

Raclin Murphy Museum of Art

University of Notre Dame

Location	Notre Dame, Indiana	Size	72,258 square feet
Architect	Robert A.M. Stern Architects	Cost	approx. \$60 million
Services	MEP/FP	Completed	2023
Awards	<i>2024 McKim, Mead & White Award for Commercial, Civic & Institutional Architecture</i>		



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The Raclin Murphy Museum of Art on the campus of the University of Notre Dame is a prominent element of the university's new arts district. Bringing art and architecture together on the south end of campus, the Raclin Museum joins the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center and O'Neill Hall in a location easily accessible for both on- and off-campus patrons. Designed as a complex, the museum was built in two phases, with Phase I totaling approximately 70,000 square feet and incorporating galleries and other museum functions. The new museum replaced the pre-existing Snite Museum of Art and is approximately 132,000 gross square feet in total.

Design of the new museum began in 2019. The scope and scale of the project resulted from meticulously studying the Snite Museum's collections and exhibitions requirements and determining the best way to showcase the holdings of what is considered one of the finest university art museums in the country. Designs for this impressive space included relay panels throughout the building in order to switch off 50% of the receptacles within certain rooms such as offices and classrooms. This feature allows for maximum ASHRAE/energy conservation, water efficiency, enhanced commissioning, and enhanced indoor air quality. The project is pursuing LEED Silver Certification.



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