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Concert and Recital Halls

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Our staff covers the full range of experience in theatre. We are designers, technicians, writers, directors, and performers. Because of this, we have a passion for and an intimate understanding of theatre, both the art form and the buildings which support it.



Theatres are complex buildings that need to accomplish many roles, both in their internal functions and within their larger communities. We understand all aspects of what it takes to run a theatre, from the form and function of the building and its technology, to its management and sustainability.



We are an independent consulting and design office only. We do not sell equipment or represent manufacturers or suppliers. Our primary goal is to provide the right solutions for the best possible price.

Our Theatre Consulting Services Include:

Theatre Planning

- Feasibility Studies
- Financing and Development Studies
- Marketing and Economic Impact Analysis
- Operations Planning
- Facility Planning, Programming and Design



Theatre Systems Design

- Stage Lighting
- Sound Reinforcement and Effects
- Audio Paging and Monitoring
- Production Intercommunications
- Assistive Listening
- Video Monitoring and Display
- Counterweight and Motorized Stage Rigging
- Draperies and Track
- Elevators and Lifts
- Combined Show Controls
- Digital Signage



CHINESE CANADIAN CULTURAL CENTRE P.C. HO THEATRE

Location: Toronto, Ontario

Project Owner: Chinese Canadian Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto

Date Completed: 2006

Theatrical Systems Cost: \$1.8 million

Architects: Young + Wright Architects, Ng Chee Architects

Theatre Consultants: Novita



Image credit: Chinese Canadian Cultural Centre



Novita provided Theatre Consulting services for this 625 seat theatre, part of the Chinese Canadian Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto. The stage can be transformed from a space for drama, opera, cinema, and dance, to a concert hall, with the addition of an acoustical shell over the stage. Novita designed all of the theatrical presentations systems and worked with the architects to optimize sightlines.

A notable feature of this project is the sophisticated motorized rigging system. Because of space and budget limitations, the theatre does not have a full fly tower. The variable speed motor and highly precise winch lines allow stage sets to be flown as needed. Additionally, the conversion from a theatrical space to a concert hall is achieved quickly, safely, and efficiently. Novita included the infrastructure for more rigging linesets to be added in the future.

Today, the P.C. Ho Theatre is part of a vibrant community hub, serving both Toronto's large Chinese population as well as other local residents.

TRINITY COLLEGE SCHOOL THEATRE

Location: Port Hope, Ontario
Project Owner: Trinity College School
Date Completed: 2001
Systems Value: \$525,000
Architect: CS+P Architects
Theatre and AV Consultants: Novita



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Trinity College is an independent, co-educational, boarding and day school. This project involved converting a gymnasium into an electronic classroom and performance space. Novita designed a movable wall at the back of the stage to facilitate the room's transition to different purposes.

Systems for this room include theatre components such as audio, lighting, rigging, and drapery. Other systems include audio reinforcement, large format video display, video conferencing, and combined room control.

In addition to the work for the multipurpose room, Novita designed a computer network cabling system throughout the school, and designed systems for several electronic classrooms.

WILLIS HALL, APPLEBY COLLEGE

Location: Oakville, Ontario

Project Owner: Appleby College

Date Completed: 1999

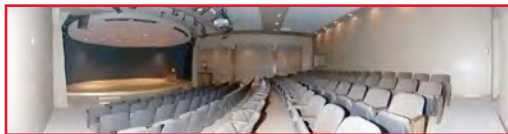
Total Project Cost: \$10 million

Architect: Gren Weis Architects

Theatre and AV Consultants: Novita



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Appleby College is a co-educational boarding and day school for students from Grades 7 through 12. The educators at Appleby teach that the arts are relevant and applicable to many aspects of life.

Willis Hall is a 150-seat drama and recital hall with excellent acoustics. Novita designed the presentation systems and specified the theatrical equipment, with ease of use and safety for the students a top priority. Novita worked with the project architects to ensure optimal auditorium acoustics and sightlines.

The Hall was built underneath a student residence building which was being constructed at the same time. This was a very cost-effective solution, as the volume of space needed for Willis Hall was easily accommodated in the basement of the residence.

Novita also worked on the College's multipurpose Dining Hall (completed 2008). The Dining Hall is a multifunctional space with integrated audio, video, and lighting. The Hall accommodates 550 people and is equipped to host school dances and other large school gatherings. Appleby College makes the Hall available to the community for conferences, banquets, and weddings. The Hall features combined room controls for ease of use.

CLIENT LIST

Municipal

Arts and Entertainment Centre, Milton
Burnhamthorpe Library Theatre, Mississauga
Capitol Theatre, Port Hope
Centennial Hall, London
Centrepointe Theatre, Ottawa
Civic Square, Mississauga
Dow People Place, Sarnia
Fort Frances Community Theatre, Fort Frances
Gibson Cultural Centre, Alliston
Grace Hartman Amphitheatre, Sudbury
Gravenhurst Opera House, Gravenhurst
John Elliott Theatre, Georgetown
Living Arts Centre, Mississauga
London Central Library Theatre, London
Markham Theatre For Performing Arts, Markham
Mel Lastman Square, Toronto
National Theatre, Kabul, Afghanistan
Newmarket Theatre, Newmarket
Quinte Cultural Centre, Belleville
Rene M. Caisse Memorial Theatre, Bracebridge
Rose Theatre, Brampton
St. Clair Centre for the Arts, Windsor
Sudbury Performing Arts Centre, Sudbury
TCU Place (Centennial Auditorium), Saskatoon
The Centre in the Square, Kitchener
Uxbridge Music Hall, Uxbridge
Vaughan City Playhouse, Vaughan
Victoria Hall, Petrolia

Independent Schools

American School Theatre, Shanghai, China
Appleby College, Oakville
Country Day School, Richmond Hill
Crescent School, Toronto
Netherwood Performing Arts Centre, Rothesay
Redeemer University College, Ancaster
Ridley College, St. Catharines
St. John's Ravenscourt School, Winnipeg
Sterling Hall School, Toronto
Trinity College School, Port Hope
Xiamen College, Xiamen, China

Public Schools

De La Salle High School, Ottawa
Dufferin Peel Catholic District School Board
Essa Secondary School, Angus
Etobicoke Collegiate Institute, Etobicoke
Governor Simcoe School, St. Catharines
Iroquois Falls Theatre, Iroquois Falls
Milton District High School Theatre, Milton
Ministry of Education, Bermuda
North Toronto Collegiate Theatre, Toronto
Rainbow District School Board, Sudbury
St Elizabeth Catholic High School, Thornhill
St Joseph-Scollard Hall, North Bay
Toronto District School Board (97 school projects)

Colleges and Universities

Carleton University, Ottawa
Humber College, Toronto
McMaster Health Sciences, McMaster University,
Hamilton
Occidental College, Los Angeles, California
Sheridan College, Oakville
Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas
Trent University, Peterborough
University of Ontario Institute of Technology – Regent
Theatre, Oshawa
University of Toronto, Toronto
University of Western Ontario, London
University of Winnipeg, Winnipeg, Manitoba

Production Companies

Alderney Landing Theatre, Halifax
Capitol Centre, North Bay
Equity Showcase Theatre, Toronto
Factory Theatre, Toronto
Fredericton Playhouse, Fredericton
Imperial Theatre, Sarnia
Magnus Theatre, Thunder Bay
Neptune Theatre, Halifax
Theatre Aquarius, Hamilton

Cultural Institutions

Black Creek Pioneer Village, Toronto
Community Living Dufferin, Orangeville
Chinese Cultural Centre, Toronto
Columbus Centre, Toronto
Elgin and Winter Garden Theatre Centre, Toronto
Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre, Toronto
Lebovic Jewish Community Centre, Toronto
Perimeter Institute, Waterloo
Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto
The Walmer Centre, Toronto
Todmorden Mills Theatre, Toronto
UJA Federation, Toronto
Victoria Park Amphitheatre, Niagara Falls

Commercial

BlackBox Theatre, Cologne, Germany
Casino Rama Entertainment Centre, Rama
Importanne Theatre, Zagreb, Croatia
Port Place Theatre, St. Catharines
Ricoh Coliseum, Toronto