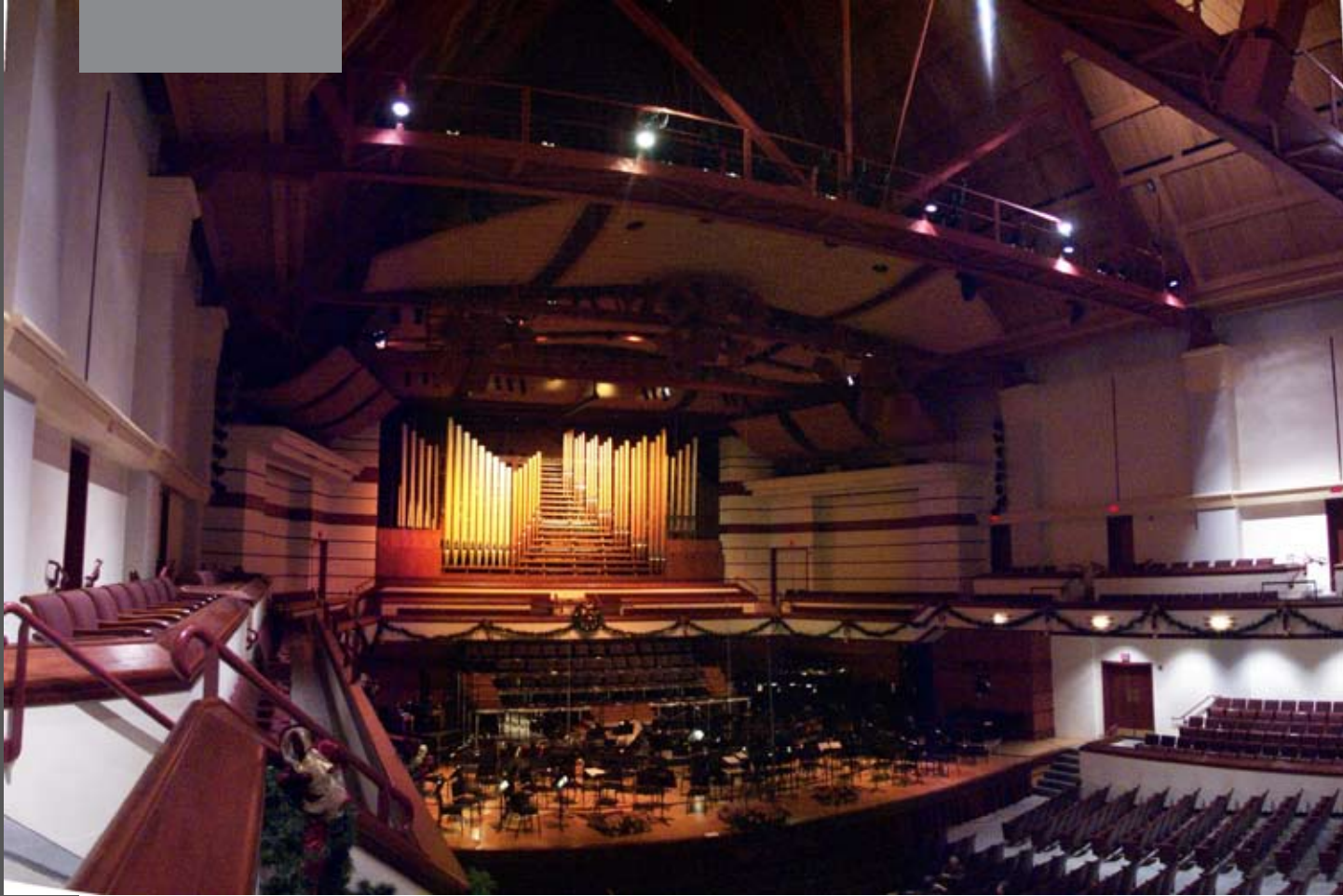


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bethel college - benson hall

Client: Bethel Foundation

Location: Arden Hills, Minnesota

Seat Count: 1,500

Original Construction: 1995

Organ Dedication: 2003

Architect: Sasaki Associates, Inc.

Organ Builder: L.W. Blackinton and Associates | 619.444.8208

Contact: George Brushaber | President - Bethel Foundation | 619.638.6260

AD Scope: Acoustics

Bethel College's Benson Hall, Arden Hills, MN, serves the college and the local community for choral works, chamber music and daily chapel.

The location of the organ pipework was a delicate balance of finding appropriate locations in the hall for the pipes to speak into the primary acoustical volume, minimizing interference with the existing raised choral terrace and creating a marriage between the existing architectural elements and the visual impact of the new organ.

AD worked closely with the organ builder, the college and the architect to incorporate the organ without compromising the outstanding acoustic environment. The development of a wind system for the organ to be essentially silent as to not compromise the low background noise level in the hall was another challenge met by AD.