

RIBA LONDON AWARDS 2017

Valentino London Old Bond Street

Architect David Chipperfield Architects srl

Client Valentino SpA

Contractor Sice Previt SpA

Structural Engineers SCL, Stefano Calzolari

Quantity Surveyor / Cost Consultant Valentino SpA

Lighting Design Viabizzuno, Mario Nanni

Environmental / M&E Engineers Fabio Fumagalli and Studio Nava, Roberto Curato

Building Regulation Permit Assent Building Control, Mike Wilson

Project Management Studio 3, Debra Balucani



Jane Duncan
RIBA President

The Valentino Old Bond Street flagship store, won a London Regional Award 2017 from the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA). The project shows the successful collaboration between the architects and the client and the well set up integrations among different competences - structural, architectural environmental, mechanical, electrical, building control and project management. The jury, chaired by David Howarth, gave the following citation:

„Located in the heart of the West End shopping district, the project provides a new flagship store for the Italian fashion house. The store replaces a 1950's building with a new five storey structure; incorporating a new façade which has been designed to engage with the streetscape of Old Bond Street and the wider Mayfair Conservation Area.

The facade is a confident addition to the street, composed of two layers: an inner layer of cast terrazzo and an outer layer of natural Portland stone. A series of well-proportioned openings are framed by the stone elements; with a top floor loggia providing consistency with the geometry of the neighbouring buildings, while articulating a decorative façade.

The standard of detail resolution, finish and build quality is exquisite. The Venetian terrazzo, which forms the inner layer of the façade and lines internal walls and floors, exudes permanence. The giant Carrera marble columns and plinths of the interior, order the space and the handcrafted oak staircase and lift enclosure add to the material richness.

David Chipperfield Architects have successfully re-interpreted the fashion store as an integrated piece of architecture. They have designed a building which responds to both the specificity of its urban context and the interior retail environment; beyond what could be achieved through a mere shopfront and fit-out. The building is an exemplar project within the sector and both architect and client should be highly commended.”

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Internal Area 540 m²