Arts Center demo process will take 90-120 days

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Demolition will begin on the Cain Center for the Arts future site Sept. 10.

Sept. 2. <u>Cain Center for the Arts</u> will move an important step forward on Sept. 10, when demolition will begin on the center's future site. Two existing blue metal buildings which have recently been vacated will be demolished while the third structure, an historic cotton gin, will be carefully dismantled piece by piece.

"It will all begin with a series of demolition ceremonies that will take place throughout the morning," said Justin Dionne, executive director. The 10 am ceremony will be broadcast live and everyone is invited to tune in via live feed on the Cain Facebook page.

Three mayors

Among the elected officials on hand will be the Mayors of Huntersville, Cornelius, and Davidson. "This is an exciting step forward at an exciting time for this important regional project," said Cornelius Mayor Woody Washam.

When complete, Cain Center for the Arts will include a 400-seat theater, gallery space, event spaces, three classrooms, a community green space and an outdoor plaza.

The demolition is slated to take 90-120 days and will be performed by Griffin Brothers Companies, an in-kind gift from the company.

Downtown anchor

Cain Center for the Arts will anchor the emerging Arts District in downtown Cornelius, and will serve a four-county community made up of 300,000 Lake Norman residents.

To receive the most up-to-date reminders and announcements about the unveiling events, the public can follow Cain Center for the Arts on social media, or sign up for e-blasts on the center's website: cainarts.org.