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Trip Advisor HQ

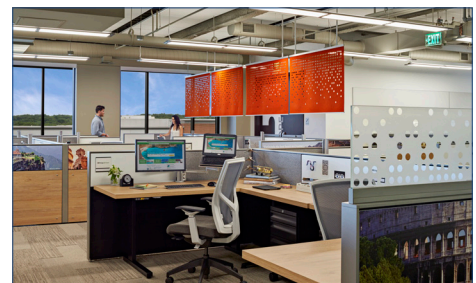
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Trip Advisor's new 282,000 sqft headquarters houses a wide variety of working and social environments. The lighting had to meet the aggressive schedule and budgetary goals. For open office areas, decorative accent fixtures intermingle with linear LED pendant fixtures to create a "modern industrial loft," as well as a distinct identity for the building. Extensive mockups of various fixture choices at their existing offices allowed employees to evaluate and comment on the workhorse linear pendants.

At the heart of the new building is a daylight Forum—a modern version of Rome's Spanish Steps with three-story vertical garden walls that seats 1,100 employees. The space instantly transforms into a theater to support meetings streamed online to offices around the world. Stair treads with cast-glass inserts are backlit, and track fixtures on all levels provide ambient lighting. For video broadcasts, blackout shades provide daylight control and theatrical luminaires & controls provide the lighting required for broadcast quality presentations.

On the curving plaza-facing side of the building is a line of linear pendants following the curtain-wall line, and incorporating a colored uplight in the corporation's signature green color. The project received LEED Gold.



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