

Low Library Construction Activities

July 29, 2022

What is Happening

Low Steps and Pathway Restoration

(Work hours: 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., including weekends; expected completion: late August 2022)

- Cutting of the rough bottom of existing granite steps continues
- Continuing the installation of existing granite steps, which is anticipated to be complete on Monday, August 1
- Repointing existing granite steps is anticipated to begin Tuesday, August 2
- Setting bituminous asphalt bed on the brick pathway
- Installation of red bricks, beginning on the east side of the pathway
- Installation of the catch basin
- Installation of a handrail at the main entrance is anticipated to begin Friday, August 5

Monumental Window Restoration

(Work hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; expected completion: late fall 2022, weather permitting)

- On-site window restoration is ongoing. The contractor will bring window parts up to the roof level via exterior scaffolding/hoist.

Roof Repairs and Equipment Removal

(Work hours 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., including Saturdays as needed; expected completion: end of August 2022, weather permitting)

- Relocation of mechanical equipment is underway
- Installation of new dunnage on the north roof area

Air Conditioner Replacements in Rooms 112A and 112B

- New AC units are installed and operating. Controls have been completed. Units are connected to the campus building management system.
- Punch list items, functional testing and commissioning will be scheduled for final completion. Exact dates to be determined.

What to Expect

- Expect some noise and other impacts typically associated with construction projects.
- Access to the West Gallery from the 4th floor will be blocked for the duration of the window restoration project.
- Pathway closures on the east and west sides of Low Library for the steps and pathway project. Follow signs for the detour pathway to and from Low Library. Temporary ramps have been installed at the steps in front of Dodge and Kent halls to facilitate disability access for these detours.



For More Information

You can find more information about the [Monumental Window Replacement](#), [Roof Repairs](#), and [Low Steps Restoration](#) on the designconstruct.cufo.columbia.edu website. To share questions or concerns, call the Columbia University Facilities Services Center, 212-854-2222 or email projx@columbia.edu.