

# Manhattan School of Music

## Neidorff-Karpati Hall

---

Location	New York, NY	Size	30,000 square feet
Architect	Holzman Moss Bottino Architecture	Cost	\$15 million
Services	MEP/FP	Completed	2018

---



The Manhattan School of Music is a major music conservatory, rich in both musical and architectural history. Located on the Upper West Side of New York City, and dating back to 1910, a recent renovation to Neidorff-Karpati Hall (formerly Borden Auditorium c.1931) has served to revitalize not only the 650-seat, Art-Deco auditorium, but the entire multi-building campus as well. A new grand entry and central lobby improve circulation while welcoming students and visitors.

For Phase 1 of the renovation, Kohler Ronan designed new MEP/FP systems in support of the renovated lobby, a new stage and orchestra shell, new lighting design, and updated theatrical equipment in addition to state-of-the-art temperature controls for orchestral and ensemble performances. Phase 2 included a renovation to the lower-level lounge amenity spaces and a new, facility-wide fire alarm system upgrade to meet current building code. Having significantly enhanced the acoustical environment of the space, as well as occupant comfort, the venue is now exceptionally equipped to accommodate a full range of musical genres including symphonic, opera, and ensemble musical performances.



Images: © Halkin Mason Photography