

Commercial



Opry Mills Mall
Nashville, Tennessee

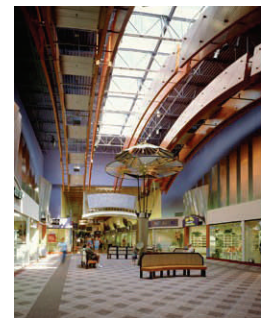


*Retail &
Entertainment Mall*

This approximately 1.5 million square foot project combines retail, entertainment, and dining venues into a unique experience for the entire family. The project includes a 20-plex Regal Cinema, an IMAX theatre, a large food court, and notable anchor tenants such as Bass Pro Shops, Bed Bath & Beyond, Dave & Buster's, Rainforest Café, Borders, Old Navy and Gibson Guitar Showcase. The entire Mall is serviced by an underground tunnel providing access to the "back-of-house" area of all tenants on the interior of the Mall. The grand opening was in the Spring of 2000.

This project was an integral part of the revitalization of the Opryland Campus by Gaylord Entertainment and the Mills Corporation.

Special challenges include filling the site between 8 and 16 feet to raise the finished floor above the flood level of the adjacent Cumberland River. This new fill overburden resulted in consolidation of the existing fill material, affecting the construction schedule. Additionally, the floodwall system that protects the Opryland site passes through the Mall. Carpenter Wright Engineers and the design team "hid" the floodwall from public view by designing a series of ramps and stairs integral with the floodwall.



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