



Vanguard cooks up restaurant sensation

Vanguard Construction & Development Company Inc. announced that it has completed construction of Buddakan, a new restaurant located at 75 Ninth Ave. in the historic Meatpacking District.

Buddakan is the creation of restaurant superstar Stephen Starr, who opened the original Buddakan in Philadelphia, which has played to packed customers and culinary high praise.

Vanguard served as the Construction Manager for the project working with internationally renowned French designer Christian Liagre, Gilles & Boissier Architects, Stephanie Goto as Owners Design Consultant and Gardiner & Theobald, Owners Representatives. Vanguard coordinated the various consultants and resources on the project. They incorporated custom details such as the 20' high metal screens and the vast, high-tech kitchen capable of preparing 300 meals a night. Vanguard performed value engineering throughout the pre-construction and construction phases to meet budget parameters and opening dates.

"Working with Christian Liagre and Stephen Starr has been both a challenge and an honor for Vanguard," said Michael Strauss, President of Vanguard.

"Interpreting design, especially ambitious designs, and realizing them while ensuring everything works functionally for the end user is our foremost priority. We have been privileged to work with some of the world's most acclaimed architects and talented young designers. Buddakan is another example of how we constantly strive to make both the designer's and client's visions a successful reality."

