FUKUSHIMA CONCERT HALL

FUKUSHIMA, JAPAN

N A G A T A ACOUSTICS

Acoustics Consultant: NAGATA ACOUSTICS, Inc.

Architect: Okada & Associates Architects Engineers Planners

Owners: City of Fukushima

Sound & Communications: NAGATA ACOUSTICS, Inc.

Construction Cost: ¥ 3,700 Million JPY

Fukushima Concert Hall was opened in 1984 as a shoe-box style concert hall. In the auditorium, 1,000 seats were arranged on one slope with no balconies. The hall was designed solely for classical music, in particular organ music, with design focus on compatibility of orchestral and organ music.

A 41-stop Marcussen organ from Denmark was installed on the front wall above the stage. All but the rear wall of the auditorium were finished with tile on concrete so that a high degree of reflection could be achieved from low to high frequencies.

As a result, a relatively long reverberation time (RT60) of 2.5 seconds under occupied conditions was obtained, which gives the space a rich reverberant sound. The reverberation time of 2.5 seconds was designed as a minimum value for rich organ sound, and also as a maximum for excellent orchestral sound.

BUILDING DETAILS AND ACOUSTICS DATA

Location 1-1 Irie-cho, Fukushima City

960-8117, Japan

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Seating Capacity 1,002
Room Volume 12,900 CM
Surface Area 3,900 SM
Stage Area 180 SM

Reverberation Time (Mid-Frequency)

Unoccupied 3.0 sec Occupied 2.5 sec

Finishing Materials

Ceiling : gypsum board (12 mm)

Wall : tile on concrete

Floor : 50 mm wooden board on concrete

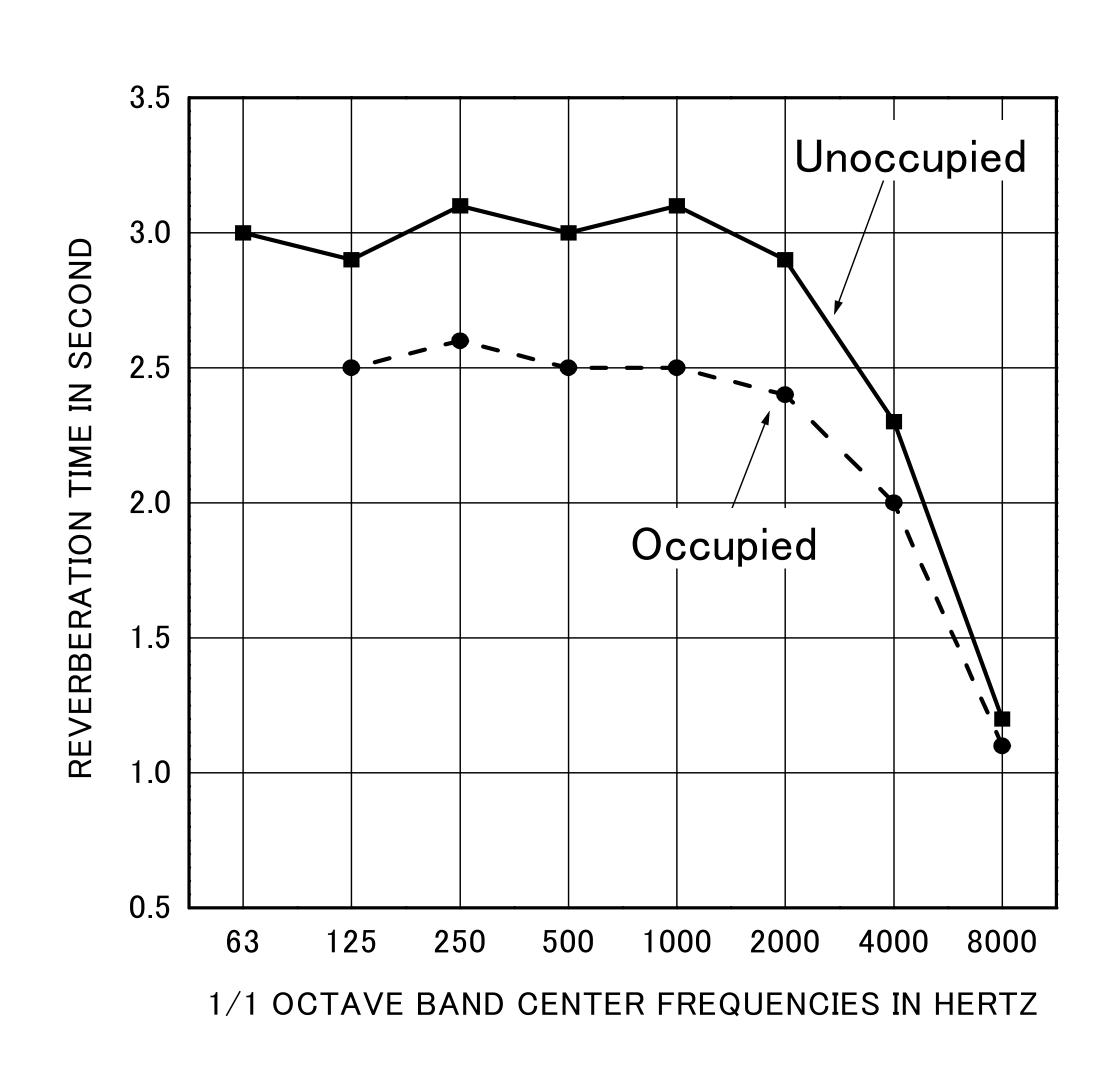
Seat : upholstered

Organ : 41 stops (Marcussen & Sons, Denmark)

Noise Level : NC - 20

Other Facilities : Small Hall (200 seats)
Total Cost : ¥3,700 Million JPY

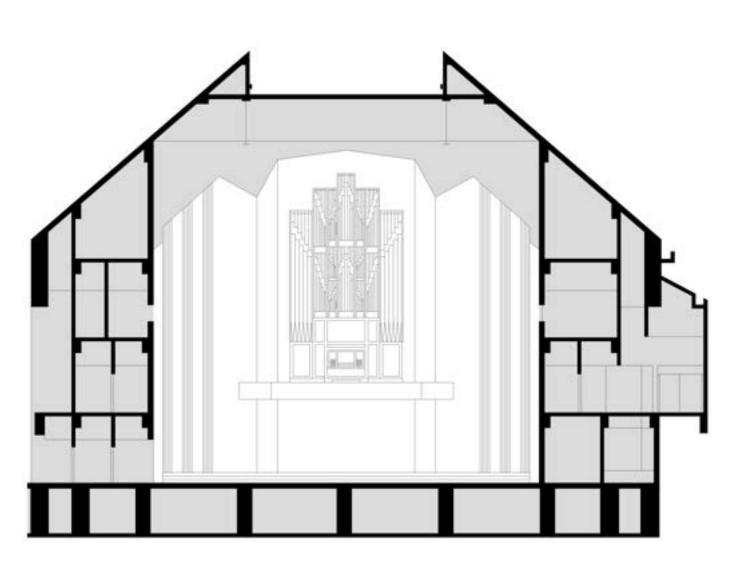
Total Floor Area: 6,023 SM



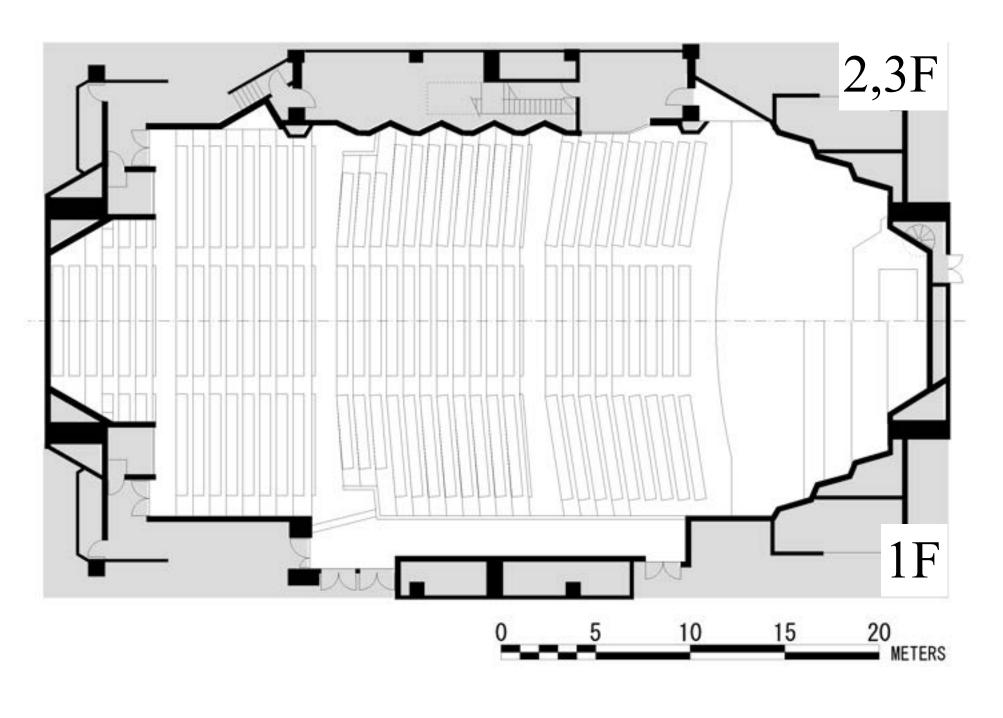
REVERBERATION TIME



LONGITUDINAL SECTION



TRANSVERS SECTION



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