



Rio, InFlex & Wit hit the Stage for the Orange County School of the Arts

ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Orange County School of the Arts (OCSA) in Santa Ana, California is one of the top three arts programs in the country. Nurturing and challenging more than 2,000 young artists in grades 7 through 12, the school boasts 14 different art conservatories. Teaching everything from dance and theater to digital media and set design, the school trains the next generation of artists and art professionals.

In 2014, the school began major renovation and new construction referred to as the “Masterpiece in the Making”. The school broke ground for an impressive new facility – a state-of-the-art science, music and dance wing spanning 60,000 square feet.

OCSA wanted outstanding design to complement their artistic vision, yet faced the budget challenges common in K-12 education today. Looking closely at SitOnIt Seating and IDEON, the school was able to find the perfect chairs for their many and varied needs. They chose InFlex for the science center, Wit for the music lab, Focus Sport for conference rooms, and the new Rio chair for the classrooms.

WHAT MADE THE DIFFERENCE?

Rio made perfect sense for an educational space that also appreciates beauty. A lightweight and affordable plastic chair, Rio is durable and stackable. But it's also stylish and comfortable for active students – including dancers! Rio's ARC Technology (Active Rebound Control) uses a unique insert to create weight-assisted recline. The chair flexes for comfort according to the weight and pressure applied against it, yet returns to its original position every time. With 17 colors and two frame finishes, OCSA selected a palette that fits right in at a style-conscious art center.

Easy to clean, light and portable, InFlex made for the perfect lean addition to the science labs. The music lab was outfitted with Wit for colorful, light rolling chairs with a designed-in pull handle for easy movement. The school was able to fill the room with task chairs without overcrowding or a bulky look. The modern stripes of Focus Sport created conference rooms that were both comfortable and appealing.

The installation was smooth and the chairs were in place for the grand opening.

WHAT'S NEXT

The OCSA facility hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony with students performing for a crowd of hundreds. The press has been glowing. And as the students begin to really learn and grow in their new academic home, the school can be sure that it's not just the brick and mortar building that is a “Masterpiece in the Making”.

INSTALL FACTS

Time Frame: June 14, 2014-August 15, 2015

Product: Rio, InFlex, Wit, Focus Sport

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