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Case Study

Everyman Cinema Basement Cinema Fit Out Hampstead



Client

Everyman Media Group

Industry Sector

Cinema/Leisure

Location

Everyman Cinema Club
Hampstead, London

Project Type

Basement Conversion to Luxury
Cinema Auditorium

Capacity

Principal Fit-Out Contractor

Timescale

5 Weeks

Contract Value

Under £100k

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Background

The prestigious Everyman Cinema Club required expansion following the success of their unique “intimate” cinema environment in Hampstead.

The requirement was to convert the existing basement used as a storage room to a fully functional luxury Cinema auditorium.

Our works commenced immediately after the excavation of the basement floor.

Challenges

The main challenge was to provide sufficient sound insulation between the new basement auditorium and the main screening room directly above without restricting the screen size and head height within the basement. The basement structural ceiling was of a “clinker block” construction and ceiling loadings needed to be kept to a minimum.

With the number of nominated sub-contractors our role changed to include the project management of all the fit-out trades to ensure timescales were adhered to.

Solutions

To achieve secure ceiling fixings, maximise ceiling height and sound insulation between rooms a new steel uni-strut sub grid was installed between existing structural beams throughout the basement. The main structural ceiling was then clad with high density rockwool throughout. From there it was possible to install a matt black Ecophon acoustic ceiling directly to the new sub-grid with a further layer of high density rockwool above the ceiling tiles to reduce sound transmission.

Due to our pro-active management team and our previous Cinema experience our project management role grew throughout the project as we were able to successfully integrate the numerous specialist trades required for this project.

Results

The sound insulation achieved between the two auditoriums surpassed all expectations and with the added sound quality and aesthetic benefit of our acoustic fabric wall treatments, the new auditorium quickly became the flagship luxury auditorium that our client envisaged.