



BANKER WIRE MESH BRINGS TROPICAL AESTHETIC TO MANITOBA'S CLUB REGENT

New Event Centre Transforms with Banker Wire Mesh

MUKWONAGO, WI—OCTOBER 21, 2014—For more than two decades, Club Regent has brought the essence of Las Vegas to Winnipeg, Manitoba. Featuring Banker Wire woven wire mesh, the new state-of-the-art Club Regent Event Centre continues in that tradition with its ability to seemingly magically transform to suit almost any entertainment or conference event.

Club Regent is one of two casinos in Winnipeg, and its new Event Centre has turned it into a sought-after venue for a variety of events. A hydraulic seating system re-arranges the Event Centre into an unlimited number of seating and floor configurations with a push of a button. The Centre can host a trade show during the day, and a wedding or concert at night. Railings with Banker Wire woven wire mesh infill contribute to all of the venue's iterations.

The casino adjacent to the Event Centre evokes a tropical jungle – with vibrant flowers and a walk-through saltwater aquarium. Number Ten Architecture, the architects of the Event Centre, wanted a design that complemented that aesthetic, while also providing design flexibility to suit the many events the Club Regent hosts. Those goals led them to Banker Wire's S-9 metal fabric, which they used as infill for the space's railings.

"Banker Wire S-9 mesh was selected because the designer felt that it resembled raindrops in a tropical jungle," says Christina Rieger, of distributor Rieger Architectural Products.

Banker Wire's exclusive embossed technology produced the texture sought by the designers of Club Regent. To create the S-9 weave, round wire is flattened and then crimped in an angular pattern with raised facets by precision tooling. The final product evokes condensation on tropical plants, like those in Club Regent's casino. S-9's high percentage of open area allows for uninterrupted sight lines – essential for a performance venue.

With a 63.4% open area and an overall thickness of 0.140", Banker Wire's S-9 weighs in at just 1.25 pounds per square foot. This lightness was an asset for Club Regent, as the railings on the venue's lower levels needed to be easily removable to suit any possible configuration. As the seats on the lower level are raised up from beneath the floor, railings are removed or added as necessary.

"The design team is very happy with the outcome of this project," says Rieger. "As always, Banker Wire provided excellent customer service throughout the installation."

The Event Centre was completed in August 2014.

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About Banker Wire

Banker Wire is the world's leading manufacturer of woven and welded wire mesh for architectural and industrial applications. With the most modern and productive mill in the U.S., Banker Wire provides custom-woven material for any aesthetic on any scale – from intricate design highlights to expansive building facades. Founded in 1896, Banker Wire's manufacturing expertise has been refined for more than a century, bringing unmatched customization, quality, and service to customers. State-of-the-art grid welding equipment provides a wide variety of wire alloy, spacing and diameter configurations, trimmed or untrimmed. For more information visit www.bankerwire.com.

About Architectural Woven Wire Mesh

Pre-crimped woven wire mesh is constructed of individual wires that are crimped prior to being woven together on a loom. Pre-crimping the wires provides a much higher degree of control during the weaving process. This allows for far more intricate and interesting patterns, as well as unique customization, to meet the vision of the designer. Banker Wire has refined and innovated its crimping process more than any other manufacturer, delivering more than 8,000 different spacing, diameter, and crimp combinations, plus endless customization options. As a result, Banker can make any woven wire mesh pattern imaginable – manufactured to specify for any project type.

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