

CONSTRUCTION NEWSLETTER

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HUNTERS POINT LIBRARY, NEW CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT #: LQD122-QW

BOROUGH: QUEENS

The New York City Department of Design and Construction (DDC) is managing the capital construction of the new, 22,000-square-foot Hunters Point Library for the Queens Library (QL). Located along the East River, this six-story structure establishes the library as a vital resource for the community.

Built on a prominent waterfront site adjacent to Gantry State Park, the design responds to its unique setting with a concrete façade featuring expansive openings that capture views of the East River and Manhattan while allowing daylight to filter into the interior spaces.

The new library will offer a variety of services and spaces for individual and group activities, with dedicated areas for adults, teens, and children, as well as a cyber center, community meeting room, and rooftop area. The interior spaces of the library are open and flowing, linked by a stair that ascends from the ground floor lobby through a multi-level atrium space.

The surrounding site includes a landscaped plaza conceived as an extension of Gantry State Park with an exterior ground-level area accessible to the community.

The project includes construction of a separate structure with offices and a ranger station for the New York State Parks Department staff as well as a public restroom for park visitors.

Designed to achieve LEED Certification, the Hunters Point Library will stand as a sustainable public amenity in the heart of the Hunters Point Community. DDC anticipates that the contractor will complete all original contract work by the end of 2018, followed by the safety enhancement work done jointly with the fit-out by Queens Library. This will allow for a Summer 2019 opening date.

Current Work in Progress:

- Installing LED lighting and electrical devices throughout building
- Millwork cabinetry installation ongoing
- Installed steel window and door frames at roof terrace and 1st floor entries.
- · Concrete floor grinding and polishing

Milestone Schedule:

- Site grading and walkway/sidewalk installation ongoing
- · Commissioning mechanical systems
- · Complete Landscaping work
- · Safety enhancement work
- · Queens Library outfitting

Community Outreach:

The DDC has assigned

Randy J. Lafargue, as the Public Buildings Outreach Coordinator. Please contact Randy for any project related inquiries or concerns you may have.

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Community Impacts:

During construction hours, you can expect the following: Increased levels of dust, noise, and possible heavy equipment.

Construction Hours:

Monday - Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 3 p.m.



Bamboo Ceiling Panel Installation



Installation of LED Light Fixtures.



Ongoing Handrail Installation.