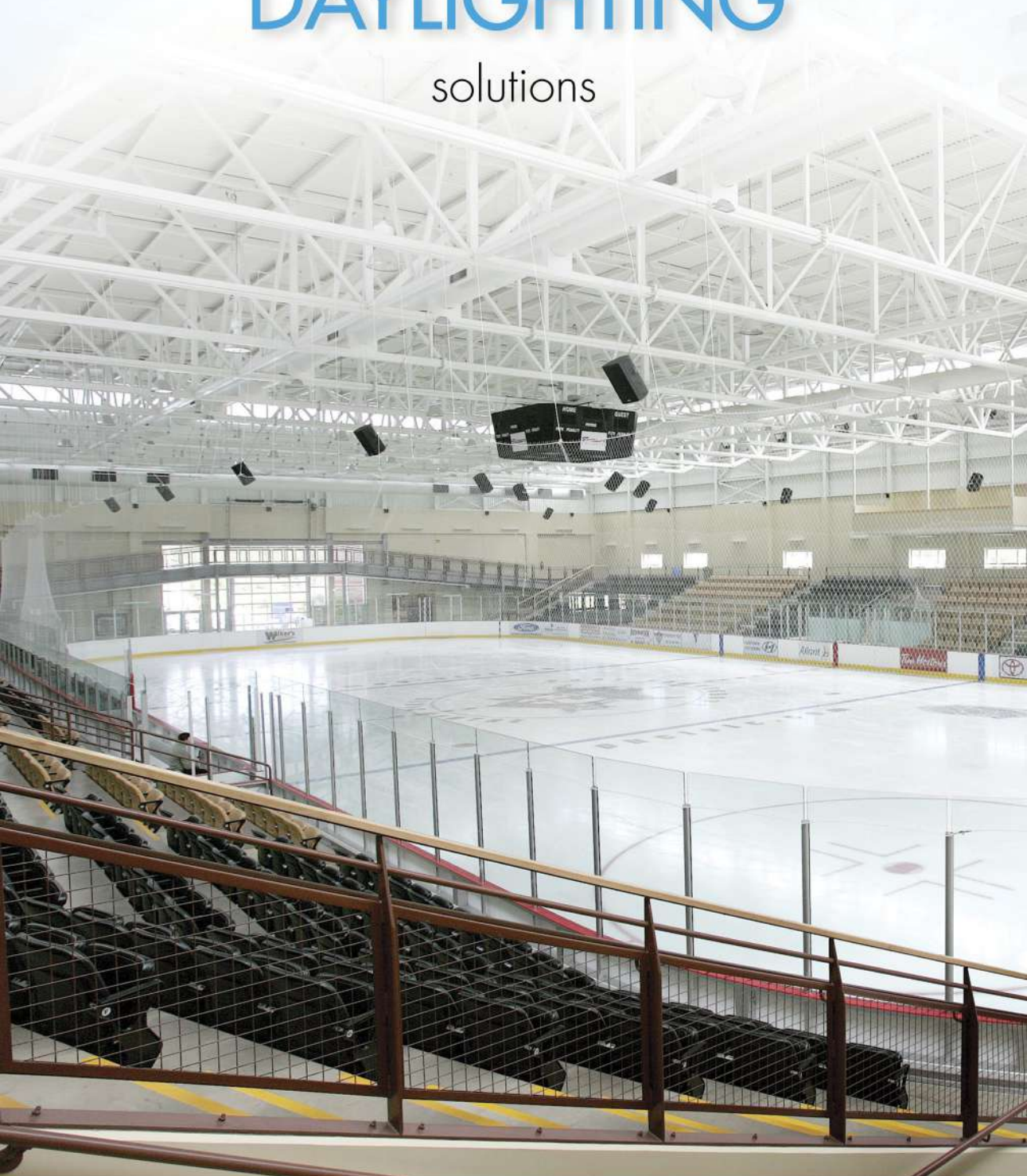


real  
**DAYLIGHTING**  
solutions



Port Hawkesbury Civic Centre • Architect - Ojolic Associates

 **SOLERA**®

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## TAMING the SUN

Harnessing the sun's abundant light is a challenge. Avoiding glare, solar heat gain and uncontrolled illumination patterns are a designer's aspiration.

Designing beautiful, functional and comfortable spaces for occupants has been riddled with complexities and expense.

"The Challenge" has been solved with a resilient, cost effective and elegant solution ... SOLERA®



## ARCHITECTURAL DAYLIGHTING

Daylighting is a powerful design element. Proper execution results in sustainable and energy efficient buildings. Daylighted buildings command higher rental and resale values.

Full spectrum diffused light enhances the visual and psychological experience. Research demonstrates that well daylighted spaces also impact occupant's Circadian rhythms that trigger positive physiological responses:

- children learn faster
- workers are more productive
- retail sales increase
- occupant health is improved

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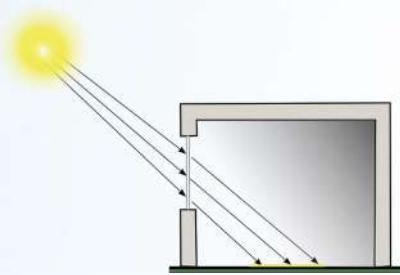


Kirkwood College • Architect – Neumann Monson

# DAYLIGHTING with WINDOWS

The placement of vision glass on buildings exclusively, is not effective daylighting. Why?

Sunlight travels in straight lines through windows and strikes the floor. The light is absorbed and radiates heat instead of illuminating the interior space evenly.



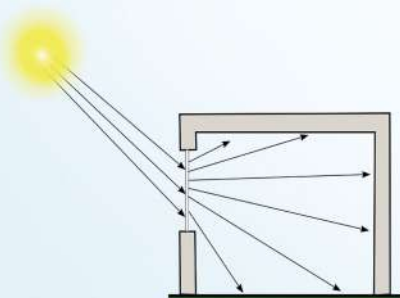
The result:

- glare
- thermal discomfort
- poor light penetration
- increase solar heat gain

The outcome is the deployment of blinds, which tend to stay down. This defeats the purpose of windows.

# DAYLIGHTING with SOLERA®

The alternative is to use a wide angle diffusing translucent, which lifts a significant portion of the light up from the floor - distributing it evenly throughout the space. The net effect is a deep penetration of natural full spectrum light, without excessive thermal variance and the harmful effects of glare.



# NOT ALL TRANSLUCENTS are EQUAL

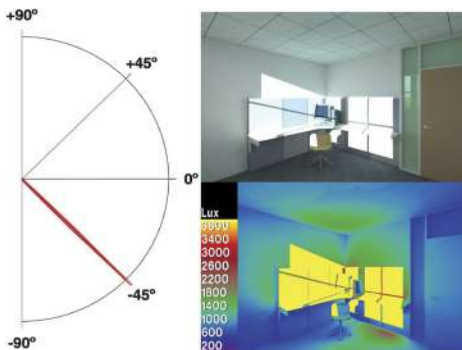
Light diffusing glazings are powerful elements for designers who wish to bring high quality natural light into interior spaces. Translucent glazings vary greatly in their ability to diffuse light. Specifying the right glazing, can be critical to the success of a project.

Light diffusing power (LDP) is a measurement that objectively compares the light diffusing properties of various glazing materials. The polar plots, photos and false color renderings below, demonstrate how various glass options diffuse light.

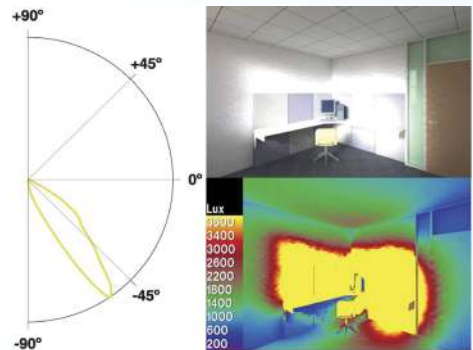
Clear glass, as well as narrow angle light diffusers, such as Acid Etched and White Laminated glass, creates excessive illumination and high contrast (glare).

SOLERA®, unlike other translucents, is a wide angle light diffuser (near perfect LDP). By redirecting equal amounts of light in all directions, a diffused and comfortable full spectrum light is achieved.

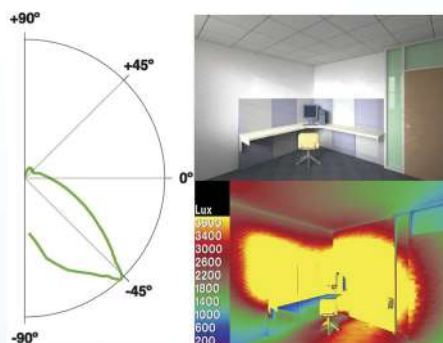
SOLERA® can be specified with a range of visual light transmittance and diffusion.



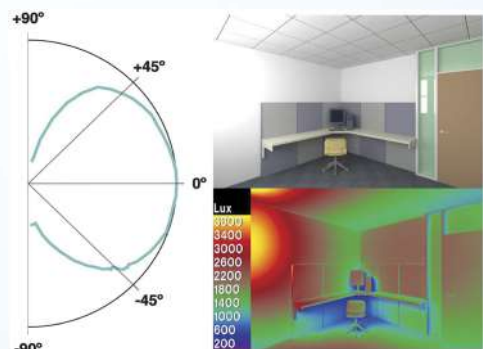
Clear Glass  
(no light redirection)



Acid Etched  
(narrow angle light diffusion)



White PVB laminate  
(narrow angle light diffusion)



SOLERA®  
(wide angle light diffusion)

# VIEWS & DAYLIGHTING

Views and daylighting are different objectives and require different tools.

- Views provide occupants with a visual connection to the outside world.
- Daylighting allows natural full spectrum light to penetrate a space. Diffused evenly it achieves comfortable light levels for occupants.

Use vision glass for views and SOLERA® for daylighting. The two work hand in hand and integrate seamlessly into the same framing system. Advanced Glazings Ltd. provides daylighting simulations to determine the optimal configuration of vision glass and SOLERA®!

Nobel Halls · SUNY Stonybrook – Goshow Architects



# CONTROLLING THERMAL IMPACT

As energy and building codes become stricter, the ability to design extensively with glass has become more challenging. High performance glass solutions have historically been expensive, unstable and complex. The SOLERA® line of products, allows the ability to engineer the appropriate thermal performance for the building envelope.

To insulate, a material must address multiple modes of heat transfer. Our technologies include light diffusing glass veils which diffuses light and control solar heat gain coefficient.

The patented transparent InsolCore™ insulation disrupts the convection cycle of heat transfer. This provides substantial and permanent improvement in U value (R value) over traditional Low-e and gas (Argon, Krypton) technologies.

In order to provide the greatest improvement in thermal performance, the conduction transfer of heat, must be addressed. Advanced Glazings Ltd. has pioneered a method to stabilize aerogel in an insulated glass unit. This permanent solution solves the challenge of aerogel settling.



Detroit School of Arts  
Architect - Hamilton Anderson Associates



Nobel Halls at SUNY Stony Brook utilizes both horizontal and vertical expanses of SOLERA® T in harmony with insulated metal panels to achieve holistic design solution and has achieved LEED Gold Certification. This unique structure delivers SOLERA®'s trademark combination of engineered natural light and thermal excellence, while delivering a striking compliment to its' surroundings, making a bold architectural statement, both day and night.

Architects - Goshow Architects







Centre E&P Senechal Center proves that when it comes to daylighting, you can achieve both form and function on a budget with SOLERA®. SOLERA® was placed at the level of the walking track which surrounds the rink and fitness gym. Monica Adaire, Project Architect shares, “Advanced Glazings, Ltd. proved to be more than just a product manufacturer, but also a daylighting design partner.”

Architects - Murdock & Boyd Architects



“When we go back to other facilities that we visited in preparation for our project that do not have daylighting, we are so glad that we went with daylighting; it puts us in a class apart.”

Dr. Paul Castonguay, Head of Building Committee

# DAYLIGHT SIMULATION STUDIES

The only way to understand the implications of daylight on a building design is to either build physical models of the building and study it in a heliodon, or to generate computer models of the building. It is critical to model the space properly to predict the performance of an engineered solution.



9:30 AM - 21 June. Vision Glass



9:30 AM - 21 June. SOLERA®



The radiance daylighting simulations above, demonstrates how SOLERA® diffuses natural light thereby reducing contrast (glare) and increasing the overall ambient light level.

[Advanced Glazings Ltd.](#) provides complimentary daylighting simulations in a report format.

These detailed reports will:

- educate project stakeholders
- demonstrate design intent and daylighting value to your client
- provide your lighting designers with valuable data
- maximize integration between natural and artificial lighting

# SOLERA® LINE OF PRODUCTS

SOLERA® is designed to deliver superior daylighted spaces and a range of thermal insulation. Our product lines are engineered to be highly configurable, allowing control of:

- light diffusion and transmittance
- control of solar gain
- thermal insulation
- sound transmittance
- aesthetics
- safety

SOLERA® is designed to be UV stable and has a warranty against color shift.

The fundamental components of SOLERA® units are:

a) Glass

Available choices include (but are not limited to) color of glass, composition (Heat Strengthened, Tempered, Laminated) and thickness.

b) Glass Light Diffusing Veils

Various combinations of veil choices provide control of diffusion, visual light transmittance and solar gain.

c) Transparent InsolCore® (available on SOLERA® S and SOLERA® T)

Provides an R5 (U Value of 0.2 Btu/hr.ft<sup>2</sup>.°F) thermal insulation and has a 97% Visual Light Transmittance.

SOLERA® is designed to fit into standard curtain wall, storefront, window and skylight systems, which makes it ideal for new construction and renovations.

Bruce Power Architect - Giffels Associates Ltd.



# SOLERA® + Aerogel®

SOLERA® + Aerogel® is a daylighting strategy that dramatically improves thermal performance making an extraordinary product even better.

The inclusion of Aerogel® in daylighting systems virtually eliminates the historical trade-off of insulation vs. natural light by providing 3 to 6 times the thermal performance.

The unique properties of SOLERA® + Aerogel® enable:

- superior thermal efficiency
- significantly reduced transmitted noise
- exceptional glare reduction
- unmatched durability



InsolCore®  
Stabilizing Aerogel®



Joggins Fossil Cliff Museum - WHW Architects

Aerogel® (available in SOLERA® + Aerogel® R18, R9 & R5) provides superior thermal performance similar to a traditional wall, and a reduction in sound transmittance. Aerogel® is stabilized within the transparent InsolCore® to prevent settling.

Aerogel® is among the lightest and most effective insulating materials in the world. Aerogel® is a solid which consists largely of air (>90%) contained in a structure with pore sizes less than the mean free path of air molecules, which severely inhibits heat transfer through the material, enabling world-class performance.

### SOLERA® + Aerogel® R18

Nominal thickness .....	3" (76.2mm)
Visual Light Transmittance (VLT) .....	7% - 32%*
Shading Coefficient (SC) .....	0.08 - 0.36*
Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (SHGC) .....	0.07 - 0.30*
U-Value .....	0.055 Btu/hr·ft <sup>2</sup> ·°F**
U-Value (SI Units) .....	0.31 W/m <sup>2</sup> ·K**
Sound Transmittance Class (STC) .....	may exceed 52

### SOLERA® + Aerogel® R9

Nominal thickness .....	1.75" (44.45mm)
Visual Light Transmittance (VLT) .....	9% - 40%*
Shading Coefficient (SC) .....	0.10 - 0.44*
Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (SHGC) .....	0.09 - 0.37*
U-Value .....	0.11 Btu/hr·ft <sup>2</sup> ·°F**
U-Value (SI Units) .....	0.61 W/m <sup>2</sup> ·K**
Sound Transmittance Class (STC) .....	may exceed 52

### SOLERA® + Aerogel® R5

Nominal thickness .....	1" (25.4mm)
Visual Light Transmittance (VLT) .....	10% - 45%*
Shading Coefficient (SC) .....	0.11 - 0.50*
Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (SHGC) .....	0.10 - 0.42*
U-Value .....	0.2 Btu/hr·ft <sup>2</sup> ·°F**
U-Value (SI Units) .....	1.14 W/m <sup>2</sup> ·K**
Sound Transmittance Class (STC) .....	may exceed 52

\* Subject to glass and veil combination.

\*\* Center of Glass (CoG) Values.

Maximum sizes 5' x 12' (1,524 mm x 3,658 mm)

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# SOLERA® S and SOLERA® T

3" Insulated Glass Unit offering superior light diffusion, thermal and sound insulation enhanced beyond high performance low-e products. (Solera T available with a 1" nominal offset to fit standard curtain wall systems)

Suitable for:

Curtain Wall

Skylight Systems

Windows (SOLERA® S)



SOLERA® S



SOLERA® T

Visual Light Transmittance (VLT) .....	10% - 55%*
Shading Coefficient (SC) .....	0.11 - 0.61*
Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (SHGC) .....	0.09 - 0.51*
U-Value .....	0.2 Btu/hr·ft <sup>2</sup> ·°F**
U-Value (SI Units) .....	1.14 W/m <sup>2</sup> ·K**
Sound Transmittance Class (STC) .....	up to 52

SOLERA® S



SOLERA® T



# SOLERA® L

1" Insulated Glass Unit offering superior light diffusion.

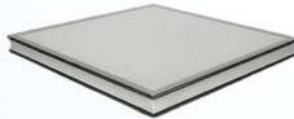
Suitable for:

Windows

Storefront Systems

Curtain Wall

Skylights



Visual Light Transmittance (VLT) .....	12% - 62%*
Shading Coefficient (SC) .....	0.14 - 0.69*
Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (SHGC) .....	0.11 - 0.58*
U-Value .....	0.47 Btu/hr·ft <sup>2</sup> ·°F**
U-Value (SI Units) .....	2.68 W/m <sup>2</sup> ·K**
Sound Transmittance Class (STC) .....	up to 40

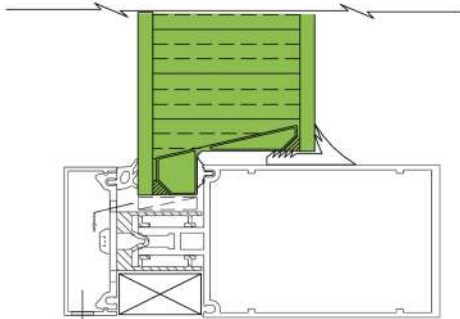
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# DESIGNING with SOLERA®

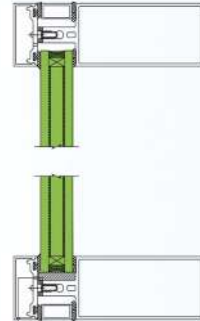
DISCOVER HOW EASY IT IS TO DAYLIGHT YOUR NEXT PROJECT.

- contact your SOLERA® Architectural Products Consultant
- conduct your initial space planning and design
- assign openings in the building envelope for views and daylighting
- develop goals for envelope insulation, both thermal and acoustic
- perform daylighting simulations to determine ratios of windows to translucent diffusers, and to engineer properties of translucent diffusers

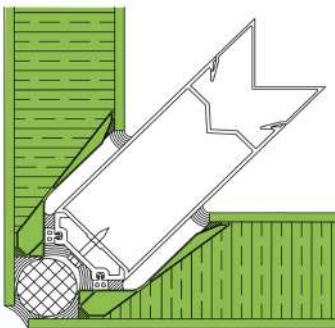
The various profiles enable all products to be installed into standard framing systems. Because it is glass, SOLERA® integrates seamlessly with vision glass.



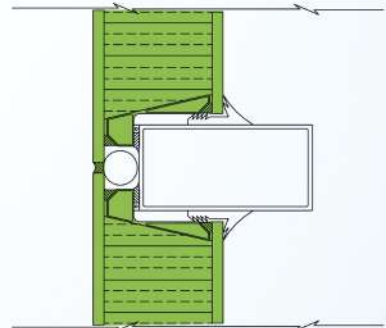
SOLERA® T  
in a curtain wall system



SOLERA® L  
in a standard framing system

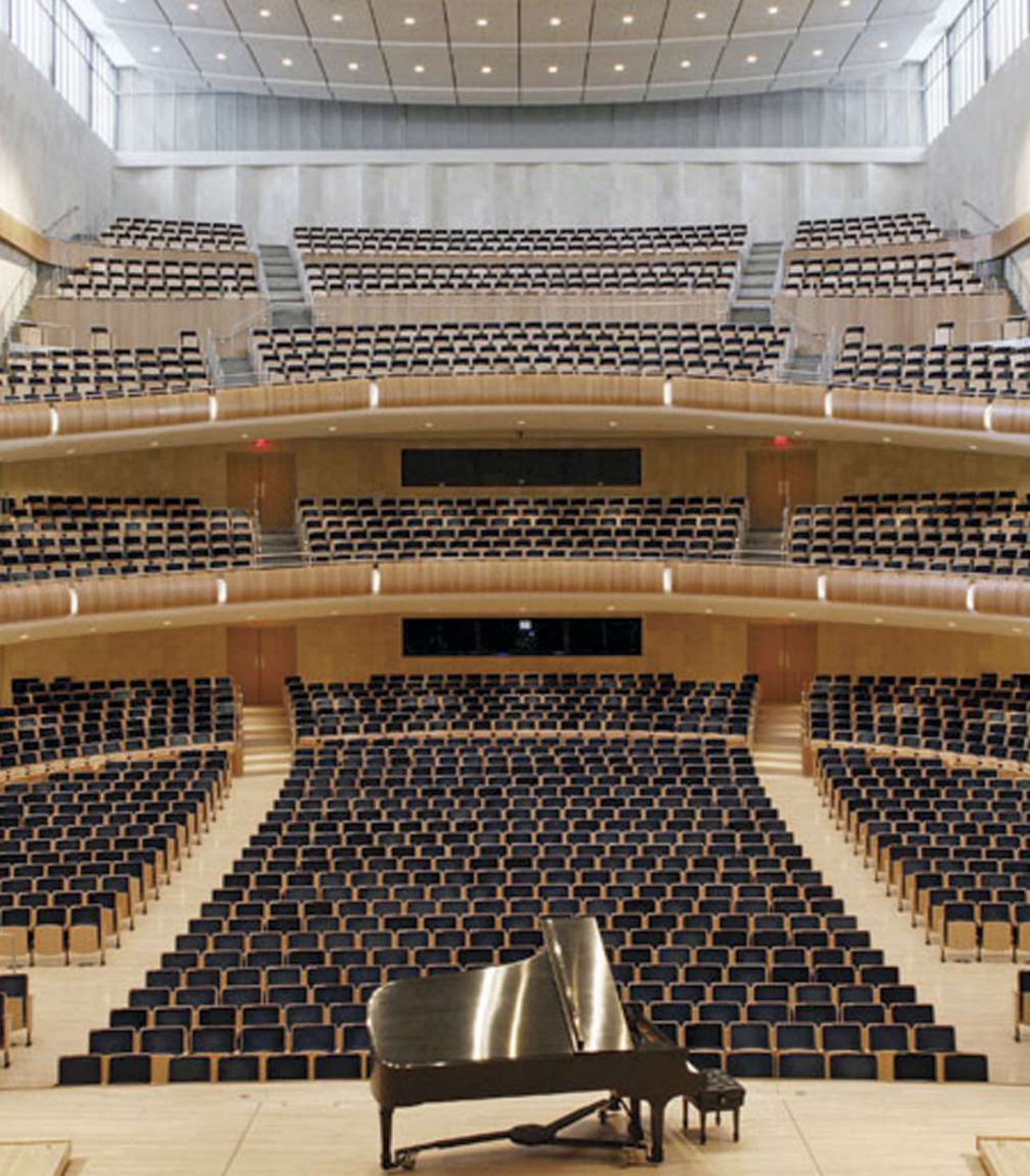


SOLERA® T45 SSG  
in a 90° corner



SOLERA® T  
in flush glazing

Contact us for assistance when designing & specifying SOLERA®  
in your project.



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