

## CELEBRATING 35 YEARS 1985 - 2020

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## **HYATT HOTELS**



Above: "Hyatt Place and Hyatt House" Artwork by Audrey Gusick.

## **Dever Architects is Celebrating 35 Years: Hyatt Hotels Corporation**

In honor of Dever Architects' 35th anniversary, all our 2020 newsletters will reflect on the projects and clients that made such a milestone possible, as well as the projects and clients that will keep us around for the next 35 years.

Dever Architects is well known for our hospitality and hotel architecture. Currently, we have two projects for Hyatt Hotels Corporation in the works, both in the Pennsylvania area. One is a Hyatt House, which is in the design phase, and the other is a dual brand, Hyatt House and Hyatt Place.

The dual brand project will be a six-story, 205-room, 142,650 square foot hotel with a mix of Hyatt Place and Hyatt House guestrooms spread throughout the floor plan. The hotel will also include staple Hyatt features, including a lobby with business center, a gathering room, a guest kitchen, a fitness room, an indoor pool, and an outdoor commons patio with a fire pit and grilles.

This project will also feature a custom 1,550 square foot pre-function and 3,750 square foot banquet hall for weddings and other events. Each custom space will have enclosed patios for the guests to mingle in and out of doors.

Also included is a custom 4,970 square foot restaurant with a bar island and outdoor terrace. A non-prototypical kitchen was designed to allow for food preparation for this custom restaurant as well as the custom banquet halls and Hyatt's breakfast service.

Dever Architects worked closely with the kitchen designer, hotel interior designer, and restaurant interior designer in order to make sure everything was properly integrated and worked well together.

But this enormous project is not the first time Dever Architects has worked on a Hyatt property.

In 2008, Dever Architects worked with their client from schematic design through the completion of permitting and bidding on a Hyatt Place that was to be located at Wilmington, Delaware's riverfront.

The design for this hotel was a 99,870 square foot, six story concrete block and plank building with 154 guestrooms. This Hyatt Place was to feature the "Jewel Box" and the "Edge" while also hosting six meeting rooms of varying sizes and an indoor swimming pool. The exterior was a mix of Emperor brick and EIFs.

While the average size of a hotel is under 50,000 square feet, some projects have needs that cannot fit in the average and need extra design to make sure everything fits together and still works functionally. Dever Architects has worked on many larger hotel projects, several for Hyatt, and can make sure that custom needs and prototypical must-haves are both addressed and work together.

