



Case Study: Performance Academy. Location: Newcastle College.

Performance Academy, Newcastle College

The Performance Academy is the UK's largest education facility to house music, performing arts and media education under one roof.

The new building was opened on schedule in September 2004 to a new generation of actors, dancers, musicians, technicians and all types of professionals in the cultural industries. Its contents are diverse and span the entire creative spectrum.

The design team viewed the project as a "workshop". A robust, stimulating and vibrant place encouraging experimentation and collaboration between client, design and construction teams alike. Reflecting this is a bold and concise services design driven by a highly rational grid creating clarity and buildability. Plant areas were centralised within the core of the building to minimise primary service routes whilst a modular approach to terminal systems provided the flexibility required.

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Location

Newcastle, UK

Client

Newcastle College

Contract Value

£21 million

Size

9,000m²

Year

2002-2004

Design Team

Architect

RMJM Scotland Ltd

Structural Engineer

Create Engineering

QS

Todd Milburn

Project Managers

Todd Milburn

Main Contractor

Sir Robert McAlpine



Lighting Facade



Video Wall