

BROWN UNIVERSITY THE PERRY AND MARTY GRANOFF CENTER FOR THE CREATIVE ARTS



ARCHITECT: **Diller Scofidio + Renfro**

Location: Providence, Rhode Island

Size: 35,000 sf

Services: MEP/FP

Completed: 2011

Cost: \$30,000,000

Award: LEED® Gold 2012

Home of the Brown Arts Initiative, The Granoff Center serves as a catalyst for collaboration and experimentation among the arts, sciences, and humanities. The facility features a 200-seat auditorium, flexible production spaces, recording studio and multimedia lab, a virtual environment and physical media lab. There are multiple project studios, a “smart” classroom, and a gallery for exhibitions and installation. The Center creates a new focal point on campus for the multidisciplinary exchange of ideas. It is centrally located along “The Walk,” a green corridor linking Brown’s old campus with the former Pembroke Campus.

External “Venetian blinds” and a folded building skin were designed to reduce solar heat gain and to provide control of natural lighting for the building interior. Heating and cooling systems were designed to utilize the central campus chilled water and high temperature hot water systems. The air system in the recital hall, delivering air at the floor, was designed to minimize air noise to achieve the acoustical performance requirement.



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