

Subterranean Work Complete On The Ronald O. Perelman Performing Arts Center At The World Trade Center By Michael Young • July 25, 2019

Construction is moving along on the Ronald O. Perelman Performing Arts Center at the World Trade Center. The future 130-foot-tall, marbled-cladded building is designed by Rex Architecture and developed by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (PANYNJ). The site is located in the Financial District at the foot of One World Trade Center and Seven World Trade Center. The 9/11 Memorial is to the south of the property, while the plot of Two World Trade Center, aka 200 Greenwich Street, is found to the east across Greenwich Street.

Almost all the work so far on the performing arts center has been subterranean. The formation of the circular ramp made from a number of steel components and rebar must be completed before work on the main bulk of the building can commence. Additional rebar and metal decking are continuing to be set in place along the western section of the property. At the moment, there are several ends of steel columns sticking out from the ground level. This is where adjoining steel beams will be attached and support the angled box shape of the structure.

The photo on the right is from YIMBY's December 2018 update and shows the exposed steel substructure.

Comparing the two photos reveals the extent of below-ground work that has been completed. The Vehicle Security Center on the opposite end of the 16-acre site has a similar spiraling ramp and took an equally lengthy time before work was able to begin on Liberty Park, which sits on top of the entrance and exit to the ramp.

The Ronald O. Perelman Performing Arts Center is scheduled to be completed in 2021.



The site of the WTC performing arts center in December 2018. Screenshot from EarthCam



Looking above at the site of the performing arts center as of July 22, 2019. Screenshot from EarthCam