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Editorial Review

From the Inside Flap

Building Type Basics for Places of Worship presents practical guidelines and inspirational design ideas to jump-start a broad range of religious building projects. To steer the project team to sound decisions early in the planning cycle, Nicholas Roberts, a renowned architect of places of worship, provides guidelines, advice, and lessons learned from a variety of actual design projects for churches, synagogues, mosques, and temples. Descriptive illustrations and need-to-know information cover such essential topics as consensus-based decision-making, site selection and planning, worship space design, art and furnishing selection, historic renovation, code compliance, and more.

This indispensable guide:

- Asks and answers twenty questions that frequently arise in the early phases of a project commission
- Provides project photographs, diagrams, floor plans, sections, and details
- Includes design guidelines for a variety of places of worship, including some of the most innovative contemporary designs

This conveniently organized quick reference is an invaluable guide for busy, dedicated professionals who want to get moving quickly as they embark on a new project. Like every Building Type Basics book, it provides authoritative, up-to-date information instantly and saves architects and facility planners countless hours of research.

Engineering consultants will also find in this volume a wealth of information to help them tackle religious facility commissions of every kind and scale.

From the Back Cover

The fastest way to straighten out the learning curve on specialized design projects

"The series is welcome . . . By providing recent buildings as examples, supported with technical information and charts of design criteria, these books attempt to bridge the gap between theory and practice."

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Building Type Basics books provide architects, engineers, and facility planners with the essentials they need to jump-start the design of a variety of specialized facilities. In each volume, leading national figures in the field address the key questions that shape the early phases of a project commission. The answers to these questions provide instant information in a convenient, easy-to-follow format. The result is an excellent, hands-on reference that puts critical information at your fingertips.

Building Type Basics for Places of Worship is a practical guide to all of the design considerations for a broad variety of religious facilities—from predesign research to operations and maintenance. Complete with descriptive illustrations, this useful resource offers essential information, guidelines, and cautionary advice on building projects for churches, synagogues, mosques, temples, and spaces for religious education.

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