Conceptual Design
Theater

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HIGH SCHOOL
Palo Alto Unified School District

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New Theater and Performing Arts Project

- 600 seat theater of approximately 29,000 SF
- 5 theater subcommittee and 4 FSC meetings
- Currently refining design and reconciling program area
- Visited Sacred Heart and the Menlo Atherton Performing Arts Center
- Responding to community comments by creating building exteriors that take visual cues from the Tower and Haymarket Buildings
- Reviewed multiple conceptual plan diagrams before deciding to continue development of conceptual plan diagram Schemes B and E

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Conceptual Design: Schemes B and E
Program Elements:
- Lobby with restrooms, tickets, concession and gallery/display area
- Seating capacity of 600 with approximately 400 at orchestra level and 200 at balcony level
- Stage with side wings and full fly
- Orchestra pit and trap room
- Control room and tech equipment support rooms
- Green Rooms with adjacent toilet and changing rooms
- Scene, prop and costume storage, front of house storage
- Drama classroom
- Theater office and work areas

Total Area: approx 29,000 SF
Construction Cost: approx $14.7m

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View from corner of El Camino and Embarcadero

Views from Embarcadero

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Views across Embarcadero from Town and Country parking lot

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View from El Camino

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View from Embarcadero
Scheme E
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View from parking lot

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Scheme E
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Project Milestones: Performing Arts Project

Conceptual Design       June 2010
Schematic Design        October 2010
DSA Submittal           July 2011
Construction            June 2013

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