

AVAILABLE LIGHT

Harvard Museum of Natural History • Glass Flowers Cambridge MA



Originally opened in 1893, the Harvard Museum of Natural History Glass Flowers Exhibit is one not to miss. Housed in a single room, beautifully restored wooden and glass cases line the wall and are filled with over 2,000 glass flowers sculpted and painted by hand. Leopold and Rudolph Blaschka, a father/son team, created the flowers as a teaching tool. These flowers are truly unique and can only be seen at Harvard.

Working with the design team Available Light created a new all LED lighting system that now presents an inviting atmosphere that both complements the architectural renovations and breathes new life and beauty to the unique glass flowers while maintaining strict conservation light levels. One major shift in the renovation was to put LED light sources inside the vertically-oriented display cases which made the artifacts much easier to see and appreciate by both increasing detail perception and eliminating glare.



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