The Park at Lakeshore East

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

YEAR	2004–2005
SIZE	5.3 acres
USE	Urban park, botanical garden, promenades, fountain basins, seating areas, ornamental gardens, playground, dog park, event lawn

> The design, which evolved, exceeded our expectations and produced a botanical garden incorporating very creative landscape features and elements... Throughout the development of the park, the Burnett firm was readily available at a moment's notice. The design and resulting cost met our budget parameters and timing."
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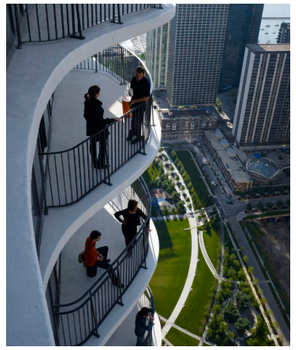
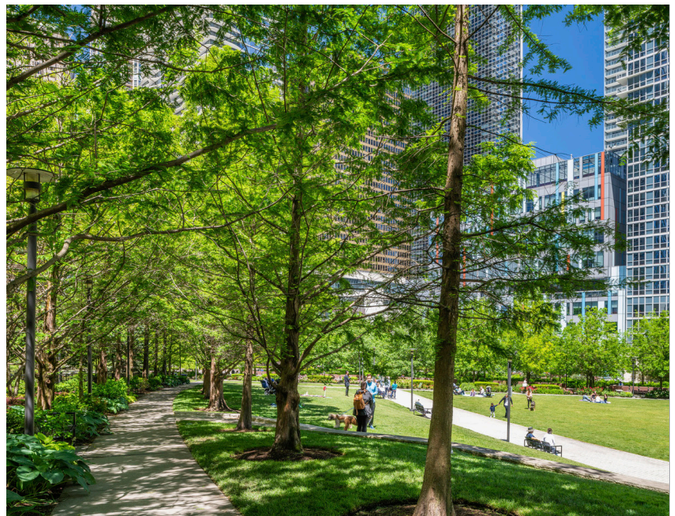
> - JOEL M. CARLINS, LAKESHORE EAST LLC



The Park at Lakeshore East is a 5.3-acre urban park that is the central amenity of the 28-acre Lakeshore East development in Chicago's Inner Loop. Overlooking the confluence of the Chicago River and Lake Michigan, Lakeshore East is a $4 billion redevelopment that includes 4,950 residential units, 1,500 hotel rooms, 2.2M gross square feet of commercial space, 770,000 square feet of retail space and an elementary school.



+ The Park serves as a front yard to the thousands of Chicagoans living and working in Lakeshore East, and has a botanical garden with over 500 trees and over 100 varieties of perennials and annuals.
+ It provides direct connections to the city's lakefront and a Pedway system.
+ Two sweeping promenades serve as the primary circulation across the Park, and each features a series of fountain basins, seating areas, and ornamental gardens.
+ An extension of Field Street's axis, the Grand Stair offers a commanding view of the park and accommodates the 25-foot grade differential created by Chicago's three-tiered transit system.
+ Additional amenities include a children's garden, dog park, and event lawn.

MAJOR AWARDS

2020	ASLA Illinois Chapter Landmark Award
2006	ASLA Texas Chapter Honor Award, Design
2004	ASLA Texas Chapter Honor Award, Planning and Analysis
2002	AIA Excellence in Regional and Urban Design