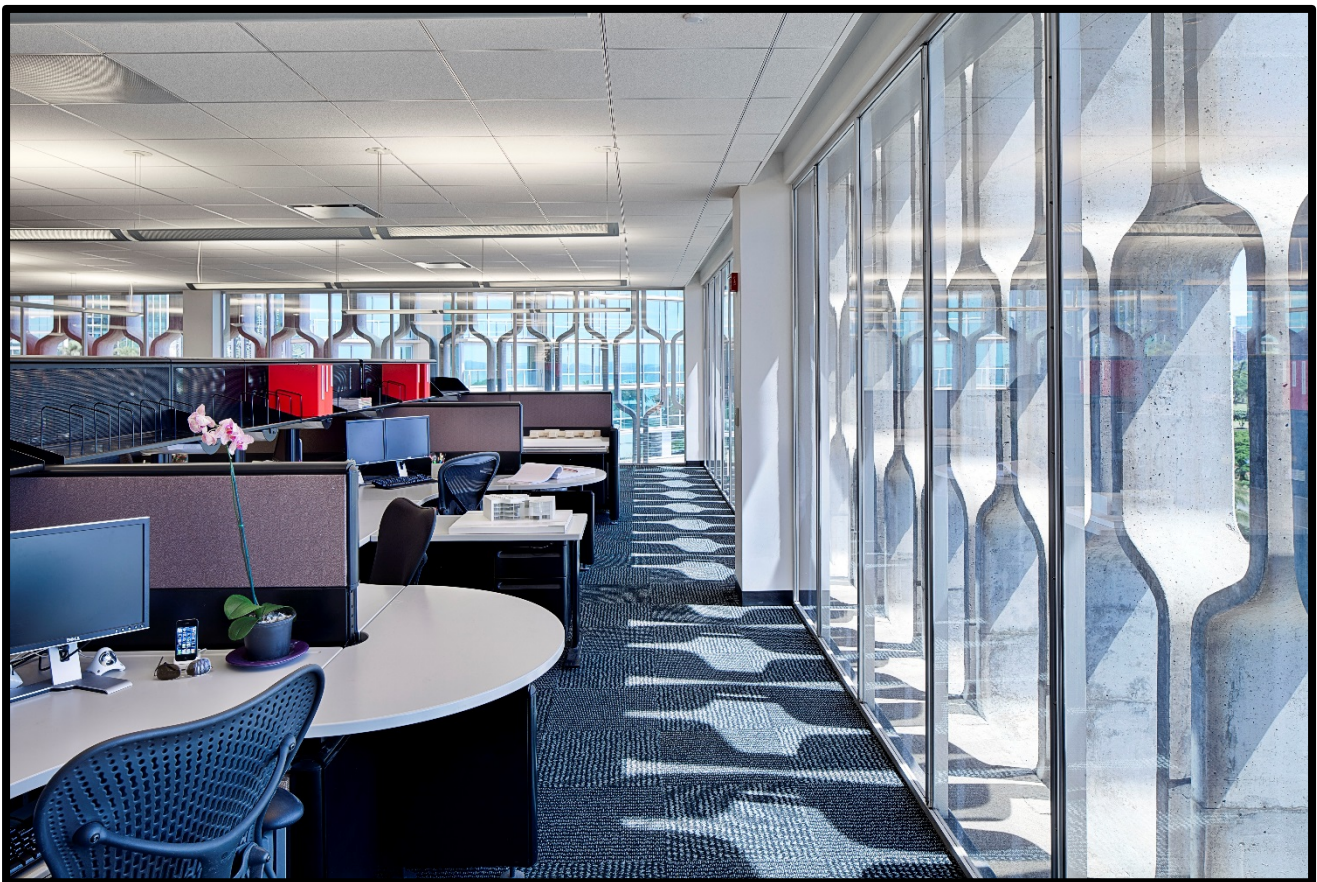




FERRARO CHOI



LEED Certification:

Ferraro Choi's dedication to leadership in sustainable design of high performance buildings and interiors helped the office to achieve the highest level of certification established by the United States Green Building Council (USGBC). In 2011 Ferraro Choi was awarded LEED Platinum certification for Commercial Interiors at its office located on the 5th floor of the IBM Center at the Ward Centre. To receive the high LEED certification, Ferraro Choi has demonstrated a superfluous performance in energy and water efficiency, use of materials and resources, indoor environmental quality, construction waste management, and site location.

Energy & Water Efficiency:

- ✦ Through the use of "Building Dashboard," an energy management system, Ferraro Choi can continually monitor energy usage and confirm energy use projections to assist in modifying office behavior patterns to decrease electricity use
- ✦ Occupancy sensors are installed to minimize energy consumption
- ✦ Translucent floor-to-ceiling partitions are installed wherever possible to allow the maximum amount of natural lighting
- ✦ Photocells located along the perimeter window walls measure lighting levels and make necessary adjustments to the artificial lighting in order to maintain appropriate and comfortable lighting levels with the optimum use of daylight
- ✦ Low-flow faucets and an ENERGY STAR® dishwasher are used to reduce water consumption
- ✦ A point-of-use water heater is installed, which uses up to 20% less energy than a standard water heater
- ✦ ENERGY STAR exemplary performance at 94.6%

Waste Reduction and Recycling:

- ✦ Existing materials, such as furniture, carpet, and fixtures were reused from Ferraro Choi's previous office in the current office
- ✦ 'Ohia wood, a locally grown species harvested and processed from fallen trees, was used for flooring
- ✦ Office paper, letter pads, envelopes, Post-its, file folders, index dividers, correction tape, paper clips, staple removers, and storage boxes are all purchased with post-consumer recycled content.
- ✦ A recycling program is in place to sort plastic bottles, glass, cans, general paper, cardboard, and magazines

Pollution Prevention

- ✦ Green-e Tradable Renewable Certificates were purchased to encourage renewable energy technologies on a net zero pollution basis.
- ✦ A company bike and a bus pass are provided to encourage employees to use alternate transportation
- ✦ Carpet adhesives and paints are specified based on low Volatile Organic Compounds
- ✦ A bicycle courier service is used for local deliveries