



Exterior view looking south at new "Porch"



Exterior view looking west



Exterior view looking south

**Client:** BMI Systems  
**Completion:** May 2003  
**Scope:** 16,100 s.f.  
**Cost:** \$630,000  
**Awards:** AIA National Honor Award for Interior Architecture, IDSA/IDEA Silver Award, Texas Society of Architects Honor Award, AIA Central States Region Merit Award for Interior Architecture, AIA Oklahoma Award of Excellence, 25th Annual Interiors National Award

**Architectural Concept:**

**Exterior**

- Create a visible, high impact, landmark location in what is now a dull, grey industrial development.
- Transform a dull, grey, lifeless tilt-up concrete warehouse into a memorable corporate image.
- Introduce natural light into the interior with skylights and portholes punched through the tilt-up concrete walls.
- Create bold graphic impact that adds "findability" and excitement to the first impression. We have interpreted the "missing corner" as a "cutaway of the company."

**Interior**

- The overhead doors provide inspiration as "duplicate" forms. The overhead door shape is then extended, extruded and duplicated into interior space.
- A new interior wall was created to allow for a covered climate-controlled porch for client meetings, presentations and lunches. The Texas climate allows this to be an "outdoor room" with the doors open.
- The signature "paper wall" greets guests in the reception area.
- Blue light brings the "sky" into the space.
- The existing exposed tilt-up concrete walls remain and support the idea of building the new "box within a box."
- The existing red iron is a reminder of the original use as a raw warehouse.
- The spider-web of data and power cords directly illustrates the idea that the equipment organizes, directs and transforms the "chaos" into meaningful and useable information.
- The perimeter blue polycarbonate panels separate and illustrate the co-habitation of corporate office and warehouse.
- Industrial materials such as vinyl-backed batt insulation, galvanized metal, sealed concrete, and exposed steel studs communicate economy and inventiveness as a company.



Exterior detail of signage



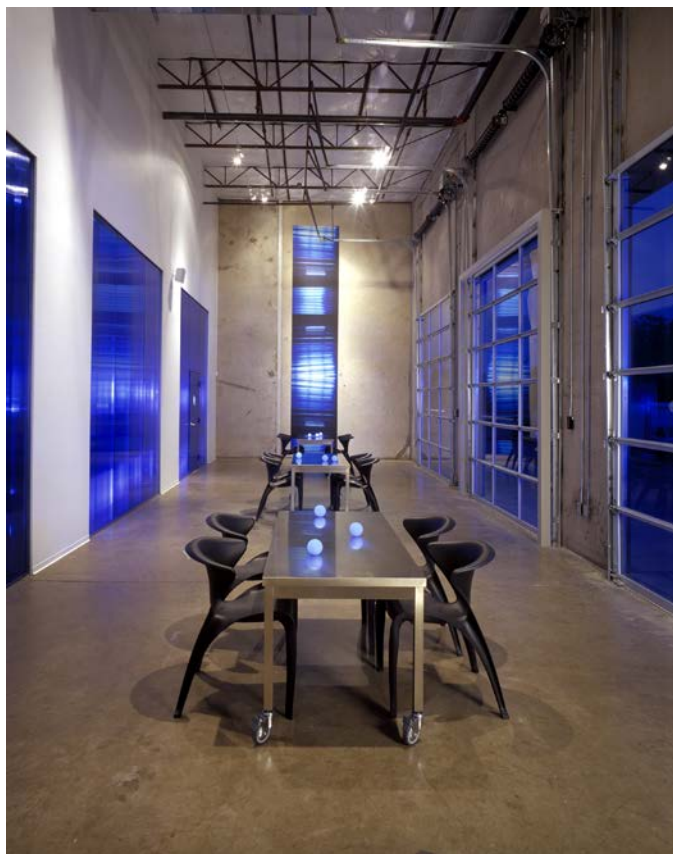
Exterior detail of main entry



East elevation



New "Porch" detail showing blue polycarbonate



Interior night view of porch looking east



Interior daytime view of porch looking east



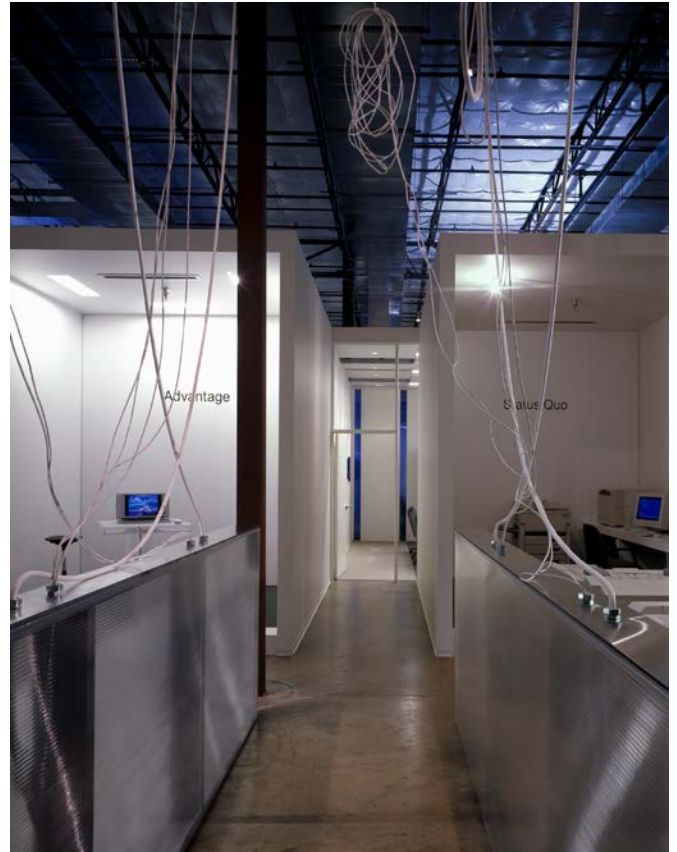
Reception with signature paper wall



Showroom with cables looking east



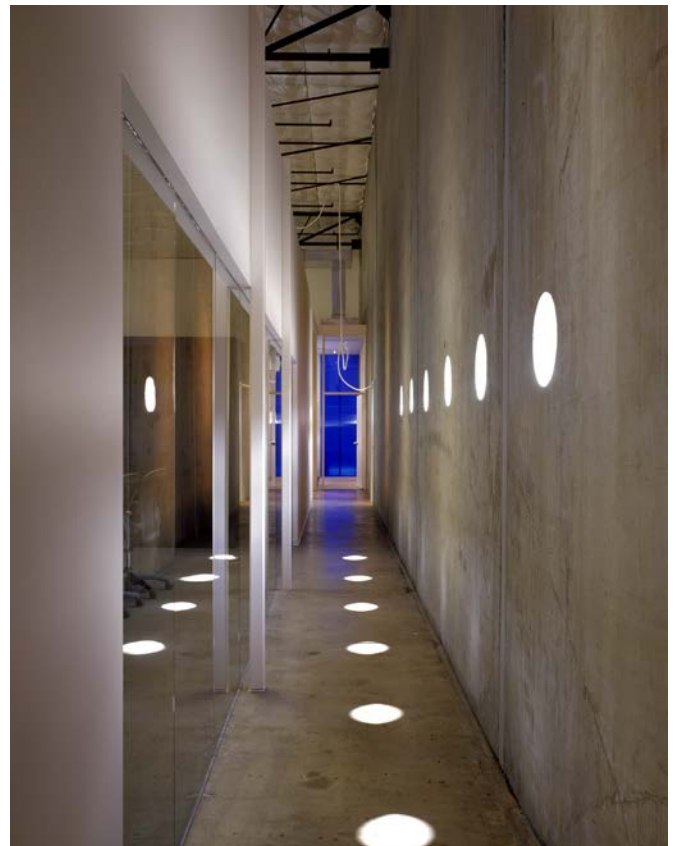
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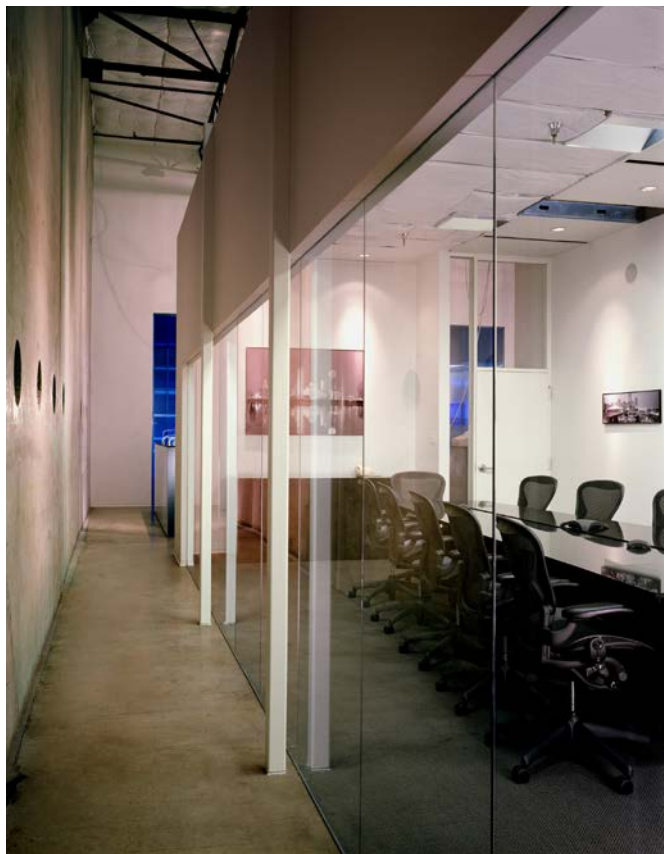
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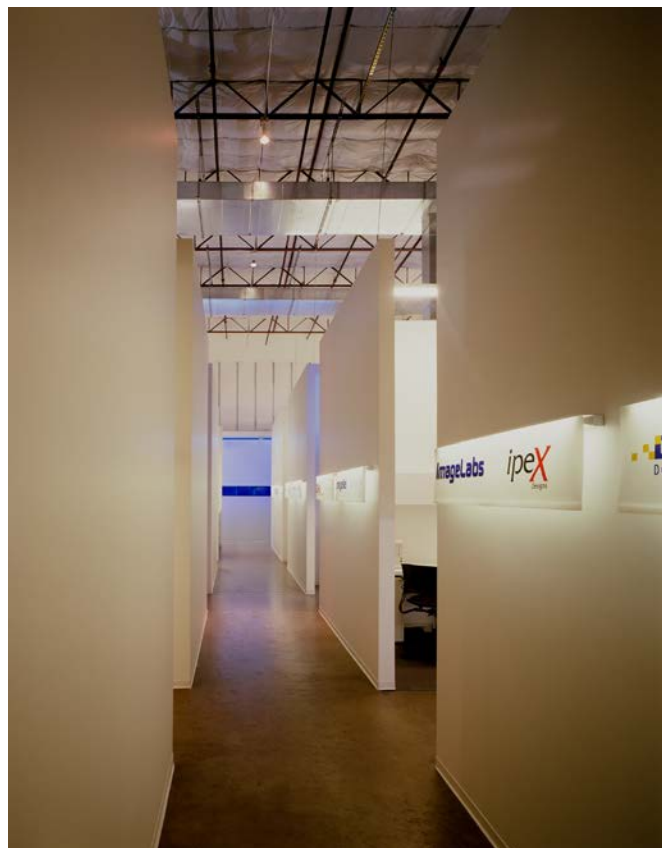
East corridor looking south through conference room



West corridor along sales area looking north



Work room detail showing view to warehouse beyond



North corridor with business gallery looking west



Sales area looking west



Accounting area with view to warehouse beyond



View from warehouse area toward reception



Warehouse view looking east with Aextended@ wall panels on north wall