

Visitor centre

Located in the heart of a growing neighbourhood, the building marks a pivotal point between the natural spaces of the site and the dynamic life of the adjacent neighborhood.

CLIENT

Ville de Québec

TEAM

Patriarche Group:
Patriarche (Architecture)
Partners:
Ambioner, EMS, and Stantec

KEYPOINTS

Glued laminated timber.
Steel structure.

ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

Timber construction.
Bioclimatic design.
Durable materials.

The Pointe-aux-Lièvres park, adjacent to a rapidly developing eco-district, caters to thousands of users each year. Anticipating an increase in traffic in the years to come, the City of Quebec wanted to replace the trailers temporarily installed on the site with a high-performance, efficient service building whose architecture is inspired by the nature of the site. Located alongside the Saint-Charles River linear park and offering a wide range of recreational and sports activities stands the new Pointe-aux-Lièvres visitor centre. We firmly believe that it is an important attraction for the neighbourhood and a means of promoting the City of Québec's commitment to sustainable development in all its forms: built, environmental, social and economic. The visitor centre serves as a signature piece for the neighbourhood, contributing to the coherence of the whole.

This positioning between several important centres of interest requires a fluid and multidirectional spatial arrangement. The site is organic in shape, with its lower edge running along rue de la Pointe-aux-Lièvres and is surrounded to the north by paths and the banks of the Saint-Charles River. The proposed design is intended to respond to the specific nature of the site while meeting the programmatic needs of the client. Our team opted for a combined wood and steel construction process, and for natural, long-lasting and easy to maintain materials.



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