

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.

Once substantial completion is reached, DDC will turn over the building to QL for outfitting with furniture and equipment, before opening to the public. The fit-out process will take approximately six months.

Current Work in Progress:

- Painting sprinkler standpipes in stairways of main building.
- Readjusting glass windows in Parks Department building.
- Wiring work within the elevator shaft.
- The caulking of windows.
- Firestopping bathroom walls (prevents spreading of fire).

Milestone Schedule:

- Testing of building drainage system.
- Fixing damaged sprinkler pipes.
- Installation of the access doors.
- DDC is working with the contractor on an updated substantial completion date and will update stakeholders.

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:

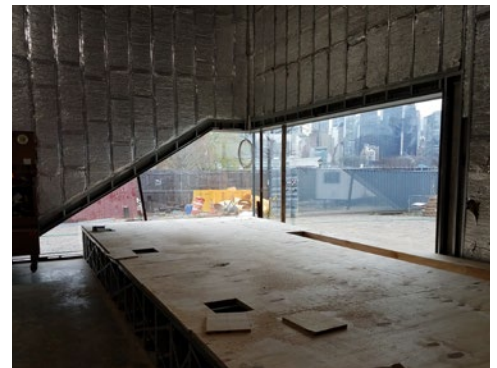
During construction hours, you can expect the following:
Increased levels of dust, noise, and possible heavy equipment.

Construction Hours:

Monday – Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 3 p.m.



Installation of Elevator Doors



Insulation Work



Painting on the 5th Floor