Christopher Newport University is a public liberal arts university on a 260-acre campus in Newport News, VA., a location of both historic and natural significance. The project program developed is part of an ongoing building campaign, providing distinguished, state-of-the-art facilities to house the high achieving academic community at CNU. The new construction of the Fine Arts Center (FAC) provides a 150 seat auditorium, classrooms, studios spaces for sculpture, ceramic painting, analog and digital photography as well as offices and supporting facilities.
Another important program requirement was to integrate a publicly accessible gallery, which will bring art collections and exhibitions to the Newport News area. This main gallery will exhibit traveling shows and a future University’s owned permanent collection. CNU is anticipating collaboration with other Commonwealth institutions to bring collections to the local community and the student body. Two smaller galleries adjacent to the main gallery will exhibit student work.

The FAC is located on the north side of the existing Ferguson Center and is connected to this existing structure by the continuation of the Ferguson Center arcade (circa 4340 sf), using the same arcade elements and the same roof height. With this extension the original Master planning by I.M. Pei of a half circle will be completed and symbolically links Performing Arts with Fine Arts.

**Location**
CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT UNIVERSITY
1 Avenue of the Arts
Newport News, VA 23606

**Where to park and meet**
At CNU Guest Parking lot in front of the Library, which is north of the Fine Arts Center. Meeting point is at the construction entry gate facing east to the lawns. See plan.

**Two or more rendered images**
See attached PDFs