

New Greenfield Village Carousel Pavilion Building

Description: 1-Story on Slab, 6,400 SF

Location: Dearborn, Michigan

Cost: \$1,000,000

Completed: 1998



Greenfield Village Carousel Building

Located in the world renowned Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village complex in Dearborn, MI, the New Carousel Pavilion Building was necessitated with the Owner's decision to relocate of the recently formed Henry Ford Academy into the former remodeled carousel building and other nearby buildings in the rear of the Greenfield Village campus in 1997-98. It houses the relocated antique 1913 carousel purchased in the 1960's from a defunct amusement park near Seattle, WA along with new ticket, concessions, utility and storage rooms in the four outside corners of the building.

The design requirement was one of developing a reasonably accurate interpretation of what a turn-of-the-century carousel building would look like using modern methods and materials that would blend well with the historical character of the many other actual historic buildings in the Greenfield Village. The building was also designed to be barrier free ADA accessible.

The estimated and actual project schedules called for a condensed design period of 10 weeks beginning in September 1997, with 2 weeks for building permits in mid-November 1997 and then a construction start in early December 1997. The construction had to be completed by May 1, 1998 to coincide with the season opening of the Greenfield Village. With an extensive effort by all parties involved (i.e. City of Dearborn, the Architect, the General Contractor, the Sub-Contractors, the Suppliers, the HFM&GV staff, etc.), the Carousel Pavilion Building was successfully opened on that date to critical acclaim and accolades.

Building Attributes

- Historically Accurate 1900's New Carousel Building
- 3 Seasons Useage
- Short Project Schedule
- Small Building Site
- High Efficiency Windows
- Energy Efficient Lighting
- Natural Ventilation
- Reversible Overhead Ceiling Fans