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## HISTORICAL LASER SCANNING

Restoring historical properties is a complicated process. It involves more complex techniques and entails collaborative work from various teams. 3D laser scanning provides a single source of accurate data to work from and intelligent BIM models to improve collaboration and expedite project planning.

#### **CASE STUDY:** HISTORICAL LASER SCANNING

#### TASK:

3D laser scanning a historic Massachusetts library to create a 3D BIM model.

#### **PROJECT APPLICATION:**

An architect was planning renovations and required full structural and architectural building details accurately captured and documented digitally.

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# PROBLEM

The architect did not want to send out their own employees to field measure the building.

The library was built in 1919, asbuilt details were unknown and the building could have a lot of unsquared features throughout its architecture.

The renovations must keep the library's historic features intact.

The library is open to the public and the architect did not want to disrupt the library or its occupants.

The library contained an art gallery that holds paintings of Emily Dickinson and Robert Frost, plus local historical exhibits. It was important that these remain untouched.

### SOLUTION

292 laser scans were completed of the interior and exterior of the library; an estimated 47,000 sq. ft. of space with 4 levels.

An intensity map point cloud and 3D BIM model was delivered to the client, giving them accurate data of the current as-built conditions.

Laser scanning was executed on Patriot's Day, a Massachusetts state holiday. The library was closed for this occasion and all scans were able to be completed in one day on-site.

#### BENEFITS 3D scanning provided updated floor plans and a 3D model to begin

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redesigning the library.

Obtaining precise building information enables construction personnel and

project stakeholders to develop an efficient and cost-effective restoration plan.

Individuals can access and utilize accurate data at any stage of the restoration process.

3D laser scanning is non-contact; scanning from a distance minimized the risk of damaging historical artwork and exhibits. 3D LASER SCANNING PRODUCES 3D BIM MODELS TO AID IN THE RESTORATIONS OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS.







