

Sylvania breathes new life into Polish museum

The District Museum in Toruń

Perfectly blending the old with the new, Sylvania has delivered a lighting upgrade with wireless controls at one of Poland's oldest and largest museums, The District Museum in Toruń. The new scheme provides dynamic accent lighting from Concord Beacon Muse II LED spotlights combined with SylSmart Standalone to selectively highlight individual works of art and give the museum the ability to configure the ambience of the room.

Located in the Ratusz hall of Toruń, the museum's 300 m² Grand Hall is home to the

country's largest and most prominent collection of sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth-century bourgeois portraits and coats of arms, 'The gallery of burgher's portraits'. Displayed across the hall's vast pillars between set back windows, the museum needed a flexible lighting system that would enable them to highlight individual paintings or the whole collection for the rising number of high-profile events they were hosting. The lighting scheme upgrade saw the installation of 30 Concord Beacon Muse II LED spotlights and SylSmart Standalone wireless lighting control system.

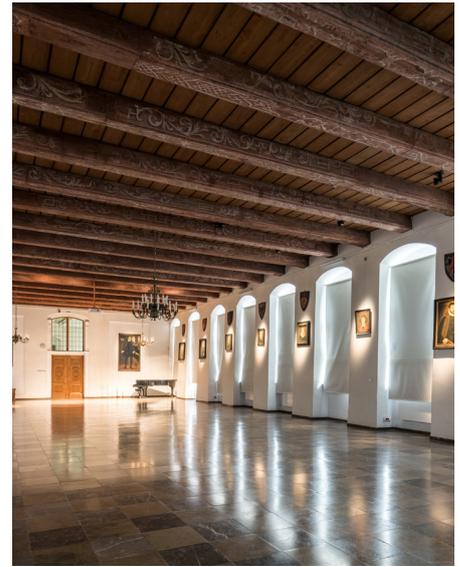


Key Facts

Client: The District Museum in Toruń

Key Outcomes

- Minimum disruption
- Easy to program and re-program
- Flexibility to create perfect scenes for varied display items and events
- Wireless control meaning no new cables helping to protect fabric of historical building



Agnieszka Tybus-Bugajska, Deputy director of organization and administration District Museum in Toruń commented; "We wanted an effective, high quality lighting scheme that provided us with the flexibility to create tailored environments for the display of our portrait collection and ensure a memorable experience for visitors and those that attend our many events throughout the year.

"Sylvania helped us to deliver unique and memorable experiences for our visitors by giving us the ability to configure and activate tailored lighting scenes at the touch of a button, all with minimal disruption to museum operations. With the wireless enabled spotlights, we have the flexibility to create the perfect scene for each individual event we host, adjusting the luminaires and intensity of light to illuminate individual portraits or the whole collection, depending on the occasion."

Award-winning Concord Beacon Muse II spotlights were installed at a high level within the museum's original ceiling beams. All SylSmart luminaires can be controlled by a wireless sensor, and by tailoring contrast, colour, warmth and tone via an intuitive app, the lighting setup can be customised based on the museum's needs.

In addition to enabling the museum to draw attention and crop specific portraits as and when required, with no new track infrastructure, SylSmart Standalone Scene provided a simple and quick installation. With hassle-free programming, it also enables the museum to make changes with ease and at speed, without the need for a trained engineer. Additionally, without complex programming as with DALI based solutions, the museum's Grand Hall space can also operate as a multi-functional space.

Concord Beacon Muse II features an adjustable optic system which can deliver a wide flood 55° beam angle which can be adjusted down to a 8° spot without the need for additional lenses or reflectors. The 10° tight spot is ideal for accent lighting for accentuating the texture, colour and shape of exhibits. Its 55° wide flood distribution can be optimised for uniform vertical and horizontal illuminance and wall washing effects.

Replacing traditional and complex systems, the SylSmart Standalone Scene can be easily and quickly retrofitted, and offers ultimate flexibility to control each and every luminaire but without the burden of the cost. Dimming levels, colour temperature and colour of each luminaire group can be adapted for a unique and tailored lighting experience. It can be controlled from a wireless batteryless wall switch which provides the museum with the flexibility to position it wherever they want with no need to tear down the walls to access wires.



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