Columbia’s long-term plan for the old Manhattanville manufacturing area will revitalize the four former industrial blocks from 125th/129th to 133rd Street between Broadway and 12th Avenue, and three small blocks along the east side of Broadway from 131st to 134th Street, into an environmentally sustainable and publicly accessible center for academic and civic life woven into the fabric of the West Harlem community.

**Project Scope**
The initial phase of development will include the Jerome L. Greene Science Center, the Lenfest Center for the Arts, a new home for the Columbia Business School, and the University Forum. Later phases will emphasize interdisciplinary scholarship, including biomedical engineering, nanotechnology, systems biology, and urban and population studies, as well as housing for graduate students and faculty.

**Current Construction Activity**

**Jerome L. Greene Science Center**
The Building is in the final stage of closeout of trades, and is undergoing a phased occupancy plan.

**The Forum**
Precast panels punch list. Roughing for mechanical, electrical and plumbing in the below-grade and street-level spaces. Storefront glass and curtain wall glass are ongoing. Roofing installation. Roughing for electrical shutdown to energize Forum switchgear.

**Phase 2 Foundations**
The foundation contractor is currently performing the following activities: foundation minipiles, concrete pile caps, concrete pressure slab, and importing drainage stone. The dewatering system is in operation.

**Central Energy Plant**
Work substantially completed.

**Small Square**
The first phase of Manhattanville’s open space project, which lies north of W129th Street, south of Lenfest, and west of the Jerome L. Greene Science Center, is now open.

**Phase 1 Emergency Generator Project**
An emergency generator plant was installed on the roof of the Studebaker building to provide emergency power to the Manhattanville campus. Operations training is ongoing.

**Project News**

Lenfest Center for the Arts Honored with Prestigious Architectural Merit Award from AIA New York

The Lenfest Center for the Arts at Columbia’s Manhattanville campus, which was awarded a prestigious 2018 AIA-NY Merit Award. (Photo: © Nic Lehoux)

The Lenfest Center for the Arts, the second new building completed at Columbia’s Manhattanville campus, was recognized with a 2018 Merit Award in the Architecture category from AIA New York, the oldest and largest chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

The eight-floor, 60,000-square-foot Lenfest Center for the Arts, which opened in April 2017, was designed by Renzo Piano Building Architects, with Davis Brody Bond as executive architect, Body Lawson Associates — a Harlem-based certified Minority Business Enterprise — as associate architect and James Corner Field Operations as landscape architect for the Small Square open space.

The building features multiple venues for Columbia University’s School of the Arts. The building includes four venues: the Miriam and Ira D. Wallach Art Gallery, which is free and open to the public; the 150-seat Katharina Otto-Bernstein film screening room; a flexible performance space; and a presentation space for readings, symposia, and seminars.

A largely monolithic massing – dictated by the program needs – the Lenfest Center appears to levitate above the highly transparent ground floor lobby, which becomes visually continuous with the

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What to Expect

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

- Regular work hours are 7:00am - 6:00pm Monday through Friday
- Weekend work may be performed.
- Closure of certain traffic lanes, parking lanes, sidewalks and crosswalks, including:
  - No standing on West 125th Street between Broadway and West 129th Street.
  - There is a no parking zone in effect on the west side of Broadway from West 125th to 129th Streets.
  - Broadway sidewalk is open from West 129th to West 130th Street. The Broadway parking lane is a no parking zone.
  - West 131st Street between Broadway and 12th Ave is closed and will remain closed until early 2019.
  - West 130th Street between Broadway and 12th Ave is a no standing or parking zone.
  - West 129th Street between Broadway and West 125th Street is closed until approximately June 2018.

Community Amenities and Benefits

To access the Columbia University’s Community Services Website, please visit: manhattanville.columbia.edu then click “Community” in the navigation menu.

Minority, Women, and Local Businesses and Workforce

Columbia has made a significant commitment to the minority, women, and local (MWL) construction contracting and workforce community throughout the course of the project: MWL construction trade contracting goal of 35 percent and MWL construction trade workforce goal of 40 percent. Working with construction contractors and the building trades, Columbia is working to enhance the role MWL firms and workers play in building the new campus. All figures represent non-specialty construction services and related materials.

Construction Contracting

In the third quarter 2017 (July 1 to September 30), Columbia paid $13,416,116 to MWL firms, representing 52 percent of total construction spend. $6,841,383 of that figure was paid to local companies.

Cumulatively from August 1, 2008, through September 30, 2017, Columbia paid $209,171,054 to MWL firms, representing 39 percent of total construction spend, excluding the amount paid to the construction manager. $94,831,436 of that figure was paid to local companies.

Construction Workforce

In the third quarter 2017 (July 1 to September 30), the MWL construction workforce delivered 38,063 hours worked, representing 45 percent of the total workforce hours for the construction of the new Manhattanville campus. 4,510 hours of that figure were performed by the local workforce.

Cumulatively from August 1, 2008, through September 30, 2017, the MWL construction workforce delivered 1,436,102 hours worked, representing 49 percent of the total workforce hours for the construction of the new Manhattanville campus. 252,952 hours of that figure were performed by the local workforce.

Jobs and Opportunities

As the project progresses, we expect additional opportunities for people with a wide range of skills and experience in the coming years.

We are working with our construction partners Skanska USA/the Veze Organization (for the Forum) and Lendlease (for Phase 2 foundations/below-grade) to assist those interested in employment with construction firms currently working at Columbia. For more information, please visit the Manhattanville Employment Opportunities page at manhattanville.columbia.edu/jobs-opportunities.

Additional Information

This newsletter and our weekly construction updates (which contain more specific information about construction impacts) will be available on the web at manhattanville.columbia.edu and at various locations at the project site and throughout the Manhattanville area.

Please note that construction activities are subject to change based on field conditions. We appreciate the patience and cooperation of everyone who is temporarily inconvenienced by these projects.

Should you have questions about construction activity, call the Columbia Facilities Services Center at (212) 854-2222, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, or e-mail projx@columbia.edu. For more project information, to view upcoming bid opportunities, and to sign-up for our e-mail updates visit manhattanville.columbia.edu.

Neighboring construction projects not related to Columbia

- New York City Economic Development Corporation’s West 125th Street Streetscape Improvement Project, please contact Patrick Jordan at 917-439-4630 or west125@zetlin.com.
- New York City Department of Transportation’s Protective Coating of the Riverside Drive Viaduct from St. Clair Place to 135th St., please contact Community Liaison Hugh Smith at 917-434-1385 or via e-mail at riversideviaduct@gmail.com

Now Open: The Wellness Center

The Wellness Center, located at 610 W. 130th Street in the Greene Science Center, is home to two programs dedicated to empowering the community through mental health and stroke prevention education, along with providing free blood pressure readings, cholesterol screening, and A1C glucose testing. Programs and services at the Wellness Center are free and available to the public. Visit the Center to learn more.

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The flexible performance space at the Lenfest Center for the Arts. (Photo: © Nic Lehoux)

Community News: Wallach Art Gallery Winter Family Events

The Katharina Otto-Bernstein film screening room at the Lenfest Center for the Arts. (Photo: © Nic Lehoux)

surrounding outdoor spaces. Like all new buildings on the Manhattanville campus, the transparent ground floor is designed to invite the community into the building – and in the case of the Lenfest Center, to partake in the building’s many opportunities available to the public including the exhibits at the Wallach Gallery.

A jury of independent architects, educators, critics, and planners from outside New York City convened at the Center for Architecture in early January to select the 32 winning projects of the 2018 AIA New York Design Awards. To qualify for an award, submitted projects had to be completed by AIANY members, architects/designers practicing in New York, or be New York projects designed by architects/designers based elsewhere. Twelve of the 32 winners are projects located in New York City.

The 32 selected projects and the architecture firms that designed them represent the exceptional work by AIANY members and architects practicing in New York City in four categories: Architecture, Interiors, Projects, and Urban Design. Each winning project was chosen for its design quality, response to its context and community, program resolution, innovation, thoughtfulness, and technique. Recipients will be featured in AIANY’s Oculus magazine and will be on view at the Center for Architecture’s 2018 AIANY Design Awards exhibition, opening April 20, 2018.

Founded in 1857, AIANY’s members include over 5,000 practicing architects, allied professionals, students, and public members interested in architecture and design.

The AIANY Merit Award is the second accolade that Columbia University earned for the Lenfest Center for the Arts. In late 2017, ENR New York awarded the Lenfest Center with a “Best Projects” honor in the Cultural/Worship category.

Community News: “Saturday Science” at the Education Lab

On February 10, the Mortimer B. Zuckerman Mind Brain Behavior Institute is hosting the next “Saturday Science” with the theme “From Disease to Discovery” Visit zuckermaninstitute.columbia.edu/saturday-science for more information and to register to guarantee your attendance. Guests can arrive at any time between 1 and 4 p.m. Saturday Science, which occurs monthly during the school year, is free and open to the public.

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Construction Progress Images

Phase 2 foundations site, looking northeast

(From L to R): Lenfest Center for the Arts, Jerome L. Greene Science Center, and the Forum (under construction)

The Forum, looking northeast

Aerial view looking northeast

Sustainable Partnerships

LEED ND Stage 1 Platinum Certified Plan

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