

# projects



## hillcrest church

**Client:** Hillcrest Church

**Location:** Dallas, Texas

**Project Type:** New Construction

**Seat Count:** 1,800

**Opening:** August 2001

**Architect:** Beck Architecture

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**AD Scope:** Auditorium Design | Acoustics | Audio | Video | Lighting

The interdenominational Hillcrest Church of Dallas added a new sanctuary to their existing campus to accommodate the 5,000 members and regular attendees that call the church home. The church offers traditional Sunday morning services where the worship is led by the orchestra and choir and a contemporary Saturday night service where worship is led by praise singers and a band.

AD worked with Beck Architecture to design an auditorium which accommodated this flexibility. The stage was designed to accommodate the large orchestra and a permanent choir loft was located at the back of the platform. This large area works well for the Sunday morning service but needed to be visually scaled down for the contemporary service. AD designed the platform area to include a curtain which would conceal the stage area but provide enough forestage for the contemporary service. There are a series of downstand fins that are out of view above the "visual" ceiling that improve the acoustics and provide acoustical support assist in congregational singing. There is also a unique ceiling design over the choir so they get natural acoustical support, which they need, and which is not needed or provided over the rest of the platform.

**ACOUSTIC DIMENSIONS**