

Franklin Institute Renovation & Modernization Completed



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Erickson Team

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Completed in November of 2006, C. Erickson's renovation and modernization of the nationally-recognized Franklin Institute Museum was a project six years and \$25,000,000 in the making.

Starting with the Sky Bike in 2000, Erickson was responsible for the revitalization of this Philadelphia institution, a job that spanned over 350,000 square feet and encompassed a number of new, high-profile exhibits within the museum, as well as breathing new life into the fundamental favorites that have been



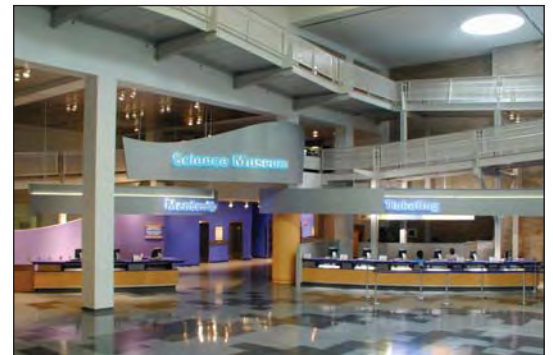
drawing visitors for years.

The Sports Challenge

With activities designed to encourage the athlete in everyone, The Sports Challenge gives visitors the adrenaline of being an athlete with highly interactive devices and virtual reality experiences that simultaneously thrill and educate on the role science plays in sports.

Train Factory

Visitors become the engineer of a working 350-ton locomotive in this interactive exhibit that sheds light on the science and technology behind trains. Visitors have the ability to test run an experimental steam engine, or investigate the scene of a train wreck to gain a better understanding of its complicated functions.



Bartol Atrium and Sci-Store

The starting point for most visitors, the cavernous Bartol Atrium is centrally located and surrounded by some of the most important museum exhibits and features, such as the Tuttleman IMAX Theater, SkyBike, as well as the ticketing and information booths.

Space Command / Fels Planetarium

30 interactive stations provide an out-of-

this world appreciation for the night sky, and the possibilities of exploration beyond Earth. Space Command surrounds the renowned Fels Planetarium, which provides visitors with an immersive face-to-face look at the vastness of space, the stars, and light years beyond.



Franklin Airshow

Built around the centerpiece of a 1911 Wright Model B. Flyer, this 5,000 square foot exhibit immerses visitors in a simulated air show, and introduces them to the history, majesty, science and technology of powered flight.

BioScience

Best known for its world-famous giant walk-through heart, the BioScience exhibit educates young and old on the fundamentals of heart and cardiovascular health.



Science Studio

The Science Studio exhibit combines common elements of artistic and scientific study, such as light and motion, melding them into a single multi-faceted visitor experience.

Sky Bike

This counter-balanced two-wheeled

bicycle is suspended 28 feet above the museum floor, and allows riders to travel a nerve-wracking 60 feet from one end of the Atrium to the other.

KidScience

A permanent exhibit and Franklin Institute original, KidScience takes children ages 5 – 8 through a fictional store where they uncover the foundations of science pertaining to light, water, earth and air. The 6,000 square foot exhibit features a two-story lighthouse, sailboat, walk-through cave, and water environment.

“Erickson’s professionalism and commitment to a team approach has helped the museum successfully transform and update another important piece of The Franklin Institute.”

Richard Rabena
Vice President of Operations
The Franklin Institute.

Erickson's involvement required more than just breathing new life into visitor-facing space, however. In addition to expanding the Museum's resume of entertaining and educational hands-on exhibits, important structural renovations were carried out in fully-occupied space, all of them completed on time and within budget.

Structural updates included:

- Installation of two stair towers, to meet safety requirements
- Museum-wide Roof replacement
- System-wide Mechanical infrastructure replacement
- System-wide Electrical Infrastructure replacement
- Hot Water Heater and Boiler Installation
- Cooling Tower and Piping installation

In August, the project crew for the Franklin Institute renovation gathered together for dinner and pool at Dave & Buster's in Philadelphia, celebrating six years of professional camaraderie and success on a job well done.

Current Projects

ARAMARK

Corporate Restack



Architect: IEI Group
Engineer: AKF
 This 280,000 square foot Center City corporate restack includes phased, floor-by-floor renovations in occupied space. The work includes mechanical and electrical upgrades, new finishes, and a new commercial kitchen and serving area in a new location.

Ashby Geddes

Office Fit-Out

Owner's Rep: Smith Mack Co.

Architect: H2L2

Engineer: Delaware Engineering & Design
 This project includes construction of 22,000 square feet of new office space, including new partitions, wall covering, acoustical, painting, and millwork, flooring, plus HVAC and lighting system installation.

Chestnut Hill Hospital

Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)

Architect: Lenhardt, Lolli & Rodgers

Engineer: Pisarek Engineering
 Erickson is renovating Chestnut Hill



Hospital's Neonatal Intensive Care unit, with additional work scheduled in existing patient rooms and administrative office space.

Blank Rome

Multi-Floor Corporate Office Renovation

Architect: H2L2

Engineer: Wick Fisher White
 This 200,000 square foot corporate renovation and additional floors includes construction of a new conference center floor, new data room, executive suites, and general office upgrades.

Recently Completed

Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts

Samuel M.V. Hamilton Building

Project Manager: Becker Frondorf

Architect: Dagit Saylor Architects

Engineer: Christakis Vanocker Morrison
 This 78,500 square foot, fast-track project spanned three floors and required a multi-discipline CAD coordination process. The job transformed open floors into classrooms, studios, industrial shops and executive administration suites with conference rooms and offices.



The contemporary design integrated exposed mechanical and electrical into the finished appearance, creating a lofty atmosphere appropriate for a fine arts school.

City View Condominiums

New Condos & Retail Conversion

Architect: Alesker & Dundon

Engineer: Alderson Engineering

This project included the renovation of existing condominiums in two separate buildings: The North and South Towers. North tower work required the installation of 8 luxury residential condominiums on the 2nd floor, with additional storage and support space on the first. In the South tower, we recreated new entrances on the building's Hamilton Street side, and created retail and restaurant space for commercial use.

Gap International

Phase II : Addition

Architect: Michael Oei Architecture

Engineer: McHugh Engineering



Phase II of the Gap Corporate Headquarters project increased the building's footprint by an additional 29,000 square feet, for a total of 71,000 square feet, and included

renovation of office and conference spaces, a dine-in kitchen, as well as a spacious patio and exterior decks.

The new construction blended into the existing structure's clean, sweeping profile, with an architectural emphasis on diminishing planes and concentric styling, and design details such as stepped ceilings, and traffic-friendly interiors.

Pepper Hamilton

Princeton, NJ

Architect: Francis Cauffman Foley Hoffman

Engineer: Wick Fisher White

This 25,000 square foot, high-end interior fit-out included new partitions, millwork, acoustical ceilings, flooring, new HVAC and sprinkler systems, plus a new reception desk.

Employee Corner

ROBERT KEEFRIDER

A Villanova alumnus with 34 years of progressive experience in the executive, operational and financial management of large, multi-division construction and service companies, Robert has held divisional executives and project managers responsible for financial performance on long-term, multi-million dollar contracts from bid through completion. His experience, motivation, and dedication are an asset to C. Erickson & Sons as our new corporate controller.

KEN SOCIE

As our newest Project Manager, Ken brings over twenty-five years of hands-on experience to the role, with an extensive construction background and training that allows him to be proactive throughout the entire construction process. He excels at anticipating problems and analyzing and recommending their logical solutions.

NICOLE LOMBARDI

In July, Nicole Lombardi was brought on board as the new Director of Marketing. Coming from a strong graphic and web design background, Nicole has taken over responsibility of the company's

visual marketing presence, and will be the creative force behind Erickson's new website in 2007.

Company News

In July of 2006, C. Erickson & Sons relocated to new office space on the 20th floor at 1818 Market Street in Philadelphia. Phone numbers have stayed the same, for your convenience, but we look forward to serving our clients' needs better from our new corporate headquarters.



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