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## New Parrish Construction Continues Apace

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Parrish Art Museum Director Terrie Sultan at the site of the new museum in Water Mill. DANA SHAW

Parrish trustee Tim Davis called the construction of the new Parrish a "milestone." He said he shares Ms. Sultan's excitement at the prospect of exhibiting the permanent collection and being able, as he wrote in an email, "to provide access to a collection of world-renowned works of art to the community and the world for generations to come."

He credits Ms. Sultan's "superb leadership" for keeping the project moving on schedule and within the anticipated budget, while also praising the entire team for their work on what he sees as a monumental project.

Ms. Sultan talked confidently about the museum's opening, when the permanent collection will be featured in a major portion of the galleries. The temporary exhibit for the opening will be announced closer to the date.

Since taking over as director, Ms. Sultan has worked to extend the Parrish's community outreach, in

keeping with her vision of the museum as "a real center for cultural engagement." Besides live broadcasts of theater, opera and ballet, she said she anticipates expanding the program of films, book signings, artist talks, lectures and concerts in the new space.

"We'll just do more when we are able," she said simply.

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