

Studebaker Building

Façade Repairs and Roof Replacement

Construction Activities for the Next Two Weeks



olumbia University is performing exterior repairs at the Studebaker Building. The first phase of the project is focusing on façade repairs to address deteriorating conditions of terra cotta and ensure safety, including terra cotta replacement, parapet reconstruction, and masonry repairs. After completion of the façade repairs, the building's roof will be replaced. This project is estimated to be complete in August 2024.

Construction Activities for the Weeks of May 16, 2022 and May 23, 2022

Although contractors carefully stage construction activities to minimize disruption, the nature of construction work is such that some disruptions will occur. The community should expect the following in the coming weeks:

What is Happening

- Removal of spalled concrete wall at the east elevation will continue for the next 2-3 weeks, weather permitting. For the first 5-7 days, this work will be limited to the northern half of the east elevation starting at the 5th floor down to the ground level. Once this side is complete, the work will commence at the southern half of the east elevation starting from the 6th floor down to the ground level. Removal of spalled concrete requires chipping, and some jackhammering and it will take approximately 1-2 days per floor.
- Reconstruction of the east parapet wall will continue for the weeks of May 16 and 23. This is mostly quiet work.
- Rebricking of inboard facing wythe of brick at the south parapet wall will continue through the weeks of May 16 and 23. This is mostly quiet work.

What to Expect

- Regular work hours are 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Noisy work will be limited to Monday, Thursday, and Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m; and Tuesday and Wednesday from 7:00 a.m to 9:00 a.m.
- Expect high levels of noise, especially in areas near the east (facing Broadway) walls where and when demolition is taking place. Windows facing east and should remain closed to prevent construction dust from entering the building. Draw shades for privacy during the workday.

-Please note that all activities are subject to change based on field conditions -

Need More Information?

You can find more information about the Studebaker exterior repairs on our website at cufo.columbia.edu/studebaker-facade-roof.

Should you have any questions or concerns about this project, please call the Columbia University Facilities Services Center at (212) 854-2222 24 hours a day, seven days a week, or e-mail projx@columbia.edu (emails responded to during normal business hours).

