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center of science and industry

Client: Center of Science and Industry (COSI)

Location: Columbus, Ohio

Project Type: New Construction

Opening: 1999

Cost: \$125 Million

Architect: Arata Isozaki & Associates and NBBJ

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AD Scope: Acoustics | Audio Systems

COSI is not just a museum but a collection of “Learning Worlds” - scientifically themed fantasy environments. There is an underwater world complete with waterfalls and faux submarines, 19th- and 20th century evocations of a “typical” Main Street and a gadget-filled room meant to look like a laboratory.

The directive from the client was to “fascinate, inform and inspire us all.” AD provided full audio support, MATV, video routing, and tie-lines and accommodations for the exhibits building-wide as well as acoustics and audio systems design for the THX theatres.

AD’s assistance with exhibit design included custom noise control enclosures for major HVAC equipment which is located directly within the exhibit halls to permit the public to see the systems and equipment that keep the building running.