

Metropolitan Museum of Art



Architect: Kevin Roche John Dinkeloo Associates

Location: New York, New York

Program: Museum

Completed: 1970 - 2015

Size: 1,400,000 SF existing; 800,000 SF additional

The Metropolitan Museum of Art is the largest art museum in the United States boasting over two million works. Founded in 1870, the Met presents over 5000 years of art from around the world. Seven million people visit the Museum's three New York City locations each year with international visitors representing over 35% of attendees.

Altieri has provided mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and fire protection services to the Museum since participating in the master planning in 1970. During the decades since, expansion closely followed the master plan including construction of new space and substantial modernization of the existing facility. During this time, the approach to museum systems changed considerably and Altieri has contributed throughout. Many of the systems went through a complete life cycle, giving Altieri significant perspective on performance, maintainability, and energy efficiency.

Work at the Museum included renovation of the Museum's new Greek and Roman Galleries involving renewal of a 4000-ton cooling tower, new 600-ton chiller plant, replacement of the American Wing chiller plant, chilled water distribution improvements, and replacement and improvement of the south electrical service and distribution. Additional projects included the new Art of South and Southeast Asia galleries, new Korean galleries, and Asian Art conservation studio, renovation of the Islamic galleries, as well as new central kitchen and dining facilities, and administrative space.