

Our Building

The new APPC building contains private offices, conference rooms, broadcast facilities, and a multi-purpose Agora for lectures, presentations, and receptions.



Quick Facts:

- Construction start date: September 2007
- Completion date: August 2009
- Plaza completion date: November 2009
- Approximately 30,000 usable square feet
- Architect: Pritzker Award Winner Fumihiko Maki
- Funder: Leonore Annenberg through the Annenberg Foundation and the Annenberg Foundation Trust at Sunnylands

The Agora:

- Maple wood chosen for its resilience and stability
- 82° water is pumped below the floor, providing a radiant layer of heat
- A BASWaphon (pumice and plaster) ceiling allows sound to travel through rather than reverberate
- Wall slats are also designed to absorb sound

Other Features:

- The open floor plan and three-story Atrium link all spaces in the building, from the Agora to the skylit 4th floor lounge
- In the Plaza, color and shape are used to transition from the limestone exterior of the Annenberg School for Communication to the glass exterior of APPC
- The double-skinned glass and wood exterior was designed to complement nearby buildings and conserve energy
- Moveable wooden screens behind the glass curtain wall allow for natural ventilation and shading throughout the year
- Thermopane windows in the stairwells contain wood lattice inside two layers of glass, providing shade while allowing light to filter through



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