

The frontage of the Ocean Terminal shopping centre in Edinburgh has received a radical makeover as part of a major investment to increase footfall by enhancing the visitor experience. In addition to 70 shops, cinema, spa, gym, cafés and restaurants Ocean Terminal is home to the Royal Yacht Britannia.

Architects Keppie, say that the new extension, “develops a more affirmative relationship with the street, coming out from the shadows of the overhang, providing a new entrance and visual connectivity with the interior.” The new extension has also created a high-profile unit for H&M.

A STEREO-KINETIC cladding with hundreds of freely-moving stainless steel tiles was chosen for the facade of the extension. Gusts of wind, traffic, even people walking by cause the metal rectangles to ripple in an ever-changing display.

The kinetic artwork has been designed in such a way as to allow the passage of natural daylight through the underlying window openings on the second floor level.

Client: Resolution Property
Architect: Keppie Design
Main Contractor: Graham Construction

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