

Project of the Year! Mast-Climbing Work Platforms

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Klimer was recently awarded Project of the Year at the Access Lift and Handlers Conference & Awards in Miami, Florida.

The ALH Conference and Awards was the first-ever of its kind which brought together industry professionals across North America. Almost 200 industry leaders met in Miami to debut the inaugural event, which was launched as a reflection of current growth in the access industry. Judges reviewed over sixty submissions for various awards to determine one winner for each category.

The Access Project of the Year was awarded to Klimer Platforms for its involvement with the St. Josaphat's Steeple restoration project in Detroit, Michigan. Judges remarked "Klimer's ability to customize a solution that was 200 feet tall, while only having 4 tie-ins was remarkable."

The custom solution was versatile, lightweight and preserved the integrity of the architecture of the historic church.



The Romanesque like 200' steeple at St. Josaphat's church was heavily damaged in a wind storm. As a result, the steeple was unstable and it became an urgent safety concern for the congregation, roads and for pedestrians below as the slate started to break off. For Detroit Cornice & Slate this was an opportunity to bring new life back to this much loved church.

A solution developed by Klimer's sales and engineer team provided lightweight aluminum stages on two KPM-8's, providing a full 360 degrees of access to the steeple. A static platform would not have worked on this project as the face of the steeple had a constant slope away from the mast-climber. Two KPM8's with manually adjustable stages allowed the platforms to roll in and out as work progressed. Space constraints on the ground presented a challenge which was overcome by custom base plates used to fit the machines into the limited ground space. Additionally, a tie



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Klimer's mast climbers provided access to restore the steeple safely. Kurt and his company prioritizes safety on all their projects, "safety is first, that's why I like your machines, there's a lot to be said about how contained everybody stays on that unit."



Klimer is very pleased with the award and hope to work on similar restoration projects in the future.



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