

Major makeover for U.S. Open venue

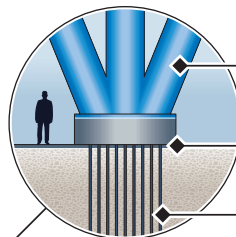
The United States Tennis Association is spending \$550 million to transform the National Tennis Centre in Flushing Meadows, New York – including the construction of two new arenas and a retractable roof over Arthur Ashe Stadium – with the goal of overall completion by the 2018 U.S. Open

**USTA BILLIE JEAN KING
NATIONAL TENNIS CENTRE**



Arthur Ashe Stadium

Capacity: 23,771 (unchanged)
Roof ready for 2016 – made from translucent PTFE* Teflon fabric over steel frame. Closes in 5-10 minutes, allowing all-weather match play



Steel columns

Eight tripod beams support 4,500-tonne roof superstructure

Pile caps: Anchor tripod supports

Piles: Driven more than 50 metres into decomposing coal ash soil

Drawboard

Courts

