

Phipps Conservatory Broderie & East Rooms Roof Restoration

Squirrel Hill Urban Coalition (SHUC) October 11th, 2022

PHIPPS CONSERVATORY OLD CONSERVATORY ROOF RESTORATION CAMPAIGN

An ongoing capital improvement campaign to restore and preserve all 13 Old Conservatory Rooms Victorian style glasshouse roof systems. This campaign began in 2002 with Victoria Room and is following the schedule below:

Old Conservatory Room	Year
Victoria	2002
Gallery	2013
South Conservatory	2015
Serpentine	2016
Palm Court	2018
Fruit & Spice	2019
Fern & Stove	2020
Orchid	2021
Broderie	2022
East & Desert	2023
Sunken Garden	2024

Victoria Room - 2002

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Victoria Room – Roof Preservation (2002)



Replicated wood rafter profiles in aluminum with high performance white coating, new safety laminated glass, restored cresting and finial and automated roof vent sash.

Gallery Room - 2013

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Gallery Room– Roof Preservation (2013)



Replicated wood rafter profiles in aluminum with high performance white coating, new safety laminated glass.

South Conservatory - 2015

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South Conservatory– Roof Preservation (2015)



Replicated wood rafter profiles in aluminum with high performance white coating, new safety laminated glass. Return historic glass spacing, sizing and ornamental cresting ridge element.

Serpentine Room - 2016

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Serpentine Room - Roof Preservation (2016)



Replicated wood rafter profiles in aluminum with high performance white coating, new safety laminated glass.

Palm Court - 2018

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Palm Court - Roof Preservation (2018)



Replicated wood rafter profiles in aluminum with high performance white coating, new safety laminated glass, returned Historic Ogee Roof Structure and ornamental features.

Fruit & Spice Room - 2019

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Fruit & Spice Room – Roof Preservation (2019)



Replicated wood rafter profiles in aluminum with high performance white coating, new safety laminated glass.

West Wing Fern, Stove & Orchid Rooms 2020-2021

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West Wing - Roof Preservation (2020-21)



Replicated wood rafter profiles in aluminum with high performance white coating, new laminated safety glass, painting/coating of structural elements & gutters, & new insect screening & vent motors .

East Wing Broderie Room 2022 & East Room 2023

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East Wing – Broderie Restoration



Replicated wood rafter profiles in aluminum with high performance white coating, new laminated safety glass, painting/coating of structural elements, new gutters, sills, sidewall window vents, critter screening & vent motors.

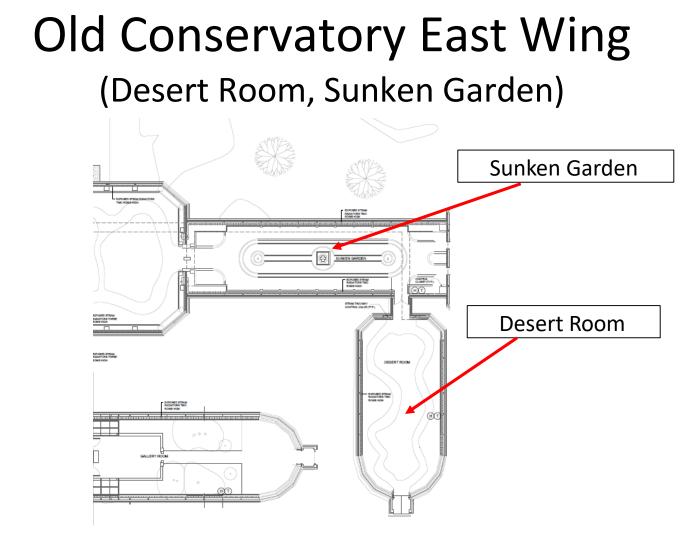
East Wing Desert Room 2023 & Sunken Garden 2023

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PHIPPS CONSERVATORY DESERT ROOM & SUNKEN GARDEN RESTORATIONS

STAGES OF WORK TO BE PERFORMED:

- Removal of the existing roof plexiglass glazing, rafters, and flashings.
- Removal of gutters, sills, and sidewall window vents.
- Cleaning and repairing of the steel and cast iron structure and gutters.
- Painting of the steel and cast iron with a high performance paint coating.
- Installation of replicated aluminum roof rafters to match original wood rafters.
- Installation of new flashings, gutter adapters and glazing systems connectors.
- Installation of new gutters, sills, and sidewall window vents.
- Installation of new laminated safety glass with aluminum bar caps.
- Installation of new high efficiency LED lighting and de-stratification fans

PROJECT SCHEDULE:

Desert - May 2023 to October 2023 Sunken Garden - May 2024 to October 2024

East Wing – Desert Room



East Wing – Desert Room

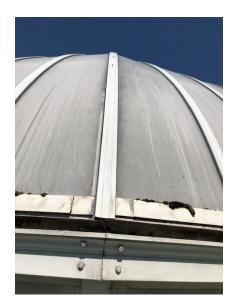




East Wing – Sunken Garden







- East Wing last renovated in 1988
- Work did not conform to historic Victorian glasshouse standard (rafter spacing, barcaps, plexiglass)
- Victoria Room first restored to historic standard in 2002
- Broderie Room restoration in 2022
- East and Desert Room restorations planned for 2023