

Basho Restaurant



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Location:	Boston, MA, USA
Completion:	2010
Architect:	Harry Lowd, Office dA
Product contributed by Phantom Screens:	Recessed retractable power screens
Brand name of the product:	Motorized Executive Screens by Phantom®
Mesh Type:	Fiberglass 18/14 Insect Mesh
Mesh Color:	Silver grey
Product Details:	40% sun control/ UV blockage and 58% openness
Installer:	Reliable Products, Inc., Authorized Distributor of Phantom Screens

Overview: Basha, a Japanese brasserie, was opened in Boston's Fenway neighborhood in May 2010. In order to enable restaurant patrons to make the most of Boylston Street location and close proximity to Fenway Park, the owners decided to open the space to the outdoors and installed two large folding wall systems on the front of the restaurant. The folding units allow guests to enjoy the sights and sounds of the bustling area during the warmer months and before and after Boston Red Sox baseball games.

Need: With a street-level location and two large folding wall units, the architect and restaurant owners looked for a screen solution that would allow them to let the fresh air in and maintain the connection to the neighborhood, while meeting the health code that required the restaurant to have a barrier separating the interior from the exterior. The owners and architect also wanted the screen solution to prevent diners from freely walking in and out of the dining area beyond the front doors. Additionally, the screens needed to blend with the architectural design and décor of the restaurant.

Solution: After researching several brands of retractable screens and shades, the architect selected motorized Executive Screens by Phantom in recessed housings. According to the architect, "one of the main reasons for specifying the Executive retractable screens was the option of choosing screens that allowed to cover 22 foot openings." In addition, the recessed screens retract completely out of sight at the touch of a button, thereby preserving the unobstructed exterior views of the folding wall system. This enables the owners to ensure that the screens are fully protected from the elements when closing for the day or during inclement weather.



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