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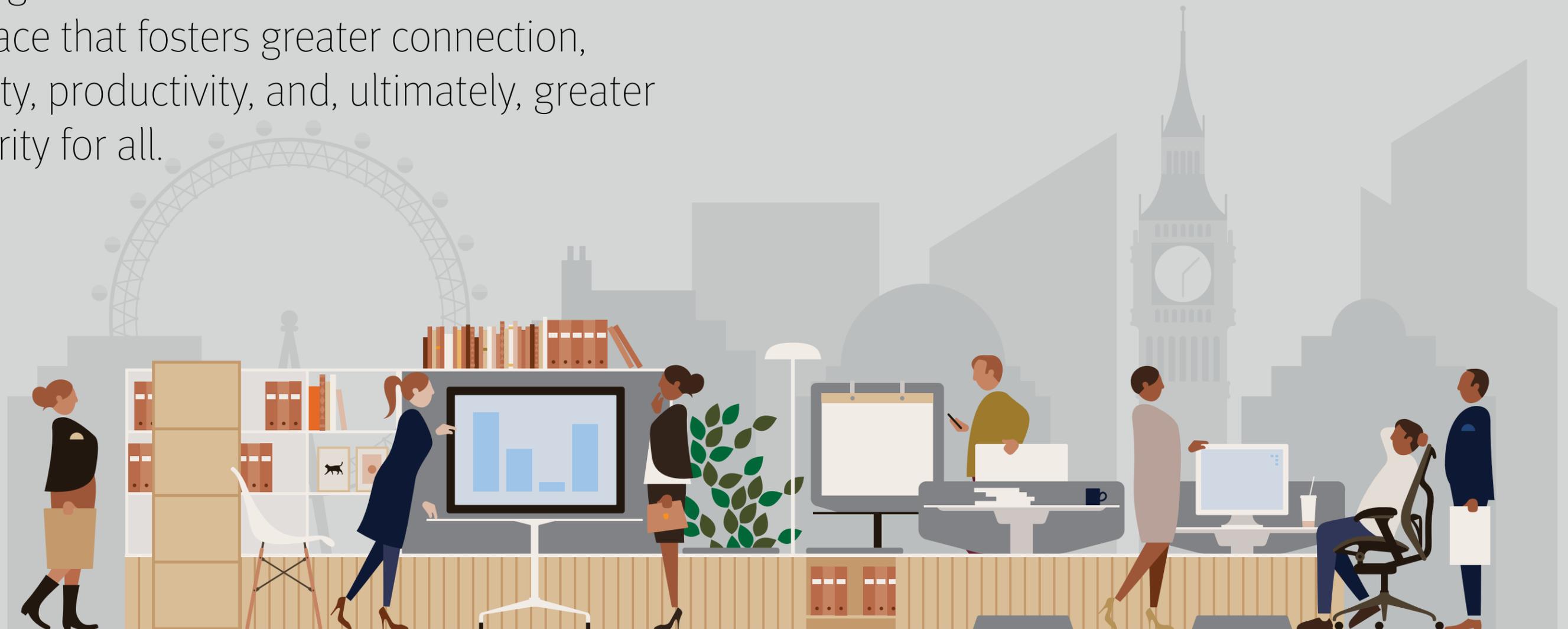
Living Office helps people customize their methods, tools, and places of work to express and enable shared character and purpose. It is based on what is fundamental to all and evolves continuously in response to change. It is a more natural and desirable workplace that fosters greater connection, creativity, productivity, and, ultimately, greater prosperity for all.

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Designed by Sam Hecht and Kim Colin, 2013

In recent decades, productivity has become increasingly reliant on people working together. Many successful organizations are considering individuals in the context of their groups and want to develop office layouts where high-performance teams can work more fluidly and with more variety.

Locale helps organizations utilize and manage open office plans with a system that enables people to seamlessly transition between working together and alone, and in seated or standing postures. By removing visual and physical obstacles and condensing the architectural scale of an open office plan into a tightly knit neighborhood, Locale helps people stay better connected to their work and to each other.





Designer Story

With an understanding of what is needed to create an open office plan that is truly open, Sam Hecht and Kim Colin of Industrial Facility created Locale—an elegant solution that recognizes collaboration as a necessity of good business.

During the design process for Locale, Hecht and Colin drew inspiration from their own office—a highly efficient space that accommodates different work styles and behaves like an energetic international neighborhood.

The design was also informed by the idea of a thriving English high street, which serves the community and the broader city simply by arranging a variety of local activities and services in proximity to one another.





Welcome to the Neighborhood

A thoughtful composition of Locale's elements encourages people to freely and intuitively cycle from individual work to collaborative group and social activities. With close proximity to each other and to everything needed to comfortably complete their tasks, people can be more focused, creative, and free to do their best.

Locale neighborhoods are composed of attached modules, including desks, places to sit and perch, and resources to support the activities of work. Together, the modules create a diverse, highly adjustable environment, where individual and group work can occur simultaneously over the course of the day.

Anchored in Space

Linear, low, and architectonic, the horizontal Workbase provides a unifying core for each Locale neighborhood. Power and mechanics are housed, out of sight, within the Workbase, creating an elegant aesthetic. A pattern of vertical detail establishes the visual continuity between modular elements.





Gather Round

Locale's curved, height-adjustable surfaces signal openness, invite interaction, and generously accommodate multiple collaborators, work styles, postures, and tools. Minimal table legs foster unobstructed transitions between individual and group work, allowing people to gather and disperse with ease. Mobile elements, including tables, screens, and easels, provide flexibility for workers to create at the desk and display within the team.





Design for the Environment

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