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Kaplan Construction completes work on 12,540 s/f building for Boston Psychoanalytic Society & Institute

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Kaplan Construction has completed work on a 12,540 s/f historic building for the Boston Psychoanalytic Society & Institute (BPSI).

Working with Schwartz/Silver Architects and owner's project manager Design Technique, Inc., Kaplan provided interior and exterior renovations to Colby Hall, located at 141 Herrick Rd., and listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Construction started in early March 2014 and BPSI celebrated the opening of its new cultural and educational center with a ribbon cutting on November 21, 2014.

In addition to construction management, Kaplan provided pre-construction services, including exploratory work, budget review estimates, preparation of deduct alternates, and preliminary schedules.

Project team members include:

- * Schwartz/Silver Architects: programming, design and furnishings;
- * Design Technique, Inc.: owner's representative;
- * Cosentini Associates: mechanical, electrical, plumbing and fire protection engineering;
- * Nitsch Engineering: civil engineering; and
- * John Born Associates: structural engineering.

Built in 1866, Colby Hall is a Romanesque Revival, Second Empire stone masonry building with wood framed floors, roof, and stud partitions.

Kaplan renovated and reconfigured the building's three floors to accommodate BPSI's program spaces, and converted the attached vaulted chapel to a library and multi-purpose room to host lectures, dinners, and functions. Off the entrance is a casually furnished Community Room with an attached kitchenette that is being used as communal gathering space for students, members and faculty.

"The BPSI community is thrilled with the renovated space. Schwartz Silver Architects and Kaplan Construction helped us to transform a once elegant but tired mid-19th century stone building into an open, stylish building with flexible and generous spaces in which to exchange ideas in formal and informal settings," said Bernard Edelstein, president of BPSI.

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