

Nokia Live!

Grand Prairie, Texas

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Objective

To develop a new concept in public entertainment venues, which could be placed in several US markets, featuring highly flexible, state of the art facilities for music and other forms of live entertainment. Roll out the first facility in Grand Prairie.



Services

Building Solutions was the owner representative of the equity partner, Wall Street financiers Warburg Pincus. Following initial review of the development concept and budget, Building Solutions was engaged to participate in the design and construction process, and protect the equity's interests. The client's operating partner, Linbeck Corporation was also the sole source design-build contractor. To serve the equity partner's interests, Building Solutions participated in project meetings, monitored quality control reports, regularly visited the site, and reported to the client in New York.

The Project

The facility consists of luxury boxes and four audience levels, with motorized proscenium reduction curtains to allow subdividing spaces. To support national touring acts, state of the art equipment, seating, and back-of-house accommodations are provided, serving touring concerts, shows, and entertainment. The building features highly technical acoustical provisions, stage traps, elevators and lifts, and sophisticated sound system controls.



23 acres, 194,000 sf 120,000 cy earthwork
\$46 million construction budget

6500 seat capacity
Architect: Morris Architects, Inc.