

## Design unveiled of *MAHANAKHON*: Bangkok's Tallest Future Building

*Mixed-use development to be a lush urban oasis with The Ritz-Carlton Residences, Bangkok, New Public Square, luxury retail and Five-Star Edition Hotel To Be Completed 2012*



**BANGKOK, Thailand, July 23, 2009** - PACE Development and IBC, a subsidiary of the Fishman Group, today unveiled the inspirational design for MahaNakhon for the first time, a dazzling mixed-use, 77-storey tower development that promises to be an architectural landmark as well as Bangkok's tallest building.

With its distinctive sculptural appearance, MahaNakhon has been carefully carved to introduce a three-dimensional ribbon of architectural 'pixels' that circle the tower's full height, as if excavating portions of the elegant glass curtain wall to reveal the inner life of the building. The pixilation gives MahaNakhon an arresting profile on the skyline while generating a set of very special features – projecting glass skyboxes with sweeping views and generous indoor/outdoor spaces well suited to the tropical climate of Bangkok. Non-pixel residences enjoy innovations never seen before; double height living spaces and duplexes with full height bi-fold balcony windows that fold inwards to open up homes and allow living areas to become indoor/outdoor environments.



MahaNakhon's glittering stacked surfaces, terraces and protrusions have been conceived to convey the energy, intensity and inclusiveness of Thai society and celebrate Bangkok's emergence as a true global capital, fitting the Thai meaning of the name MahaNakhon, translated as 'great metropolis'.

Standing in the CBD on more than 9 Rai directly adjacent to the Chongnonsi BTS Station and between Silom and Sathorn Roads, the complex - is the first mixed-use development to communicate intimately with Bangkok from the ground up. Components include **MahaNakhon Square**, a landscaped outdoor public plaza intended as a new public destination within the city; **MahaNakhon Terraces**, 10,000 square meters of luxury lifestyle retail space with lush gardens and terraces spread over multiple levels for restaurants, cafes and a 24 hour marketplace; **The Ritz-Carlton Residences, Bangkok** with 200 highly-customized single-level and duplex homes, managed by The Ritz-Carlton with five-star amenities for all residents and interior design taking 21st century living and imbuing it with energy, while keeping it grounded in classical vocabulary ; **The Bangkok Edition**, a signature boutique hotel with 150 hotel rooms, a collaboration between Marriott International and renowned hotelier Ian Schrager; and a multi-level roof-top outdoor bar and restaurant 310m in height.





Sorapoj Techakraisri, CEO of PACE Development said that the project was the result of a strongly held wish to do something for Thailand that would be both an enduring architectural symbol and proof of the company commitment and confidence in Thailand's long term economic prosperity and cultural diversity.

“We see MahaNakhon as rising both literally as the city's tallest building and symbolically rising to the challenge of representing the audacity that is Bangkok today – the energy, optimism and strength of the Thai psyche,” he said.

Dalit Braun, CEO of IBC, commented, “Every nation needs a symbol of confidence in its future. We believe MahaNakhon

will perfectly embody the essence of a strong and forward looking country that is the gateway to Southeast Asia while serving as a bold architect landmark. IBC feels especially privileged to be part of this truly imaginative project.”



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