### HELSINKI MUSIC CENTER CONCERT HALL

HELSINKI, FINLAND

N A G A T A ACOUSTICS

Acoustic Consultant: Nagata Acoustics

Architect: Arkkitehtitoimisto Laiho-Pulkkinen-Raunio

Owner: Kiinteistö Oy:

State of Finland (48%) City of Helsinki (28%)

Finish Broadcasting Company (26%)

Main User: Helsinki Philharmonic Orchestra (HPO)

Finnish Radio Symphony Orchestra (FRSO)

Sibelius Academy (SibA)

Construction Cost: 188 million EUR

The Helsinki Music Centre was built in the central district of the city of Helsinki, between Finlandia Hall (Alvar Aalto, architect), and the contemporary art museum, Kiasma (Steven Holl, architect). The National Parliament of Finland stands across the street from the Centre.

The 1,704-seat concert hall forms the core of the building. In addition to the concert hall, there are six small halls ranging from 140–400 seats and the Sibelius Academy premises. The function and acoustics in each small hall has been designed to serve a different program: orchestra rehearsal, organ, chamber music, vocal music, black box, and lecture.

The Centre is owned jointly by the state of Finland, the City of Helsinki, and the Finnish Broadcasting Company (YLE), and the main users of the centre are the Helsinki Philharmonic Orchestra (HPO), the Finnish Radio Symphony Orchestra (FRSO), and the Sibelius Academy.

### BUILDING DETAILS AND ACOUSTIC DATA

Location Mannerheimintie 13a,

Helsinki, Finland

Building Size 38,600 m<sup>2</sup>

Concert Hall:

Seating Capacity 1,704 Room Volume 24,000 m<sup>3</sup> Reverberation Time (Mid-Frequency)

Unoccupied 2.5 sec Occupied 2.1 sec

Finish Materials

Ceiling : Painted fiberglass cloth on concrete.
Walls : Wood work with random groove on

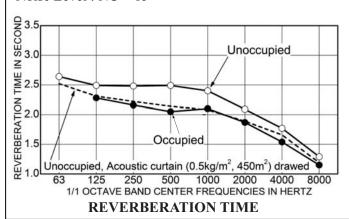
concrete, Wood grill, Glazing

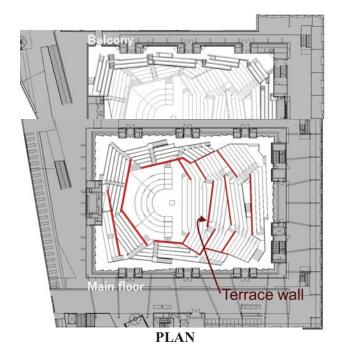
Aud. Floor : Wood flooring on concrete

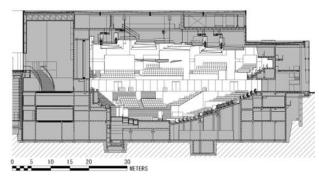
Stage Floor : Finnish pine

Canopy: Painted figerglass cloth on concrete

Noise Level: NC < 15







LONGITUDINAL SECTION

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## N A G A T A ACOUSTICS

### **Music Facilities**

- 1. Concert Hall (1,704)
- 2. Orchestra Rehearsal (240)
- 3. Organo (for pipe organ, 140)
- 4. Camerata (for chamber music, 240)
- 5. Sonore (for vocal, 206+78)
- 6. Black Box (225-400)
- 7. Auditorium (82)
- 8. Sibelius Academy: Lesson/Practice rooms, Studios
- 9. Artist rooms for HPO & FRSO



