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CVPH Medical Center
Plattsburgh, New York



Jury comments:

- Light, airy, and open, yet grounded with a sense of scale. Various seating options appeal to different visitors; unified by color and materiality.
- Bold, warm, and caring statement.

Reader comments:

- A 21st century solution for a 20th century facility. Creates spiritual warmth by unifying color, art, and sculpture.
- I like the huge skylight lighting up the lobby.
- Nicely scaled lounge pieces. The lighting, different volumes of space, and variety of seating areas are great.
- The respite area with the fireplace and low lighting is warm and inviting.

Marked as the largest, single construction project in the history of CVPH Medical Center, the surgery project focused on numerous departments and areas of the hospital in need of expansion, relocation, or upgrade. A major component to the project was the renovation of the hospital's main entrance and lobby. Prior to the renovation, the hospital's outdated lobby was small, narrow, and worn. Simply put, it did not resemble the quality and level of care for which the medical center is known.

Working closely with the hospital staff in routine user group meetings, the design of a new grand lobby was created. Initially conceptualized to be an open two-story space, the plans were modified to meet the state's fire codes. The solution maintained



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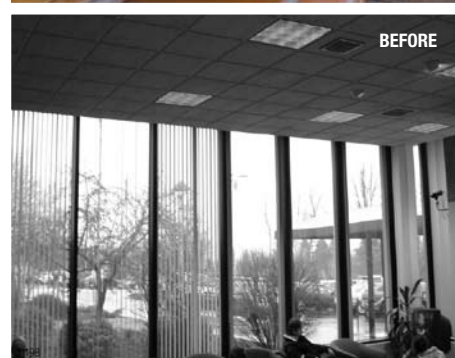
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an open, airy feeling with maximized daylight, and offered areas of respite for patients and families.

The entire surgery project was completed three months ahead of schedule and \$1.2 million under budget. Since completion, the new lobby has received extensive accolades from hospital staff, patients, and the greater community. Perhaps the best stated one is in a letter from CVPH Medical Center CEO Stephens Mundy: "From the standpoint of beauty, the new front entrance and lobby are unsurpassed. They will be a lasting testament to your architectural skills, as will the efficiencies and conveniences built into your design."



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Architecture and Interior Design: MorrisSwitzer-Environments for Health, LLC; **General Contractor:** Pizzagalli Construction Company; **Mechanical Engineer:** BVH Integrated Services; **Lighting Engineers:** BVH Integrated Services and MorrisSwitzer; **Vertical Services Desk:** Wilsonart; **Desk Countertop Surface:** Formica; **Transaction Countertop and Slate Flooring:** Stone Source; **Acoustical Ceiling Tile:** USG; **Carpeting for Seating Area:** Milliken Sense; **Acoustical Panels:** Maharam; **General Paint and Accent Paint Color:** Sherwin Williams; **Wall Panels:** Marlite; **Shade System:** Nysan; **Electric Fireplace:** Dimplex North America Ltd.; **Wall Sconce:** DAO; **Flush Frame:** Visa Lighting; **Skylight:** Naturalite; **Slate Flooring:** Stone Source