**Hirsch Bedner Associates (HBA) Designs Hyatt Regency Hotel Chuansha Adjacent to New**

**Shanghai Disney Resort**

*New Luxury Hotel Welcomes Theme Park Guests; Takes Design Cues from Huangpu River*

**SINGAPORE (July 12, 2016)** – Set to open in September 2016 to accommodate guests from around the world visiting the highly-anticipated Shanghai Disney Resort is the Hyatt Regency Hotel Chuansha. Designed by [Hirsch Bedner Associates (HBA),](http://www.hba.com) the world’s leading hospitality interior design firm, the new hotel offers families an elegant hotel experience adjacent to the new theme park.

“We were inspired by the surrounding Huangpu River, which meanders through the metropolitan area of Shanghai,” said HBA Senior Associate Paula O'Callaghan**.** “Each space in the hotel subtly references this historic river, signifying its role in Shanghai’s development as a global commercial port and financial hub both past and present.”

In the grand lobby, a shimmering hand-blown glass chandelier by Lasvit cascades down a central, double volume space. Serving as both a light source and focal art piece, this dramatic installation depicts abstract ruby-colored fish swimming in a frenzied circle amidst swirling, illuminated crystals. The refined, structured entrance is finished with grey marble and warm walnut, and is flanked by two grand contemporary staircases, each featuring a faceted, cascading water wall that lead guests down into the basement level meeting function areas. Grand circular pillars set against the clean, linear interior architecture complete the space.

A re-occurring theme of herringbone found throughout the property can be witnessed in various elements; its presence symbolizing the zig-zag topography of the Huangpu River and the exciting economic and cultural pulse of modern Shanghai. In the ballroom, the tall, monumental entry ways feature faceted, three dimensional herringbone patterns at the large transoms. The ballroom carpet incorporates a more asymmetrical, playful herringbone scheme of deep purples and reds to offset the elegant white furnishings. The chandelier above features a labyrinth of interlocking grid patterns reminiscent of an age old, formal Chinese custom in sealing milestones and business deals: the chop.

The lobby lounge area is defined with a dynamic screen featuring metal and cast glass elements set out in a vertical herringbone pattern which allow glimpses from the lobby into the lounge. A delicate, contemporary 3D maze-like chandelier nested with tiny decorative light bulbs graces the space above.

In the guestrooms, blond wood and Carrera stone is complemented with architectural lighting and a teal toned scheme references the tones of the Huangpu River’s water. Guest bathrooms, encased in white marble, are spacious and feature a separate powder room off the entry vestibule. Sliding doors in special smoked glass with laminated fabric, cordon off the semi-walk-in closet opposite the bathroom. A combination of brushed and mirrored bronze metal accents throughout the space complete the sleek, elegant aesthetic.

The all-day dining restaurant is inspired by the Chinese garden, which has evolved over thousands of years and made for reflection and as an escape from the chaos of the outside world. It subtly mimics the experience of the garden and serves as an escape for guests as it did for Chinese scholars thousands of years ago. Interior architecture calls on water themes to bring tranquility to the space with lush plants surrounding the space to help clear the mind. The overall design is very clean and contemporary, with hints of organic motifs to complement the garden concept and natural theme. Taking cues from elements in Chinese gardens, winding paths and zig-zag galleries are used as inspiration with the seating spaces as tables will be placed along winding paths to offer a variety of seating arrangements and scenes.

Perched on the 19th floor with views over Chuansha, the executive lounge is inspired by a conservatory – a light and airy spaced filled with plants as an escape from the urban jungle of Shanghai. Accents of amethyst and chartreuse punctuate a neutral palete of dove grey and cream tones, anchored by a walnut herringbone floor and grey marble counters. Chevroned patterned metal screens dot the interior, adding a layer of modernity in detail.

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