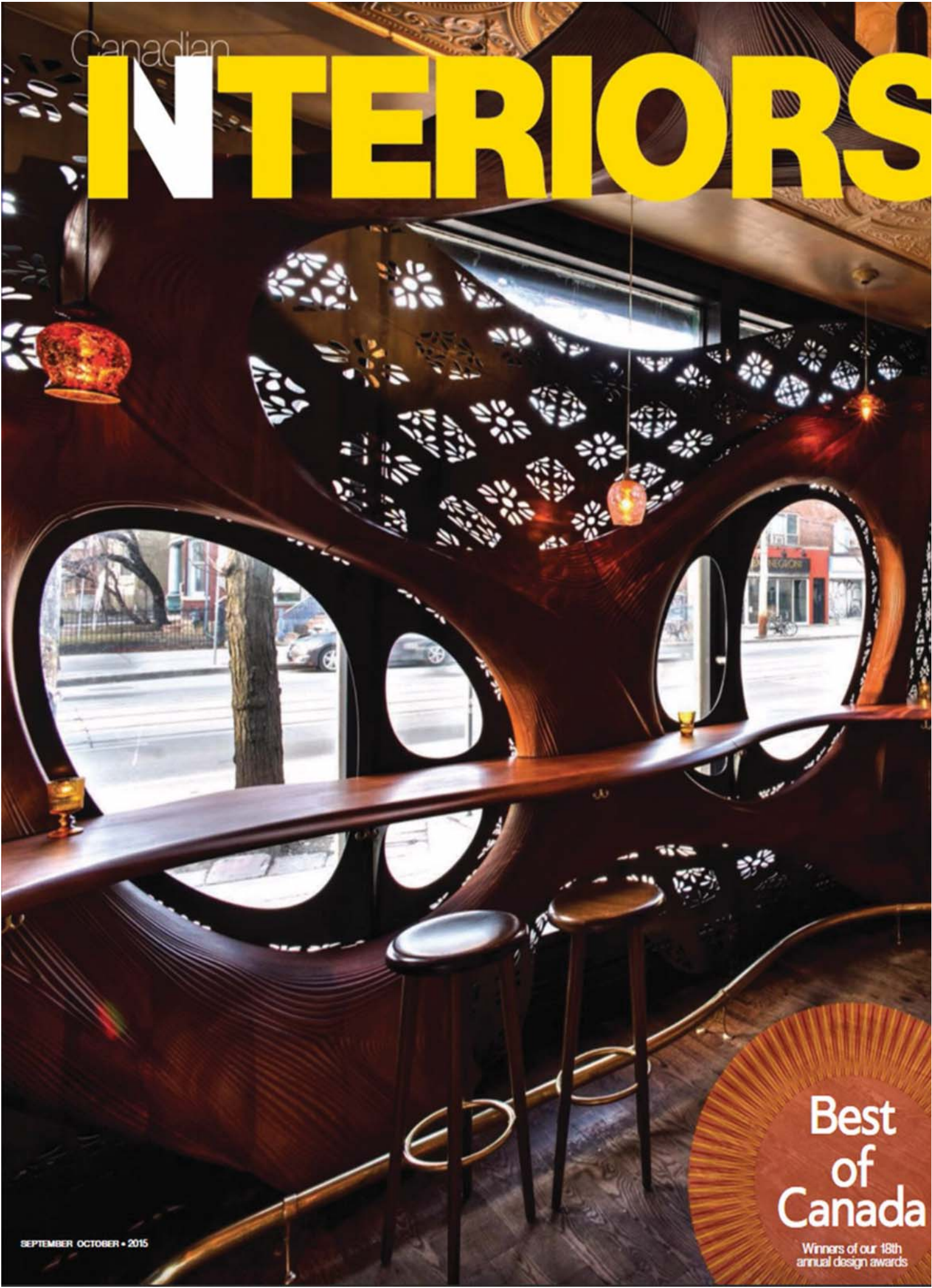


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Balancing the privacy needed to conduct high-finance business with the openness required to democratically share natural light and the jaw-dropping views of bustling Victoria Harbour was the design challenge DK Studio Architects faced in fitting out a Hedge Fund's 3,200-square-foot Hong Kong office space. To that end, offices that look out have fully glazed walls along the corridor; and millwork planes topped by foot-high glass panels in lieu of side walls. -----

Amidst all that transparency, abetted by lighting specified by Toronto lighting designer Suzanne Powadiuk, the luxurious materials sparkle. The palette includes Italian walnut on walls and ceilings, and basaltina (light grey Italian basalt) floors in the main, donut-shaped corridor. -----

The client brief called for inviting living room-like spaces more akin to a luxury hotel or an art gallery than a typical corporate office. Berlin-based artist Marc Bowditch created several large pieces for the office. Prime among them is a bronze-framed, 36-panel matrix of rodeo-bull watercolours on the main conference room's Venetian-plaster wall plaster. -----



6. Partners Office
 The Partner's office with customized workstations and view towards Victoria Harbour.



4. Meeting Room
 The Meeting Room finished with freestanding internal millwork cabinet, and enclosed with patterned, quartz-plate glass partitions.



5. Chairman Office
 Chairman's office featuring millwork office building, custom desk and storage cabinet.



2. Millwork
 The millwork office building, custom desk and storage cabinet.



3. Corridor and Rodeo Bull Artwork
 The Rodeo Bull matrix watercolour burst into the venetian plaster wall of the Conference Room.