Aquarium gets an inviting new entrance

Bermuda's most popular tourist attraction updates in a multimillion-dollar renovation project

Hurricanes Fay and Gonzalo caught the island by surprise in October 2014 and caused substantial damage, but the roof of the Bermuda Aquarium Museum and Zoo (BAMZ) was not a victim of the storms.

"Everybody thought we had roof damage caused by hurricanes Fay and Gonzalo, but we did not," says Dr. Ian Walker, the curator. "People may have been given this impression because we began construction within a week of the storms, while everyone else was still clearing up and repairing their property. We had been planning to replace the roof for a number of years because it was in a very poor state, and we decided for safety purposes we had to move forward before we had a major issue."

The roof was part of the original structure of the BAMZ, dating back to 1926. It had original timber beams that had been damaged by water and termites over the past 90 years. Because of the animals, it is not possible to "tent" the aquarium for termite fumigation.

The old structure was completely demolished, and a series of new steel beams were installed to form the frame of the new roof. New corrugated roofing was put into place and the work completed early in 2015.

The next phase was to create a more attractive and welcoming entrance.

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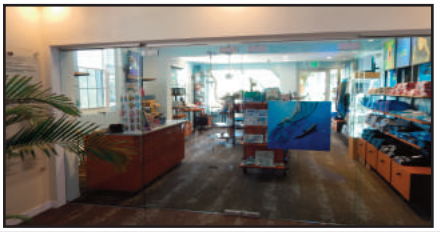

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summer season with construction going on around the property, so we waited until January 2016 before work was started on the entrance," explains Dr. Walker.

The Bermuda Zoological Society (BZS) wanted to improve and enlarge the gift shop so that there was more opportunity to increase revenue, and the BAMZ wanted to modernise and open up the entrance to make it as welcoming as possible. "The existing narrow entrance corridor made it look very dated. We wanted to create the right impression when visitors walked in. Work was begun in January 2016 and completed five months later.

Visitors may not notice too many changes from outside – the doors to the aquarium hall haven't changed, for example – but once they step inside, they will be greeted with a more open, friendly feel to Bermuda's most popular tourist attraction.

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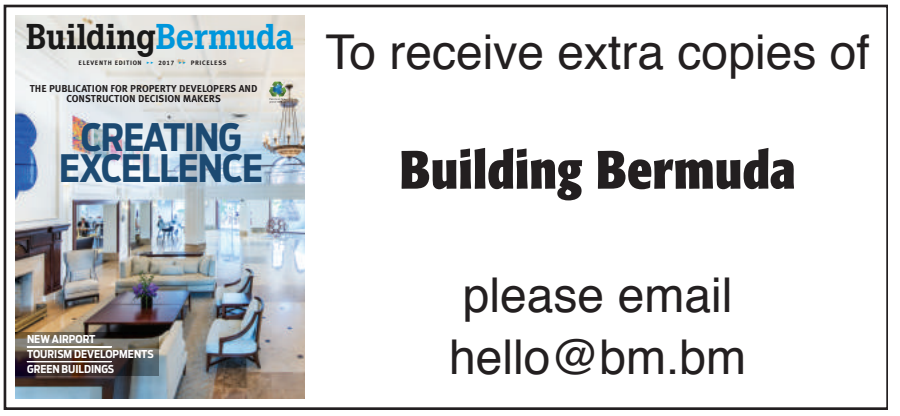

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