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# Alexander Wong Architects Wins World's Best Interior Design Award in London with Vivace Restaurant at Regala Skycity Hotel

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Vivace • Ice & Fire

Alexander Wong Architects just made history by winning **World's Best Interior Design Award** at **International Property Awards** for the third time since their highest category of **World's Best Awards** were first introduced in 2016.

The company is honoured to have won Three Major Design Awards at this year's "**International Property Awards 2023-24**" held at the **Savoy Hotel** in London on **Thursday 22nd February 2024** including the Pinnacle Award of "**World's Best Interior Design**" for **Vivace • Ice & Fire** of **Regala Skycity Hotel** at **Hong Kong International Airport**. Alexander Wong Architects has won **World's Best Interior Design** for "**Carmen Futura**" in 2016 and also "**WM Hotel**" in 2023 as well, making Alexander Wong Architects the only design firm that has won the **World's Best Interior Design Award** three times.

**“International Property Awards 2023-24”** is an International Design Award event with participants from Brazil to China; Singapore to Miami; South Africa to Qatar, recognizing those who have significant contributions towards Architecture, Interior Design and Real Estate Development over the previous year. It is highly regarded by the International Real Estate Industry Worldwide.

This year, Alexander Wong Architects has won Three Top Awards in Interior Design as follows:

1. **“World’s Best Interior Design” for Vivace • Ice & Fire of Regala Skycity Hotel**
2. **“Best International Hotel Restaurant Interior” for Vivace • Ice & Fire of Regala Skycity Hotel**
3. **“Best Hotel Restaurant Interior Asia Pacific” for Vivace • Ice & Fire of Regala Skycity Hotel**

This International Award reaffirms Alexander Wong Architects’ leading position in the International field of Interior Design in Hospitality and Themed Dining.

The International Property Awards is the largest competition of its type in the world since 1995. The summit covers the regions of Africa, Asia Pacific, Arabia, Canada, Caribbean, Central & South America, Europe, UK and USA, with participation from over 2,000 companies and 1,700 entries. Participants are judged by a highly experienced team of professionals of over 100 members who cover the whole range of property disciplines. The awards are given for the quality of design, construction and presentation of individual properties and property development, interiors, architecture and marketing – which ultimately determine the world’s finest property, architectural and interior design companies. It has an annual total project value exceeding US\$10 billion.

### **About Vivace • Ice & Fire**

“Everything You Could Imagine Is Real.” --- Picasso

International Air Travel has always been one of the most iconic manifestations of modern human civilization. The newly completed Regala Skycity Hotel situated at the Hong Kong International Airport revisits the glamour of our golden age in world travelling while reigniting a new excitement for global explorations by future generations.

In a unique context to entertain the global nomads from all over the world, this grill room providing international cuisine on the pool deck & garden on level 3 is named “Vivace”. Originally conceived as a special venue with a Spanish touch, the grill room sets out to please as well as to satisfy visitors from all over the world whose appetites for food and desire for novelties go hand in hand. From the beginning of its inception, the contrast between icy drinks set against hot grilled meat dishes continues to inspire a design that would exemplify a fusion of cool sophistication with a passion for travel as well as living the international high life. There is a strong Catalonian theme celebrated here partly based on the design of Antonio Gaudi, arguably one of the greatest architects of all time. The ceiling design alludes to snowflake patterns filled with colourful stained glass and the original inspiration is of course from Gaudi’s famous Sagrada Familia in Barcelona. Most of the furniture pays homage to Modern Spanish Masters but with a touch of Spanish Surrealism as inspired by Dali. These art-like sculptural pieces are set against columns as well as on flooring covered with colourful Iberian

ceramic tiles to match. The giant spiral glass screens and the spiral vertical sunshades are like modern art pieces dancing blissfully to the rhythms of Spanish Flamenco music. Inside the bathrooms, blue agate is complimented by amazon green marble as inspired from Tiffany stores. The vanity mirrors pay homage to Gaudi's designs but with a twist of abstraction. Outside, the ribbon staircase, inspired by Heatherwick's Longchamp, allows visitors to reach the upper garden on level 5. In the outdoor courtyard, more Spanish surrealism could be discovered with special landscape design including the Bull Horn Bench as inspired by Spanish matadors and their bullfights.

**Mr. Alexander Wong**, Director & Founder of Alexander Wong Architects, reacts to the news, "I wish to thank International Property Awards for this great honour. Very special thanks to everyone at Regala Skycity Hotel for their incredible support. Through our design philosophy to provide innovation, excitement & glamour for **Vivace** without sacrificing functional needs, this Award is a wonderful confirmation of the realization of our Client's vision for the Hotel in this unique location in Hong Kong International Airport. We are delighted to have our original design recognized by the judging panel and will continue to raise the bar with all our future design endeavours."



Mr. Alexander Wong in London





Lord Thurso, Mr. Alexander Wong, Ms. Sok Tng of LIXIL Water Technology and Mr. Stuart Shield of International Property Awards (IPA) on stage during the International Property Awards held at the Savoy Hotel in London on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024.



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Main Entrance





Main Area with Kitchen at the Back

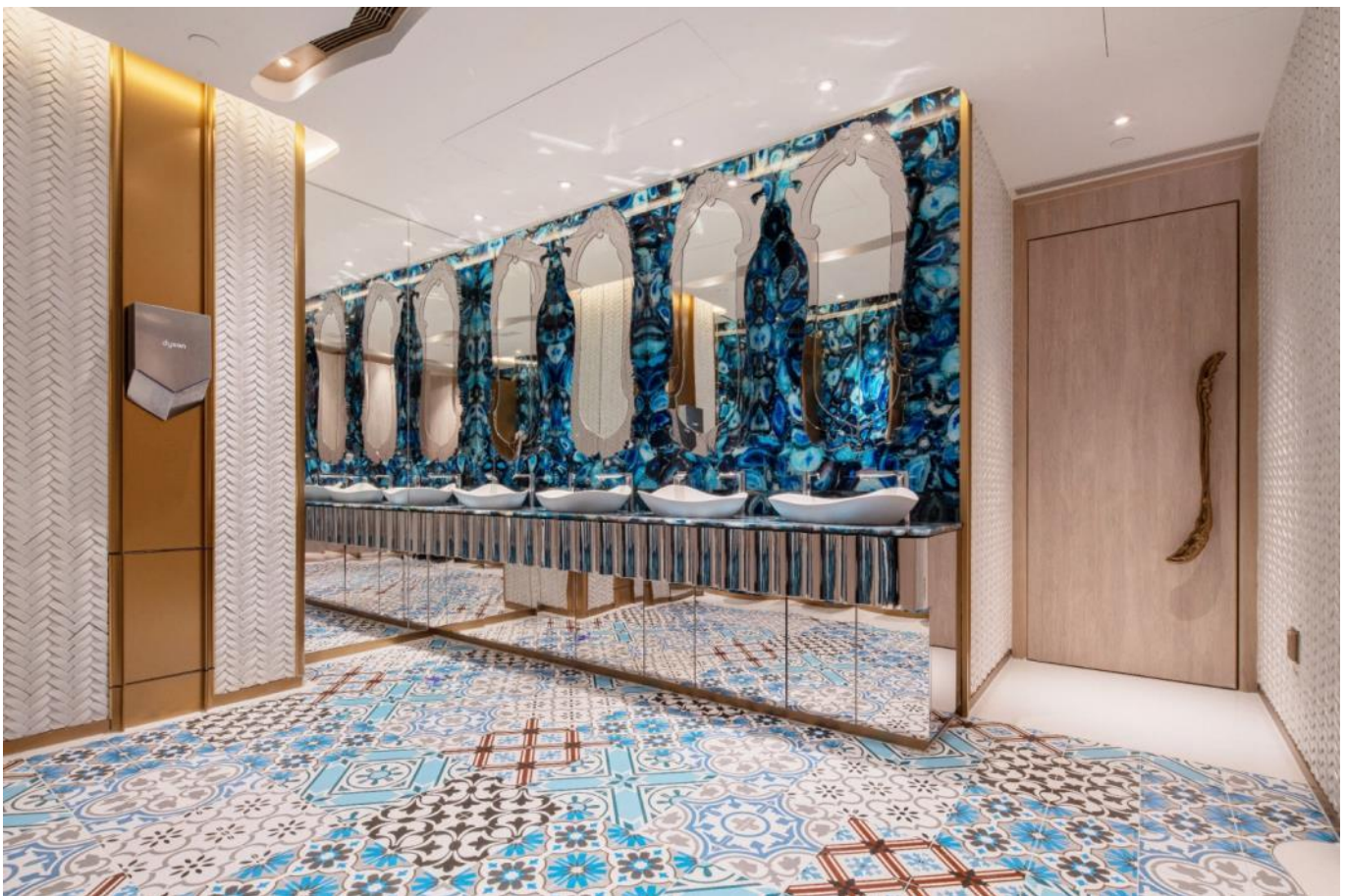


Bar Area





The Bar

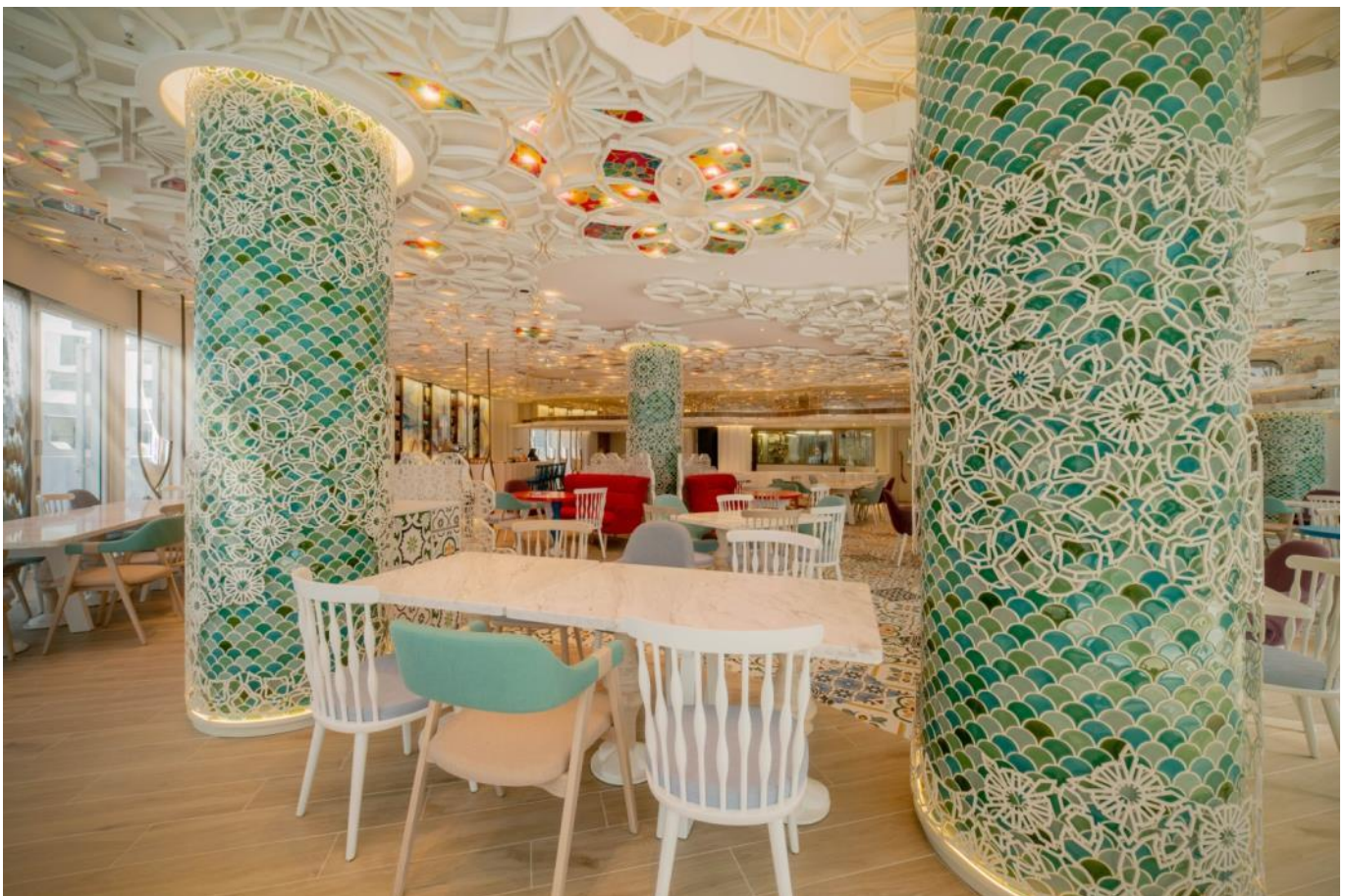


Male Restroom with Gaudi Mirrors





Overlooking The Pool

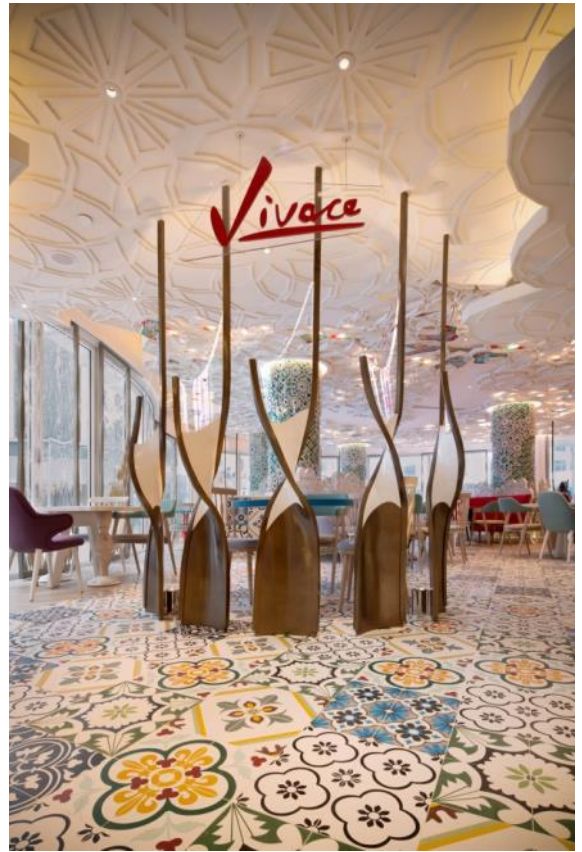


Column Details





Looking in from Pool Deck

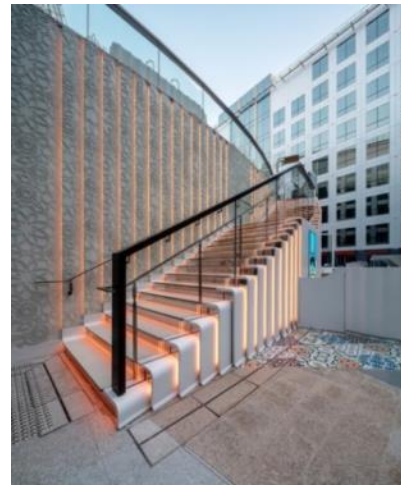


Spiral Screens



Looking in from Pool Deck





Pool Deck and Upper Patio for Weddings Ribbon Staircase with Special Lighting leading to Patio for Weddings



Inner Courtyard with Pool Deck



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