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Neal & Massy Credit Union

Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago

Port of Spain is the capital city of Trinidad and Tobago and is a leading city in the Caribbean region. It is also a shopping and business hub for much of the country. Within recent years, local banks with headquarters in the city have helped it become a financial center for the Caribbean and Central America. Among them is the Neal & Massy Credit Union, considered a jewel in the Caribbean credit union sector.

OBJECTIVE / The heart of Port of Spain in Trinidad and Tobago is home to **Neal & Massy Credit Union**. The Credit Union's new headquarters stands among historic buildings and modern architecture. The new building is designed to facilitate member comfort and convenience. The colorful facade and interiors are a reflection of the personality of the organization. From the welcoming Orsay lounge chair in the foyer to the curvaceous accents throughout the lobby, the interiors shine. There were multiple objectives in the choices for the new furniture. The architect was seeking furniture solutions with pure clean lines to act as a backdrop for the modern architectural details of the space.

The products selected from Groupe Lacasse serve to unlock the potential in people so Neal & Massy Credit Union's members are better served thanks to the environment their people are in. KS Holder Architects took the opportunity to create a space that enhances the client's culture while supporting the people who work there.



GROUPE LACASSE SOLUTION / Groupe Lacasse worked closely with the architect throughout every step of the process to ensure the client's needs were met. Groupe Lacasse provided the architect with a selection of finishes that enhances the look and feel of the Credit Union's offices. A neutral beige, combined with exclusive laminated surfaces and vivid accents of orange upholstery applied strategically to the seating, animates and balances the space, creating a setting conducive to member comfort. The natural illumination throughout the building highlights the warm Grigio, Totem, and Bourbon Cherry finishes of the furniture and the floor, counteracting the cool, hard surfaces of metal elements.

The project was a success on two fronts. The various products are an exact match to the client's specific needs, and as a manufacturer, Groupe Lacasse provided the flexibility to a partner, which was critical to the success of the project.

CLIENT QUOTE

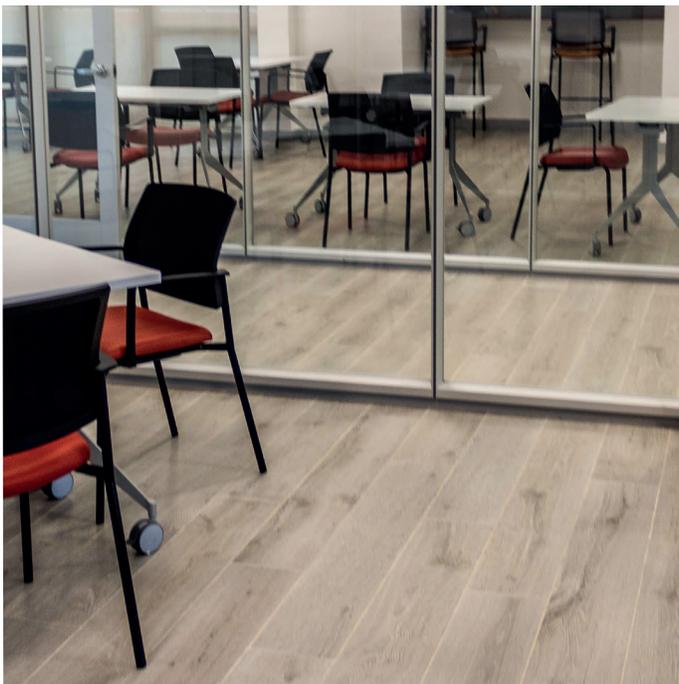
"We visualized a space where state-of-the-art technology would merge seamlessly with modern furniture, creating an environment where Neal & Massy Credit Union's staff, management and members could collaborate. The new facilities accomplish all this and more thanks to the assistance of Groupe Lacasse."

PETER BURKE,
Architect
KS Holder Architects



RESULTS / The building celebrates the organization's 65 years of success. Its intent is to serve the needs of Neal & Massy Credit Union's membership, including catering to the local cultural needs. Groupe Lacasse's comfortable Hip Hop lounge furniture encourages members to hang around, or as the locals say, to *lime* awhile during their visits. Lining is a Trini specialty!

Neal & Massy Credit Union employees and members have reacted positively to the space. The organization's new space brings a lot of smiles, positive attitudes and renewed spirits. The space has really unlocked the best in people. The natural light, the creativity of the design, the furniture, and how it looks make people feel more alive.



SUMMARY

APPLICATION

Corporate offices and retail center for staff and members of Neal & Massy Credit Union

SCOPE

- 40 workspaces to support members, administrative staff, management and board members
- 3 floors, 15,000 sq. ft. (1,400 sq. m)
- Project completed April 2019

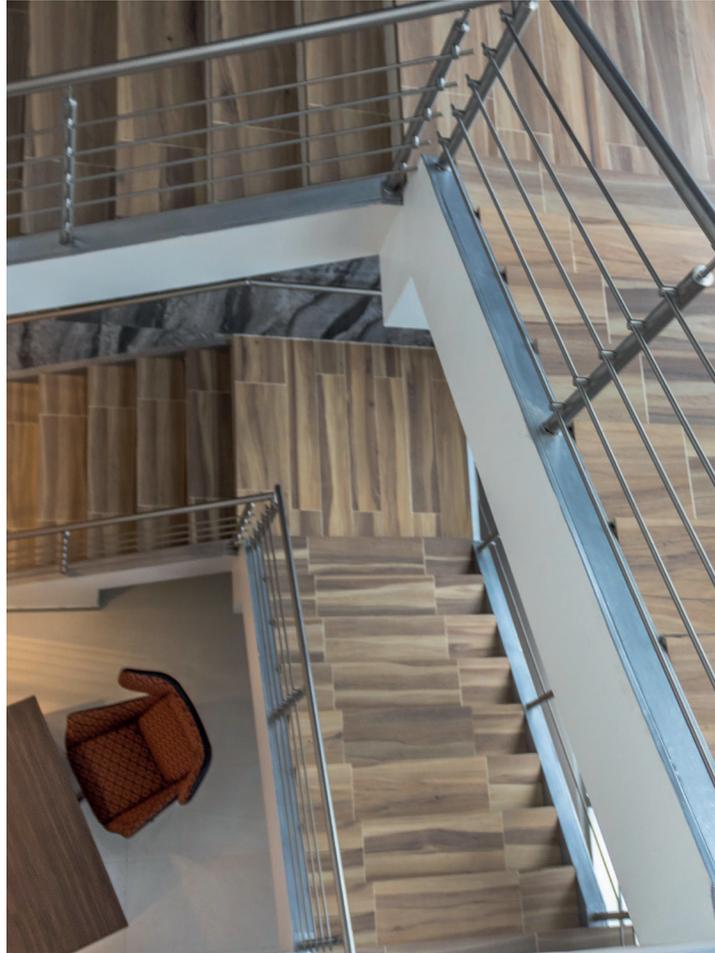
PRODUCTS

- Hip Hop modular lounge seating by Arold
- Nex casegoods and Quorum Multiconference tables by Lacasse
- Nvision panel system workstations
- Signature casegoods, Lacasse metal storage furniture
- Expression, Atto, Shifter and Eqüs seating by United Chair

TEAM

- Architect: KS Holder Architects
- Contractor: Unicom Limited
- Installation: WVH A&D Services Limited
- Groupe Lacasse Project Manager: Full Circle Solutions

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