

## Walt Disney Concert Hall

### Los Angeles, USA

The Walt Disney Concert Hall, designed by the architect Frank Gehry, opened in 2003 after many years of gestation. The history of the building began in 1987 when Lillian Walt Disney, widow of businessman donates \$ 50 million to start building a philharmonic hall. The idea was to create a reference point for music, art and architecture, which position the city of Los Angeles in the cultural level. The proposed Gehry was chosen after an international competition in which they were submitted over 70 proposals. The architect imposed its characteristic style, which can be seen in the rest of his works. While the construction of this building is later, the design was done before the Guggenheim Bilbao. Walt Disney Concert Hall is now the permanent headquarters of the Los Angeles Philharmonic. The design represents the style of their creator, architect Frank Gehry, could be considered a work of art in itself. The extravagance of its forms seems to defy any rules of harmony and symmetry. The forms are external inspired by a boat with sails drenched. The building is essentially a shell which consists of a series of interconnected volumes, some form of orthogonal coated stone and other forms of organic and surfaces covered with a corrugated metal skin of steel. As a bridge between the different volumes are used glazed surfaces.

Environment:	Urban
Grade:	316
Finish:	Angel Hair
Architect:	Frank Gehry
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