

cleveland playhouse master plan and renovations

cleveland, ohio

We were commissioned with Cleveland architect, City Architecture to lead an extensive Programming, Master Planning and Renovation effort for the 300,000 square foot Cleveland Playhouse - America's first permanently established professional theater company, listed on the State Register of Historic Places. The Playhouse currently includes the 100-seat Brooks Theater, 502-seat Drury Theater (both proscenium spaces built in 1926), the 110-seat Studio One (flexible theater) and the 580-seat Bolton Theatre (a proscenium space) both added in 1983. Additional facilities with in the overall complex include 3 rehearsal spaces, classrooms, scenery shops, dressing rooms and other support spaces and the Cleveland Center for Contemporary Art. The scope of work includes substantial improvements of the theater spaces, front-of-house areas and other support areas and consolidation of administrative offices resulting in decreased production costs and increased revenue. The 548-seat Bolton an unfortunate space with extremely poor acoustics and sight lines will be radically improved with a new seating "bowl", sound and light locks and other features. The graduate Theatre Program from Case Western University will be incorporated into the facilities as well, necessitating not only reconfiguration of some areas but also the addition of a new 300-seat flexible theatre with a "glass box" lobby which connects to the earlier additions and historic complex while creating its own identity.



Existing Bolton Theatre

Project Information

Area: 300,000 sq. ft. Scope: Renovations

Services: Programming, Master Planning, Schematic Design

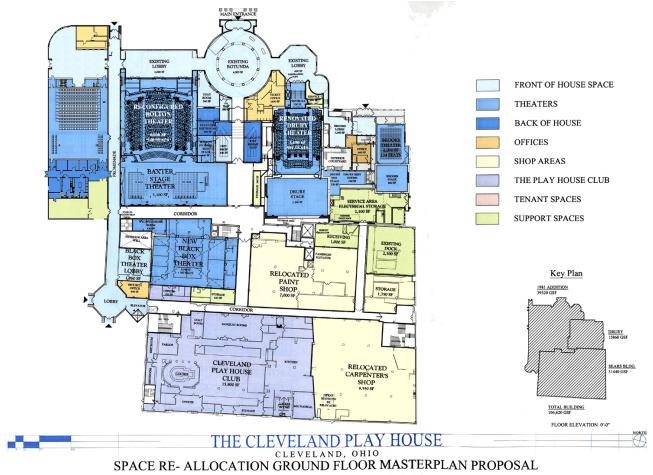
Completion Date: Study 2004-2006

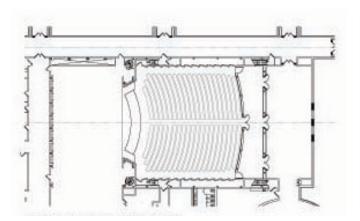
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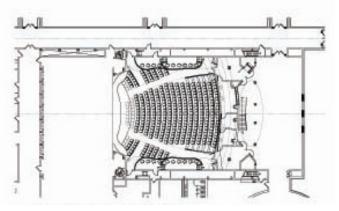
Architect of Record: Zeidler Partnership Inc (Michael Nelson - Director)

Contractor: N/A
Delivery Method: N/A
Construction Cost N/A





Existing Bolton Orchestra Level Plan



Proposed Bolton Orchestra Level Plan

