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The Atrium, Victoria



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The Atrium, with its impressive central arrival hall, is situated in a prime area of the downtown Victoria business district. The building offers quality office space, market leading tenant amenities, as well as ground floor retail shops, restaurants and other services.

The building's owner has a long history with dimensional lumber, owning one of the first lumber companies on Vancouver Island. This his-

tory inspired the expression of small dimension lumber in this important space. The leap of scale from the repetition of small dimension slats over the curving expanse of the atrium's sides generates strong visual impact. The wood slats, as well as the cedar soffits, also form an integral part of the atrium's acoustic strategy. As a semi-public urban room, The Atrium uses the warmth of wood to welcome in office workers and invite the public into the space.