



## HILTON GARDEN INN

Nashville, known as Music City, is home to the Grand Ole Opry and remains the music capitol of the eastern USA for the recording industry. This hotel is located just a mile west of downtown, near the campus of Vanderbilt University in the bustling West End part of the city. The site was previously occupied by a funeral home. The hotel is now snugly tucked between a bank and a six-story condominium.

The site is a sloping 1.66 acre parcel on Broadway. To maximize the land yield, the hotel project includes a 4-story, 273-car freestanding parking deck to the rear. Cars enter through a drive-under Porte Cochere, and from there advance to the garage beyond. The rear third of the quarter has been reserved for a future second hotel, probably an extended stay property in the 100-120 unit range.

The hotel's first floor includes the trademark Hilton Garden Inn pavilion, a library, a bar, an 80-seat dining area and indoor pool/spa/fitness area. The rooms are on floors two through eight, featuring twenty-two shot-gun suites, a honey-moon suite and seven special corner suites looking toward the city. The top (ninth) floor has full banqueting capacity with a wide-open 4,000 sq ft. space, dividable into thirds. Custom interior decor has been used to compliment the music theme of the city.

The exterior is clad in a mixture of cast stone, brick and EIFS, reflecting the tradition of the old town and university, but done in a modern way to attract the younger clientele. The careful positioning of the ins and outs of different guestroom types, combined with a rising matrix of materials and colors, produces a district look for the hotel.

The post-tensioned concrete structure (for both hotel and garage) is founded on the shallow limestone rock common to this region. Public spaces are conditioned with split-system fan coil units, guest rooms with PTAC and VPAC units. The meeting spaces have roof-top units equipped with energy recovery ventilators. The project was competitively bid, negotiated further, and awarded as a lump sum contract.

architecture **L**  
 engineering **P**  
 interiors **B**  
**C**

## NASHVILLE, TN

- Units  
194
- Gross Square Foot  
118,007
- Construction Cost  
\$20,253,715
- Cost/Square Foot  
\$171.63
- Cost/Unit  
\$104,401
- Gross Square Foot/Unit  
608
- Acreage  
1.67
- Construction Start  
August 2007
- Construction Time  
16 Months
- Contractor  
J.E. Crain & Son
- Owner  
North Point Hospitality Group, Inc.