

Work To Start On Award Winning Architects' New Student Accommodation Tower In Vauxhall, London

Award winning architects to begin building 32 storey skyscraper student accommodation in Vauxhall, London next to the new US Embassy.

LONDON, UK, March 11, 2015 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The British architects behind a Leeds student tower block named the 'world's best tall building' are due to see work beginning on their latest project in Vauxhall, South London.

[Feilden Clegg Bradley Studios'](#) design for 32-storey student accommodation and leisure centre will start taking shape on South Lambeth Road in the next few months. The tower is located in the heart of Vauxhall, near the Nine Elms area which includes the site of the new US embassy.

The multi-award winning London-based firm has once again teamed up with renowned student accommodation developer and Liverpool's largest private commercial landlord Downing for the [Atlas](#) construction, which is due to be completed in 2017 and will be home to 534 en-suite and studio student bedroom accommodation.

Downing have developed over 8,000 student bedrooms with an end value of over £600m across the United Kingdom and have a further 5,500 student bedrooms under development and in their accommodation pipeline.

Utilising a currently unoccupied brownfield site, Atlas has a triangular shape which facilitates student interaction by arranging each cluster bedroom around a communal lounge and a dual-aspect corner kitchen.

Atlas will also house a commercial leisure centre that includes a 25-metre swimming pool. These new leisure facilities will be available for use by local residents. Outdoor amenity space will be provided for the students in the form of roof terraces on the fourth and 31st floors.

The team from Feilden Clegg Bradley Studios includes Oliver Kampshoff, Partner in charge, Julie Gaulter, project architect, [Lucy](#) O'Sullivan and Mina Gospavic.

Oliver previously worked on Broadcasting Place, a student housing project in Leeds, and a collaboration between Feilden Clegg Bradley Studios and Downing, which was named the "world's best tall building".

Julie and Lucy previously worked together on the multi-award winning Brent Civic Centre by Hopkins Architects, and Lucy has worked for REX Architects on the Museum Plaza tower in Louisville, Kentucky.

Unlike Broadcasting Place's distinctive cor-ten steel cladding, the Atlas will be clad in a mix of glazed and unglazed ceramic tiles of light shades. A speckling of earthy- tones will be included as a reference to Lambeth's 17th and 18th century pottery and ceramics industry.

The architects are working with Wintech the facade engineering consultant to develop the Terracotta cladding system, with an algorithm to randomly distribute the colours. The street level panels have a specialist hand-fired finish with special glaze.

Structural engineering is provided by Walsh Group, and the services engineers are Hoare Lea.

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