

**Manhattanville in West Harlem Implementation Plan Report  
October 15, 2026 Submission**

**Declaration Reference and Key Data**

Obligation Section Number: **5.07(c)(xxv)(F)**

Obligation Title: **Community Alert System**

Obligation Page Number: **59**

Obligation Trigger: **Acquisition by ESD or CU of all Initial Stage 1 Condemnation Parcel(s)**

Obligation Start Date: **March 12, 2012**

Obligation End Date: **March 12, 2037 (25 Years from Commencement of the Center's Full Operation)**

Obligation Status: **In Compliance**

**Obligation: Innovation/Changed Conditions**

In accordance with the Declaration of Covenant and Restrictions Section 5.08, Obligation 5.07 (c) (xxv)(F) is modified to clarify the obligation. In general, the scope of services to be provided has not been changed. Empire State Development and Columbia University agreed to this modification on November 28, 2018.

**Modified Language:**

*Community Alert System.* Columbia shall provide a community alert system to notify subscribers about construction issues and a 24-hour hotline to provide callers with timely and regularly updated information about construction activity and employment opportunities related to the Project, and include the GPP Monitor on any related e-mail list serve. The annual report will identify the department within Columbia that administers the alert system.

**Innovation; Changed Conditions**

Columbia University Facilities and Operations issues updates related to the Project via e-mail during periods of active construction. The form to subscribe to these updates is available on the Columbia Neighbors website. Additionally, the Office of Government and Community Affairs, in collaboration with the Office of Public Affairs and Facilities and Operations, issues a monthly Neighbors Bulletin with information, news, and events of interest for residents of Northern Manhattan.

The Columbia University Facilities Services Center maintains a 24-hour hotline (212-854-2222) that allows callers to speak to a representative or text their request; this number is intended to be utilized to request facilities services or report maintenance issues on Columbia's Morningside, Manhattanville, Nevis Laboratories campuses and Baker Athletics Complex. For specific questions related to construction issues, callers may also be referred to the posted resources and to the below-referenced email address.

Information related to the Project (including construction activities and employment opportunities) can best be found in the notifications described above and via the Columbia Neighbors website. Questions about construction can also be directed to [projx@columbia.edu](mailto:projx@columbia.edu). During periods in which construction is not active, the e-mail address is the most effective means of answering questions. Additional information about employment opportunities can be found at [careers.columbia.edu](https://careers.columbia.edu) or at <https://humanresources.columbia.edu/ceic>.

**Evidence of Compliance**

1. Link to subscribe to email notifications for construction updates
2. Annual report

Columbia University's Implementation Plan and all supporting documentation are made available on the Columbia Neighbors Webpage at <https://neighbors.columbia.edu/content/community-commitments>.

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### **EOC Checklist for Obligation 5.07(c)(xxv)(F):**

Please check to verify EOC items submitted for review.

- ☐ 1. Link to subscribe to email notifications for construction updates
- ☐ 2. Annual report

**Monitor's Notes / Comments:**

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**Status:**

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- ☐ In Compliance
- ☐ In Progress
- ☐ Not In Compliance
- ☐ Not Triggered

## Community Alert System

**Link to subscribe to notifications about construction issues and copies of construction schedules, safety and mitigation notices:**

<https://neighbors.columbia.edu/content/construction-updates-and-opportunities>

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### RETAIL SPACE AVAILABILITY

To learn about current retail leasing opportunities available on the Manhattanville Campus, visit: <https://neighbors.columbia.edu/content/manhattanville-retail-availability>

### CONSTRUCTION OPPORTUNITIES

We expect design and construction work in Manhattanville to create

## Annual Report: Community Alert System

The Office of Government and Community Affairs, in collaboration with the Office of Public Affairs and Facilities and Operations, issues a Columbia Neighbors Bulletin with information, news, and events of interest for neighbors in Northern Manhattan.

These updates are posted online at:

<https://neighbors.columbia.edu/news>

The Strategic Communications department of Columbia University Facilities and Operations issues construction updates via e-mail to anyone who has subscribed to receive them. Manhattanville campus construction updates were temporarily paused in June 2025 due to all construction work in the area being substantially complete. Construction updates were sent as needed and resumed with a regular cadence in July 2026.

To subscribe to these alerts, please visit:

<https://neighbors.columbia.edu/content/construction-updates-and-opportunities>

### Additional Supporting Documentation

- Copies of Columbia Neighbors Bulletins covering period October 2025 - September 2026
- Copies of construction updates, as available
- Distribution information for Columbia Neighbors Bulletins and construction updates



# COLUMBIA NEIGHBORS

## B U L L E T I N



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### COMMUNITY UPDATES

#### Curious Minds Meet on Haven Plaza for Science Zone

On Sept. 18, more than 1,000 school children learned about stem cells, brains, bacteria, and more at Columbia University Irving Medical Center's (CUIMC) second annual Curious Minds Science Zone, an outdoor science extravaganza for local third- through sixth-graders.

Over the course of an afternoon, Haven Plaza was filled with children trying out a variety of hands-on science activities under the guidance of more than 50 faculty, staff, and student volunteers. Children looked at their own cells under a microscope, measured their muscles' electrical activity, practiced surgical suturing, and learned how to use stethoscopes to listen to their hearts

beat, among other activities.

"At CUIMC, we believe that science and medicine should feel accessible to every child in our community," said Monica Lypson, vice dean for education at Vagelos College of Physicians & Surgeons (VP&S). "Bringing local students onto our campus for hands-on experiences not only shows them that they can see themselves as future scientists, health professionals, and innovators, it shows our community—and our learners—VP&S and CUIMC at its best."

Read more at [neighbors.columbia.edu/curious-minds](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/curious-minds).

#### General Election: Early Voting Starts October 25!

This upcoming General Election includes a high-stakes mayoral race and a full slate of local races.

Here are some important dates to know:

**OCT. 25:** This is the last day to submit an application to the Board of Elections to receive an early mail ballot, absentee ballot, and voter registration form.

**OCT. 25 to NOV. 2:** Early voting. Find your early voting poll site here (it may be different than your regular voting site).

**NOV. 4:** General Election day! Polls are



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open from 6 am to 9 pm. You must vote at your assigned poll site.

Read more about what's on the ballot and other important dates at [neighbors.columbia.edu/vote-25](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/vote-25).

### COMMUNITY EVENTS



**Blessing of the Animals**  
Oct. 5, 10:30 am - 12:15 pm

All pets and people are welcome to this beloved annual tradition at Cathedral of St. John the Divine.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/animals](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/animals)



**Uptown Night Market**  
Oct. 9, 4:00 - 10:00 pm

The season finale! 40+ curated vendors offer global street food and artisanal products, with live performances from emerging Uptown artists and DJs.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/last-market](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/last-market)

**Haitian Dominican Transnational Film Festival**  
Oct. 9 - 12

Harlem will become the epicenter of Caribbean cinema as the Nou Akoma Nou Sinèji Haitian Dominican Transnational Film Festival returns for its third annual celebration.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/film-fest](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/film-fest)



**Tribute to Joe Ford**  
Oct. 10, 7:00 pm

This free concert at Bloomingdale School of Music is a tribute to the life of James Allen "Joe" Ford, Jr., who passed away in May.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/joe-ford](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/joe-ford)

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### COMMUNITY UPDATES

#### Learn New Skills with Free Course Auditing

Looking for a way to keep your mind sharp? If you live in Upper Manhattan, including Randall's Island or the South Bronx, haven't recently attended high school, and aren't enrolled at a college, you're probably eligible for the free Manhattanville Course Auditing Program at Columbia.

Auditors can observe one class per semester, but will not receive credit toward a degree. They also don't receive a grade or have to take exams or write papers.

Manhattanville auditors have the opportunity to learn professional skills in marketing, accounting, and nonprofit management courses, or they can take a liberal arts approach and seek out classes in comparative literature, philosophy, and

even biology and linguistics. The courses available to audit change every semester, and often, more classes are opened up for auditing shortly before the semester starts.

Roy Byrd, a retired computer science researcher and Columbia neighbor, has participated in the Manhattanville Course Auditing Program since 2018.

"Throughout my career, I always planned to 'move to a college town when I retire,' in order to remain intellectually vital and entertained," Byrd said. "Living near Columbia helps me achieve that, and the courses are part of the intellectual stimulation."

Learn more about eligibility at [neighbors.columbia.edu/auditing](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/auditing).

#### Community Impact's Food Pantry at Ford Hall

Each year, Community Impact at Columbia University operates a food pantry that serves more than 30,000 clients. Located on the first floor of Ford Hall, 616 W. 114th, the pantry is staffed by student volunteers and is open on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 11 am to 2 pm, except major holidays.

At the pantry, fresh food and dry goods, donated by community groups, are provided to neighborhood families, homeless individuals, and the elderly. There is also a closet of warm clothes, and donations are accepted for clothing and housewares.



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For more questions, you can reach out to [ciemergencyfoodprograms@gmail.com](mailto:ciemergencyfoodprograms@gmail.com).

Learn more at [neighbors.columbia.edu/food-pantry](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/food-pantry).

### COMMUNITY EVENTS



#### Raun Ruffin's Uptown Motown Throwdown

Nov. 1, 7-10 pm

Enjoy an evening of live Motown classic hits brought to you by Inwood Art Works.

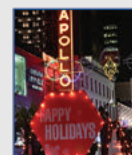
[neighbors.columbia.edu/motown](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/motown)

#### The Future of Press Freedom in an Era of Democratic Backsliding

Nov. 5, 12:15-1:45pm

Co-hosted by Columbia Journalism School, a panel of legal experts and journalists will consider how to protect the crucial role of the press in our democracy and support journalists.

[neighbors.columbia.edu/press-freedom](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/press-freedom)



#### Harlem Holiday Lights Parade

Nov. 18, 6-9 pm

Floats from community organizations and sponsors will travel

on 125th Street and through Harlem to spread holiday cheer.

[neighbors.columbia.edu/harlem-lights](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/harlem-lights)



#### Saturday Science: Decisions, Decisions

Nov. 22, 1-4 pm

Join Columbia's Zuckerman Institute to explore the workings of

the brain through free, family-friendly hands-on activities and unique scientific resources.

[neighbors.columbia.edu/sat-sci](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/sat-sci)



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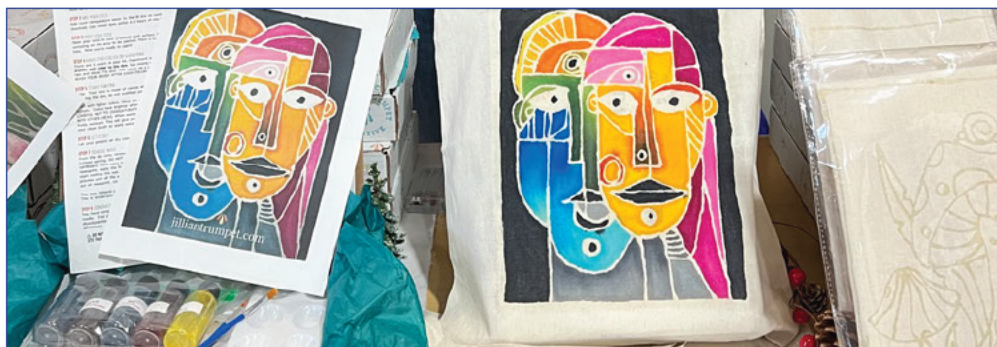


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### COMMUNITY UPDATES

#### Shop Local This Holiday Season at The Forum

This December, the Lee C. Bollinger Forum at Columbia University is inviting neighbors, students, faculty, and staff to “shop local and celebrate community” at its inaugural Holiday Market, running Dec. 1-19. Open Monday through Thursday from noon to 5 pm and Fridays from 4 to 8 pm, the market transforms The Forum’s light-filled atrium at 601 W. 125th Street into a welcoming space for small businesses to showcase artisanal goods.

This year’s roster features a rotating lineup of local makers and entrepreneurs, including **Reprise Active Wear**, **Coleurs**, **Woofcessories**, **Botanical Movement**, **Framiati**, **Rouge Hoops**, **Body Vanity**, **Jillian Trumpet**, **Bombrey Street Creations**, **k’s European Jams**, **Lisa Medoff**, **Sour Humanoid**, **Howard Fink**,

and the **125 Collection**, among others.

The market is part of a broader ongoing effort to create meaningful opportunities for small business owners in the surrounding community. Since April, vendors participating in Columbia’s small business pop-up initiative have collectively earned nearly \$5,000 from their solo pop-up events — a promising indicator of the program’s early impact and growing momentum.

Whether you’re searching for a one-of-a-kind gift or hoping to meet the makers behind up-and-coming local brands, the Forum’s Holiday Market is an inviting stop this December.

Learn more at [neighbors.columbia.edu/holiday-market](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/holiday-market).

#### Celebrating the 13th Cohort of Bundles Scholars

On October 28, Columbia University’s Faculty House overflowed with pride as the **13th cohort of A’Lelia Bundles Community Scholars** was welcomed into a vibrant intellectual community.

These six leaders from Upper Manhattan (**Gail Addiss**, **Miles Edwards**, **Dan Gluck**, **Gretchel Hill**, **Kristina Maria Lopez**, and **Natasha Sutherland**) now embark on a three-year journey, tapping Columbia’s resources to deepen their work in sustainability, heritage, wellness, and financial empowerment.

The celebration also featured stirring



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remarks, including from A’Lelia Bundles herself, celebrating creativity, impact, and the enduring power of community.

Learn more at [neighbors.columbia.edu/reception](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/reception).

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

#### FILL THE PANTRY FRIDAYS

Let’s feed our community.  
Donate dry goods like rice, pasta, powdered milk.



Fill the Ford Hall Food Pantry Fridays  
Through Dec. 19, 12-2 pm

This weekly drive runs every Friday at Ford Hall (616 West 114th Street), rallying community members to donate essential dry foods and canned meats to replenish pantry shelves during this pivotal time.

[neighbors.columbia.edu/pantry](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/pantry)

A’Lelia Bundles in Conversation with  
Eric K. Washington  
Dec. 2, 6-8 pm

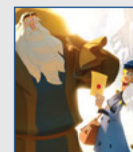
At the Lee C. Bollinger Forum, a conversation with “Joy Goddess: A’Lelia Walker and the Harlem Renaissance” author A’Lelia Bundles and historian Eric K. Washington exploring Walker’s iconic role in 1920s Harlem.

[neighbors.columbia.edu/goddess](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/goddess)

Inwood Art Works Presents: Holiday Classics  
Dec. 7, 2-3 pm

A holiday chamber concert featuring classical holiday classics, featuring the Inwood Chamber Players.

[neighbors.columbia.edu/holiday](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/holiday)



Lenfest Kids Films:  
‘Klaus’  
Dec. 13, 12-1:40 pm

In the wintery town of Smeerensburg, a postman named Jesper discovers Klaus, a talented but grumpy toymaker. Can Jesper convince the reclusive Klaus to bring his magical toys to the feuding village before it’s too late?

[neighbors.columbia.edu/klaus](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/klaus)

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#### A'Lelia Bundles Discusses 'Joy Goddess'

On Dec. 2, 2025, community members, Columbia University students, and local scholars gathered at the Lee C. Bollinger Forum for a conversation between A'Lelia Bundles and Eric K. Washington.

"Joy Goddess: A'Lelia Walker and the Harlem Renaissance" is Bundles' new book about her great-grandmother, A'Lelia Walker, the daughter of Madam C.J. Walker and a Harlem icon whose legendary parties and "Dark Tower" salon helped define the Harlem Renaissance.

A key component of the conversation

was the importance of owning your own narrative and the impact of preserving familial legacy through historical documentation.

Bundles shared an excerpt from the book, sharing how A'Lelia Walker hosted a salon for Columbia's International Poetry Group in 1929. Fun fact: Bundles also spoke about the influence of her Columbia Journalism School Professor Phyllis Garland, who inspired her to write about her family.

See photos from the event at [neighbors.columbia.edu/joygoddess](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/joygoddess).

#### Year in Review: Top *Neighbors* Stories of 2025

The new year invites us to reflect on moments that shaped the past year. As we look forward to all that 2026 holds, we're taking a moment to reflect on the stories that resonated with our readers throughout 2025.

Throughout the year, readers connected with stories honoring Harlem's rich history and creativity, including tributes to civil rights leader Dr. Hazel N. Dukes to conversations about culture, justice, and identity. Seasonal guides invited neighbors to explore Uptown art exhibitions, local food, and cultural festivals, while community events like Manhattanville Community Day and back-to-school block parties showcased the joy of coming together.

We also shared stories about education and



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opportunity, including programs that engage local youth and expand access to learning. As the year came to a close, features on community gardens, neighborhood traditions, and holiday celebrations reminded us of the care and connection that define Uptown life.

Read more at [neighbors.columbia.edu/25-review](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/25-review).

### COMMUNITY EVENTS



**Tamar Mitts on Disinformation**  
January 7, 10:00 am

Join a webinar with Columbia Professor Tamar Mitts as she shares findings from research on online disinformation campaigns and their implications for national defense.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/disinformation](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/disinformation)

**Between Faith and Fiction**  
January 27, 12:30 pm

How did participants in the Jewish Enlightenment come to view the new distractions and technological transformations before the 18th and 19th centuries?  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/fiction](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/fiction)



**Crafts on the Corner: Sketch Sessions**  
January 28, 12:00 pm

Take a break in your day to tap into your creativity and explore different observational drawing techniques.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/crafts](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/crafts)



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#### Saturday Science: Building Community Through STEM Exploration Uptown

Inside the light-filled Education Lab at Columbia's Zuckerman Institute on the Manhattanville campus, you'll find high-powered microscopes, neuron model guides, and interactive activity stations designed to teach local youth about the different facets of neuroscience.

Launched in 2017, Zuckerman's **Saturday Science** program transforms cutting-edge research into interactive experiences that encourage visitors to experiment, ask questions, and make their own connections.

"Built through a collaboration between

BioBus and Columbia University researchers, students, and educators, Saturday Science reflects a shared commitment to making science welcoming and accessible to all," said Kent Katner, Senior Public Programs Manager, Zuckerman Institute. "Since 2017, Saturday Science has engaged **nearly 10,000 children and their families**, opening doors to scientific exploration and lifelong interest in how the brain and world around us work."

See photos from a recent event at [neighbors.columbia.edu/satsci](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/satsci).

#### Jennifer L. Mnookin Named President-Designate

Columbia University's Board of Trustees has appointed Jennifer L. Mnookin, a nationally recognized legal scholar who serves as the Chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, to be the next president of Columbia University, effective July 1, 2026.

The appointment concludes an extensive national search led by a committee of trustees and faculty, who sought input from students, faculty, staff, alumni, and members of the community.

"I am honored and thrilled to join Columbia University at this important moment," Mnookin said. "Columbia is defined by rigorous scholarship, a deep commitment to open inquiry, world-class patient care, and an inseparable and enduring connection to New York City, the



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greatest city in the world. I look forward to working closely with faculty, students, and staff, and with both our local and global community of alumni and friends, to advance the University's critically important mission and to ensure that its teaching and research continue to contribute meaningfully to society."

Read more about her at [news.columbia.edu/mnookin](https://news.columbia.edu/mnookin).

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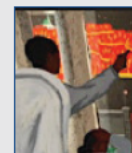


**Instrument Discovery Day**  
February 1, 10:00 am

Whether you're a beginner or an experienced musician, join Bloomingdale School of Music for an exciting day of exploring different musical instruments.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/instrument](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/instrument)

**Pop-Up Concerts: Chico Pinheiro**  
February 17, 6:00 pm

Brazilian-born guitarist and composer Chico Pinheiro returns to Miller Theatre with a set that blends Brazilian classics, jazz standards, and his own striking original compositions.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/chicop](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/chicop)



**A VR Window Into a Silenced Past**  
February 19,  
5:00-8:00 pm

**Gibbi** is a new virtual reality experience that transports viewers into the American compound in 1937, where Ethiopian civilians sought refuge as Italian forces turned their city to fire and ash.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/yekatit12](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/yekatit12)

**Valentine's Market at the Bollinger Forum**  
February 12-13, 1:30-6:30 pm

Discover something special at the local small business pop-up market at the Lee C. Bollinger Forum!  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/vday](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/vday)

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#### Apply Now to Join the 14th Cohort of the A'Leia Bundles Community Scholars Program

The application to join the 14th cohort of A'Leia Bundles Community Scholars at Columbia University is now open!

Rooted in education and empowerment, the initiative—named after award-winning journalist and author A'Leia Bundles (JRN'76)—brings together Upper Manhattan-based changemakers for knowledge sharing and opportunities to explore how Columbia's many resources can elevate their local projects.

Bundles Scholars receive a three-year

affiliation with Columbia and access to campus resources while they work independently on a project or skill that relates to or benefits their community.

Bundles Scholars join an intellectual community with other program participants and have opportunities to connect with life and learning across the University.

Read a full guide on how to apply, now through April 17, 2026, at [neighbors.columbia.edu/bundles26](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/bundles26)

#### Low-Cost Summer Programs for Youth at Columbia

Though summer still feels far away in these cold months, now is the time to get ahead on the summer program application season.

*Columbia Neighbors* has compiled a list of free and no-cost summer programs available here at Columbia University and throughout Upper Manhattan to help students and families prepare for application season.

The list includes opportunities for a wide range of interests, ages, and goals. It spans free or low-cost research and engineering programs for high schoolers, civic leadership and college-prep seminars, outdoor science and field research, virtual coding and science enrichment, creative arts and community summer camps, and paid



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internships—so youth can find something from academic exploration to hands-on experiential learning to active, social summer experiences.

Read the full list at [neighbors.columbia.edu/summer-programs](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/summer-programs)

### COMMUNITY EVENTS



**Bundles Scholar Lecture: Ray Tebout**  
March 19, 6:00 p.m.

This event at the Bollinger Forum explores Vision-to-Value, a learning approach that provides clear, practical tools that build entrepreneurial thinking while people are working.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/vision](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/vision)



**2026 State of New York Women in Business**  
March 11,  
8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Head to the Bollinger Forum for a bold convening of women entrepreneurs, executives, policymakers, and global leaders coming together to demand and design a fair, inclusive New York Women Entrepreneurs' Agenda.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/nywib](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/nywib)

**Stories of the World**  
March 19, 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Join Harlem Community School District 5 for the annual Harlem Community School Black Studies Showcase, a celebration of student learning, creativity, and leadership rooted in Black studies.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/hcsd5](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/hcsd5)

**Crafts on the Corner: Sketch Sessions**  
March 25, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Take a break in your day to tap into your creativity and explore different observational drawing techniques on the Manhattanville campus.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/sketch](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/sketch)



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Photo Courtesy Pierre Voltaire

### COMMUNITY UPDATES

#### Harlem Public Arts Project Celebrates Local History and Champions Communal Creativity

For Uptown native Pierre Voltaire, art binds communities: canvases spark conversation, and murals carry collective memory.

Raised on the border of Harlem and the Upper West Side, Voltaire's creative journey spans the performing arts, a career in fashion, and now his work as founder of the Harlem Public Arts Project.

Through exhibitions at Columbia University's Lee C. Bollinger Forum and participation in Columbia Engineering's Center for Smart Streetscapes workshops,

he brings community-driven art into dialogue with campus and New York City's public spaces.

Founded in 2016, the Harlem Public Arts Project expands access to visual art, uplifts local artists, and fosters collaboration, often connecting artists and youth to tell shared stories that preserve community history while shaping its future.

Read the full interview at [neighbors.columbia.edu/pierre-voltaire](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/pierre-voltaire).

#### Morningside Campus Access Info for Neighbors

Columbia University's offices of Government and Community Affairs and Public Safety have a Campus Access Form that is open for requests from neighbors who live in the area surrounding the Morningside Heights campus and would like access (e.g., to use College Walk for easier access to the subway).

Once you submit the form, you will receive additional information on access requirements, including details for arranging to visit Columbia's campus to provide a copy of your identification.

You can direct questions about access



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and the status of your application to [communityaffairs@columbia.edu](mailto:communityaffairs@columbia.edu).

Learn more at [neighbors.columbia.edu/access](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/access).

### COMMUNITY EVENTS



**Community CHAT: General Health and Primary Care**  
April 8, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Community members are invited to attend a Community Columbia Health Awareness Talk (Community CHAT) on general health and primary care at the Spreading Love Foundation's Health Hub Event. [neighbors.columbia.edu/chat](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/chat)

**Lenfest Kids: 'Cats'**  
April 18, 12:00 - 1:50 p.m.

After a screening of the 2019 film 'Cats,' stick around Lenfest for entertainment and fun hosted by Columbia Artist/Teachers (CA/T)! [neighbors.columbia.edu/cats](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/cats)



**Harlem Educational Activities Fund Community Fair**  
April 18, 12:00 - 1:50 p.m.

Join a family-friendly community event where local organizations and businesses will offer valuable resources and support to enhance health and well-being. [neighbors.columbia.edu/heaf-fair](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/heaf-fair)

**Composer Portraits: Hannah Kendall**  
April 12, 7:30 p.m.

The adventurous International Contemporary Ensemble performs several recent pieces, including a world premiere Miller Theatre commission. [neighbors.columbia.edu/kendall](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/kendall)

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#### Manhattanville Community Day Returns June 27!

On Saturday, June 27, Columbia University's Manhattanville campus will be abuzz for Manhattanville Community Day, a free, family-friendly celebration of creativity, science, and connection. From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., neighbors are invited to explore hands-on activities, art exhibitions, film, and live music across campus.

At The Forum, visitors can meet campus and community groups, while the Zuckerman Institute hosts interactive experiments and the BioBus. The Lenfest Center for the Arts and Wallach Art Gallery offer screenings and outdoor art

experiences—including an incredible array of activities related to the opening weekend of the “Children’s Art Carnival in Harlem: The Making of Contemporary Artists” exhibition.

Food from Harlem-based vendors and a restaurant crawl featuring Dinosaur Bar-B-Que and Dear Mama Coffee round out the day, bringing the neighborhood’s flavors to campus.

Open to all, Manhattanville Day invites visitors to explore, create, and connect. Learn more at [neighbors.columbia.edu/mcd26](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/mcd26).

#### A Week of Celebration...and a Little Extra Traffic

From May 15 to 21, 2026, Columbia University will welcome graduates, families, and friends for Commencement Week, bringing a festive energy to Uptown streets. Neighbors can expect increased foot traffic and street closures near the Morningside Heights campus on May 20, Commencement Day.

In Washington Heights, school graduation ceremonies will take place at The Armory and United Palace Theater in Washington Heights. Parking will be limited, and many nearby streets will be restricted or closed, so plan ahead and allow extra time.



Photo Credit: Chris Taggart

Learn more about the schedule of events and street closures as they are determined at [commencement.columbia.edu](https://commencement.columbia.edu).

### COMMUNITY EVENTS



**Columbia Greenhouse Nursery School Spring Fair**  
May 2, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Enjoy a day of family fun—games, rides, food, magic, and our children’s toys and book swap!  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/nursery](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/nursery)

**Strings Festival at Bloomingdale School of Music**  
May 2, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Immerse yourself in a celebration of music and talent with a series of captivating events.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/strings](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/strings)



**Mount Morris Park Community Stoop Sale**

May 17, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

An annual spring-cleaning event featuring dozens of individual stoop sales throughout the historic district between 118th and 124th Streets.

[neighbors.columbia.edu/stoop](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/stoop)

**Freedom Walk**  
May 26, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

A commemorative walk to honor the legacy of Harriet Tubman and others who worked on the Underground Railroad, with a celebration at AME Zion Church in Harlem.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/freedom](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/freedom)



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Photo by Michael DiVito

## COMMUNITY UPDATES

### Columbia Students Build a Legacy of Local Service

When Leticia De Mattei Goncalves (BUS'26) and William Szczecinski (BUS'26) arrived at Columbia Business School, both were looking for ways to translate classroom lessons into real community impact.

That shared drive led them to co-lead the Community Impact Club, a student-led organization that partners with local New York City nonprofits to provide financial literacy, mentorship, and career guidance to Harlem youth and adults.

Originally launched in 2011, the club recently hosted its first Spring Service Week, drawing over 100 student volunteers for events with AHRC NYC, TEAK Fellowship, Figure Skating in Harlem, and City Harvest.

"Service is embedded in the Columbia Business School culture, and we're just trying to bring it out even more," said Szczecinski.

Read more at [neighbors.columbia.edu/service-club](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/service-club).

### Local Columbia Graduate Spotlight: Jasmine Velasco

Growing up in Fordham Heights, Jasmine Velasco came to the realization that communities are only as strong as the systems designed to support them.

The first-generation Dominican and Mexican American student said watching her parents navigate the healthcare system and hearing neighbors' stories about their own harrowing experiences revealed gaps in culturally responsive care and inspired her to pursue medicine and change the narrative.

Combining her lived experiences and her studies in cognitive science at Columbia College, Velasco is on a mission to improve healthcare outcomes for those who feel neglected by the system in the Bronx and beyond.



Photo courtesy Jasmine Velasco

"A closed door is not a locked door," Velasco said. "Never let a closed door intimidate you, because although it may be closed, it's not locked."

Read more at [neighbors.columbia.edu/jasmine](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/jasmine).

## COMMUNITY EVENTS



**Manhattanville Community Day**  
June 27, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Immerse yourself in the arts through youth programming, indulge in Uptown cuisine with local vendors, have fun with science activities, plus so much more on Columbia's Manhattanville campus.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/mcd26](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/mcd26)

**Crafts on the Corner: Sketch Sessions**  
June 3, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Take a break in your day at The Forum with Wallach Art Gallery to tap into your creativity and explore different observational drawing techniques. This month: improvising line!  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/sketch](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/sketch)



**ColumbiaDoctors Outreach at Haven Plaza**  
June 23, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Join a brain health awareness event, featuring a CPR demonstration by Columbia's Department of Emergency Medicine.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/brainhealth](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/brainhealth)

**Taste of Harlem 2026**  
June 24, 6:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Vibe out to music, enjoy delicious food and drinks, and network with fellow neighbors and business owners at The Forum on Columbia's Manhattanville campus.  
[neighbors.columbia.edu/toh26](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/toh26)

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Photo courtesy Gail Addiss

### COMMUNITY UPDATES

#### Uncovering Uptown Revolutionary War Connections

From Fraunces Tavern to Bowling Green, Lower Manhattan's cobblestone streets are lined with Revolutionary War landmarks, but Northern Manhattan's role in that definitive era of American history is often overlooked. Architect and A'Lelia Bundles Community Scholar Gail Addiss is on a mission to spread awareness about Uptown's significance during the American Revolution.

"We're at a really critical time," she told Columbia Neighbors. "We're a culturally diverse neighborhood, and we've all chosen to live here. We're all Americans, and our area played an important part in our

country's founding. This origin story is part of our fundamental shared narrative, and I think it will help to unite us as a community, and hopefully as a country."

Through her Bundles project, Addiss is organizing walking tours, communal exhibitions, and public forums to highlight Uptown parks and sites connected to the Revolution. Ahead of the United States' 250th anniversary, she shared a few landmarks hiding in plain sight.

See the landmarks: [neighbors.columbia.edu/gail-addiss](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/gail-addiss).

#### Melvin McCray III Helps Make Generational Heirlooms

For award-winning journalist, filmmaker, and educator Melvin McCray III, preserving generational legacies began at home.

When his mother developed dementia, he transformed her photo albums into a chronological keepsake of her life's journey. A recorded conversation with his mother-in-law about her career in politics and labor advocacy became a treasured heirloom for his children—two of whom never had the chance to meet her.

Those personal projects inspired McCray, a former Columbia Journalism School professor, to look inward—and now he's helping others do the same. Through his Harlem Through My Eyes oral history initiative and Family History Community Workshops, hosted at Columbia's Lee C.



Courtesy Melvin McCray III

Bollinger Forum, he empowers Uptown residents to document their own histories.

"We're giving participants the opportunity to go inward, tell their own stories, reflect on their own lives, and talk about the people who have influenced them," McCray said.

Read more at [neighbors.columbia.edu/melvin-mccray](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/melvin-mccray).

### COMMUNITY EVENTS



#### StreetSquash Summer Discovery Starts July 6

Offers rising 5th through 8th graders in Harlem an exciting summer experience learning the sport of squash and academic enrichment. [neighbors.columbia.edu/squash](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/squash)

#### Harlem Teen Shakespeare Intensive Starts July 6

The Classical Theatre of Harlem will help teens build confidence, hone their acting skills, and dive deep into the world of Shakespeare. [neighbors.columbia.edu/htsi](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/htsi)



#### How AI is Changing the Workplace and What to Do About It June 15, 12:00 p.m.

If nobody knows exactly where this is heading, the real question becomes: How do we prepare not for a fixed future, but for continuous transformation? [neighbors.columbia.edu/workplaceai](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/workplaceai)

#### ColumbiaDoctors Outreach at Haven Plaza: Women's Health July 21 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Women's health spans the full arc of a woman's life and encompasses much more than reproductive care. Join us for a women's health event, presented by ColumbiaDoctors Outreach. [neighbors.columbia.edu/womens-health](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/womens-health)



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### COMMUNITY UPDATES

#### Uptown Triennial Celebrates Children's Art Carnival

Founded in 1942 by Victor D'Amico (TC 1930), MoMA's founding education director, the Children's Art Carnival built its philosophy on centering kids' own creative imagination—a radical idea for its time that eventually spread internationally.

In 1969, artist and Studio Museum in Harlem founder Betty Blayton became its executive director, establishing a home on St. Nicholas Ave. before the nonprofit moved to its longtime home at 62 Hamilton Terrace in 1974.

Now the Wallach Art Gallery's latest Uptown Triennial honors that legacy. *Children's Art Carnival in Harlem: The Making of Contemporary Artists*, curated

by Souleo, traces how the program shaped generations of artists, including a young Jean-Michel Basquiat, who made silkscreen prints there, plus Tschabalala Self, Dindga McCannon, and others who studied or taught at the Carnival.

The show blends archival photos and a timeline with contemporary work, aiming for the same joyful, carnival-like spirit that defined the organization's Harlem block parties.

On view at the Wallach Art Gallery, Manhattanville campus, through Sept. 13. Learn more at [neighbors.columbia.edu/carnival](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/carnival).

#### Harlem Sculpture Gardens: 5 Pieces to Catch This Fall

Now in its third year, Harlem Sculpture Gardens brings 21 outdoor sculptures from Morningside Park to Jackie Robinson Park through Oct. 30—six within an easy stroll of Columbia's Morningside Heights campus.

Founder Savona Bailey-McClain launched the West Harlem Art Fund in 1998 after noticing how intimidated many of her neighbors felt by traditional museums. She set out to bring art into everyday public space instead.

Don't miss Peter Miller's (GSAPP'06) folded-aluminum *Sagittarius*, Dianne Smith's layered *Afro Puff*, and Eunkyoung Lee's wind-driven *Twilight*, all in Morningside Park; Chris Sandcomb's

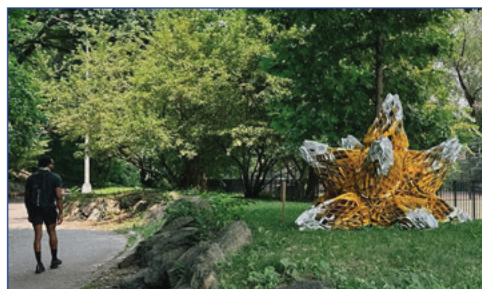


Photo by Kelly Moffitt-Hawasy

turbine-inspired *Beacons on the Lawn* in St. Nicholas Park; and Edwin Salmon's 700-pound *Offspring* in Jackie Robinson Park.

Read more at [neighbors.columbia.edu/sculpture](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/sculpture).

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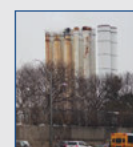


#### Harlem Week 2026 Aug. 1-16

Join special screenings, youth enrichment activities, career fairs, and so much more at this multi-week Harlem summer institution. [neighbors.columbia.edu/harlemweek26](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/harlemweek26)

#### ColumbiaDoctors Outreach at Haven Plaza: Skin Cancer Aug. 4, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Skin cancer is the most common cancer in the United States. Fortunately, it is also among the most detectable and, when caught early, among the most treatable. [neighbors.columbia.edu/climateconf](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/climateconf)



#### Climate Change Conference Aug. 5, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Hear from renowned researchers, public officials, and regional leaders on the challenges and the opportunities to encourage and empower communities to lead the way into a healthier environment. [neighbors.columbia.edu/climateconf](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/climateconf)

#### Morningside Lights Lantern Workshop Registration Opens Sept. 2

Save the date to register for the ever-popular Morningside Lights lantern-building workshops, which will run Sept. 12-18, before the main event on Sept. 19! [neighbors.columbia.edu/lanterns](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/lanterns)



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### Columbia Career Expo Returns This September 15!

The Columbia University Career Expo returns to the Manhattanville campus on September 15, 2026! If you're a local job seeker, this is an event worth putting on your calendar.

Building on the success of past events, this year's gathering will bring together representatives from Columbia's schools, departments, and campuses under one roof at the Lee C. Bollinger Forum.

Attendees can explore open positions ranging from administrative and IT roles to clinical, nursing, and facilities work.

Resume workshops, job readiness sessions, and the chance to connect face-to-face with recruiters make it far more than your typical job fair. There will even be complimentary professional headshots.

Whether you're actively job hunting or just exploring what Columbia has to offer as an employer, September 15 is your opportunity to walk in and find out.

Register here: [neighbors.columbia.edu/career-expo](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/career-expo).

### Applications Open: Graduate Scholarships for Elementary School Teachers

For educators in Upper Manhattan who want to level up their careers without leaving the community they serve, Columbia University offers a meaningful opportunity: graduate scholarships for elementary school teachers working in, or committed to working in, Community District 9.

Recipients must be admitted to a master's program of their choice at either Columbia or Teachers College, and agree to teach in the district for five years post-graduation. One to two scholarships are awarded per year, covering up to 18 graduate credits annually.



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Applications for the 2027–2028 academic year are now open. Learn more at [neighbors.columbia.edu/scholarship](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/scholarship).

## COMMUNITY EVENTS



**9/11: Reclaiming Ground Zero Film Screening**  
Sept. 11, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

In observance of the 25th anniversary of September 11, 2001, head to St. John the Divine for a day of remembrance and a film screening.

[neighbors.columbia.edu/911-film](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/911-film)

**Uptown Kid Lit**  
Sept. 13, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Word Up Community Bookshop's annual book festival for kids returns to Pat's Lawn at Inwood Hill Park. Young readers will meet beloved local authors, plus free books and school supplies for all registrants.

[neighbors.columbia.edu/kidlit](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/kidlit)



**Northern Manhattan Appreciation Day**  
Sept. 19, 12:00 - 4:00 pm

Welcoming all residents of Inwood, Washington Heights, and Harlem to a free Columbia Lions Football game against the Lafayette Leopards at Wien Stadium in Inwood.

[neighbors.columbia.edu/football](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/football)

**15th Annual Morningside Lights**  
Sept. 19, 8:00 - 9:00 pm

Morningside Lights celebrates 15 years this fall, illuminating the night in a procession of awe-inspiring handmade lanterns floating through Morningside Park to Columbia's campus.

[neighbors.columbia.edu/lights](https://neighbors.columbia.edu/lights)



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## Street Closure of West 131st Street – Saturday, December 20 and Sunday, December 21

### What is Happening

On Saturday, December 20 and Sunday, December 21, West 131st Street (between Broadway and 12th Avenue) is anticipated to be fully closed to vehicular traffic between 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This street closure is required to set up a crane to load materials onto the roof of the Studebaker Building. West 131st Street is anticipated to reopen on Sunday, December 21 at approximately 4:00 p.m. after the crane has been dismantled.

*-Please note that all activities are subject to change based on weather and other field conditions-*

### What to Expect

- Regular work hours are 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday in accordance with all necessary permits.
- West 131st Street will be fully closed to vehicular traffic on Saturday, December 20 and Sunday, December 21 between 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
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## Street Closure of West 131st Street for January 10-11 and January 17-18

### What is Happening

During the weekends of January 10-11 and January 17-18, West 131st Street (between Broadway and 12th Avenue) is anticipated to be fully closed to vehicular traffic between 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., weather permitting and pending necessary approvals. This street closure is required to set up a crane to load materials onto the roof of the Studebaker Building. West 131st Street is anticipated to reopen on Sunday, January 11 and Sunday, January 18 at approximately 4:00 p.m. after the crane has been dismantled.

*-Please note that this work is subject to rescheduling pending the weather and receipt of all required permits-*

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## Street Closure of West 131st Street – Weekends of February 21-22 and February 28-March 1

### What is Happening

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## Groundwater Sampling Activities Tuesday, March 24

### What is Happening

On Tuesday, March 24, groundwater samples will be collected from a well at the northwest corner of the Lee C. Bollinger Forum along the southside of 129<sup>th</sup> Street. This work will be completed by a small electric pump or vacuum truck. Additional sampling is anticipated to occur on or around April 23 and May 21.

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### What to Expect

- Work hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
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## Groundwater Sampling Activities Tuesday, April 21

### What is Happening

On Tuesday, April 21, groundwater samples will be collected by a vacuum truck from a well at the northwest corner of the Lee C. Bollinger Forum along the southside of 129th Street. Additional sampling is anticipated to occur on or around May 21.

*-Please note that all activities are subject to change based on weather and other field conditions-*

### What to Expect

- Work hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please note that the contractor may begin set-up preparations approximately 60 minutes before work commences.
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## Groundwater Sampling Activities Friday, May 29

### What is Happening

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## Construction Activities for the Weeks of July 27, 2026 and August 3, 2026

### What is Happening

Beginning Monday, July 27, Columbia University will commence work on a temporary open space on Site 4 of the Manhattanville campus, located at the corner of 125th Street and 12th Avenue. Columbia University is pleased to provide this temporary open space for public use. The temporary space will include paved pathways, grass, plantings, and fixed seating, and work is anticipated to be complete by the end of 2026, weather permitting.

### **Construction activities for the weeks of July 27 and August 3 include:**

- Removal of electrical conduits and cables from the existing construction fence.
- Delivery of temporary toilets for workers and silt fence.
- Installation of construction barricades at the western gate on West 130th Street.

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### What to Expect

- Work hours are 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.
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## Construction Activities for the Weeks of August 3, 2026 and August 10, 2026

### What is Happening

- Integrated pest control sitewide.
- Mobilization of heavy equipment, pending NYC Office of Environmental Remediation (OER) approval.
- Trenching for soil remediation, pending NYC OER approval.

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## Construction Activities for the Weeks of August 10, 2026 and August 17, 2026

### Site at 125th Street and 12th Avenue

- Integrated pest control sitewide.
- Mobilization of heavy equipment, pending NYC Office of Environmental Remediation (OER) approval.
- Trenching for soil remediation, pending NYC OER approval.

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### What to Expect

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## Construction Activities for the Weeks of August 17, 2026 and August 24, 2026

### Site at 125th Street and 12th Avenue

- Integrated pest control sitewide
- Mobilization of heavy equipment and sound testing on all machinery to meet acoustical requirements
- Surveying for different soil types
- Commencing trenching activities for soil remediation

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## Construction Activities for the Weeks of August 24, 2026 and August 31, 2026

### Site at 125th Street and 12th Avenue

- Integrated pest control sitewide.
- Community air monitoring plan (CAMP) in place.
- Installation of silt fence.
- Trenching activities for soil remediation.
- Deliveries of materials and equipment.

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## Construction Activities for the Weeks of August 31, 2026 and September 7, 2026

### Site at 125th Street and 12th Avenue

- Construction fence relocation to accommodate silt fence installations
- Demolition of slurry-wall guide walls
- Surveying for different soil types
- Trenching for soil remediation
- Trucking soil off-site
- Integrated pest control sitewide

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## Construction Activities for the Weeks of September 7, 2026 and September 14, 2026

### Site at 125th Street and 12th Avenue

- Relocation of construction fence to accommodate silt fence installations
- Demolition of slurry-wall guide walls
- Surveying for different soil types
- Trenching for soil remediation and separating trenched construction items
- Trucking soil off-site to disposal facilities
- Integrated pest control site-wide

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### What to Expect

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## Construction Activities for the Weeks of September 14, 2026 and September 21, 2026

### Site at 125th Street and 12th Avenue

- Demolition of slurry-wall guide walls along 125th Street. Work may cause some noise and vibrations.
- Installation of underground stormwater concrete structures and piping will commence
- Surveying for different soil types
- Trenching for soil remediation and separating trenched construction items
- Trucking soil and concrete debris off-site to disposal facilities
- Integrated pest control sitewide

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## Construction Activities for the Weeks of September 21, 2026 and September 28, 2026

### Site at 125th Street and 12th Avenue

- Removal and hauling of debris from slurry-wall guide walls demolition.
- Demolition of existing slab on grade on the west part of the site. Work may cause some noise and vibrations.
- Grading of the site to meet new elevations.
- Installation of underground stormwater concrete structures and piping.
- Trenching for soil remediation and separating trenched construction items.
- Trucking soil and concrete debris off-site to disposal facilities.
- Integrated pest control sitewide.

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## Construction Activities for the Weeks of September 28, 2026 and October 5, 2026

### Site at 125th Street and 12th Avenue

- Demolition of existing slab on grade on the west part of the site. Work may cause some noise and vibrations.
- Grading of the site to meet new elevations.
- Installation of underground stormwater concrete structures and piping.
- Trenching for new light poles.
- Trucking soil and concrete debris off-site to disposal facilities.
- Integrated pest control site-wide.

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# Columbia Neighbors

Website, E-Newsletters, Social Media, Print Products

## Distribution

**Columbia Neighbors Website:** [neighbors.columbia.edu](https://neighbors.columbia.edu), 260,000 views in a year

**Columbia Neighbors E-Newsletter:** Distributed 1x/week on Wednesday to 8,124 Upper Manhattan subscribers.

**Print Bulletin** (Monthly): English and Spanish, 500 copies distributed to community-facing locations on Columbia campuses and local elected officials

**Print Newsletter** (2x/year): English and Spanish, 1,700 mailed to Upper Manhattan neighbors and elected officials, 500 printed and distributed at community events, including Manhattanville Community Day.

**Social Media:** 5,331 followers on Instagram, 2,024 followers on Facebook

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