SPORTS HALL WITH CULTURE SPACE
PUBLIC PROJECT

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Project Description

The district school of Bergedorf is one of the largest in Hamburg with more than 1,500 pupils. The old sports hall, which was severely damaged by fire in 2009, had to be torn down. The spectacular new building now serves primarily for school and club sports but also contains a cultural space that, as a multifunctional venue, facilitates theatre rehearsals as well as extracurricular events for up to 400 people.

The building's exterior, with its irregularly bricked relief-like facade, honours Hamburg’s tradition of brick handicraft. Flush glasswork contrasts with the quality of the dark, coal-fired brickwork. The sensitive reduction of detail and the asymmetric glass surfaces create an independent character for the building that underscores its special use and arouses curiosity about its interior. Colour dominates the interior as a shaping feature of the space. Vibrant green, blue, and red tones on the walls, floors, and ceilings lend the sports hall an enormously dynamic character. The bright, daylight-illuminated cultural space is black and white, with wooden floors and acoustic elements in red velvet serving to set a festive contrast. Translucent side glass panels ensure glare-free sunlight. The few transparent glass panels are used to stage an orienting view of the landscape.

The design of the artificial lighting is reserved, supporting the integrated expansion of the architectural idea of space: Across the room's orientation, luminaires (Minimal) are almost invisible during the day and light up the room's length at night. Linear lighting (Edge) is used to calm the room and provide colour saturation. Dimmable integrated spotlights (Mito) provide intentional accent points to draw the room, with its specific and imaginative use, away from homogeneous lighting.

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