RAFAEL VINOLY ARCHITECTS

THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART

Cleveland, Ohio, USA



The Cleveland Museum of Art, one of the largest and most important art institutions in the United States, was built in 1916 by local architects Hubbell and Benes as a Greek revival pavilion, situated at the head of a pastoral park and lagoon landscape designed by the Olmsted Brothers. However, subsequent additions, including a noteworthy education wing by Marcel Breuer, obscured the rational

plan of the original structure and resulted in a disjointed, confusing warren of spaces. Rafael Viñoly resolved these conditions with an expansion and renovation scheme, creating a coherent organization of galleries that accommodates projected growth and unifies disparate architectural vocabularies into a singular composition.

FACTS + FIGURES

Completion

2012

Size

Phase I: 740,000 gsm Phase II: 214,000 gsm Total: 954,000 gsm

Awards

Outstanding Achievement
Award, Engineering
Excellence Awards, 2014
National Award, Society
of American Registered
Architects, 2013
Honor Award for Newly
Completed Addition,
AIA Ohio, 2012
International Architecture Award,
The Chicago Athenaeum, 2012

Media Coverage

"Rafael Viñoly's Overhaul of the Cleveland Art Museum Opens," April 2014 Architectural Record, "Earning Its Stripes: A Museum Builds on Its Many

The Architect's Newspaper,

Legacies," October 2012 USA Today, "Master Works Get Room to Breathe with Cleveland Museum of Art Expansion," June 2009 The Wall Street Journal, "A New Wing, a New Direction," August 2009

Client

The Cleveland Museum of Art

Consultants

MEP Engineer

Phase I: Ove Arup &
Partners Consulting
Phase II: Karpinski Engineering

Structural Engineer

Nabih Youssef & Associates

Civil Engineer

Moody-Nolan, Inc.

Landscape Architect

Phase I: Behnke Associates
Phase II: Gustafson
Guthrie Nichol, Ltd.

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