

# **About Aronoff Center for the Arts**

- Opened October 1995
- Designed by world famous architect Cesar Pelli
- Houses three theaters—Procter and Gamble Hall, Jarson-Kaplan Theater, and the Fifth Third Bank Theater—and the Weston Art Gallery

## Otto M. Budig Lobby

- The green donor wall, on either side of the grand stairway to the Procter and Gamble Hall, is Burlington stone imported from England.
- The marble floor was quarried (dug out of the ground) throughout the world:

cream color from Spain green from Guatemala rose from Sicily and red from Southwest France

- The pattern on the floor of the lobby continues outside to the bricks on the sidewalk.
- Windows of the lobby are referred to as a 'curtain wall.' They extend from the floor to the top of the building and allow in natural light.
- The windows have dots on them. These dots help control the temperature in the lobby. On bright sunny days, they help keep the lobby from becoming too hot.

## **Procter and Gamble Hall**

- The largest of the three theaters, seating 2700 on three levels—(from bottom to top) Orchestra, Loge, and Balcony.
- Ceiling contains 2500 fiber optic points of light that are controlled by computer which can change the color and brightness.

## Jarson-Kaplan Theater

- Seats 400 on three levels—(from bottom to top) Orchestra, Balcony One, and Balcony Two.
- It has an Elizabethan design, that is, its layout is similar to the Globe Theater where Shakespeare performed his plays.

## **Fifth Third Bank Theater**

- The smallest of the three theaters, it can seat up to 150.
- It is a black box theater, meaning that there is no fixed place for the stage.

## Weston Art Gallery

This two-level gallery has six to eight exhibitions per year, showcasing local and regional artists.