

CASE STUDY

MUSEUM PROTECTS HOLDINGS

CINCINNATI ART
MUSEUM



The Cincinnati Art Museum was simply out of space. Their collection was overflowing! They turned to Central Business Group to help find a way to safely store their growing collection of prints, photos, textiles, furniture, vases and other priceless holdings.

The museum had several important concerns that had to be taken into consideration early on in the planning process. Some questions raised were: How can the collection be protected from ultra violet rays, dust and temperature variations? How best can security and safety for personnel and holdings be provided?

The storage requirements were addressed by using a Spacesaver® High Density Mobile System. The security and safety issues were addressed by installing a Spacesaver ZFS® safety system as well as key lock in which only the area supervisors can access. To prevent movement of the fragile holdings, Central Business Group and Spacesaver® designed the carriages' movement to have varied start-up, operating and slow down speeds. For added piece of mind, fully adjustable custom drawers and cabinets were fitted with foam to assure that each piece would not move while the carriages are in motion.

To address the environmental issues, rubber gaskets were developed that seal each carriage when closed to protect the contents from harmful dust, ultra violet rays and temperature variations. With some aisles, the carriages and cabinets were designed to operate around structural support pillars and ventilation ducts.

When this project was completed, the museum's new Spacesaver® High Density Mobile Storage System housed their entire current collection and allowed for a minimum of 50% growth.



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