersen
Phase one area: 205,020m²
Phase one height: 248m
Phase one storeys: 54
Phase one completion due: 2020
LEED rating: Platinum (target)