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Carnegie Hall of Architecture

Hall of Architecture
Carnegie Museum of Art
4400 Forbes Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15213

A team of ICA conservators traveled to Pittsburgh to conduct an on-site assessment of over 200 plaster casts in the Hall of Architecture. Their purpose was to review and document the condition of the decorative finishes and plaster fabric of the architectural casts in the collection. The survey process included close-range visual inspections, individual condition evaluations, photographic documentation, limited sampling, chemical analysis, cross-sectional analysis, and historic research. Based on the results of the testing, ICA conservators developed treatment proposals for surface cleaning, toning, and removal of overpaint. A limited evaluation of the environmental and display conditions was also made.

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