



Genisa Wine Bar & Event Space

Scope: Historic renovation of a 160-year-old riverfront building

Location: Janesville, Wisconsin

Designer: Angus-Young Architects/Engineers



This three-story project is unique. The concept for the first-floor restaurant and wine bar features a genuine Italian brick oven and an extensive collection of wines. The plan included removing all interior walls in the bar and exposing the original brick and stone walls. To bring an Italian street feel to life, the outdoor patio and cigar deck are connected to the interior through a series of retractable glass walls. In addition, the 2,000-square-foot multi-level patio deck links Main Street with Janesville's Riverwalk.

The second-floor event space includes a two-room meeting space for up to 50 guests and features an exterior deck built over the first-floor bathrooms.

The third floor includes a luxurious and spacious two-bedroom, two-bathroom loft with an airy open kitchen and living room on the Main Street side of the building. The kitchen includes top-of-the-line appliances from Sub Zero, Wolf, and Cove. The bedrooms and baths on the river side of the building feature the latest Kohler fixtures, including rain and body wash sprayers in the master shower and a smart toilet that raises its lid thanks to motion sensors and features a heated and lighted seat. The loft is available for booking on Genisa's website.

This project was recognized by the Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) of Wisconsin as a 2021 Gold Project of Distinction.

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