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Chesapeake Shakespeare Theatre
Baltimore, Maryland

Baltimore's 1885 Mercantile Trust Building has been reinvented as a vibrant cultural center. The 250-seat venue is a modern interpretation of Shakespeare's Globe Theatre, combining the intimacy of the classic playhouse with contemporary design and function. A freestanding steel framework set within the historic volume delineates the performance space and supports three transparent tiers of seating wrapped around a thrust stage. Performance technologies are carefully integrated into the new structure to minimize impact to the Romanesque-revival architecture and ornate coffered ceiling.

SERVICES

Programming, theatre planning, auditorium design, and theatre equipment design and specification, i.e. performance lighting, acoustic drapery

PROJECT DETAILS

COMPLETION
2014

BUDGET
$3.2 million

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