



### A Winning Ecosystem

Last night, the Association of Registered Interior Designers honoured our firm with an Award of Merit, for the 28, 250 sq. ft. head office renovation for Environics.

The industry-leading Environics group of companies provides intelligent research, analytics, consulting, sales training, public relations and communications services. Their focus is on finding and making clear the information patterns that reflect and provide insights on the social ecosystem, in order to help their clients succeed.

What is an ecosystem, anyway? Well, according to Dictionary.com, it's "a system, or a group of interconnected elements, formed by the interaction of a community of organisms with their environment. Any system or network of interconnecting and interacting parts, as in a business."

Having worked with Environics many years ago, Don and Michel were very excited when contacted to help the company succeed by improving their interaction with their environment.

The existing space was dark, dated, maze-like, overcrowded, and it hampered productivity. We set out to solve the functional issues; create a more collaborative environment; "wow" Environics' clients, and inspire and reward their employees, all while creating 25% growth capacity.

Not only did our approach preclude the expense and disruption of a move, we helped Environics avoid a potentially messy multi-phased in situ renovation. The single phase construction project we proposed and implemented was \$225K lower in cost and 60 days shorter than the alternative.

And, as the ARIDO judges concluded, the result is stunning.

We achieved this dramatically transformative renovation by using extensive glazing, strategic colour placement and smart planning that kept the window perimeter open. Flooded with daylight, the resulting bright, spacious workspace with deep exterior views is enthusiastically received by staff and clients alike.

Check out the award-winning space for yourself, starting with the dramatic all-glass elevator lobby [here](#).