



Studebaker Building

Façade Repairs and Roof Replacement

Construction Activities for the Next Two Weeks

Columbia 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 September 5, 2022 and September 12, 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

- The concrete wall at the east elevation ground level will be patched and coated during the weeks of September 5 and 12. Work is mostly quiet.
- The brick at the base of the elevator tower will be replaced. Work is mostly quiet.
- Terra cotta repairs will continue at the south and southwest corner parapet wall which includes rebuilding the piers. Sporadic drilling and dust are expected but the work is mostly quiet.
- Selective areas of terra cotta, concrete and brick piers will be demolished at the north parapet wall during the weeks of September 5 and 12. Intermittent drilling, grinding noises and dust are expected but the noises will be heard mainly on the 6th floor.
- Beginning September 20, additional scaffolding will be installed on the west elevation.

What to Expect

- Regular work hours are 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Work that creates heavy noise and vibration is currently 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. However, these hours are being reevaluated and the updated hours will be distributed early next week.
- Expect high levels of noise where and when demolition is taking place. Please note that during quieter workdays there will be some minor intermittent drilling noise.
- Windows 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).