# Case Study Kingston University

Overview

Kingston University is undergoing one of the biggest construction projects it has ever seen. Willmott Dixon Construction commenced works in 2017 and the Town House is due to open in January 2020 representing the first phase of the University's vision for the future; a £260m programme to transform the entire estate.

Designed by RIBA 2020 Royal Gold Medal award-winning and Stirling Prize nominated Grafton Architects, the new 11,500m<sup>2</sup> landmark building will offer specialist learning spaces providing flexible rehearsal spaces for academic dance courses. The Town House features a multi-floor library, dance and creative arts spaces, a performance auditorium, a covered courtyard and cafes.

### **Project highlights**

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Name:	Kingston University
Location:	Town House, Penrhyn Road, Kingston Upon Thames
Project Type:	Performance Teaching Space, Dance Studios
Product Types:	Harlequin Woodspring, Harlequin Activity, Harlequin Cascade, Harlequin Standfast
Contractor	Willmot Dixon Construction
Architect	Grafton Architects





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### The requirement:

Installation of sprung performance floors in three new dance studios and the Performance Teaching Space with retractable seating.

### The solution:

In the three dance studios Harlequin supplied and installed a fully-floating Harlequin Activity sprung floor with Harlequin Cascade and Harlequin Standfast performance surfaces totalling over 330 square metres. Harlequin Ballet Barres and Harlequin Mirrors completed the dance studio facilities.

In the Performance Teaching Space a Harlequin WoodSpring basket weave sprung floor system with a Harlequin Standfast top surface was supplied and installed to an area of over 180 square metres.

I'm always reassured by the quality and consistency of Harlequin floors. All the floors are of the highest quality and allow teachers and students to move with confidence, happy in the knowledge that resistance and shock absorption is consistent across the entire floor and safe across all expected levels of humidity. The mirrors are huge and provide distortion free reflection and virtually seamless joins. 99

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