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home box office screening room

Location: New York, New York

Project Type: New Construction

Seat Count: 79

Opening: 1995

Cost: \$3 Million

Architect: Ohlhausen, Dubois Architects

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AD Scope: Acoustics | Sound Isolation | Noise Control

HBO's main headquarters in New York City features a state-of-the-art screening room and board room. AD was brought on as part of the design team to provide acoustics, sound isolation and noise control consulting services for the high-profile rooms. The new Screening Room, located on the upper two floors of the headquarters building, adapted the existing structure for reuse. A raked seating configuration, optimum for film presentations, was enabled by partially removing the 15th Floor slab.

The resulting space configuration and location within the building presented several acoustical design challenges. Located directly below the rooftop air handling equipment and adjacent to the main building supply air shaft, AD designed a room-in-room isolated construction to protect the Screening Room from base building equipment noise sources. In addition, the south side of the space faces a major NYC thoroughfare (42nd Street), requiring custom acoustically-sealed access panels with hidden hardware. These panels were carefully designed to achieve a uniform interior wall finish while permitting window service access. AD worked carefully with the architect to ensure the treatments used were integrated into the overall design aesthetic of the room.

ACOUSTIC DIMENSIONS