

LOUIS KAHN'S CLASS OF 1945 LIBRARY: *Phillips Exeter Academy*



CLIENT
Phillips Exeter Academy

LOCATION
Exeter, New Hampshire

PROJECT
Ground Floor Renovation
New Library Commons

ARCHITECT
Ann Beha Architects

LIGHTING DESIGNER
Sladen Feinstein Integrated Lighting Inc.

ENGINEER
Rist Frost Shumway

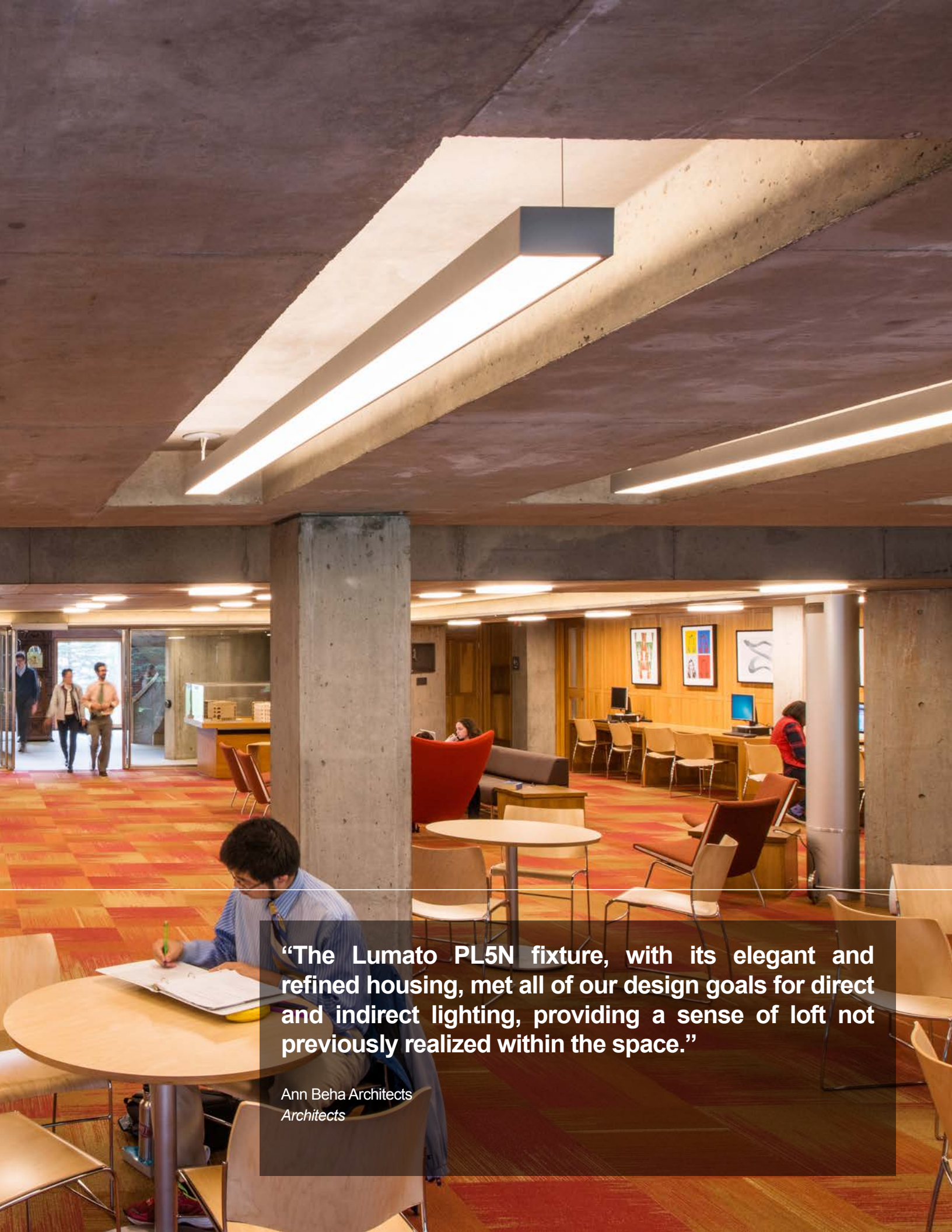
LIGHTING AGENCY
Reflex Lighting

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT
Shawmut

PROJECT PHOTOGRAPHY
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“Every building must have... its own soul”
-Louis Kahn





“The Lumato PL5N fixture, with its elegant and refined housing, met all of our design goals for direct and indirect lighting, providing a sense of loft not previously realized within the space.”

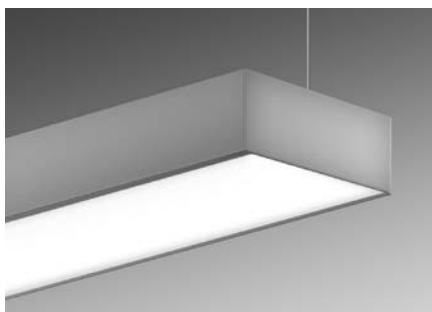
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PRESERVING AN ARCHITECTURAL ICON

Designed by Louis Kahn, Phillips Exeter Academy's Class of 1945 Library has occupied a central and cherished place on the campus since it opened in 1971. It is widely considered one of the most significant 20th century buildings in America.

A comprehensive Master Plan for the Library building was undertaken by Ann Beha Architects in 2013 and will be completed in 2015. As part of this plan, a series of 'pilot projects' were identified, designed to test proposed renovation assumptions. The first of these projects, a Library Commons on the ground floor, was completed in 2015, providing a café and group study spaces.



PL5N
Plank
5in x 2.5in
Narrow Rail

Lighting Design

The minimalist aesthetic of the Lumato PL5N direct-indirect luminaire allowed for a clean integration with the original architecture while its integral driver permitted the utilization of existing precast junction boxes within each coffer, which reduced the impact to the existing concrete. Lumato's product flexibility enabled streamline modifications to provide a custom fit luminaire solution that satisfied the challenge of integration within iconic architectural elements.





“The indirect illumination in each coffer visually lifts the ceiling height of the space and brings out the beauty of the concrete ceiling, while the fixture’s direct illumination provides task light for student workspaces.”

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