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## **American National Bank**

Flower Mound, Texas

Flower Mound is a fast-growing north Dallas community with an abundance of large national banks; therefore, American National Bank's new facility had to portray the small-town personalized hospitable attitude about banking that sets this bank apart from its competition. The exterior contemporary design is unique enough to catch the curiosity of passersby while maintaining a sophisticated yet conservative rural look. The brick and metal roof structure is nestled in a grove of native post oak trees, with a 30" diameter tree in the middle of the drive-thru lanes, which is classified a "specimen" tree by the State of Texas.

Upon entering the building, circulation patterns are defined by the use of a "stone" tile with the lobby seating areas and offices warmed by the use of blue and green carpet. The bank interior is open, almost see-through with large expanses of glass both interior and exterior that bring the natural outside landscape into the building. A focal point of this environment is a large saltwater reef aquarium centered in the bank lobby, opening on one side to the lobby, and on the other side to a private conference room. Contemporary light walls are a backdrop to these hints of underwater life, which are subtly accented through the use of interior artwork as well as exterior cast stone conch shells which highlight the brickwork.

The natural marble and rich cherry wood detailing at the teller stations are timeless materials that represent permanence and stability.

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