

Uncle Julio's Hacienda
2360 Fountain Square Drive, Lombard, Illinois



Client: Uncle Julio's Corporation
Architect: McCarthy Hammers Architects
Role: General Contractor

International Contractors, Inc. constructed this 9,750 SF restaurant, the second Uncle Julio's Restaurant to be built with newly refined prototype designs, in the beautiful Fountain Square of Lombard.

ICI's web-based project management system, Prolog, was used extensively as an effective method of collaboration during this project, as the Owner and Architect were both based out of Texas. The Daily Work Journal, frequently updated site pictures, and up-to-the minute weather reports proved to be essential in keeping the team in touch with the project's success.

Most of the work was completed during the winter months and between December and March, the average

morning temperature was 23 degrees. In order to ensure an on-time completion, all site work, including the foundation, requiring both caissons and a reinforced slab, and the asphalt binder placement, was completed in less than 8 weeks. Winter protection and temporary heat were provided to keep the progress on-track.

The building's exterior and interior finishes have been "distressed" to convey an aged appearance and the feeling of a Mexican cantina. This was achieved through the use of aged wood products, faux painting and recycled building materials. ICI was later commissioned in 2005 to remodel the restaurant, integrating additional Uncle Julio features.



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