



SHAW CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Grand Opening Celebration

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY - BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

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OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Saturday, April 27th, 2023
6-9 p.m.

Shaw Center for the Arts
100 Lafayette Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

"The Shaw, a glowing modernist structure sheathed in a channel glass and stainless steel exostructure, brings a kind of comfortable informal encounter with the arts, theater and museums, for everyone, complete with a variety of social spaces. Student work mingles with LSU's museum of fine art. A Louisiana mélange."

— Robert Ivy, Editor In Chief, Architectural Record



The Shaw Center for the Arts combines the Louisiana State University Museum of Art with spaces for LSU's studio arts programs and an important regional center for the performing arts. The project is located on one and a half city blocks in downtown Baton Rouge, and incorporates an historic older building, the "Auto Hotel." The primary public venues, the Museum of Art and the performing arts theaters, form a single structure that cantilevers over the Auto Hotel, which was rebuilt to house classrooms, art studios, curatorial spaces, and a Gallery for the LSU School of Art. The Shaw Center lobby, a 65-foot high space enclosed by glass, connects the three main elements of the project: the museum, the theater complex, and the studio and classroom spaces within the Auto Hotel. In 2018, the Shaw was named the best-designed museum in Louisiana by Architectural Digest.

RECOGNITION

National Honor Award

American Institute of Architects

Honor Award

AIA Gulf States Region

Honor Award

AIA New England Regional Council

Award for Design

Boston Society of Architects

Higher Education Award, Citation for Design

Boston Society of Architects

COLLABORATORS

Associate Architect: Eskew + Dumez + Ripple

Landscape Architect: Hargreaves Associates

Structural Engineer: McKee & Deville

Mechanical, Plumbing, and Electrical Engineer: M&E Consulting

Civil Engineer: Ferris Engineering

Code: Rolf Jensen & Associates, Inc.

Theatre Programming: Robert Long & Associates

Theatre Consultants: Theatre Projects Consultants

A/V and Acoustical Design: Acentech Inc.

Programming Consultants: M. Goodwin & Associates

Conservation Environment Consultants: Garrison / Lull

Security Consultants: Steven R. Keller & Associates

Lighting Designer: H.M. Brandston & Partners

Elevator Consultant: Lerch Bates & Associates

Construction Cost Estimator: Oppenheim Lewis

General Contractor: The Lemoine Company

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A photograph of the Shaw Center for the Arts at night. The building is a large, modern structure with a prominent, illuminated, triangular glass facade. The foreground features a courtyard with several modern sculptures, including a large, dark, abstract piece in the center and smaller, more geometric ones to the left and right. The ground is covered in dark gravel, and the scene is lit by warm, low-lying lights. The sky is dark, and the overall atmosphere is one of a grand, contemporary architectural space.

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Join us as we unveil for the first time Louisiana State University's award-winning Shaw Center for the Arts on Saturday, April 26th! Doors are open to the public from 6 to 9 p.m.