

DIALOG

GRANVILLE ISLAND REDEVELOPMENT

Vancouver's cultural heart



Location

Vancouver, BC

Client

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation

Completion

1982

Size

15 hectares
38 acres

DIALOG Services

Architecture
Planning & Urban Design

Granville Island is one of Canada's most visited public places. Reborn from a longstanding industrial site, the 38-acre redevelopment was the brainchild of Norm Hotson and Joost Bakker, two young local architects with a vision for waterfront development. Its design engagement includes streetworks and open spaces, including: the Granville Island Hotel, Granville Island Brew Pub, the public market, restaurants and shops, artist studios, workshops and theatres, traffic and parking design, shoreline edges, children's play features, and a water park. The strategic introduction of landscaping and intervention with the waterfront created a cultural heart for Vancouver. It is a place for respite and community celebration - it's a people place.

MEET THE TEAM



Joost Bakker
Partner, Architect