BREATHING NEW LIFE INTO THE PAST

Originally built in 1916, 1100 Ludlow first’s life was as the men’s annex of the Snellenburg & Company department store, before becoming the first home of the Community College of Philadelphia. 1100 Ludlow has been resurrected yet again into a mixed-use building ready to meet the needs of the 21st century. The building proves yet again that aging concrete structures can stand the test of time and meet the needs of a more modern society.

01. Solid bones.
It’s no secret that concrete lasts a long time. Built nearly a century ago, 1100 Ludlow maintains many of the original building’s structural aspects.

02. Reflecting the style of the neighborhood.
The structure is faced with precast concrete panels shaped to resemble the heavy I-beams used in the construction of the neighboring high-rise towers on Market Street.

03. A post-industrial style.
The use of concrete in the project allows tenants to forgo added finishes in favor of the raw aesthetic of the material.

04. A new exterior.
While the building may have been structurally sound, the original terra cotta exterior was crumbling. Thanks to the use of concrete, the rest of the building was useable, even though the exterior was not.

1100 LUDLOW
1100 Ludlow, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Completed: 2017
Project Size: 260,000 SF
Project Cost: $24.5 million
Architect: BLT Architects and Morris Adjimi
Project Owner: NREA Development

A Coalition of the National Ready Mixed Concrete Association | BuildWithStrength.com