

Weekly Construction Update

May 18 – 22, 2015



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What's New This Week

- After testing 20 methods, the final selection for cleaning the interior stone has been narrowed to four different liquid solutions. Each will receive further testing and one will be chosen to use.
- Activity on the East Grand Stairs scaffolding includes repairing lights and paint conservators assessing fine art.
- Paint conservators are also testing paints to restore decorative painting the East Wing walls.
- A skeleton of scaffolding has been erected around the drum below the Capitol dome. Over the next two weeks, workers will install safety railings, landings and other required elements.

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The Big Move is in Full Swing!

- Chambers close as legislative session ends May 18
- Minnesota Historical Society moves: May 19-22
- Senate moves: May 20, 21, 26-30
- House moves: May 19, 26-29
- Recycling and Surplus moves: June 1-4

Capitol Public Access Closes in June. Tunnel Will Remain Open.

- Starting in June, the entire Capitol building will become a construction zone.
- Public access will be restricted to the tunnel only.

Featured Notice

A new Capitol Restoration [Facebook](#) page has been launched! Be sure to “like” it!

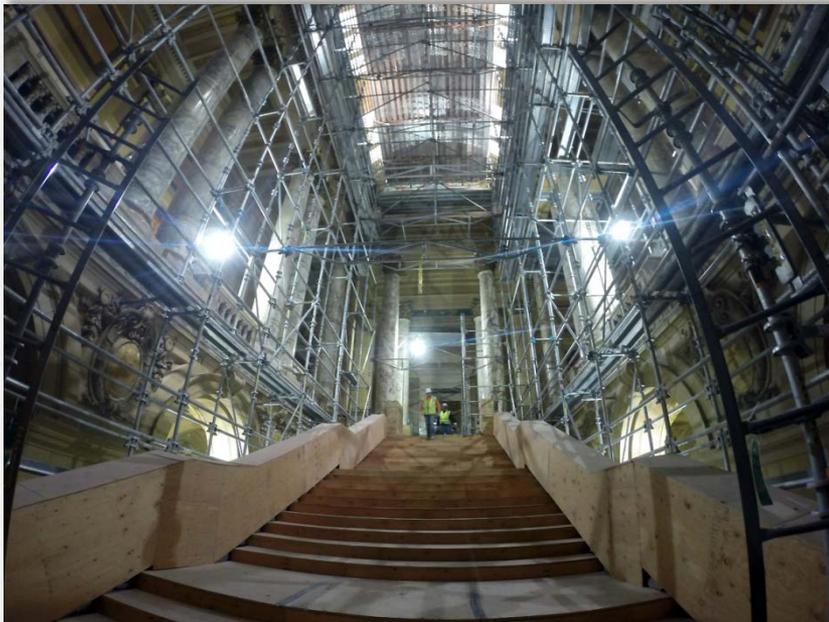
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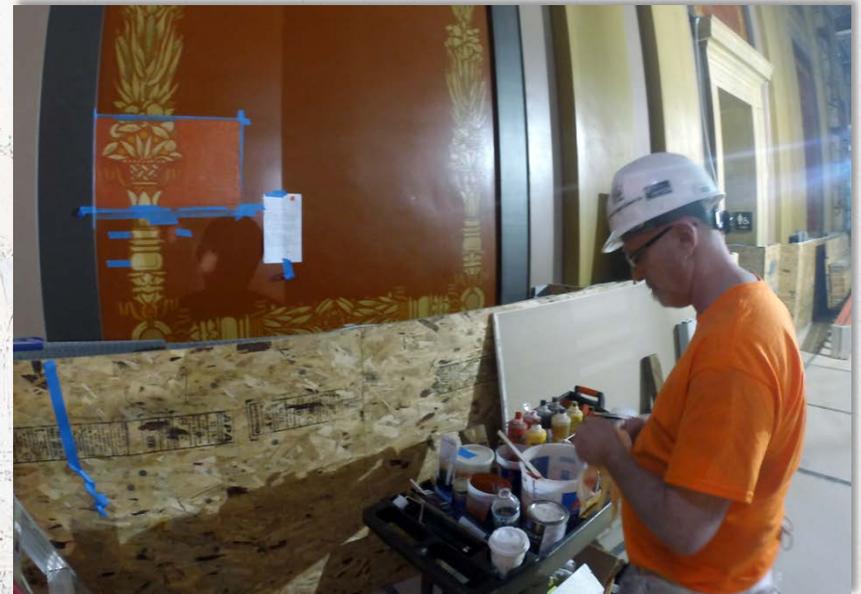


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Scaffolding over the East Grand Stairs.



Testing decorative paint restoration techniques.

[ See more photos!]

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Newly installed red fire-safety pump in the basement.



Steady hands are needed to blend a newly installed acanthus leaf. The acanthus leaf on the left side of the photo has been roughed out, but still needs blending.

Learn the latest about parking, accessibility, news, and FAQs. Visit the [Minnesota State Capitol Restoration Project website](#).