

WTC Timeline

April 30, 1921	Port Authority established
September 20, 1962	Port Authority selects Minoru Yamasaki as architect of the World Trade Center
March 21, 1966	Demolition begins of 13 blocks of “Radio Row”
August 5, 1966	Groundbreaking for World Trade Center construction
April 4, 1973	Ribbon cutting ceremony
May, 1980	Larry Silverstein wins bid to build Seven World Trade Center
May 23, 1987	Seven World Trade Center opens
February 26, 1993	WTC bombing attack
July 24, 2001	Larry Silverstein signs a 99-year ground lease for the WTC site
September 11, 2001	World Trade Center complex destroyed in terrorist attacks
November 29, 2001	Lower Manhattan Development Corporation formed
May 7, 2002	Larry Silverstein begins construction on the new 7 WTC
May 30, 2002	Official end date of 9/11 recovery and clean up
February 27, 2003	Daniel Libeskind’s “Memory Foundation” master plan selected by LMDC
January 7, 2004	Michael Arad’s “Reflecting Absence” design selected for 9/11 Memorial
July 4, 2004	Freedom Tower cornerstone ceremony
October 22, 2004	7 WTC topping out
June 28, 2005	Final SOM design of One World Trade Center unveiled
September 7, 2005	Port Authority begins construction of Santiago Calatrava’s transportation hub
May 23, 2006	7 World Trade Center opens (tenants include Moody’s, BMI, Omnicom, WilmerHale, Fast Company, Inc. magazines)
September 7, 2006	Silverstein unveils designs for 2 WTC (Norman Foster), 3 WTC (Richard Rogers) and 4 WTC (Fumihiko Maki)
December 19, 2006	First Steel Column placed for the Freedom Tower
March 26, 2009	Port Authority renames the Freedom Tower “One World Trade Center”
September 11, 2011	9/11 Memorial Plaza opens on the 10 th anniversary of 9/11
April 30, 2012	One WTC surpasses Empire State Building as New York’s tallest building
June 27, 2012	4 WTC Topping Out
August 27, 2012	CUNY’s Fiterman Hall opens

October 29, 2012	Hurricane Sandy devastates Lower Manhattan
November 13, 2013	4 WTC opens (tenants include The City of NY, The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, Spotify, SNY, MediaMath)
November 2014	Performing Arts Center selects architecture firm REX
November 3, 2014	One WTC opens
May 14, 2015	9/11 Museum opens
March 3, 2016	WTC Oculus and PATH station opens
June 23, 2016	3 WTC topping out
June 29, 2016	Liberty Park opens
June 11, 2018	3 WTC opens (tenants include GroupM, Diageo, Uber, McKinsey, HRT)
September 8, 2018	Cortlandt Street subway station reopens at WTC
May 31, 2019	9/11 Memorial opens The Glade
February 11, 2021	Port Authority and LMDC select Silverstein Properties and Brookfield Properties to develop 5 WTC as a residential tower
June 23, 2021	Performing Arts Center topping out
November 22, 2021	Frank Stella's "Jasper's Split Star" sculpture installed in the Silverstein Family Park in front of 7 World Trade Center.
August 24, 2022	Freshfields inks 15 year, 180K SF lease at 3 World Trade Center
July 2023	Beverly Barkat's "Earth Poetica" sculpture installed in the lobby of 3 World Trade Center
September 2023	The Perelman Performing Arts Center opens
September 2024	Larry Silverstein publishes WTC memoir, "The Rising"