

Junior Academy

Housed in an old town hall this 20,000 sf building is the new home for a small private elementary school in midtown Toronto.

Of earthy red brick and with dark-bronze anodized window frames, the building makes reference both to its residential context and vernacular school architecture in Ontario. The windows are playfully distributed on the facade, positioned so that views of the trees both on site and in the neighbourhood are framed, and so that each classroom has a different pattern of windows.

A small double-height entry lobby is washed with light from tall windows and a skylight, and acts as the centre of the cross-axial plan.

LOCATION Toronto ON

SCOPE New Construction

SIZE 20,000 sf

COMPLETION 2008

MAJOR CONSULTANTS Structural: Blackwell, Mechanical + Electrical: M&E Engineering Ltd.

