

University of Houston Calhoun Lofts Grand Opening

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Dr. Elwyn Lee, President Renu Khator,
Dave Irvin & Kenneth Fomunung (front to back row)



“This is something that other universities dream of...students will be able to learn horizontally from each other..it will be a very special place.”

Dr. Renu Khator
Chancellor/President
University of Houston

Sheila Jackson Lee endorses Calhoun Lofts



“Calhoun Lofts have taken Houston by storm...you can bring young people and researchers here to make a difference.”

Sheila Jackson Lee
U.S. Congresswoman
18th Congressional District of Texas

Ribbon cutting ceremony

- Guests were treated to a reception and tour of the facilities.
- Calhoun Lofts is the biggest building ever constructed by the UH System.
- Kirksey Architects, who designed the facility, called Calhoun Lofts “monumental” and noted that the lofts are the largest educational building they’ve ever designed.



Calhoun Lofts First Floor Lobby Is Spacious and Inviting with Incredible Attention to Detail

Calhoun Lofts remakes a whole precinct of the campus that formerly housed temporary buildings. Now it will be the centerpiece of over \$300 million worth of construction. Eventually UH will spend over \$1 billion in construction.

Dave Irvin
Associate Vice Chancellor
Plant Operations
University of Houston



See You At The Top

The ninth floor Sky Lounge features weather resistant furniture and opening ceilings and that offers picturesque views of the Houston skyline and surrounding areas.

One student who is leasing a loft said she went on four tours before she decided to upgrade to the maximum. She loves the amenities. She's excited and honored to be one of the first residents to live at the historic Calhoun Lofts.



A Welcome Addition

Welcome W. Wilson, Chairman of the UH System Board of Regents, described Calhoun Lofts as the “latest and greatest of housing programs at UH.”

He further stated that how important it is for the university to have fine residential facilities that the campus needs at this point in time.



Calhoun Lofts is a Collaborative Effort that is the Result of the Dedication of many!

Right before opening weekend, it's reported that a crew of 70 men worked around the clock to get the fire alarm system up and running.

The front area was rebuilt four times until the look and feel were just right.

The University of Houston System Board of Regents were involved all the way through and helped carry out the vision.



Simple Life Made Stylish

Dr. Elwyn Lee remarked that the Calhoun Lofts is the newest addition of growing inventory of student housing at University of Houston.

Pepper-Lawson Construction, LLC completed the project on time. The company also constructed UH's Campus Recreation and Wellness Center.

