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**Greenbuild Tours Atrium School**

Watertown, Massachusetts - The U.S. Green Building Council's Greenbuild International Conference recently held their 2008 Expo in Boston from November 19-22, with the theme of "Revolutionary Green: Innovations for Global Sustainability."

Irwin Yanowitz, Principal of Bowdoin Construction, was a featured presenter for Greenbuild's tour of the Atrium School in Watertown, MA, which has been recognized for sustainable design. Joining Irwin as presenters were Maryann Thompson of Maryann Thompson Architects, Susan Diller, Co-Director of the Atrium School, and Jim Newman of BuildingGreen.com who had served as Chair of the Building Committee for the Atrium School.



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The 28,000 s.f. project entailed the conversion of a former book depository in Watertown, Massachusetts into a private school for pre-kindergarten to sixth grade students. Construction was performed utilizing sustainable, natural materials which were chosen to reduce contaminants and indoor pollution. The building also reduces the use of energy by employing natural daylighting, ventilation, carefully calibrated heating and lighting systems, and waterless and low-flow bathroom fixtures. Extensive sitework involved reducing the existing paved area by half and creating a new play area, restoring grass and trees, and establishing on site drainage through an underground stormwater infiltration system.



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