

# Sample Capital Renovation and Construction Projects at Brooklyn Public Library



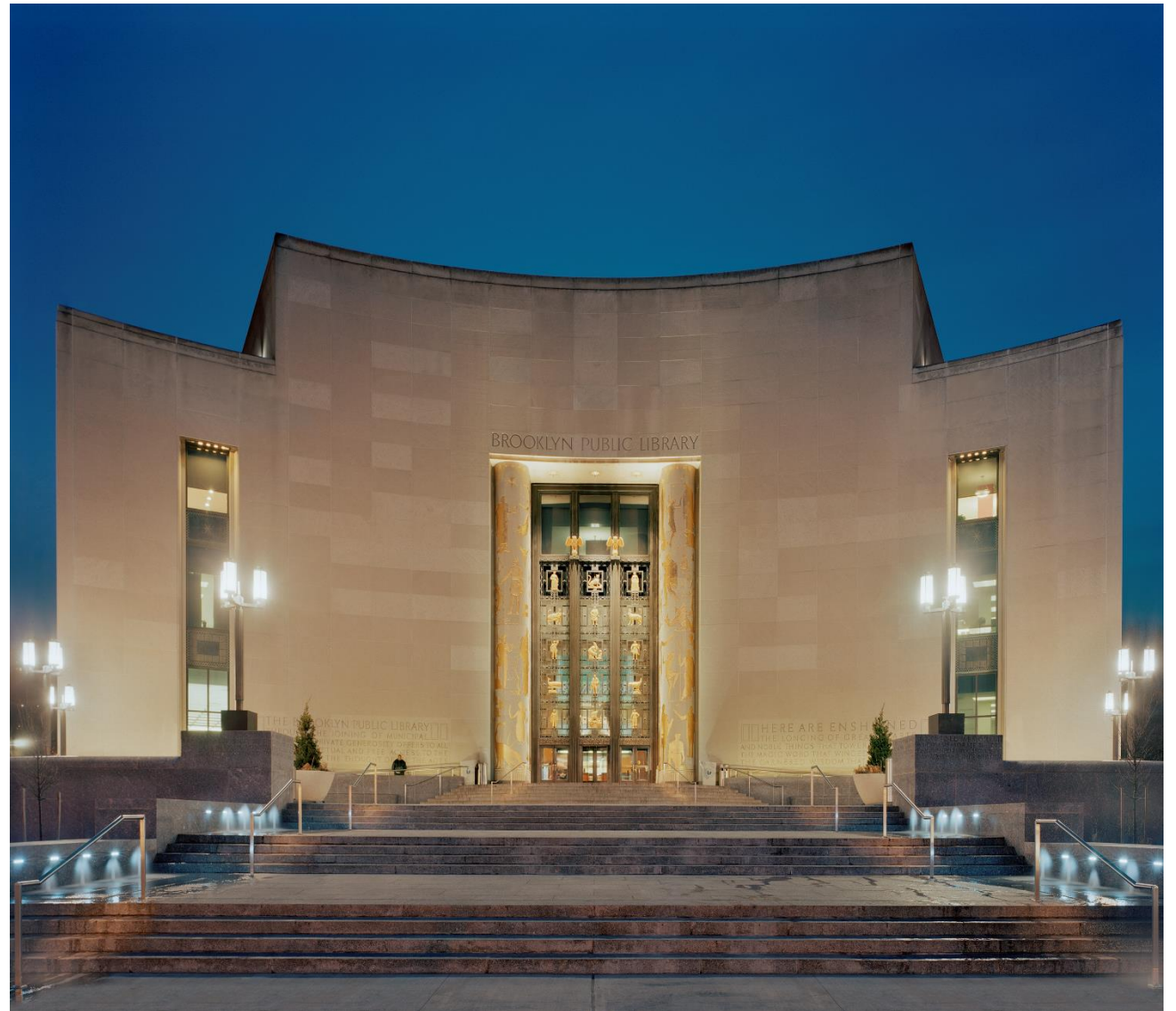
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## Central Library's Main Entrance and Plaza

This is the Central Library's main entrance and the main stairs and plaza, showing accent fountains along the stairs. There are two secondary plazas and stairs to the left and right of the main section. The entire plaza was resurfaced in new granite from the quarry that supplied the original stone in the 1930's. The fountains are new as are the ADA-compliant handicapped access ramps off the two secondary plazas. The lighting was restored to the original Art Deco design.

A new 200-seat auditorium was installed under the renovated plaza.

Project cost for the plaza renovation and auditorium construction was \$18 million. The four-year project was completed in 2007.





# Central Library's Main Entrance



These are details of the main entrance that was restored. The bas-relief figures on the two pylons and the figures above the doors were cleaned and resurfaced in gold leaf. The three bronze doors were recast and installed according to the original design.





## Central Library's Auditorium



This is the Central Library's new 200-seat auditorium. It sits directly beneath the new plaza. Adjacent spaces include several high-tech meeting rooms, art galleries, and a reception lobby for public gatherings.





## Park Slope Branch Library

This is an exterior view of the newly renovated Park Slope branch library. Originally constructed in 1906 with a generous grant from Andrew Carnegie, this 13,000 square foot landmarked facility is an iconic representation of the other seventeen Carnegie branches constructed throughout Brooklyn between 1903 and 1914.

Completed in 2012, this \$6 million project was a four-year renovation and restoration that included an exterior ADA-compliant ramp and a variety of interior renovations and restorations – from an ADA-compliant elevator to new lighting and the extensive restoration of key architectural elements.

Two interior project photos follow this one.





## Park Slope Branch Library - Mezzanine



This is the Park Slope branch library mezzanine reading space for children. Note the fully restored original Tiffany stained glass sky light window.





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## Park Slope Branch Library – First Floor



This is the Park Slope library's first floor adult reading room, with the public technology center in the middle foreground. The original woodwork and Tiffany accent glass were fully restored.



# Kensington Branch Library

This is the front of Brooklyn Public Library's new 18,000 square foot Kensington branch library. Completed in 2012, this \$18 million project took eight years from design to completion. Kensington is BPL's first "green" facility with LEEDS certification (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design).

Two interior project photos follow this one.





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## Kensington Branch Library – First Floor



This is the Kensington library's first floor main reading area, showing part of the technology center. The ceiling opens to the second floor sky light.





## Kensington Branch Library – Second Floor



This is the Kensington library's second floor reading and circulation collection, and additional public PCs.

