

**Project:**  
*Florence Nightingale Museum*

**Location:**  
*London, United Kingdom*

**Owner/s:**  
*St Thomas' Hospital*

**Applicator/Contractor:**  
*Surtech*

**Designer/Architect/Specifier:**  
*Kossmann De Jong*

**Market sector:**  
*Commercial Flooring*

**Products used & amounts:**  
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MasterTop 524  
MasterTop 1325

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### **Aesthetic & practical flooring solution for new exhibition areas**



Our reference in London (United Kingdom): Florence Nightingale Museum

#### **The background**

Florence Nightingale, the famous 'Lady with the Lamp', not only nursed soldiers during the Crimean war but was instrumental in establishing the first organised training school for nurses. The result – the Nightingale Training School at St Thomas' Hospital in Westminster, London – is also the home of the Florence Nightingale Museum, the world's most visited nursing museum. First opened in 1989, the museum had to go through a major refurbishment.

#### **The challenge**

Three new areas were opened at the Florence Nightingale Museum to mark the centenary of Florence Nightingale's death. The three pavilions, which tell Florence Nightingale's story through key periods in her life.

Key requirements the floor needed to meet were durable, aesthetic flooring system that would provide reliable performance in use.

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### Our solution

Main contractor Frazer Randall had already used MasterTop 524 and 1325 at the Museum of London. Thanks to the success of this project, the company recommended MasterTop systems to the architect, who duly specified them.

MasterTop 524 fast-setting pumpable cementitious screed for light to medium traffic was used to level a very uneven original floor. MasterTop 1325 non-solvented elastomeric comfort flooring system was then installed to provide an easy-to-clean floor finish offering comfort underfoot. The colour chosen as the final finish was a dark brown to blend into the period and era depicted by the museum.

### Benefits to the customer

- MasterTop 1325 is monolithically bonded to the substrate, seamless with no joints, making it safe for foot traffic.
- The system reduced footfall noise by 7 Db, helping to create the ideal environment for students learning about the history of nursing and Florence Nightingale's contribution to the profession.
- High-performance, attractive and durable flooring system

### Projects facts at a glance

- Aesthetic yet practical flooring solution
- Choice of colours enabled the flooring to reflect the era of the exhibits
- Requirements for comfort, safety and durability were satisfied

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