



MULTI-PURPOSE AUDITORIUM

BARKER FINE ARTS AUDITORIUM

The Briarwood Christian School constructed a new gymnasium and converted the existing gymnasium into a fine arts auditorium. The plan included the addition of a flytower and modification to the existing roof, in order to provide sufficient volume in the Auditorium. The program is varied but will focus on dance and theatrical events.

AD provided full acoustics and AV consulting services with input on the theatre related to auditorium design assistance and backstage planning. We worked closely with the design build mechanical contractor to re-use existing equipment and to develop a simple and inherently quiet HVAC air distribution system that was carefully coordinated with the design of the suspended ceiling elements at the catwalk level of the auditorium.

We found the most cost-effective approach to be a series of simple retractable velour curtains. Curtain pockets were not provided, as the program did not require a very reverberant environment for any program uses.

CLIENT

Briarwood Christian School

LOCATION

Birmingham, AL

PROJECT TYPE

New Construction / Adaptive-Re-use

COMPLETE

2005

SEAT COUNT

1,200

ARCHITECT

Garrison Barrett Group
(Now LIVE Design Group)

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SCOPE

Acoustics
Auditorium Planning