

GENERAL MILLS CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS

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oslund.and.assoc. desire for General Mills Corporate Campus, originally designed by Skidmore, Owings & Merrill Architects, was to create the illusion that the new buildings were floating within the landscape atop a motionless plane of water. Keeping in the modernist tradition of the corporate courtyard idea, two courtyards on two different levels were designed by the landscape architect to act as areas of respite and reflection for the employees.

Integral to the courtyards are pieces of contemporary sculpture, which help provide the visual link from outside to inside. The use of water connects the courtyard spaces to the larger landscape by a channel of water, which flows into a large pond that meanders through the remainder of the site. This new picturesque landscape is a pleasure to experience both physically and visually from all vantage points of the project.

