

BOWTIE

HARBOURFRONT CENTRE
TORONTO
CANADA

Project Credits

Client: Toronto Harbourfront Centre
Program: Installation
Location: Toronto, Canada

Structure: Steel Framing
Size (GFA): 10.50 m²

Design: 2011
Built: Winter 2012

Design: Atelier RZLBD / Reza Aliabadi
Construction: Toronto Harbourfront Centre
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The intention was to create an abstract spatial experiment in which one can simply explore an architectural structure and find the place big enough for them. The Bowtie, reconciliation passage, is a corridor in which the three-dimensional space at the point of the corner entrances gradually decreases in size while eventually forming a box in the middle. The box has the dimensions of the minimum requirements of humans' body according to Neufert. While the space becomes tighter the light becomes stronger and eventually the smallest point in the promenade is the brightest point.