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Project details

Client	Stadt St. Gallen
Architecture	Klaiber Partnership AG, Forma Architekten AG
Project type	Education and research
Construction type	Free Form
Services	Timber construction
Construction	2014
Locality	St. Gallen
Country	Switzerland

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Timber school structure underpins innovative teaching concept at the new city school

The 'free' city school – freie Stadtschule – in St. Gallen is now the 'new' city school, or neue Stadtschule. And it is not just the name that has changed; the building has, too: A unused New Apostolic Church in St. Gallen was transformed into teaching rooms for 60 students, study partners and coaches. The new city school's curriculum is based on the educational approach pioneered by Peter Fratton and Stefan Gander, with the concept of 'Undertaking' being the main focus in all areas. The project is funded by the Würth family.

Dynamics and movement play an important role and are reflected in a multitude of round shapes. The new building offers a great deal of space for new 'things to be discovered'. Libraries on the ground floor and learning units (wood and glass construction) serve as retreats from the communal environment. Meanwhile, there is space for creative works such as music and art in the rooms on the upper floor.

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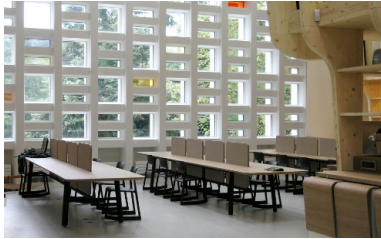
A quiet corner for individual study



Classroom with different workstations

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Generous space for individual study

Spruce interior