The amphitheater is the one place on campus where all employees and departments can come together. This is reflected in the design of the canopy in which individual structural “ribbons” appear as a unified whole from certain angles, then open up to reveal the separate components from others.

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The company whose QuickBooks and TurboTax software changed the way small businesses and individuals do financial accounting has redesigned its Mountain View, California campus in ways that are changing the experience of visitors and workers alike. Intuit replaced parking lots and paved drives adjacent to buildings with pedestrian paths on the LEED Gold campus redevelopment. It installed new Landscape Forms furniture and lighting and created a striking steel canopy structure to serve as a hub and meeting space for large groups. Designed by AECOM to provide a sense of enclosure and filter sunlight, the ribbed giant provides a mini-amphitheater and a new visual icon. Studio 431 engineered and built the 35-foot long, 14-foot high structure with 15-foot cantilever cover. 24 vertical steel ribs, each a slightly different shape and width, support a thin perforated steel canopy that appears to float. Built in sections for assembly on site, the structure showcases Studio 431 capability in addressing complexity, scale and scope.