

Digging Into Learning: Laurel Library's Dinosaur-Themed Expansion with Glass Flooring Innovation

Bringing the past to life with interactive glass flooring, Laurel Library's expansion creates a fun and educational experience for young minds.

Architect:

Grim + Parker

Customer:

NARDI Construction, Inc.

Owner:

Prince George's County Office of Central Services

Product:

GlassWalk™ Structural Floor Series 2000

Opportunity

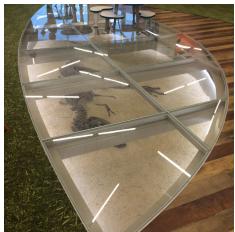
The Laurel Library in Prince George's County sought to create an engaging and interactive learning environment for children, featuring a unique dinosaur-themed Children's Room. This new space was designed to offer educational and imaginative experiences for young visitors, including a life-size Nanotyrannus skeleton embedded under a glass floor. The challenge was to develop a solution that would both protect the exhibit while providing a clear, unimpeded view of the skeleton, all while maintaining the room's playful, interactive atmosphere.

Solution

GBA Architectural Products was selected to provide the glass flooring solution for the project, using their GlassWalk™ structural glass system. This system incorporated a transparent perforation frit pattern to ensure clear visibility of the skeleton while also providing the necessary anti-slip properties for safety. The glass panels and framing were premanufactured to the exact radius and dimensions required for the space, and the framing system was designed to seamlessly integrate with the surrounding floor finishes, providing both aesthetic appeal and durability.

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Outcome

The glass floor installation successfully showcased the Nanotyrannus skeleton in a visually striking way, fulfilling the vision for an interactive and educational experience. The Laurel Library's Children's Room became a unique space that blended education and fun, with the custom glass flooring system enhancing the overall theme. The project was a success, drawing praise for its innovative design and execution, and creating an unforgettable experience for young learners and library visitors alike.



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