

Conrad Prebys Music Center Fact Sheet

With its opening in May 2009, UC San Diego's new \$53 million Conrad Prebys Music Center launches the university's Department of Music into the future with state-of-the-art classrooms, practice studios, audio labs and world-class performance spaces. The new Conrad Prebys Concert Hall is destined to be one of the finest in the world, serving both the campus and San Diego communities with an ambitious 150 concerts each year ranging from jazz and classical to new, experimental and computer music.

Location

Located on the campus of UC San Diego on Russell Lane, the Music Center is at the heart of the emerging arts district ... an urban neighborhood complete with culture, arts, live music, restaurants, shops and the university bookstore.

Features

- Three floors
- 47,000 square feet
- 400-seat concert hall
- Experimental theatre with variable digital virtual acoustics system
- 150-seat lecture/recital hall
- State-of-the-art technology
- Professional recording studios
- Rehearsal studios, practice rooms

Architect

LMN Architects of Seattle

Acoustical Consultant

Cyril M. Harris, Ph.D. with HFP Acoustical Consultants

Profile

With its clean, modern forms in steel, glass and concrete, the Conrad Prebys Music Center is an icon for creativity. Inside the Conrad Prebys Concert Hall, angular wall and ceiling forms diffuse sound evenly throughout the space. From every seat, listeners feel as if they are immersed in music that is perfectly balanced across the full spectrum of sound.

Budget

From the University of California/State of California: \$42.5 million

From Private Support: \$10.5 million

Community Benefits

The Conrad Prebys Music Center is a valuable campus and community resource, featuring performance spaces with excellent acoustics, and state-of-the-art audio/visual technology. It will provide the department with ideal conditions for sharing their music making with the public, and serving as a magnet for distinguished performers from San Diego and around the world to perform and teach here.