

From the Director's Desk

As the year comes to a close, there is a lot of progress to report on. The final section of roof that connects the Carnegie building with the new addition has been completed. Keeping moisture out and heating the building will allow the electrical work to move forward. This will also allow the drywall installation and joint taping to move quickly.

The exterior bricks are visible from both West Main and Witherbee Streets. The bricks, along with the roof shingles, show glimpses of what the final product will look like. Windows are scheduled to be installed soon. This will provide another leap forward in the finished design.

Repairing the front façade is also underway. As you recall the blocks of terra cotta above the West Main Street entrance were significantly deteriorated since they were installed in 1904 and need extensive work. This project involves some high-tech tools. The first step is a laser scan of the area above the pediment. After that is complete the area will be dismantled and shipped to New York for restoration and fabrication. The end result will be a stable, safe structure that will be in place for another hundred years or more.

This will be my last project update as I am retiring this month. I am looking forward to all the progress that will be made throughout the next several months. See you at the opening in the spring!



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