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Boston Jazz Center

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Located at the crossroads of Boston’s central business district and the North End neighborhood, the Boston Jazz Center focuses attention on the local social stratification, historic Haymarket (open-air fish market) and the new Rose F. Kennedy Greenway. Growth along the Greenway led design issues to confront an intervention with site forces and flows. Embracing these movements through and around the site, we elevated the majority of the program above street level, allowing the ground flow to act both as a link to downtown and a hub for the Haymarket. The design evolved into two elevated moments that encompass an inner dialogue; a gathering space shared by the audience of both performance spaces.