Mahaney Center for the Arts
Conversion of Music Library to Academic Offices and Classrooms

To allow for a move of the History of Art and Architecture (HARC) Department from the Johnson Building to the Mahaney Center for the Arts (MCA), the College’s Music Library was consolidated and relocated into new compact shelving installed in the Davis Family Library (Davis). The space vacated in the MCA was gutted and renovated to create 12 faculty and staff offices, 4 teaching spaces including a 48-seat classroom, a seminar room, a small classroom, and a multi-purpose electronic music studio. The work also included construction of a redesigned northeast entryway and accompanying plaza which provides a more attractive and welcoming entry to the MCA. Finally, construction included a new “Tickets and Information” Box Office on the main lobby floor of the MCA.

The $2.5 million project started in March, 2011 with focused shelving work in Davis. The music collection was moved in late May 2011. Construction in the emptied Music Library space in MCA started in late May, 2011 and was completed by mid-August 2011 in time to allow the HARC faculty to move from Johnson to MCA for the start of the fall 2011 semester. The reconstructed entry plaza was completed later in the fall of 2011, and the new Box Office was completed as a separate, smaller-scope project in the spring of 2012.

![The redesigned and reconstructed new side entry and plaza to the MCA.](image1)

![The new “Ticket and Information” Box Office on the Concert Hall level of the MCA.](image2)

Project Completed: September 2011, May 2012
Total Square Footage: 8,000 sf
Project Cost: $2,500,000
Project Manager: Mark Gleason
Architect: SAS Architects, Burlington, VT
Construction Manager: PC Construction Co., South Burlington, VT