Hanjie Wanda Square

Wuhan, China

Hanjie Wanda Square is a new luxury shopping plaza located in the Wuhan Central Culture Centre, one of the most important areas of Wuhan City. The multifunctional organisation of the master plan - which includes cultural and tourist facilities as well as commercial, office and residential components - acts as an attractor to the area for visitors, inhabitants and commuters alike.

The façade design focuses on achieving a dynamic effect, reflecting the handcrafted combination of two materials: polished stainless steel and patterned glass. These two materials are crafted into nine differently trimmed, but standardised spheres. Their specific positions in relation to each other recreate the effect of movement and reflection in water, or the sensuous folds of silk fabric.

Environment: Urban  
Façade skin: 42.333 stainless steel spheres and aprox. 4700 aluminum back-panels  
Architects: UNStudio  
Photograph: Edmon Leong  
Completion: 2013  
More information: unstudio.com