

Inside the Buell Public Media Center

Rocky Mountain Public Media's Buell Public Media Center is a 93,000-square-foot building located at 2101 Arapahoe St., Denver, CO, 80205. In addition to housing Rocky Mountain PBS, KUVO JAZZ and THE DROP, the building includes the Metzler Family Learning Center, the Community Media Center, MASTERPIECE Studio, Bonfils-Stanton Performance Studio and Colorado Media Collaborative (COLab).

Metzler Family Learning Center

The Metzler Family Learning Center, located on the first floor, is an interactive exhibit based on the PBSKids show Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood. The show is focused on developing social-emotional skills in preschoolers to help them understand and appreciate the differences in each other and how to be a good neighbor, and to learn key social skills necessary for school, life and engaging in civil debate and discourse. The exhibit was designed in consultation with the Children's Museum of Denver, in partnership with PBSKids and The Fred Rogers Company, and offers kids of all ages a fun and engaging hands-on experience in the Buell Public Media Center lobby.

Community Media Center

On the first floor of the Buell Public Media Center, Emily Griffith Technical College, in partnership with the City and County of Denver, will operate the Community Media Center, a 5,000-square-foot space where they will host media production classes for students. Students will have opportunities to build technical skills using state-of-the-art technology and access the training they need to become well-rounded storytellers in preparation for one of the fastest-growing career paths in the creative industry. They also will gain access to internships and mentorships with local media outlets participating in the COLab.

Bonfils-Stanton Performance Studio

The Bonfils-Stanton Performance Studio is home to live music performances for KUVO JAZZ, THE DROP and RMPBS special music performances. The jazz station's Studio Club Members and THE DROP's Club Drop supporters will enjoy the facility's state-of-the-art broadcast performances and live music with more than 50 local & touring musical groups a year. Fifty guests can be seated in this intimate setting and engage with Colorado's local lineup of talent

and national artists. The studio has a PA system with three-floor monitors, wireless mics and a mobile video screen and three hanging PTZ remote control cameras with a Tricaster video system for streaming or recorded performances. The radio broadcast for listeners is fully surround sound capable.

The Tim Gill & Scott Miller Green Screen Studio

The Tim Gill & Scott Miller Green Screen Studio will be a centerpiece of the Buell Public Media Center and home to award-winning RMPBS programs that feature on-camera talent and programs that do not require large, physically constructed sets. The locally produced content is often used by PBS at a national level, including by PBS NewsHour. The studio is equipped with two mobile robotic PTZ cameras, a Tricaster video system for pre-recorded productions and additional camera capabilities for multi-camera productions.

MASTERPIECE Studio

The MASTERPIECE Studio will be the Buell Public Media Center's community hub and the Center's most utilized space. The venue is large enough to accommodate community conversations and musical performances inspired by RMPM's content. Events and programming in the space will inspire conversation and spur dialogue and meaningful change.

The space has retractable seating that accommodates 124 seated people, including two wheelchair-accessible seats. Without seats extended, the space can accommodate 157 occupants for standing events. The projector display for the studio will be a Christie 14K projector that will project on a 25-foot diagonal electric tab tensioned screen. Stereo audio support will be with two QSC line arrays hung next to the projector screen. The video control room will have a Tricaster video system and three high-end PTZ cameras with teleprompters for streaming or recorded performances. Additional camera support is also available.

This studio will provide ample opportunities for RMPM to host live broadcasts, panel discussions, film and lecture series and receptions. More than 50 annual public forums and screenings will be staged in the MASTERPIECE Studio.

Colorado Media Collaborative (COLab)

The third floor of the Buell Public Media Center will be dedicated to the Colorado Media Collaborative (COLab). This new-era newsroom is designed with collaboration in mind to support nearly 100 local journalists working to bring news and information to the state's diverse communities. The media organizations that are part of COLab include Associated Press, Chalkbeat Colorado, Colorado Freedom of Information Coalition, Colorado Independent, Colorado Media Project, Colorado Press Association, Colorado Sun, KGNU, Open Media Foundation and Rocky Mountain PBS. Through COLab, these organizations will share resources, infrastructure and strategies to provide news responsive to the concerns, interests and values of the community.