PHOTOGRAPHING YOUR NTMA HONOR AWARD PROJECTS FOR SUBMITTAL 101

A Few Hints that will help improve your Artistry

HIRE A PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL PHOTOGRAPHER!!!



EACH JOB IS DIFFERENT AND WILL PHOTOGRAPH IN ITS OWN UNIQUE WAY

- Light source
- Color temperature
- Lighting consistency & time of day
- Ability to shoot from different perspectives

CAMERA & LENS SELECTION

- Select a camera with Manual Mode for greater control.
- You can override strong backlighting.
- Allows you to increase or decrease your depth of field and selective focusing.
- Small apertures allow slower shutter speeds to ghost people out when needed for security.
- Quality wide angle zoom lens (20mm equivalent on 35mm camera.)

SET CAMERA
TO HIGHEST
RESOLUTION
AND SUBMIT
PHOTOS AT 300
DPI MINIMUM



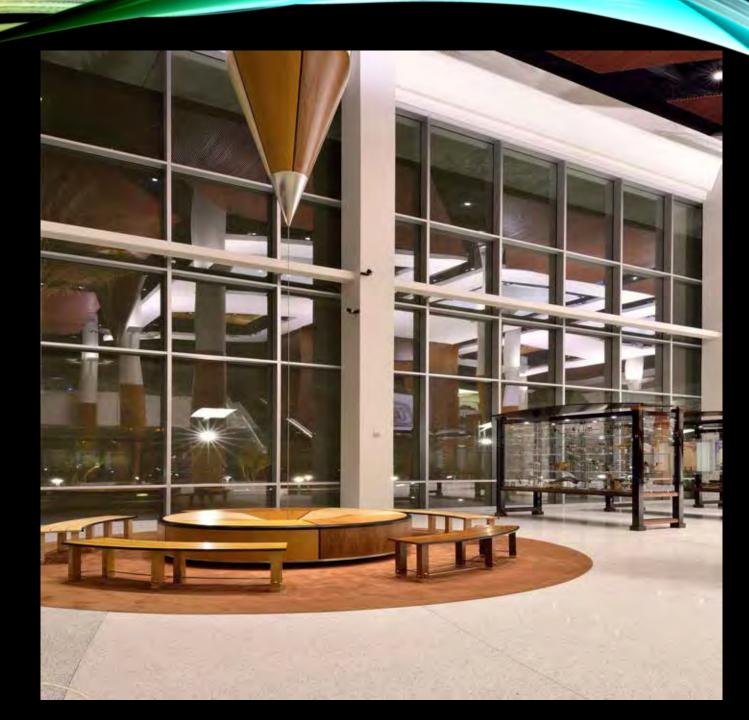
ALWAYS ALWAYS ALWAYS USE A TRIPOD!

Reduces camera shake.

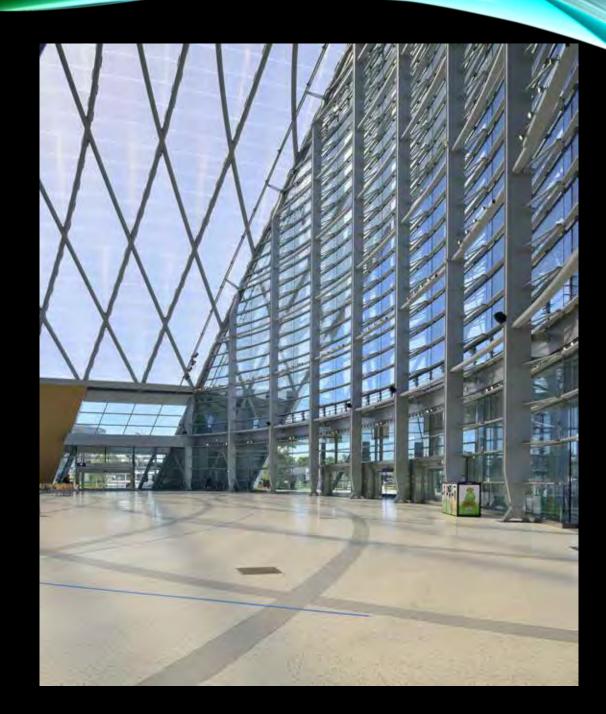
Allows you to use smaller aperture for greater depth of field, study composition and shoot with a level camera.



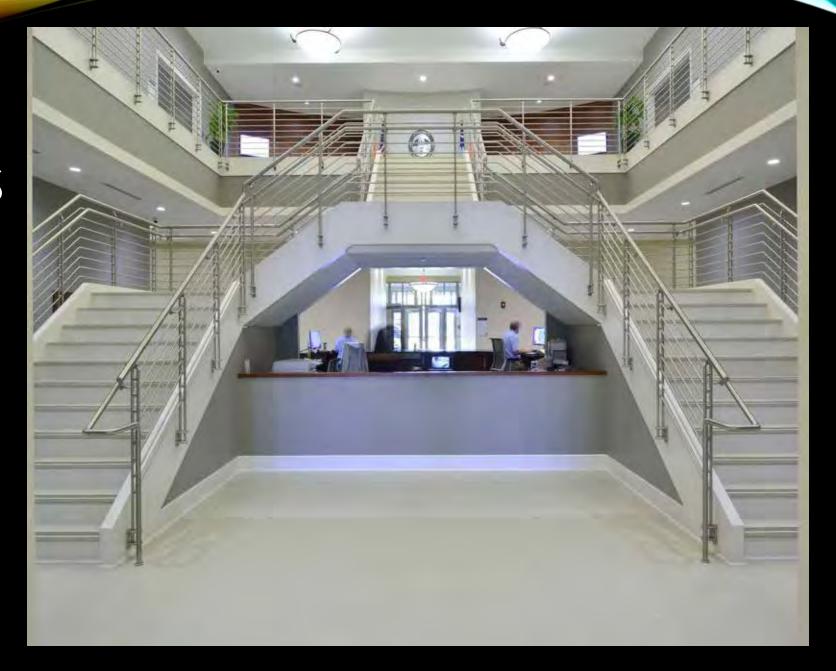
USE CABLE RELEASE,
SELF TIMER OR
REMOTE RELEASE TO
REDUCE CAMERA
MOVEMENT WHEN
RELEASING SHUTTER.



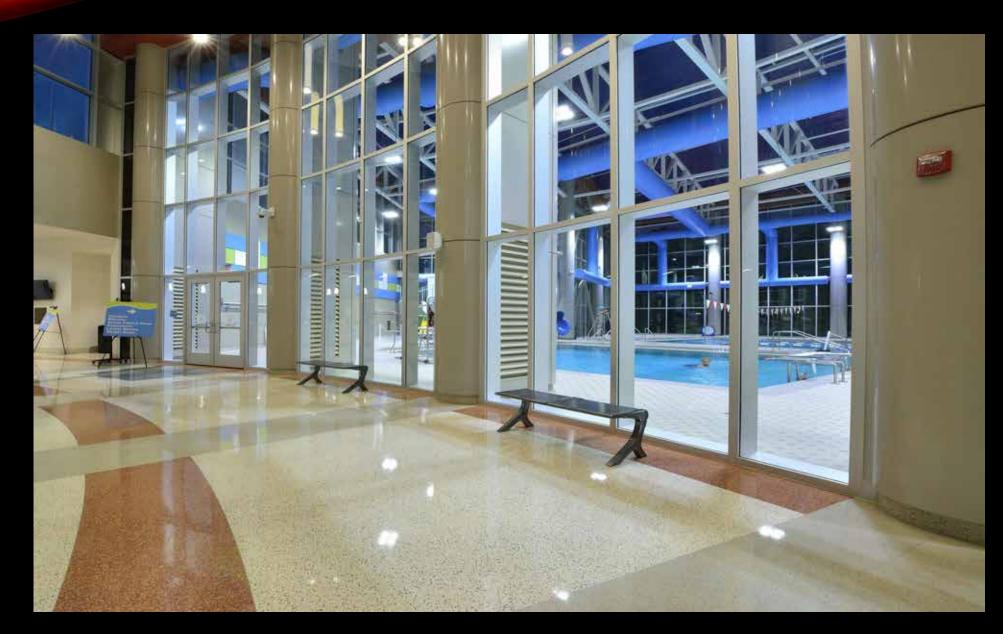
AVOID SHOOTING INTO STRONG BACKLIGHTING WITHOUT COMPENSATING IN MANUAL MODES.



AVOID SHOOTING AREAS WITH INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR LIGHT SOURCES TOGETHER WITHOUT CHECKING WHITE BALANCE.



CHECK WHITE BALANCE OFTEN. **TUNGSTEN FLORESCENT** SODIUM VAPOR, LEDS ALL HAVE **DIFFERENT** COLOR **TEMPERATURES**



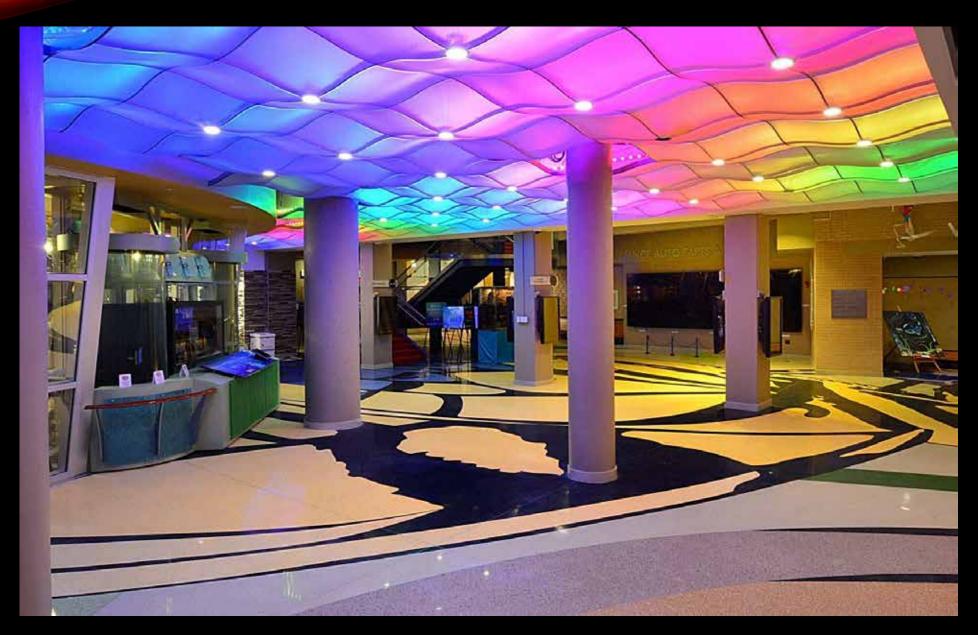
WALK THE JOB THOROUGHLY AND SHOOT IT FROM SEVERAL PERSPECTIVES IF POSSIBLE



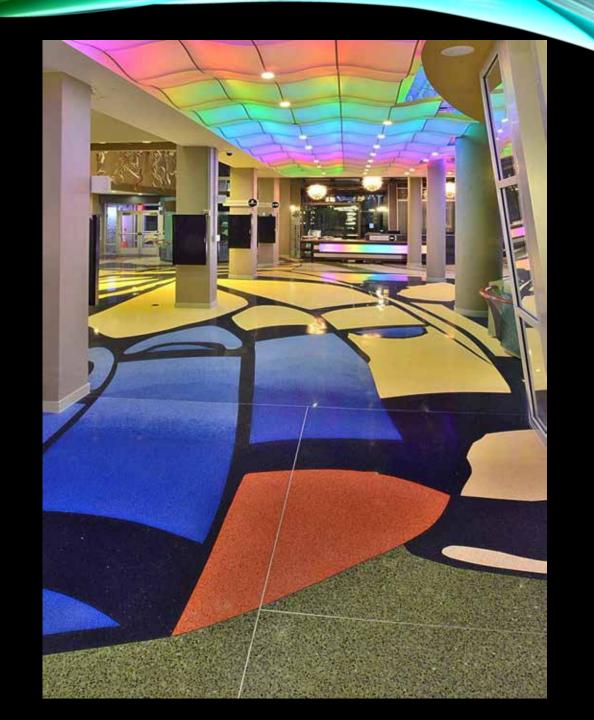
TRY TO SHOW THE FLAVOR AND **DIVERSITY** OF THE FACILITY



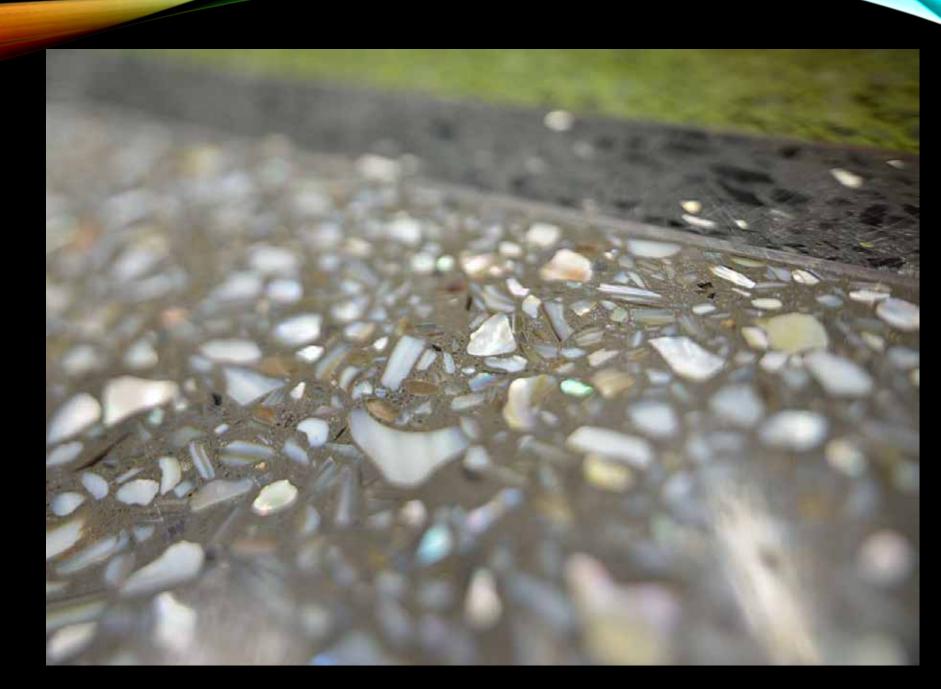
SHOW THE TERRAZZO AND OTHER COMPLIMENTING ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES



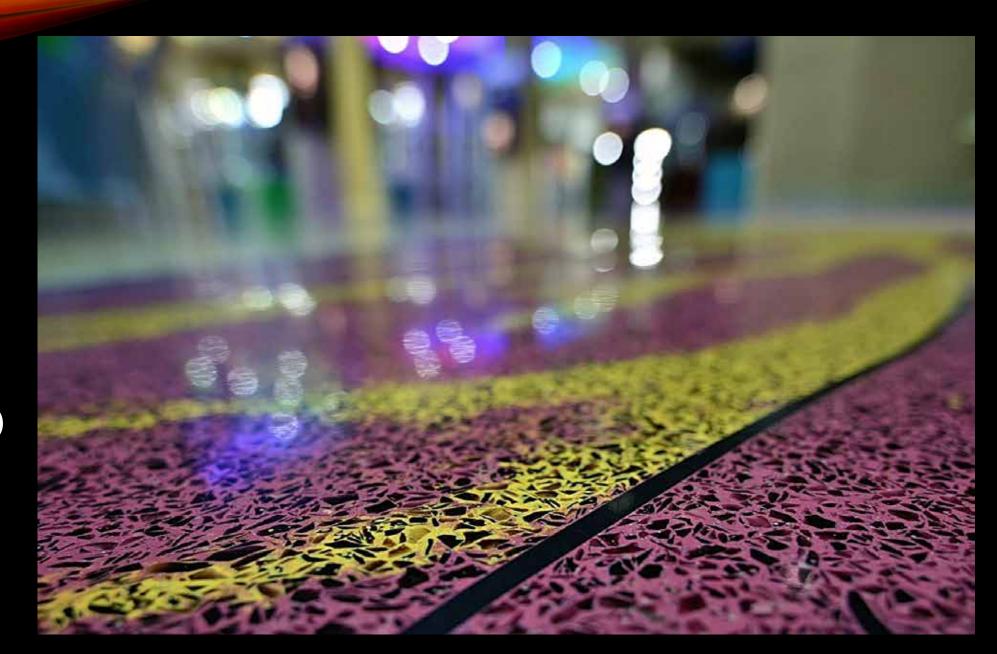
SHOOT BOTH VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL PERSPECTIVES BOTH ARE NEEDED FOR **ADVERTISING**



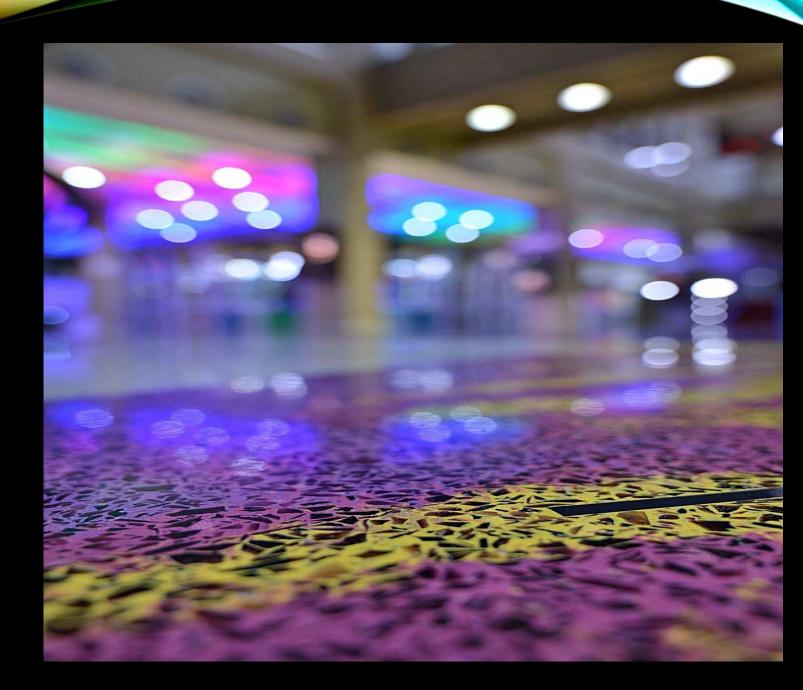
USE SELECTIVE FOCUSING TO HIGHLIGHT DETAILS



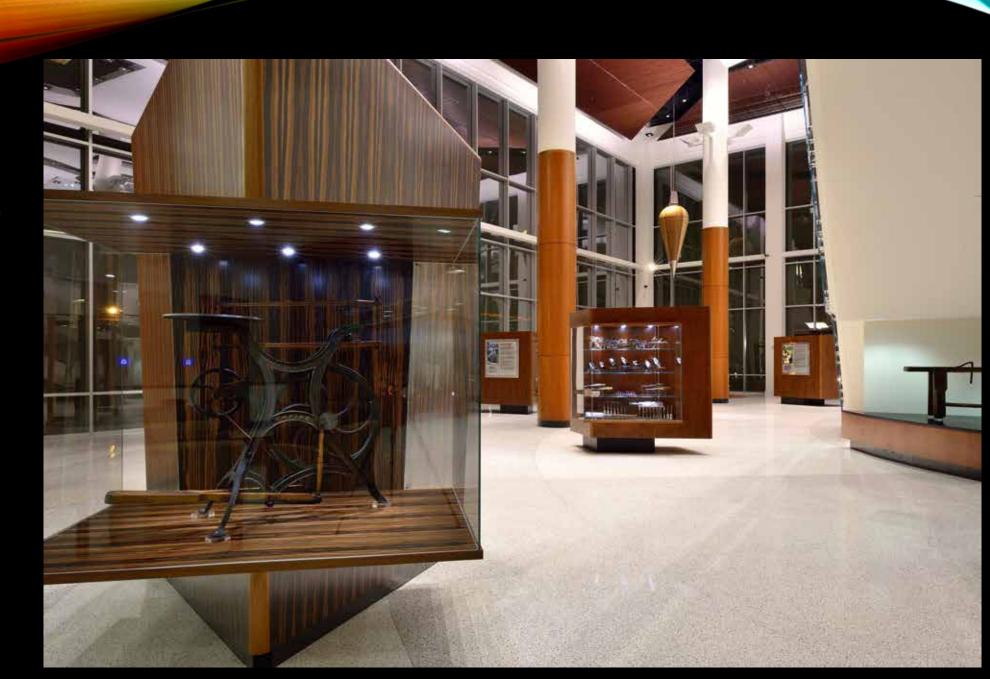
MAKE CERTAIN TO INCLUDE CLOSE UP STRIP AND CHIP DETAIL SHOTS



TO BLUR
BACKGROUND,
USE LOW
APERTURE
NUMBER
(F1.4 TO F4)



USE A SMALL APERTURE LIKE F11 TO F32 FOR GREATER DEPTH OF FIELD



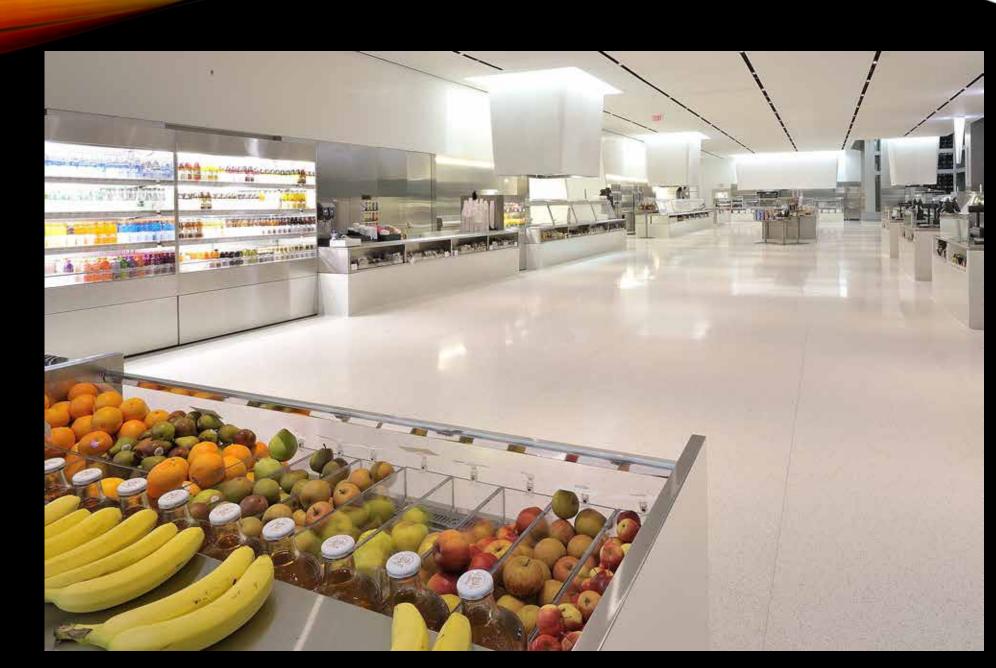
DON'T BE AFRAID TO LET PEOPLE COMPLIMENT YOUR ARCHITECTURAL SPACES



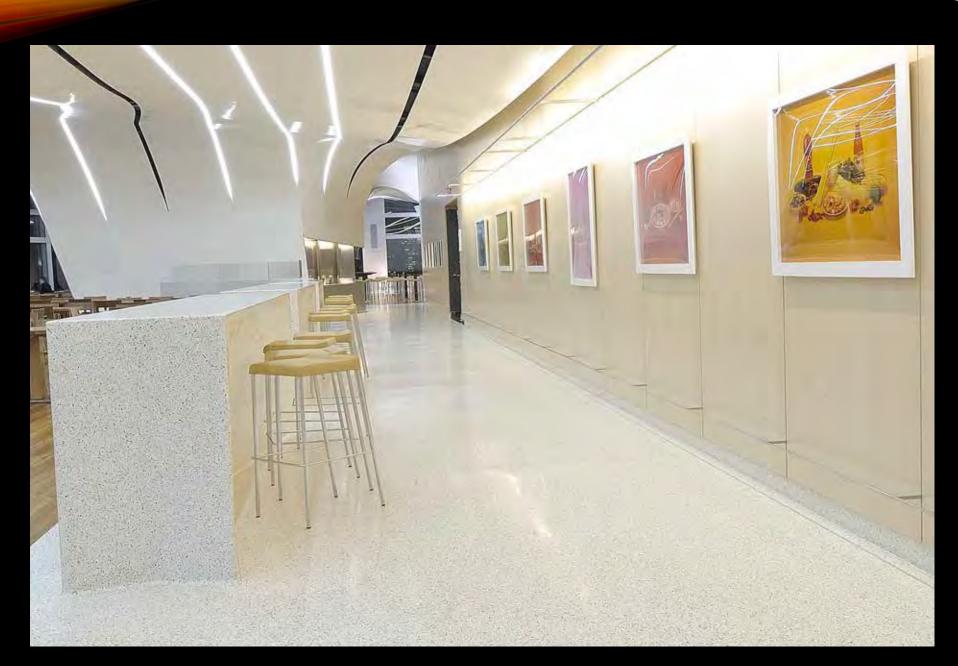
PEOPLE ADD INTEREST TO YOUR PHOTOS AND GIVE PERSPECTIVE

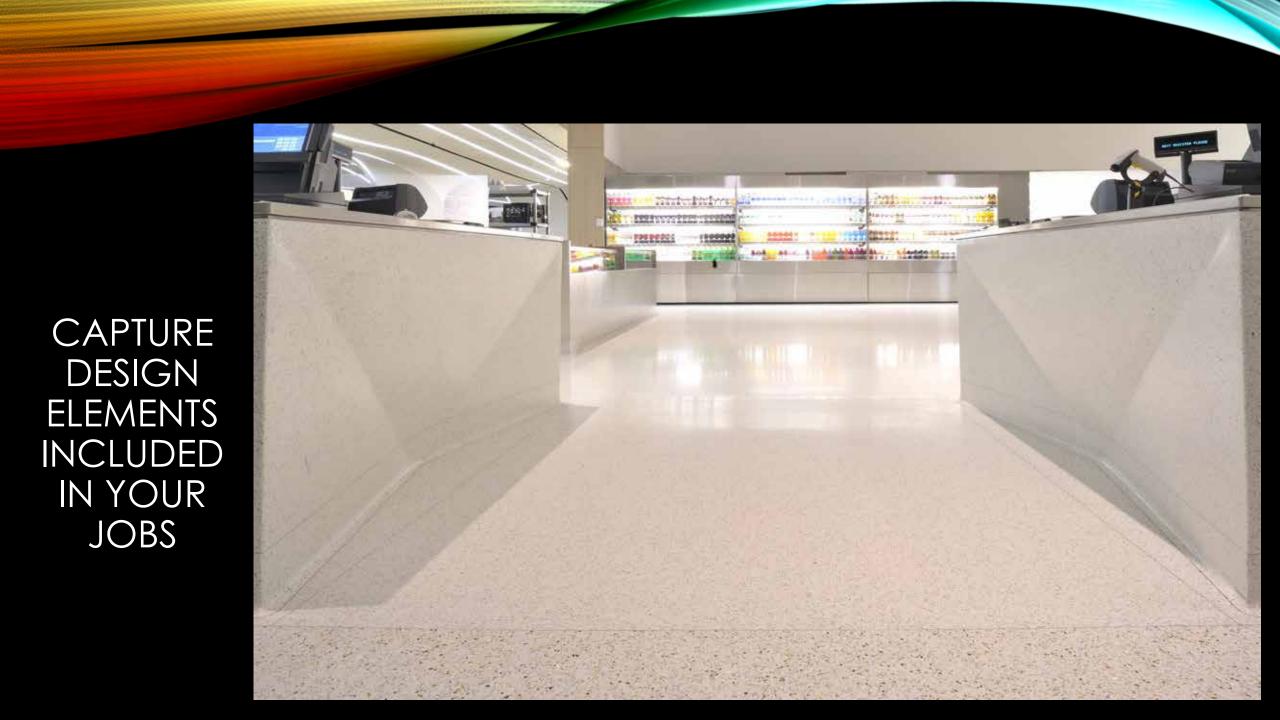


INCLUDE COLORFUL FEATURES TO COMPLIMENT MONOLITHIC TERRAZZO COLORS



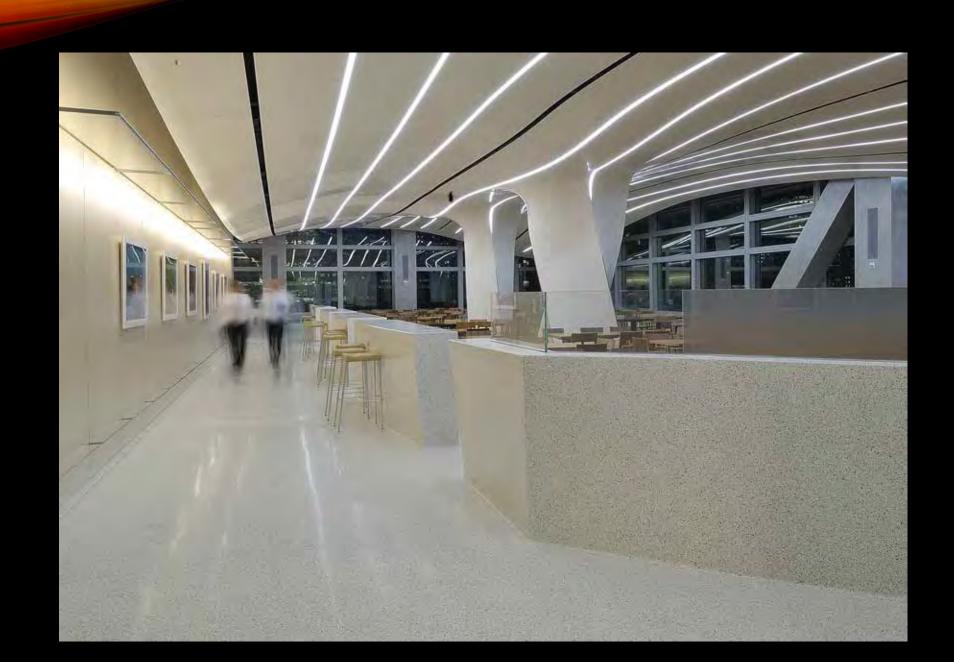
INCLUDE CEILING AND WALLS WHEN THEY ADD INTEREST TO THE SPACE



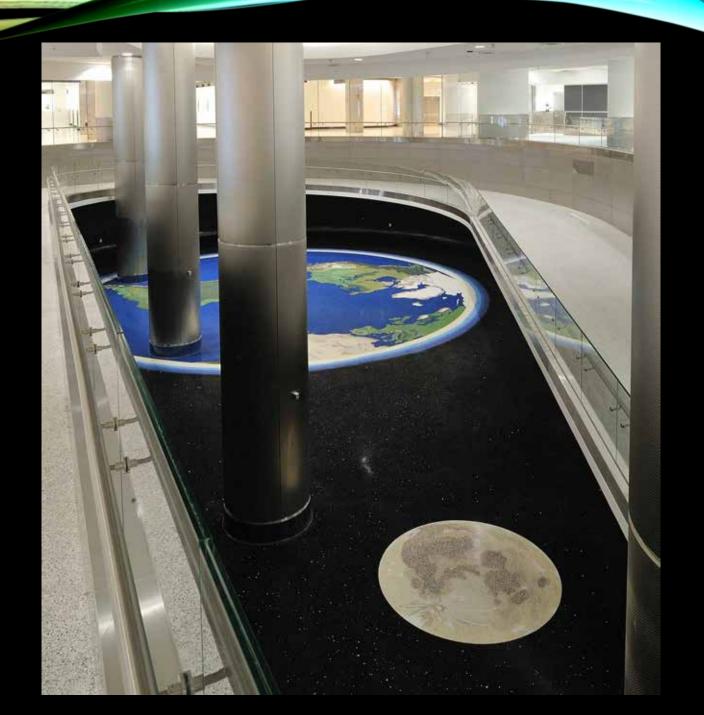


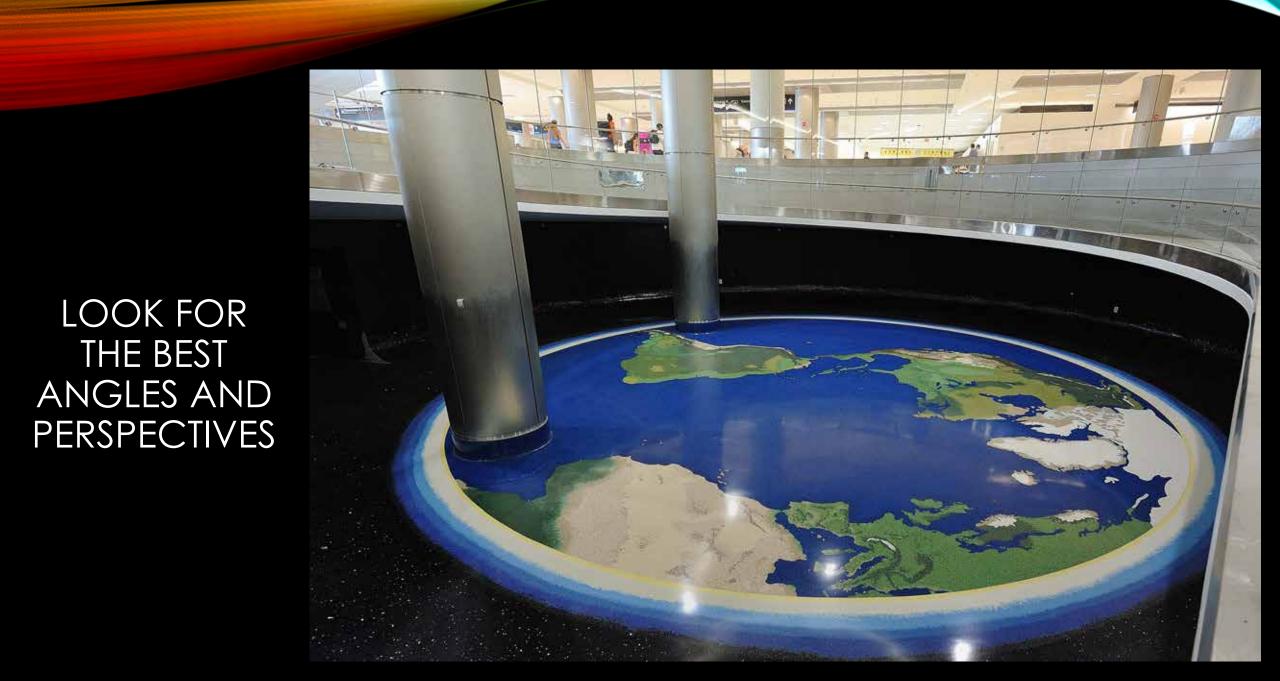
GHOST OR
BLUR PEOPLE
OUT WHEN
SECURITY IS
AN ISSUE.

MANDATORY IN HOSPITALS!



CAPTURE TERRAZZO ART FEATURES OF THE PROJECT WITH THE PERSPECTIVE OF HOW IT PLAYS WITH THE TERRAZZO FIELD



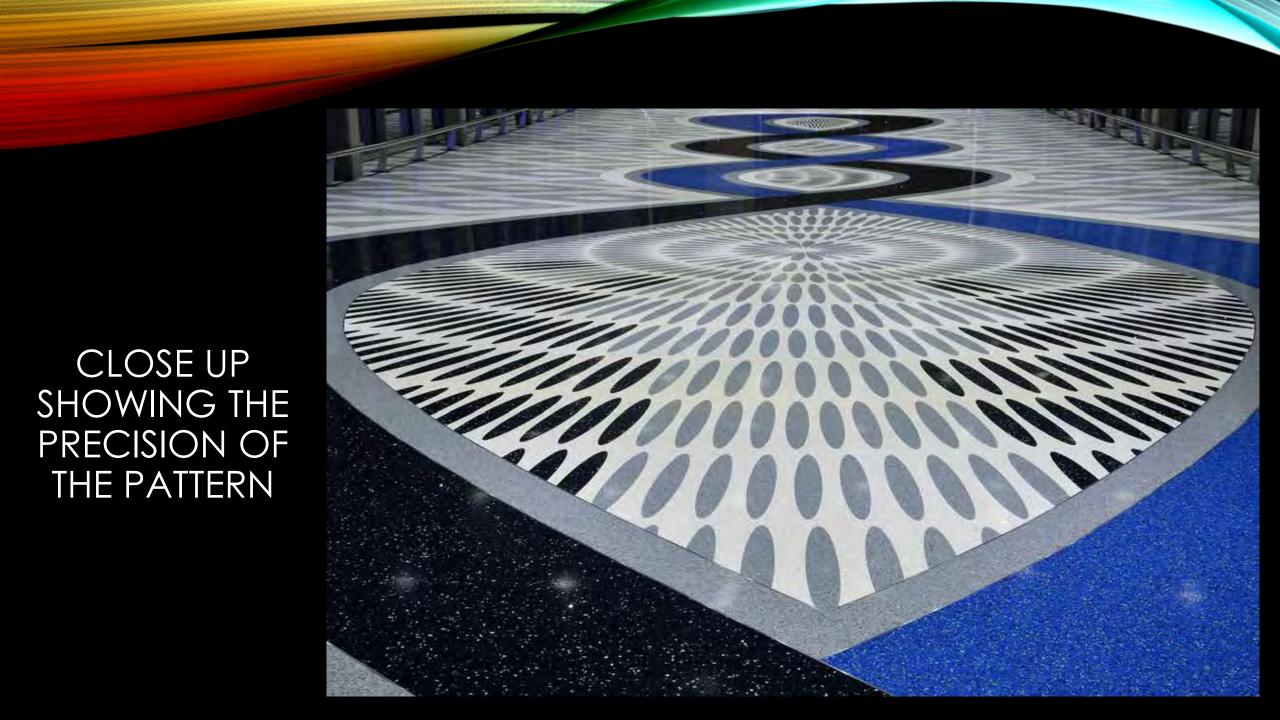


CAPTURE
PROFOUND DESIGN
ELEMENTS
SEPARATELY.
THEY CAN BE USED
TO ADD DRAMA TO
AN AD OR
BROCHURE



CHECK AND DOUBLE CHECK YOUR WHITE BALANCE, **ESPECIALLY** WHEN **EXPOSED TO** ARTIFICIAL AND **DAYLIGHT TOGETHER**





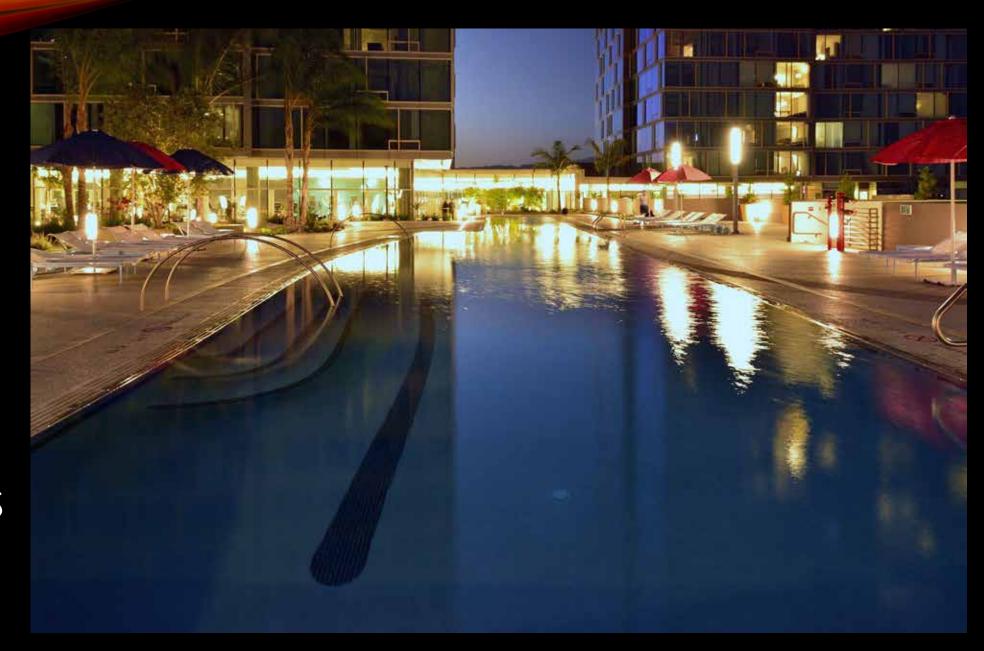
USE SELECTIVE FOCUSING IN CLOSE UPS.
IT SOFTENS THE BACKGROUND AND DRAWS ATTENTION TO DETAILS.



MODERATE CLOSE UP SHOWING DESIGNS PLACEMENT IN THE SPACE



ALWAYS TRY
TO CAPTURE
AN EXTERIOR
SHOT.
DAWN OR
DUSK OFFERS
THE BEST
OPPORTUNITIES



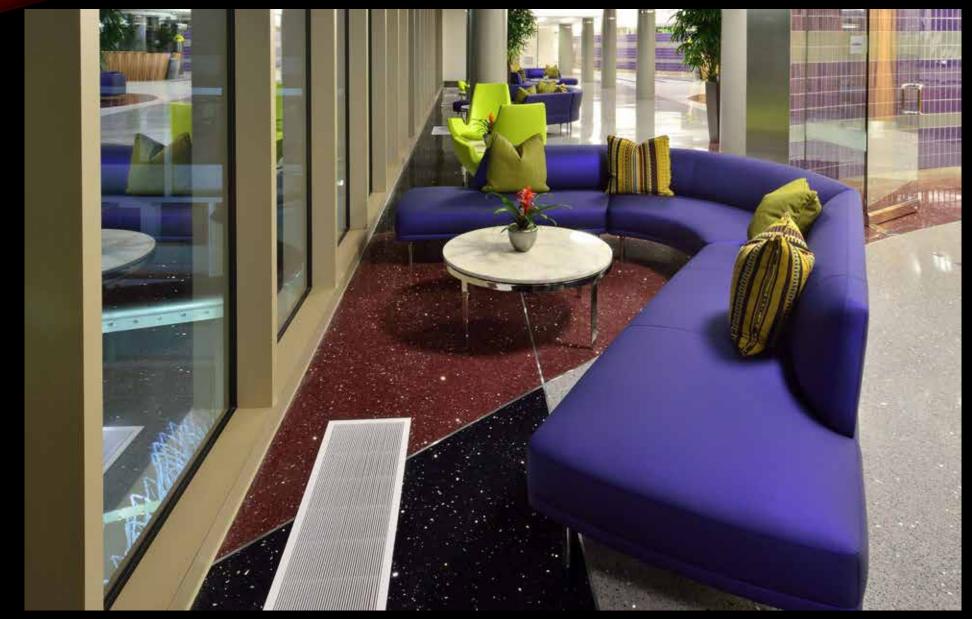
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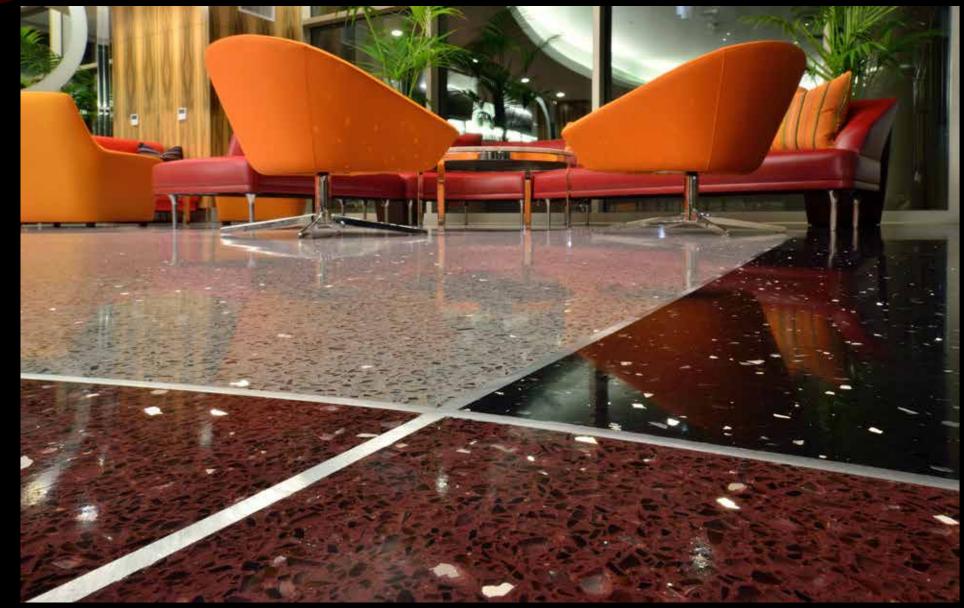




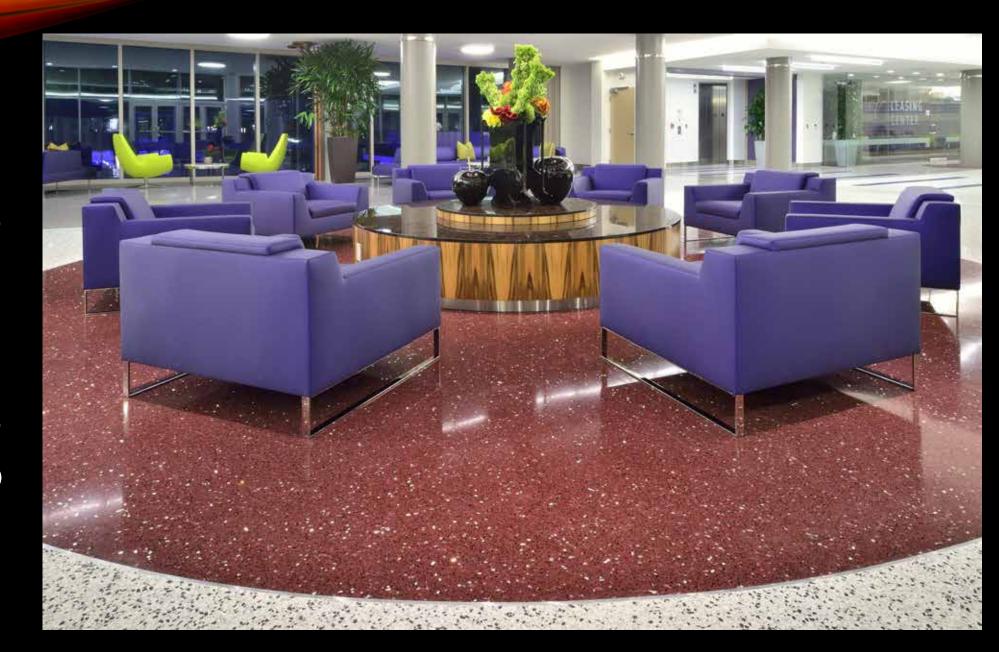




STRIP AND
CHIP CLOSE UP
WITH A GREAT
DEPTH OF FIELD
SHOWING
BACKGROUND

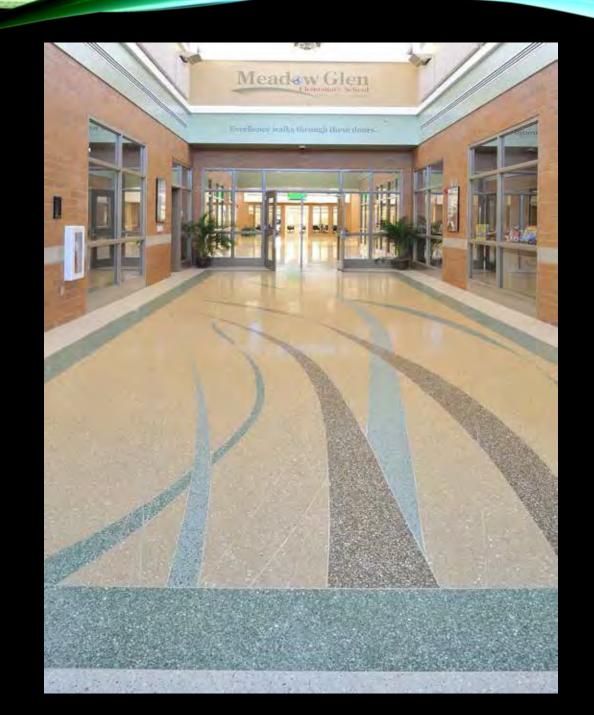


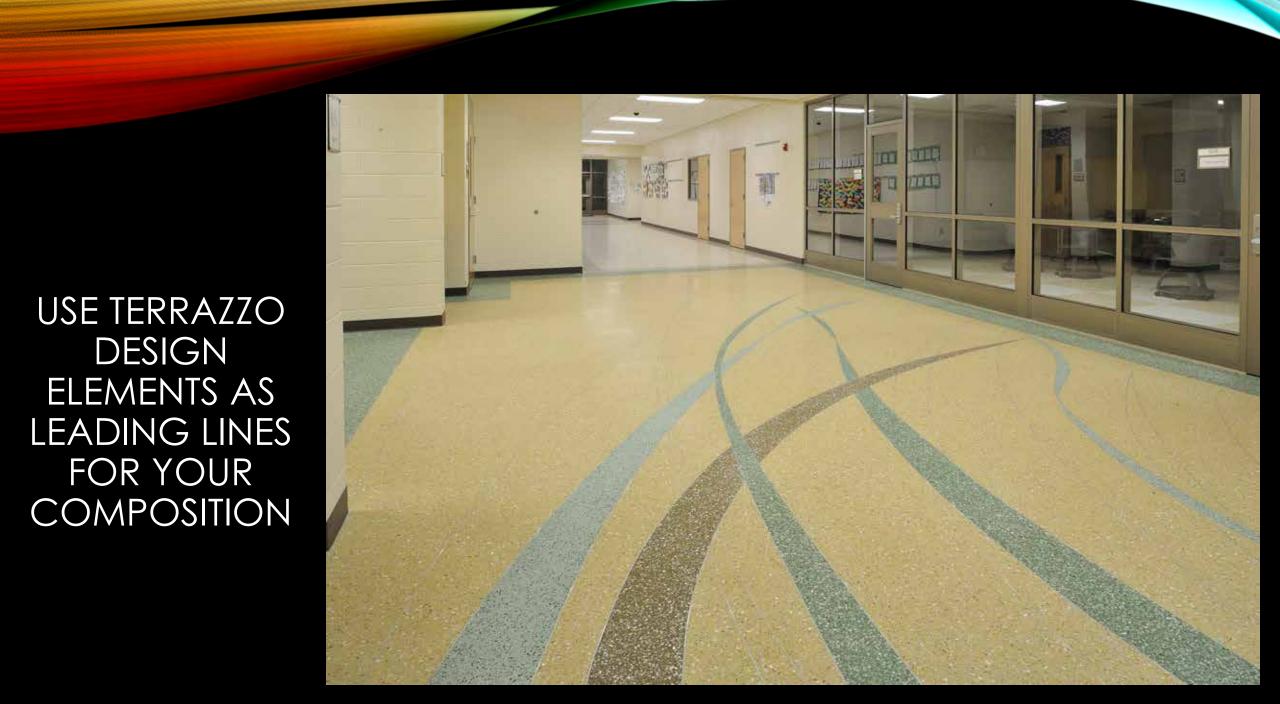
WITH
FURNITURE &
DECORATOR
PIECES THAT
COMPLIMENT
THE TERRAZZO





USE TERRAZZO
DESIGN ELEMENTS
AS LEADING LINES
FOR YOUR
COMPOSITION



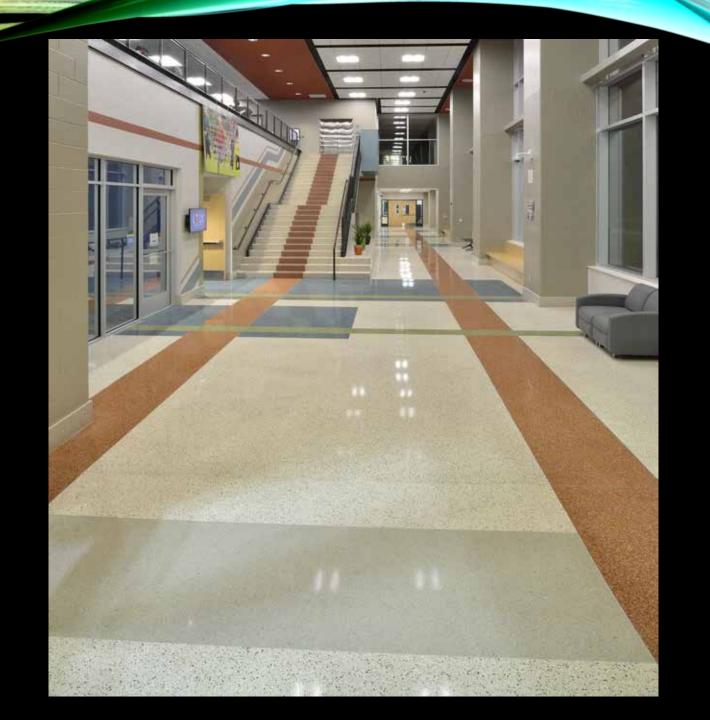


AVOID USING STROBE OR FLASH, JUST USE THE AMBIENT LIGHTING IF AT ALL POSSIBLE

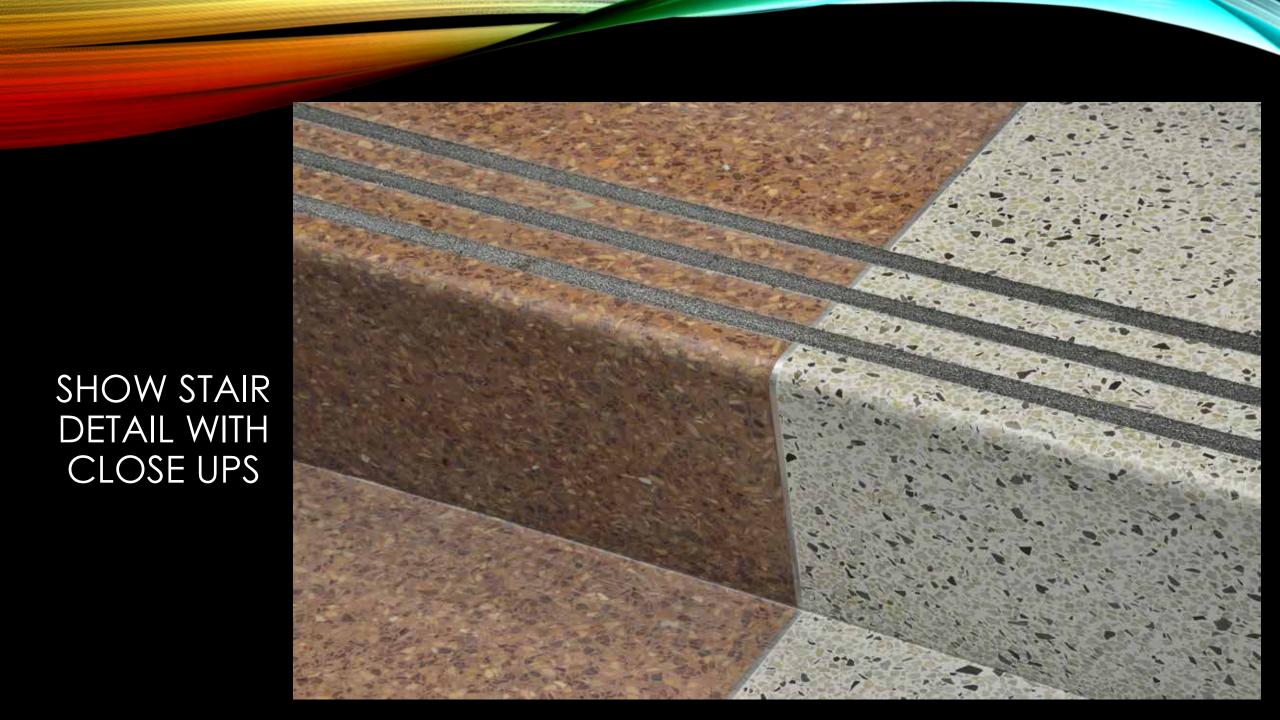


CAPTURE FULL HEIGHT OF WALLS WHEN THEY ADD **INTEREST**

CAPTURE FLOOR AND CEILING DETAIL WHEN THEY BOTH ADD VALUE TO THE ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN



USE SMALL **APERTURE** FOR STAIR SHOTS TO **INCREASE** DEPTH OF FIELD AND KEEP THINGS **SHARP**



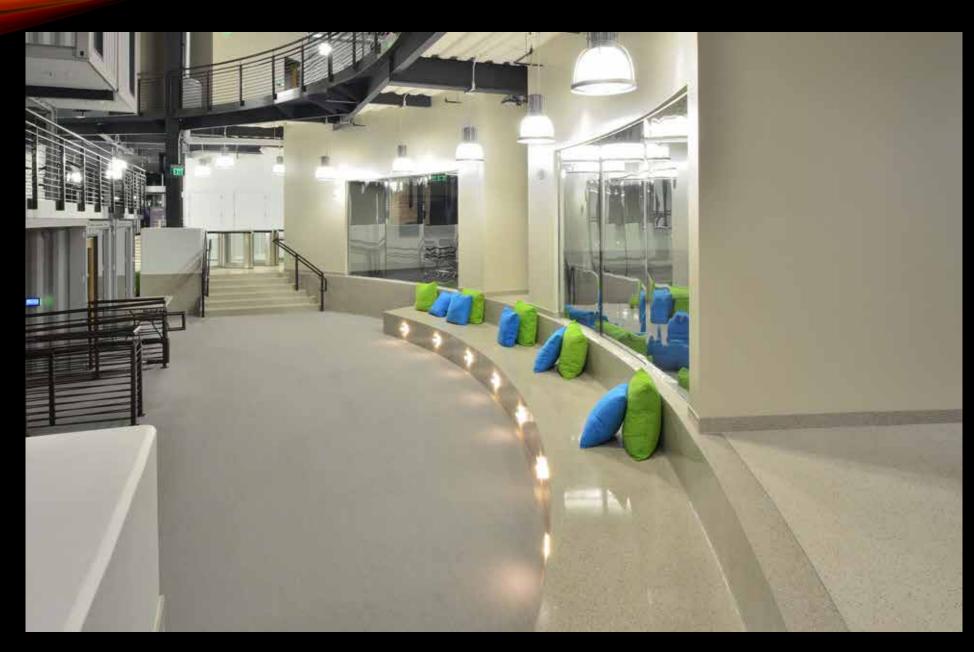
SHOW SPECIALTY ITEM DETAIL WORK



ONE WAY
TO SHOW
HIGH
TRAFFIC
ON A
DURABLE
TERRAZZO
FLOOR



CAPTURE THE UNIQUE DESIGN ELEMENTS AND INCLUDE COLORFUL PROPS FOR INTEREST

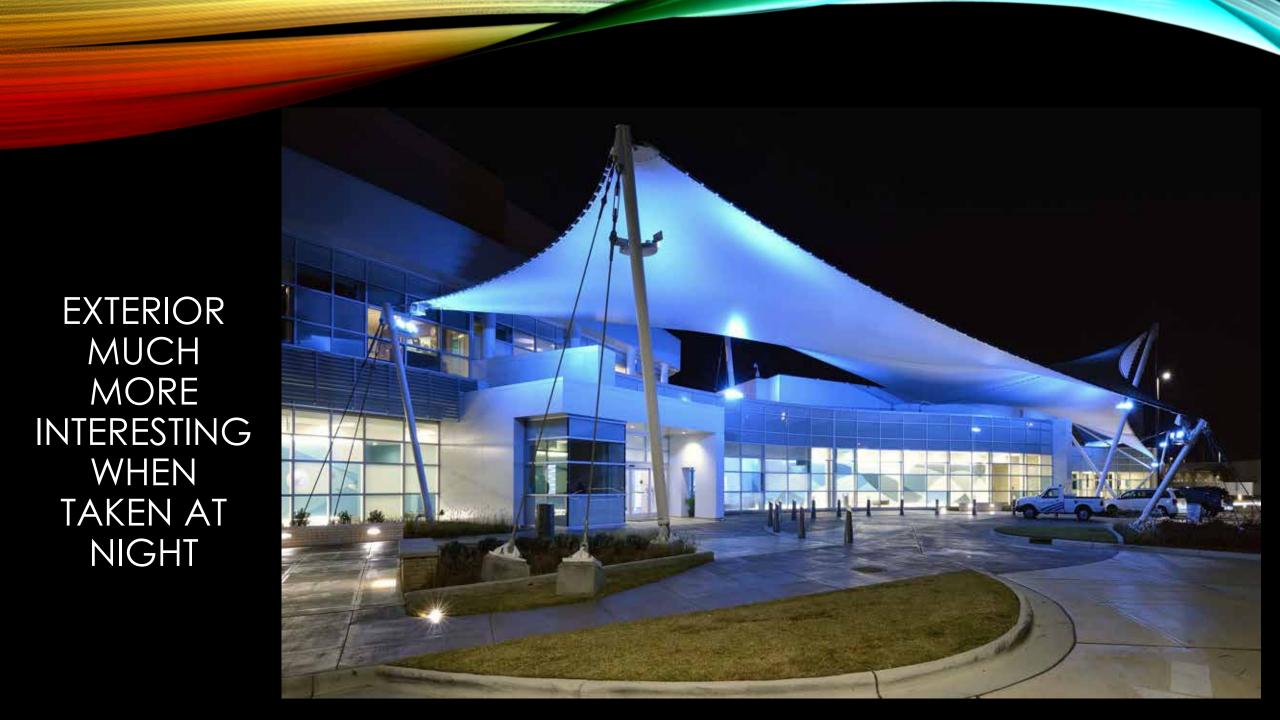


USE YOUR
WIDE ANGLE
LENS TO
INCLUDE
LARGE
EXPANSES OF
SPACE

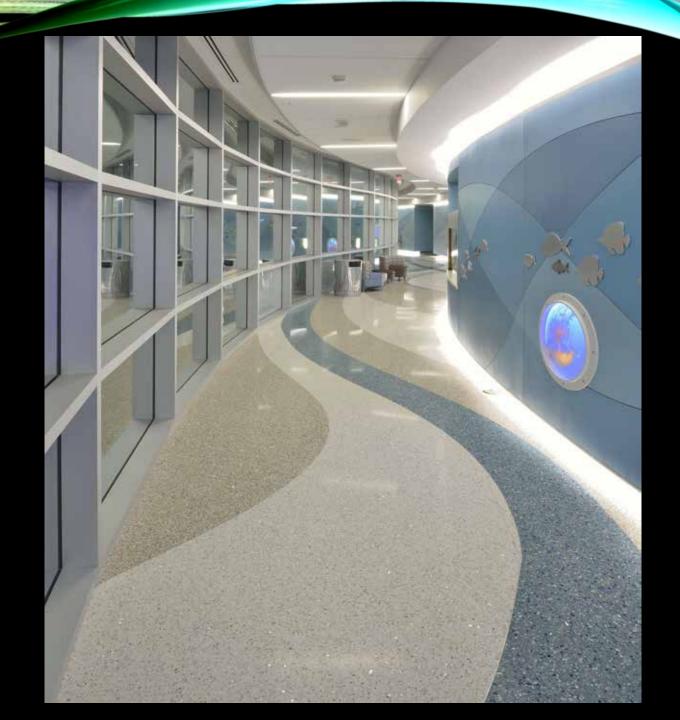


USE A
SUPER WIDE
ANGLE
LENS FOR A
LITTLE
DRAMA
(14MM)

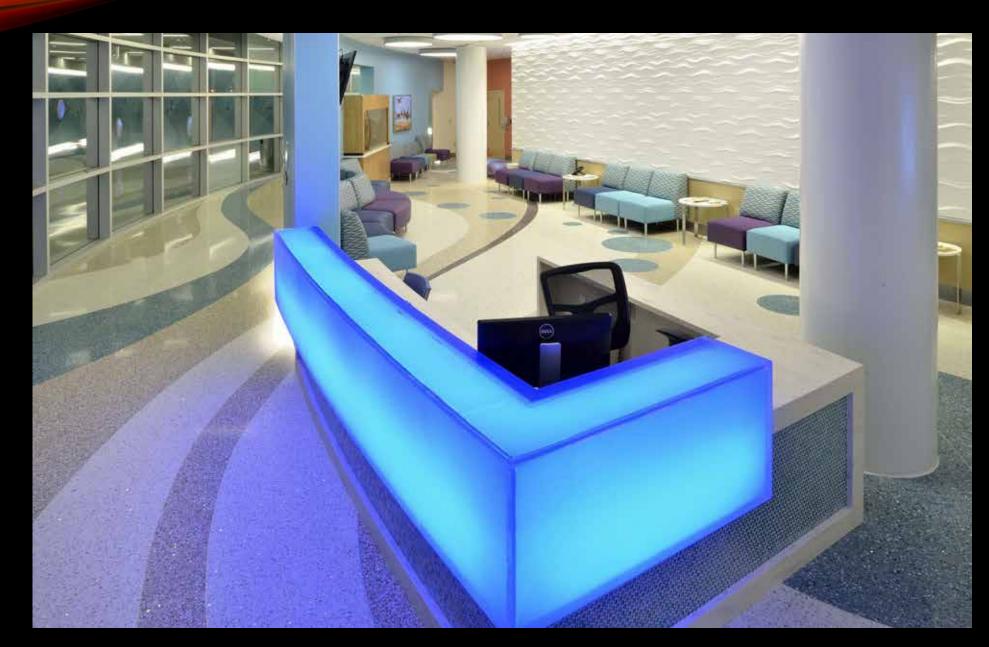




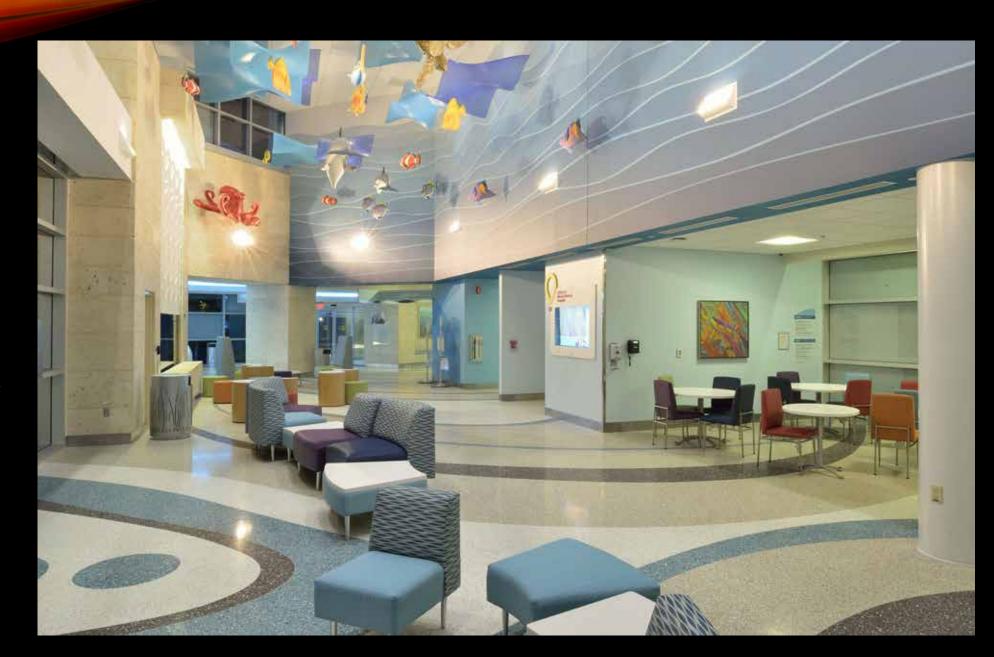
CURVILINEAR SPACES
ALWAYS MAKE FOR
GREAT PHOTOS

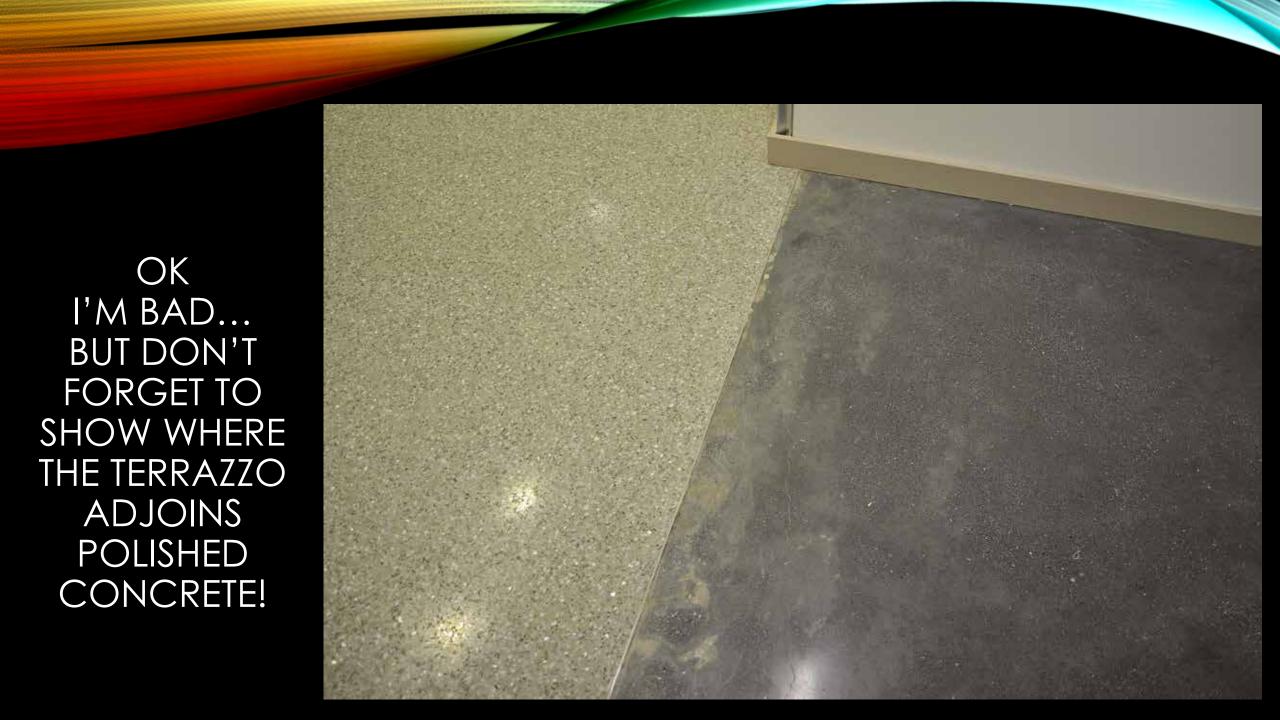


MAKE SURE TO
CAPTURE
INTERESTING
DESIGN
ELEMENTS TO
ADD INTEREST



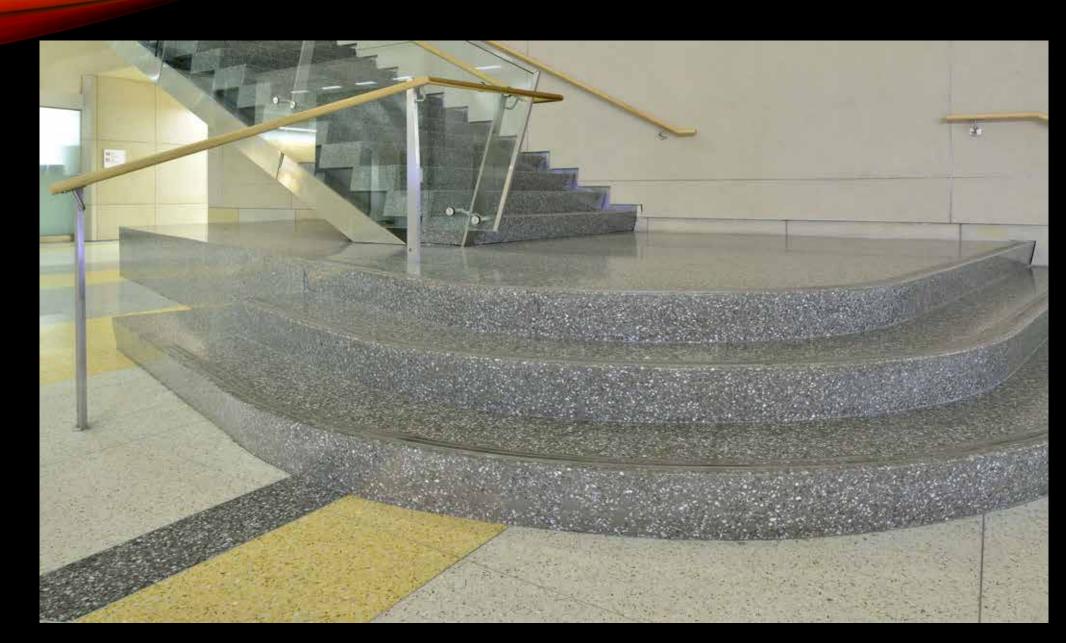
WHILE THE **FLOOR** DESIGN WAS **EXCELLENT BY** ITSELF, THE SEA LIFE CEILING MOBILE WAS THE ICING ON THE CAKE.





GREAT LOBBY
SPACE WITH
JET ENGINE
FEATURED AT
VA TECH

CAPTURE UNIQUE DESIGN **ELEMENTS** LIKE THESE TERRAZZO STAIRS, BOTH **POURED** IN PLACE AND PRE-CAST

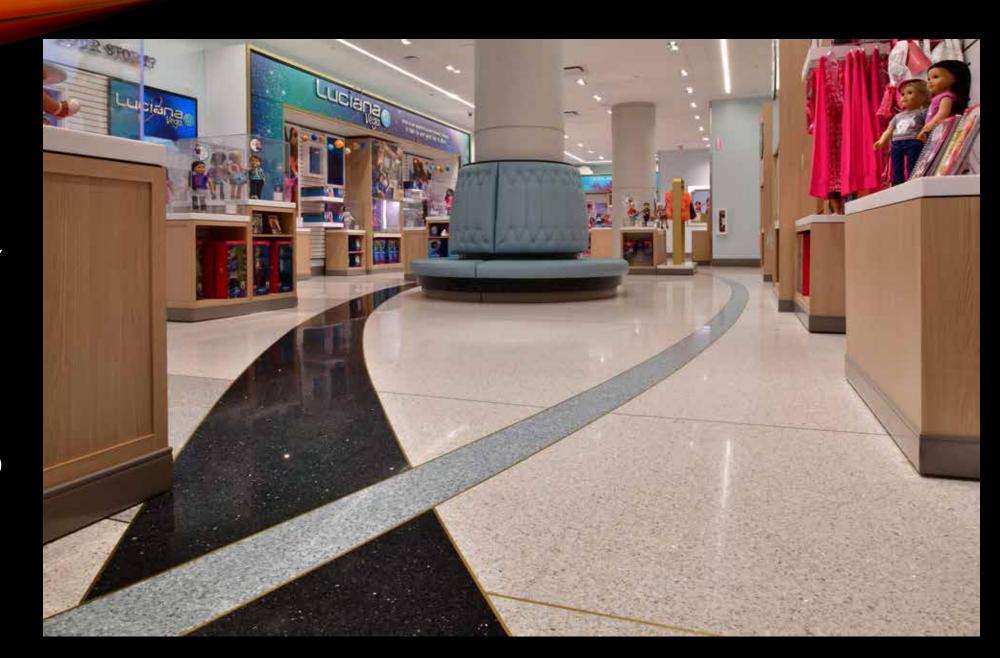


CAPTURE SCULPTURES TO ADD INTEREST TO ALREADY GREAT **TERRAZZO** PROJECT.

CAPTURE THE COLORS AND CHECK YOUR WHITE BALANCE OFTEN



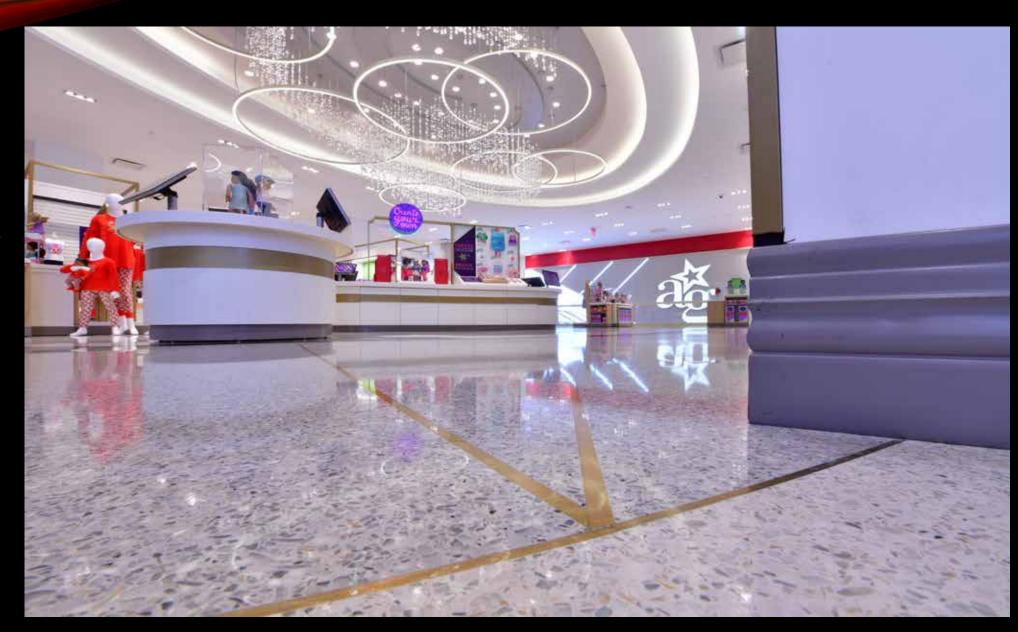
GREAT
OPPORTUNITY
FOR LOW
PERSPECTIVE
SHOWING
CURVILINEAR
PATTERN AND
STRIP WORK.



GREAT EXAMPLE OF DIFFICULT WHITE BALANCE AND EXPOSURE CHALLENGES



DOWN LOW PERSPECTIVE ADDS INTEREST AND HELPS SHOW STRIP & BASE DETAIL



COLOR COORDINATION OF FLOOR AND COUNTER SPACE

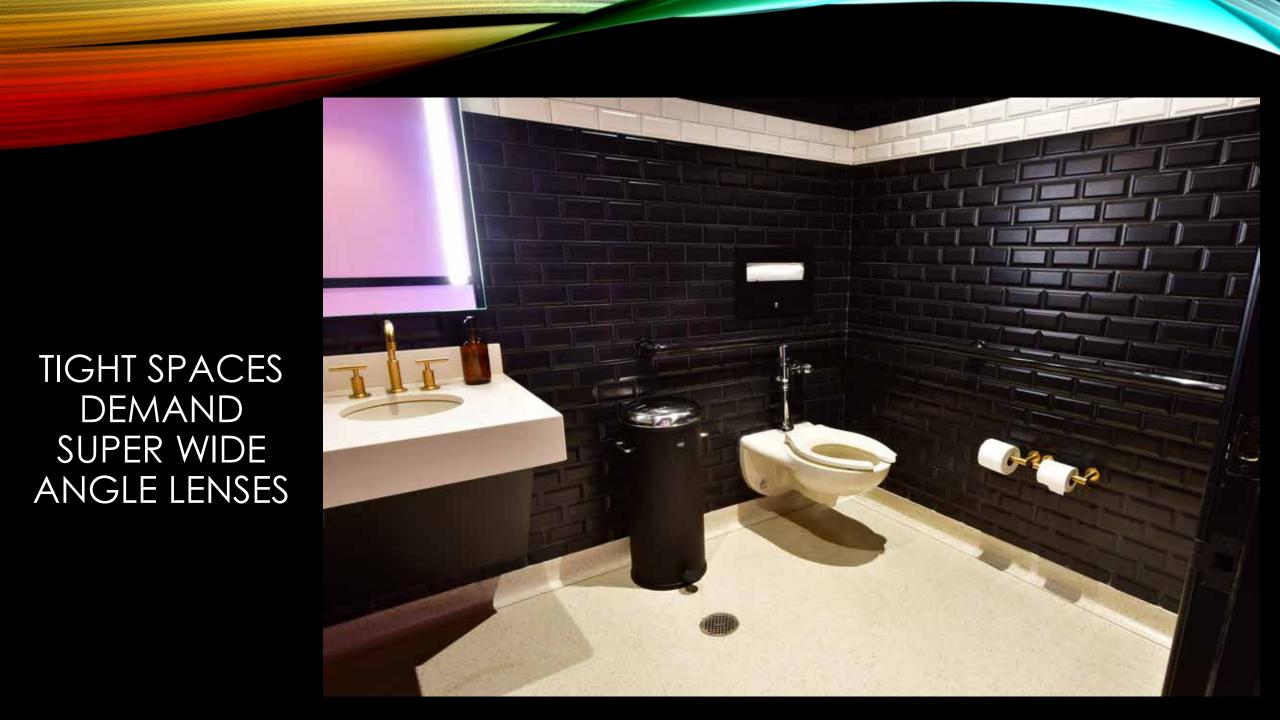


SHOWING ANTIQUE GLASS KNIVES FOR WHICH THE BAKERY WAS NAMED. NOTE THE CHALLENGE THE STRONG BACK LIGHT CAUSED.

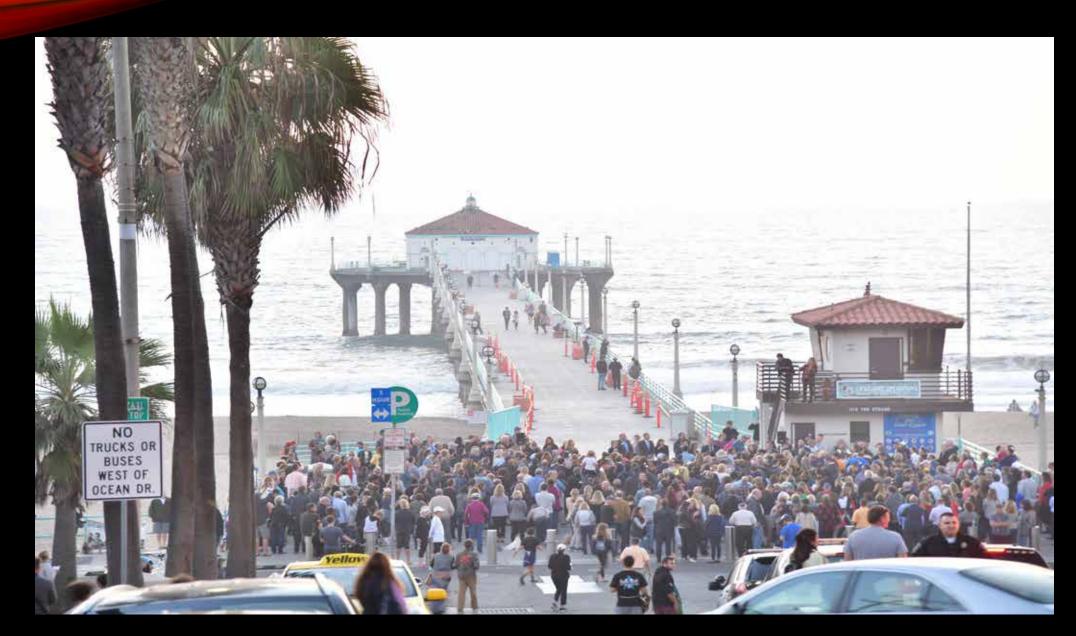


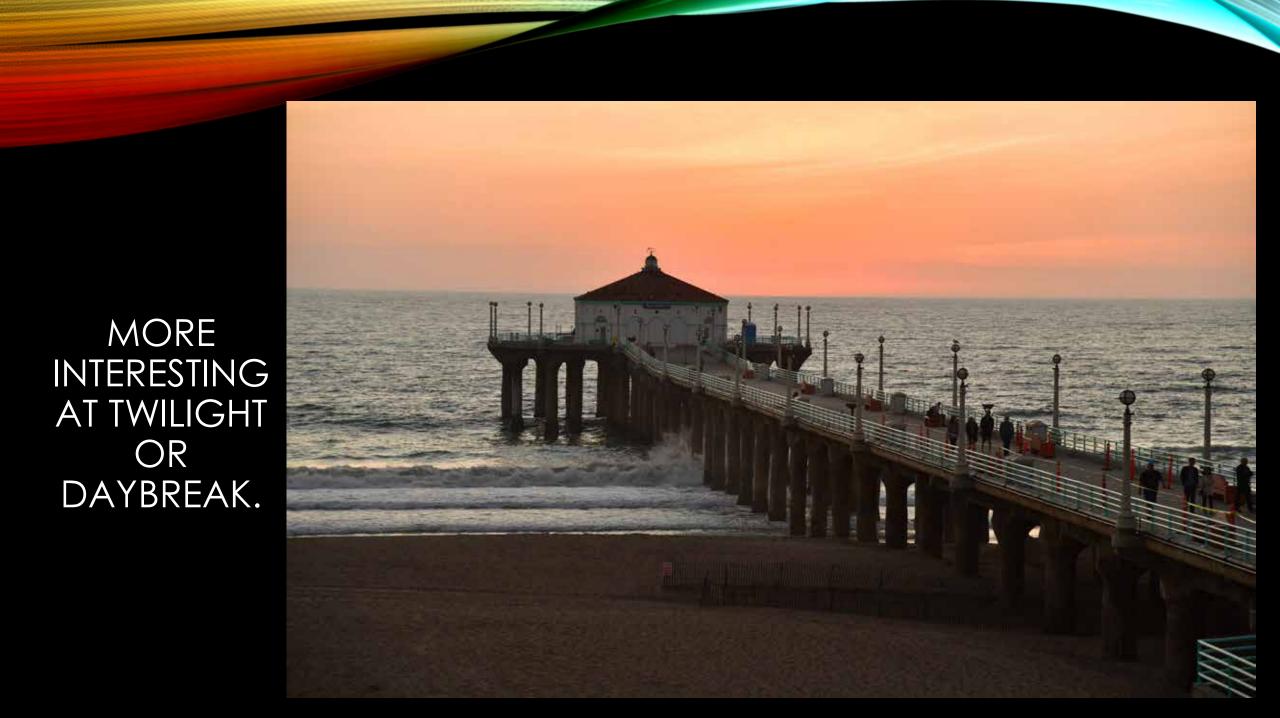
USE SMALL APERTURE FOR DEPTH OF FIELD AND BLUR PEOPLE



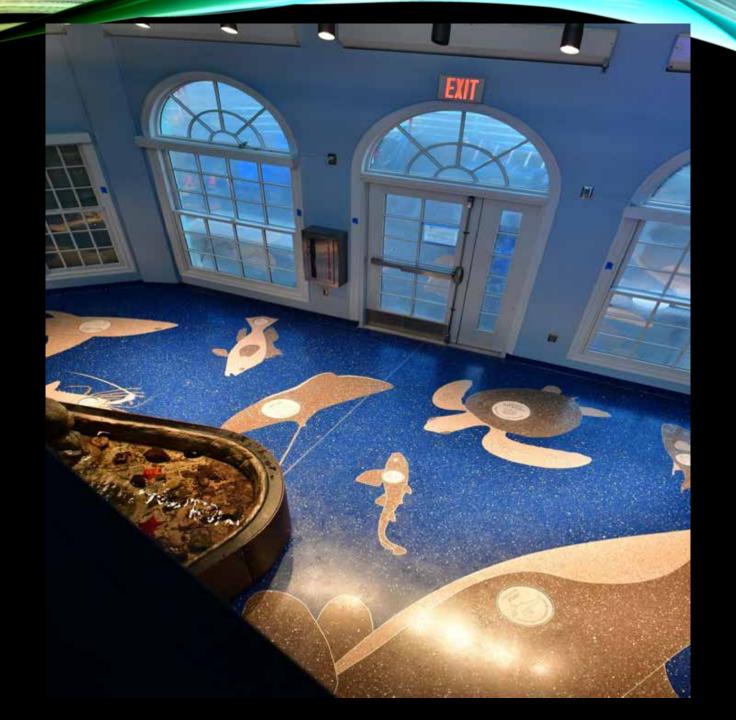


NOT THE BEST TIME OF DAY FOR THIS EXTERIOR SHOT





EXTREMELY TIGHT
INTERIOR SPACE LIMITS
VARIETY OF
PERSPECTIVE SHOTS SO
CONCENTRATE ON
DETAIL



DETAIL SHOT
WITH
EXTREMELY
CHALLENGING
LIGHTING AND
WHITE
BALANCE
CONDITIONS



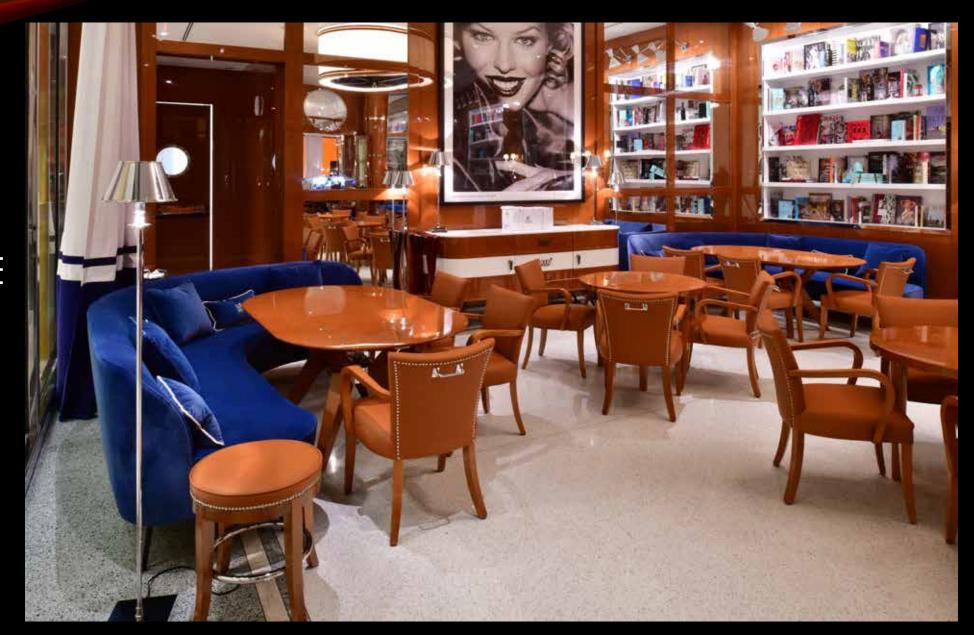
EXTERIOR OF PROJECT IS INSIDE A MALL SPACE.
MANY COLOR TEMPERATURE TO WORK WITH.

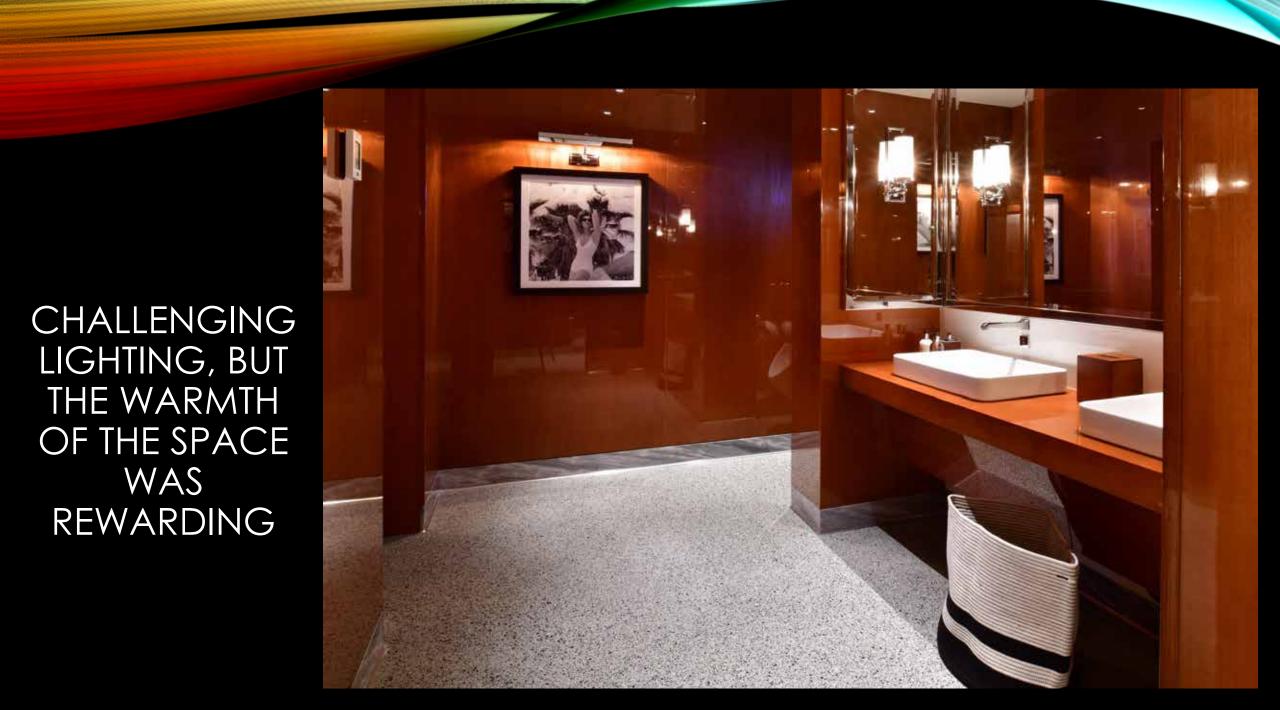


OCCUPIED SPACE CAN BE A SCHEDULING CHALLENGE. WORK WITH OWNERS REP OR GC



LOOK FOR COMFORTABLE AREAS AND THEY WILL USUALLY PHOTOGRAPH WELL.



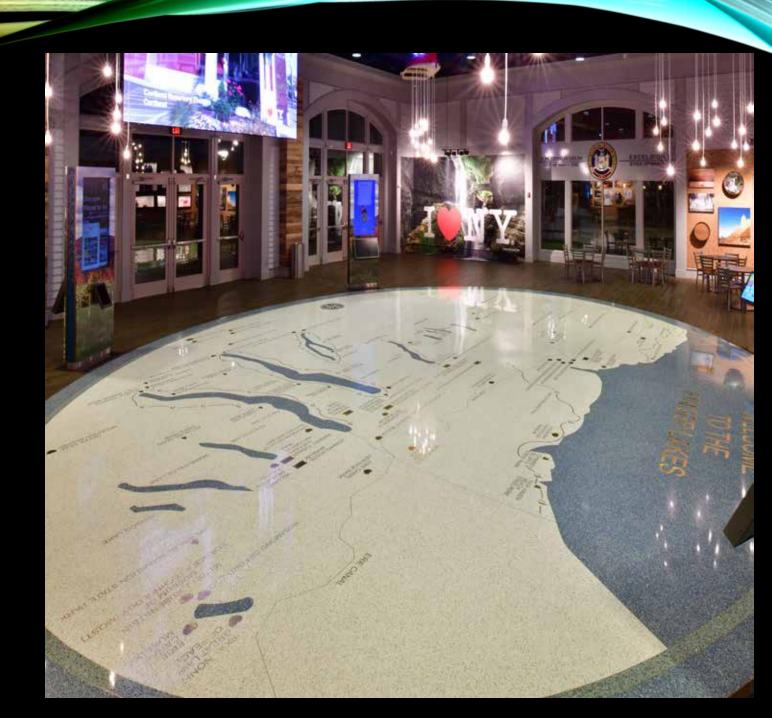


THE WRAP UP

ALWAYS USE A TRIPOD FOR SHARPNESS.

SET CAMERA AT ITS HIGHEST RESOLUTION AND SUBMIT PHOTOS NO LESS THAN 300 DPI.

KEEP CAMERA LEVEL SO VERTICAL LINES DON'T CONVERGE.

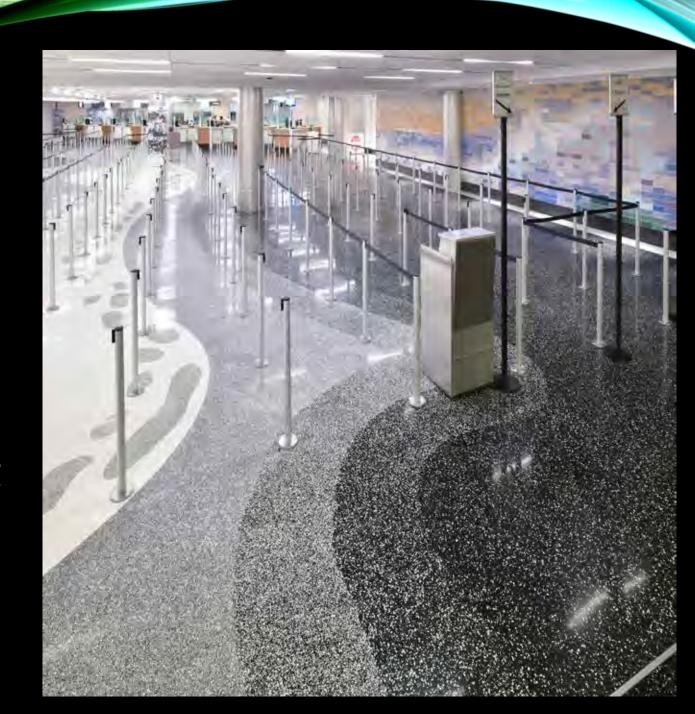


THE WRAP UP

SET ASA SETTING TO 100 FOR BEST COLOR, SHARPNESS AND DETAIL.

SET CAMERA ON MANUAL FOR BEST CONTROL OF LIGHTING, DEPTH OF FIELD AND OVERALL

CONTROL.



THANK YOU
ALL.
NOW GO
MAKE PHOTO
MAGIC!

