

Athletic Complex & Performing Arts Center

Harris-Stowe State College

Location

St. Louis, Missouri

Construction Completion

2003

Construction Cost

\$16 million

DMA Services Provided

Architecture

Civil Engineering

Structural Engineering



David Mason & Associates were the architects and engineers for the Athletic Complex and Performing Arts Center at Harris-Stowe State College. The brick building houses a 1,000-seat intercollegiate basketball and volleyball gym, a weight training room and offices. The Performing Arts Center features a 230-seat theatre with dressing rooms, choir room, music and theatre practice rooms, an art studio and a photography dark room.

DMA provided civil engineering that included parking, drainage, utility services, and a fire main loop with a special underground connection vault. Structural engineering included the design of foundations and superstructure including long span elements for the gymnasium and theatre. Architectural services included programming, design architecture, interior finishes, and site lighting.

The large number of diverse program elements demanded a diverse team. This required a team that was capable of understanding and designing for athletic facilities, from locker rooms to weight training rooms, as well as performing facilities, from full-service theatres with fly spaces to light sensitive photographic development areas.

