Lone Tree Arts Center – A Brief History

The Citizens of Lone Tree authorized the construction of a new Lone Tree Arts Center in 2008. The Lone Tree Arts Center (LTAC) is a professional, innovative, and environmentally green venue designed by Westlake Reed Leskosky, a leading national designer of performing arts centers. Included in the Arts Center are a grand entry hall event and gallery space; a 500 seat main stage theater with orchestra and balcony seating, state-of-the-art lighting and sound systems, an orchestra pit, fly space, and expertly designed acoustics; and an adaptable 200 seat event hall for intimate performances, events and meetings that opens through a glass wall to a 350 seat outdoor terrace theater. The Arts Center was built on a multi-million dollar parcel of land donated by the developers of the RidgeGate community south of Lincoln Avenue in Lone Tree.

Environmentally responsible LEED certification was achieved by the Arts Center. Performance venues in the building have windows allowing natural light for performances that do not require complete “black out” conditions and for daytime maintenance and tours, reducing the overall lighting energy load on the building. Acoustics in the main stage theater are assisted by a silent air-handling system that circulates air through the theater from diffusers under the seats. Efficient lighting, heating, cooling and water use systems are also part of the building’s design.

LTAC operates a dynamic model for the performing arts by producing its own professional theatrical productions as well as presenting national and regional tours. LTAC is also known for its children’s programming, as well as innovating sensory-friendly programs for people with autism and other sensory processing disorders. In addition, LTAC has programs for seniors, including its signature Arts in the Afternoon, as well as SPARK!, a free program for people who are experiencing early memory loss.

LTAC is also an important meeting and event rental site for corporate, civic, private, and community arts groups.