Between Loop and Lake
A Network of Great Downtown Chicago Landscapes

Join the designers of some of Chicago’s most successful civic landscapes on a journey through Dan Kiley’s South Garden of the Art Institute, Millennium Park, Maggie Daley Park, and the Park at Lakeshore East. Along the way, get the inside scoop on the development history, initial design concepts, and detailed decisions that shaped each place.

Learning Objectives
1. Explore several of Chicago’s greatest civic landscapes with the designers themselves as you explore a linked network of open spaces between Chicago’s Loop and Lakefront
2. Understand the initial design process of major projects through an examination of early design concepts, sketches, infrastructure implications and the climate for economic development
3. Learn how complex design teams consisting of world renowned landscape architects, urban designers, artists and developers collaborated to create successful high-profile civic projects
4. Understand great public spaces from the urban and development scale to the detailed design decisions and tactics that bring these places to life
Joe Karr, FASLA, had the opportunity to work on and carry through to completion a number of significant projects during his time at the Office of Dan Kiley including work on the South Garden of the Art Institute of Chicago from 1963-1966. While at Kiley's office, Joe also worked on: The Ford Foundation Atrium, New York City, and the Oakland Museum Roof Garden, Oakland, CA, both with Kevin Roche John Dinkeloo & Associates; North Christian Church, Columbus, IN, with Eero Saarinen & Associates; Fredonia College Master Plan, Fredonia, NY, with I.M. Pei & Partners; and the Central District Filtration Plant, Chicago, IL with C. F. Murphy & Associates. In the spring of 1969, Karr left the Kiley office to start his own practice, Joe Karr and Associates, which he led for 35 years in Chicago. Joe is now retired and living in Chicago.
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South Garden of the Art Institute of Chicago

Garden Plan drawn by Joe Karr at Office of Dan Kiley - February 1965
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Millennium Park

**Millennium Park**
Planning: Skidmore, Owings and Merrill
Design: Multiple firms with Terry Guen Design Associates
Year: Completed in 2002

Agenda
- Key themes of the tour: - Energized walk with Millennium Park’s Landscape Architect
- Park history and design significance
- Planting philosophy, palette, management
- Massive Green Roof construction stories
- Comprehensive overview of Millennium Park at the “Bean” sculpture
- Loop around the Great Lawn and Gehry Pavilion
- Tour through Lurie Garden

Notes

Presenter: 
Terry Guen, FASLA, is Millennium Park’s Landscape Architect, and Chicago-based designer of iconic, well-loved public spaces around Chicago and the lakefront. Terry serves as Landscape Architect, Presidential appointee to the federal Advisory Council for Historic Preservation, and on regional agency councils focused on building a greater ecological and resilient Chicago. Terry Guen Design Associates (TGDA) recently teamed with MVVA on Maggie Daley Park, and JCFO for the Navy Pier Pierscape Renovations. TGDA designs create healthy, beautiful places, to revitalize our Neighborhoods, Downtown, and Region, filling them with nature. TGDA projects show that urban ecosystem/ green infrastructure/ urban design can create healthier environments with social and economic benefits, for ongoing generations. While in Chicago please visit our Printer’s Row studio, or www.tgda.net. @TGDAinc
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Millennium Park

Park Tree Species Plan

ASLA 2015 Millennium Park Tour
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Maggie Daley Park

Maggie Daley Park
Designer: Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates
Year: Completed in 2015

Presenter:
Matthew Urbanski,
ASLA

Matthew is a Principal of MVVA where he has worked for over two decades and has been part of the project leadership for almost every major project of the firm. He lectures frequently on the expanding role of landscape architecture in urban design and the emerging recognition of parks as the engines of the livable city. Matthew is an Adjunct Associate Professor at Harvard’s Graduate School of Design.

Agenda
• Introduction
  • A brief introduction to the project.
  • Early stages, community process and project timeline.
• Project Vision
  • Significance and context of the site.
  • Edges and accessibility.
  • Park inception and spatial strategies.
• Programmatic Elements and Design Principles
  • Skating Ribbon
  • Climbing Park
  • Play Garden
  • Lawn Valley and Picnic Groves
  • Planting
• Technical Challenges
  • Weight constraints.
  • Noise and wind mitigation.
  • Phasing / Coordination with waterproofing improvements.
• Sustainability and Reuse of Existing Materials
  • Soil blending and manufacturing.
  • Lightweight Geofoam.
  • Upside down trees, planks, and benches.

Notes
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Maggie Daley Park
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The Park at Lakeshore East

The Park at Lakeshore East
Planning: Skidmore, Owings and Merrill
Designer: Office of James Burnett, Site Design Group
Year: Completed in 2001

Agenda
- Overview of the park at the top of the stairs overlooking the project
- An extension of Field Street's axis, the Grand Stair offers a commanding view of the park and accommodates the 25' grade differential created by Chicago's 3-tiered transit system
- Two sweeping promenades serve as the primary circulation across the site
- Each promenade features a series of fountain basins
- Various seating areas
- Ornamental gardens
- Children's garden
- Dog park
- Event lawn

Notes

Presenter: Chip Tragesor, ASLA
Chip Trageser, ASLA, is a licensed landscape architect with over 24 years of professional experience. As principal, his responsibilities include design direction and operational management for the Houston, Texas office. He is currently overseeing the design of the Levy Park in Houston, Hughes Landing Mixed-Use Development in The Woodlands, Tx, Springwoods Village in Spring, Tx, and the 5th Street Promenade at Baylor University. Chip was the Principal-in-Charge of the Park at Lakeshore East in Chicago and the Brochstein Pavilion at Rice University with Thomas Phifer and Partners. A 1990 graduate of Louisiana State University, Chip’s work has been recognized with a number of professional design awards.

Presenter: Robert Sit, AIA
As a founding partner of site design group, ltd., Robert K. Sit provides expertise in the architecture, business management, and technology development for the firm. Robert’s architecture projects have included the design of numerous restaurant, retail, and institutional projects in the Chicago area. He is member of the American Institute of Architects, and contributes to the profession through continued advocacy and education. Robert is involved in fund raising for numerous non-for-profits while promoting music and the arts.
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The Park at Lakeshore East

Preliminary Neighborhood Park Plan
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Itinerary and Route

Itinerary

7:45  Published start time. Attendees will begin boarding bus at this point, with an anticipated departure time of 8:00 am
8am  Board bus from McCormick to 224 S. Michigan Ave (SOM offices)
8:15  Begin breakfast and introduction presentation in SOM large presentation room: Cameron Barradale
9:15  Conclude introduction presentation and walk across Michigan Avenue to meet Joe Karr at the Kiley Garden.
9:30  Commence Kiley Garden Tour with Joe.
10:00 Conclude Garden Tour and walk down Michigan Avenue to “the Bean”
10:10 Meet Terry Guen at “the Bean”. Commence Millennium Park Tour with Terry.
11:10 Conclude Millennium Park tour and walk across BP Bridge to Maggie Daley Park.
11:10 Meet Matt Urbanski at Maggie Daley Park for tour.
11:55 Conclude Maggie Daley Park tour and walk to Lakeshore East.
12:00 Meet Chip Trageser and Robert Sit at entrance to Lakeshore East. Commence Lakeshore East tour with Chip and Robert.
12:45 Conclude Lakeshore East tour. Lunch on your own in Lakeshore East (Mariano’s food court, Mezcalina, Eggy’s Diner are immediate options)
1:45  Leave for McCormick Place via bus waiting at Lakeshore East entrance on westbound Randolph Street
2:00 Arrive at McCormick Place

Route (approximate)