Program Summary:

The program called for a multi-functional museum that would house both exhibition and rental spaces located in the French Quarter of New Orleans.

Program Statement:

The design of the building called for a multi-functional space to house a museum as well as rental spaces for corporate meetings, weddings and traveling exhibitions. Much thought and research was put into the building's functional and aesthetic design in order to stay true to the existing context of the French Quarter. A small one-story museum is located toward the front of the property and is used to display information and history about the museum. Meeting room spaces were designed towards the back of the site to work in conjunction with the open courtyard space. Meeting rooms house multi-media equipment for corporate events and for local chapter meetings.

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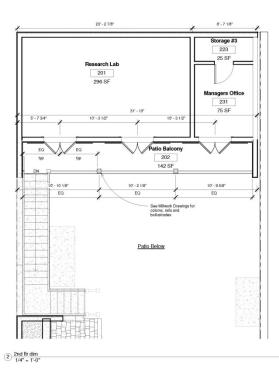
Building Area: (sf) 1,500

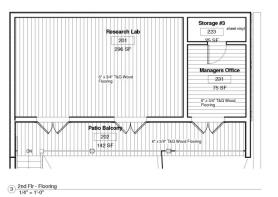
Cost per Square Foot: **\$260**

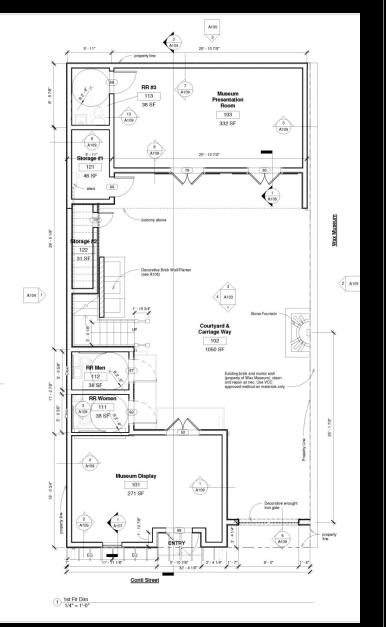
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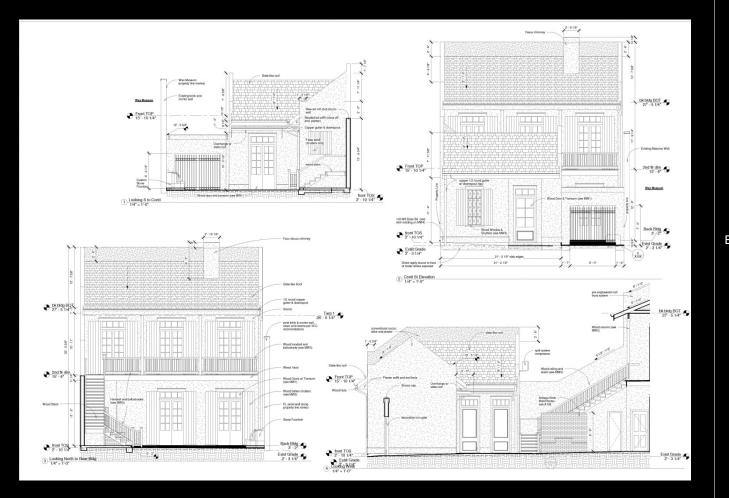
Date of Completion: **2012**

Floor Plans









Exterior Elevations



Street Façade

The building exterior was constructed out of cement plaster stucco with the color integrated into the plaster mix in order to achieve an 'old world' look. Wrought iron gates were used to give an open-feel to the courtyard space.



Courtyard

An open courtyard was designed to be used as a multi-functional space for event rentals and travelling exhibitions.



Courtyard

Pennsylvania blue flagstone was used to pave the courtyard space. The cohesive Integration of both materials and design gives the building an 'old world' feel reminiscent of the French Quarter.



Upstairs balcony looking down into courtyard.



Upstairs multi-media room for corporate events and rental.



Exhibition space for permanent and temporary exhibits.

Project Name: Irish Cultural Museum

Project Location:

933 Conti Street, New Orleans, LA 70112

Owner/Client: Matthew Ahearn

Architect(s) of Record: (names and addresses) Charles I Silbernagel, AIA

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Consultants:

N/A

General Contractor:

Ahearn Construction

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