

The Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk

Norwalk, CT



Services

Construction Management
in joint venture with O&G Industries

Construction Type

Nonprofit

Size

30,000 square feet

Contract

\$30,000,000

Architect

Beyer Blinder Belle

Award

2022 AGC CT Build Award –
Construction Management/General
Contractor: Mid-Size Renovation

- Construction consisted of two separate additions that were built around a fully operational aquarium that is open to the public year-round. The project included a 12,000-square-foot 4D theater addition, a 12,000-square-foot live seal exhibit, and new egress stairs.
- The 169-seat 4D theater features 3D digital projection, proprietary 4D sensory seats, and other in-theater entertainment equipment, as well as a concession stand and a new entrance canopy. The new theater is multipurpose and has a stage for lectures and other presentations.
- The live seal exhibit addition reaches the original exhibit's balcony level and is fully enclosed by a new exterior wall. It includes a new 150,000-gallon saltwater tank, life support systems, surgical room, and holding tanks for seals. The tank also features a 2-level glass viewing enclosure.
- The project also included the 6,100-square-foot expansion of the meerkat exhibit located on the second level of the aquarium.
- Construction Management services included: budgeting, value engineering, constructability reviews, logistical and safety planning, scheduling, mock-up facilitation, material procurement, subcontractor bid & award, and construction.



"We are extremely grateful to both O&G Industries and A.P. Construction for the devotion, excellence in all aspects of project management, and most importantly, their respect and intrigue as to all aspects of the Aquarium's requirements to make a better home for the animals and patrons who visit our renowned Aquarium."

David Truedson, Chief Operating Officer, The Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk

