



Nomination for 2024 IAG Academy IR Awards

Award : **Best Overall Architectural Impact of an IR**
Nominated company : **Galaxy Entertainment Group**
Nominated property : **Galaxy Macau™**

Galaxy Macau, The Most Awarded World-class Luxury Integrated Resort

As a World-Class Luxury Integrated Resort that has received the most awards, Galaxy Macau™ spans over 1.1 million sqm. Since its opening in 2011, the integrated resort has been offering visitors unlimited experiences with its award-winning five-star hotel brands, exciting resort facilities, exceptional gastronomy offerings, luxurious shopping, diverse entertainment and amazing events, all in one spectacular location.

Galaxy Macau is home to the world's largest collection of luxury hotel brands under one roof – Banyan Tree Macau, Galaxy Hotel™, Hotel Okura Macau, JW Marriott Hotel Macau, The Ritz-Carlton, Macau, Broadway Hotel, Raffles at Galaxy Macau, and Andaz Macau. Combined, these eight world-class, luxury hotels at Galaxy Macau offer around 5,000 rooms, suites and villas of five-star accommodation and lavish spa experiences. In terms of amenities, Galaxy Macau offers over 120 dining options of Michelin-starred dining and authentic delicacies, the world's largest Skytop Adventure Rapids and Skytop Wave Pool, Asia's most iconic and advanced MICE destination – the Galaxy International Convention Center ("GICC"), Macau's largest 16,000-seat indoor Galaxy Arena, and many other facilities.

Today, Galaxy Macau has become a premier tourism and entertainment destination, catering to both gaming and non-gaming visitors with its wide array of amenities.

Sustainable Building Design

Galaxy Macau has been designed from the ground up with sustainability in mind. In recognition of the integrated resort's commitment toward building a healthy and sustainable future, the United States Green Building Council (USGBC) has awarded the LEED Gold Certification to Galaxy Macau. GICC has also become the first and only MICE center in Macau to receive Gold Certification from LEED for its sustainable interior design and construction in 2022. LEED Gold Certification recognizes Galaxy Macau as an impressive example of sustainable design on an international level and serves as a model for environmental protection for the construction engineering industry.

GICC has also become the first in Macau to receive the coveted Silver Certification for Environmental Design from EarthCheck, the world's leading scientific benchmarking, certification and advisory group for travel and tourism. Silver Certification endorses GICC as a venue that demonstrates compliance with EarthCheck Building Planning and Design Standards to maximize design and operational efficiency. Travelers who visit an EarthCheck-certified venue can take comfort in knowing that they are visiting a destination that values the environment and sustainability, while ensuring an exceptional standard of health and hygiene.

Interior Restaurant Design

Located on the 51st floor of The Ritz-Carlton, Macau, Lai Heen, the highest Chinese restaurant in Macau, is led by Chinese Executive Chef, Jackie Ho Hon-sing. Renowned for its finest level



in culinary artistry, Lai Heen's meticulously curated culinary journey enables it to take its place in the highly respected accolades for seven consecutive years between 2017 and 2023, including the one-star establishment from MICHELIN Guide Hong Kong and Macau, as well as the Best Restaurants Awards from T.Dining Hong Kong and Macau. Forbes Travel Guide has awarded Lai Heen with the glorious five-star rating for 2020-2024.

The finest level of craftsmanship is further illustrated through its unique interior design by Strickland, a design company based in Japan who has also designed The Ritz-Carlton Hotel in China and Malaysia. Strickland is known for incorporating local heritage and materials into its design, with handpicked art pieces to enhance the whole architectural style and atmosphere.

The designer's vision of blending Cantonese cuisine with Portuguese heritage can be seen from the blue earthenware along the corridor and the patterns of the Portuguese tiles on the wall – All aiming at bringing restaurant patrons back to Macau's ancient Chinese and Portuguese colonial past. At the entrance corridor, a featured waterfall welcomes guests with soothing sounds of water and lit-up waves, reminiscent of the old trading port of Macau. The corridor is decorated with intricate patterns hollowed out to decorate walls and ceramic vase chandeliers, creating a majestic and refined atmosphere.

The main dining area is carefully decorated with classic China vessels and decorations as well as blue glass pendants suspended from the four-meter high ceiling. When paired with the ceramic vase chandeliers, a sense of classic sophistication is portrayed. The walls are embellished with beautiful designs crafted from thousands of pieces of Azulejo ceramic tilework.

Named after different precious stones from ancient Chinese culture, the five private dining rooms are ideal for intimate and celebratory occasions, providing a truly exclusive dining venue in which to delight in the high culinary art of the hotel. Part of the main dining area are separated by movable sliding partition for flexible table arrangements.

Artistic Lighting Displays

Guests will discover interesting art displays all throughout Galaxy Macau. The "Symphony of Lights", designed and installed by renowned Korean-American artist Soo Sunny Park for the JW Marriott Hotel Macau grand entrance, is one such example. Park is best known for transforming basic building materials, such as dry wall, insulation, and mesh, into sublime installations that highlight the interplay of light and form. Through her ingenious application of aesthetic design and refractions, the "Symphony of Lights" is strikingly beautiful, adding vibrant colors and shimmering sparkles to the hotel lobby.



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