

"Collaboration is essential to consolidate design ambitions with technical disciplines, and foster a shared vision that ultimately leads to a responsive design scheme and a successful project outcome."



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As Associate Director of the Mecanoo Manchester office, Patrick focuses on delivery of the Mecanoo DNA on our local Manchester projects. Patrick has also been involved in highly successful projects in The Netherlands such as the Business Innovation Centre FiftyTwoDegrees, Nijmegen, the Amphion Theatre, Doetinchem and the Municipal Offices and Train Station in Delft. He also has extensive UK experience on high-profile projects such as the University of Cambridge's Key Worker Housing and the highly acclaimed Library of Birmingham, for which he was recognised as the RIBA's West Midlands Emerging Architect of 2014. Patrick was Project Architect for the Library of Birmingham and was based onsite for 3 years to ensure delivery of the project to the highest standard.

Patrick leverages his experience in complex, multi-stakeholder projects to deliver Oldham's Heritage & Arts Centre and Coliseum Theatre as well as the University of Manchester's new Engineering Campus Development, one of the largest, single construction projects ever undertaken by a UK higher education institution. Patrick has a passion and energy for quality design and architecture and has lectured at a number of architecture schools and construction events throughout the UK.

Selected projects



Manchester Engineering Campus Development, UK

Size: 81,000 m² Year: 2014 - 2020



Key Worker Housing, University of Cambridge, UK

Size: 22,780 m² Year: 2012 - 2016



Library of Birmingham , UK

Size: 35,000 m² Year: 2008 - 2013



Municipal Offices and Train Station, Delft, NL

Size: 28,320 m² Year: 2006 - 2017



Hilton Amsterdam Airport Schiphol, NL

Size: 40,070 m² Year: 2009 - 2015



HOME Arts and Culture House, Manchester, UK

Size: 7,600 m² Year: 2011 - 2015



Amphion Theatre, Doetinchem, NL

Size: 9,700 m² Year: 2005 - 2009



Fiftytwodegrees, Nijmegen, NL

Size: 43,500 m² Year: 2004 - 2007