

# Innovative Seating at Liverpool's Royal Court Leaves Others Standing

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Liverpool's Royal Court Theatre has received the first major upgrade of its seating since 1938. The brand new super comfortable balcony and circle seating even includes twin lovers seats on the back row!

Expert auditorium seating manufacturers Evertaut Ltd (<http://www.auditorium-seating.co.uk>) worked against the clock to complete first £1.6 million phase of a £10.4 million theatre refurbishment project by the Royal Court Theatre Trust.

New bespoke seating and end panels which retain the art deco spirit of the originals but meet more modern needs and specifications went from the drawing board to installation in only 8 weeks.

Evertaut's Managing Director Nigel Smalley said "I think we all deserve a sit down now. It's great that we and the people of Liverpool have got somewhere comfortable, historic and very special to do just that!"

Nigel praised the hard work, help and input of the Royal Court Theatre Trust, Moderno Project Management and Alford Hall Monaghan Morris Architects. "We did look at trying to refurbish the original chairs but the best solution all round was to create new chairs with an authentic look – 401 for the Circle and 454 with new end panels for the Balcony" said Nigel.

The safety challenge of the unusually steep 34 degree angle of the balcony was overcome by making chairs with very high backs. The new Circle chairs have also been increased in size to make them much more comfortable.

The old polished wooden chairs from the stalls and dining area have been re-finished to match the new refurbishment with 45 of them being transformed into memory return swivel centre pedestal chairs. What was the stall is now a cabaret style tiered venue with banquet style seating to match.

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