

# Bertram Inn Auditorium/Ball Room & Addition

## Aurora, Ohio

### PROJECT FACTS - AUDITORIUM/BALLROOM

Owner: BLW Hotel, LLC / Heritage Development  
Architect: Kaczmar Architects, Inc.  
Location: Aurora, Ohio  
Construction Type: General Contractor

Building Area: 18,900 SF  
Project Value: \$2.94 Million  
Cost/SF: \$155  
Completed: November 2003



### KEY FEATURES - AUDITORIUM/BALLROOM

**P**roviding the existing Hotel and Conference Center with a separated Auditorium and Ball room was the project, a team that formed relationships for a lifetime was the outcome. The building itself consists of a 2500 sqft theater style conference room, a 3,500 sqft ballroom that is divisible into four quadrants, significant pre-function gathering areas, a small but upscale board room, and a full kitchen and back office to support the facility.

The team assembled worked well together from day one, even through the discovery of rock that needed to be excavated for the foundations to the carpet that turned red when water touched it. Through it all, the project came together and was opened to host its first full event six weeks before the contractual project completion date.

The finishes in the new space matched the exquisite finishes of the main hotel matching or exceeding the craftsmanship of the installation. Within months of the Auditoriums completion the owner rewarded Dunlop and Johnston with a contract for a large addition to the main hotel.

### PROJECT FACTS - ADDITION

Owner: BLW Hotel, LLC / Heritage Development  
Architect: Dorsky Hodgson Architects  
Location: Aurora, Ohio  
Construction Type: General Contractor

Building Area: 37,936 SF  
Project Value: \$3.4 Million  
Cost/SF: \$90  
Completed: October 2004

### KEY FEATURES - ADDITION

**A**fter the completion of the Auditorium Building, the contract for a new addition to the Bertram Inn Hotel and Conference Center was awarded to Dunlop and Johnston, Inc. The addition consisted of adding a three story wing to the back of the facility in a six month timeframe. Due to a sold out national culinary event, the contractual completion date had to be met, and the project started in one of the worst snowfall winters in recent history.

Overcoming the elements was the largest challenge, after that the project team worked hand in hand to bring the structure into existence and able to open on schedule.



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