Completed in 1937, Centennial Hall is the largest performance venue in southern Arizona, seating approximately 2,500 patrons. MCH Principals were tapped in the mid-1980s to study and provide recommendations to improve its acoustics and audio systems - resulting in substantially improved acoustical clarity and improved reverberation for its then-principle acoustical users, the university’s music department and the Tucson Symphony Orchestra. Budgetary restrictions precluded implementing a full acoustical renovation including its orchestra shell, which would have benefitted by outright replacement.

Finally, in 2007, MCH was tapped again to embark on a considerably more ambitious renovation to achieve far broader programming for the anticipated 21st Century uses but that was prematurely thwarted by the downsizing economy and temporary campus focus on other projects.

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