BROOKLYN CHILDREN'S MUSEUM RAFAEL VIÑOLY ARCHITECTS

Brooklyn, New York, USA



Seeking expanded capacity to serve a growing audience of children and families, the Brooklyn Children's Museum wanted a new public presence that would contribute to the vitality of the surrounding community. Rafael Viñoly Architects responded by creating a structure that differs from its context, in color as well as physical form, yet

remains welcoming and deferential to the museum's existing built fabric. The architecture of the new building is compelling and inviting to children, its glittering envelope of yellow ceramic tiles creating a landmark attraction in the primarily low-rise neighborhood of Crown Heights.

FACTS + FIGURES

Completion

2008

Size

5,205 gsm

Sustainability Rating

LEED Silver

Media Coverage

December 2008

Architectural Record Magazine,
"Viñoly Designs 'Green'
Expansion to the Brooklyn
Children's Museum,"
February 2003
BD Online, "Viñoly Completes
Brooklyn Museum Expansion,"

Awards

Winner, Institutional Category, 2009 Building Brooklyn Award, The Real Estate and Development (RED) Committee of Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce, 2009 Project of the Year, Society of American Registered Architects New York, 2008 Honorable Mention, Green
Building Award, New York
State Environmental Protection
Agency / New York City
Mayor's Office, 2004
Art Commission, 21st Annual
Award, Art Commission of
the City of New York, 2003

Client

New York City Department of Design & Construction

Consultants

MEP Engineer Arup

Structural Engineer

Dewhurst Macfarlane & Partners

Civil Engineer

Philip Habib & Associates

Landscape Architect

Mathews Nielsen Landscape Architects

AV / Security / IT Consultant Shen Milsom & Wilke, Inc.

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