NEW WORLD CENTER CONCERT HALL

MIAMI BEACH, FL, U.S.A. 2011

N A G A T A ACOUSTICS

Acoustic Consultant:	Nagata Acoustics
	Robert F. Mahoney and Associates
Architect:	Frank O. Gehry (Gehry Partners, LLP)
Owner/User:	New World Symphony
Construction Cost:	\$ 160 Million (U.S.)

The Frank Gehry-designed facility for the New World Symphony, "America's Orchestral Academy," has at its heart the 748-seat auditorium, designed in the arena style. Also in the facility are one large orchestral rehearsal room, seven medium-sized Chamber/Ensemble rehearsal rooms and twenty-four individual coaching/practice rooms. The acoustical design of the 756-seat auditorium was performed in close collaboration with Gehry and the founder of the New World Symphony, conductor Michael Tilson Thomas. Flexibility in rehearsal and performance was one of the prime

requirements for the space as the program includes much more than just orchestral performance, are met by a curtain system for variable acoustics,

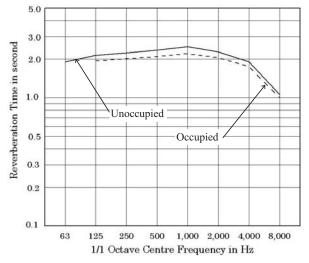
a highly flexible stage lift system, 196 retractable seats and four alternate "Performance Platforms." Five large "sails" serve as screens for 14 projectors, greatly expanding the multimedia capabilities of the hall.

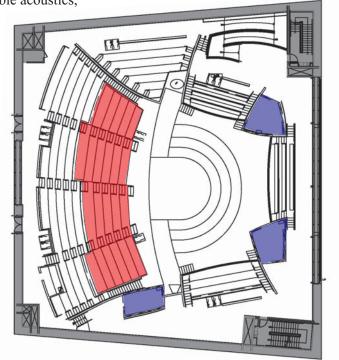
BUILDING DETAILS AND ACOUSTIC DATA

Location Building Size 500 17th Street Miami Beach, FL 9,350 m²

Auditorium:		
Seating Capaci	ity 748	
Room Volume	$14,200 \text{ m}^3$	
Reverberation Time (Mid-Frequency)		
Unoccupied	2.4 sec	
Occupied	2.1 sec	
Finish Materials		
Ceiling	: Plaster with BASWAphon 407 Base	
Walls	: Plaster with Wooden Battens	
Aud. Floor	: Oak	
Stage Floor : Alaskan Yellow Cedar		
Noise Level : NC - 15		

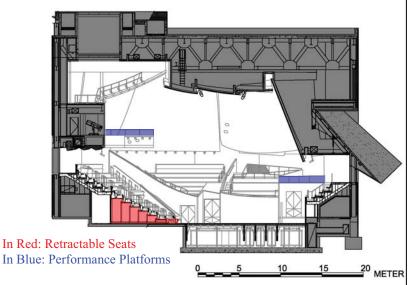






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LONGITUDINAL SECTION



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Clockwise from top:

- Performance Hall with orchestra and window behind the stage
- Atrium with "Flower" rehearsal room
- Performance Hall "Sails" in use as projection screens
- Performance Hall with seats retracted and skylight above

