



BIRMINGHAM LIBRARY FAÇADE

mecanoo architects
burohappold engineering
carillion building west midlands

in 2006 birmingham city council ran a competition with RIBA to decide the office to build the new library, a “world class landmark”. in 2008 was announced that mecanoo was the winner.

the project was built between 2010 and 2013 and cost 188.8 million pounds. the interior of the building receives outside lighting with the facade shade in a beautiful embroidery pattern.

to reflect the intention of the building, the opening ceremony was lead by Malala Yousafzai, who said “Let us not forget that even one book, one pen, one teacher can change the world”

