

Chicago's awesome parks completely caught me by surprise. It's so great to see a city that recognizes architecture, landscape and the arts as equal and integral elements in park design. Scenes from Millennium Park reflect the diversity of function and mood created by plant use. Lurie Garden (left) is a meadow in the center of the city, just south of the Great Lawn (right), open space for 7,000 people to attend concerts and other events. The aluminum frame over the lawn provides enclosure and supports the superb sound system. In the background is Cloud Gate (a.k.a. "the bean") a polished metal sculpture reflecting sky and skyline. And there's so much more that you'll just have to see for yourself!



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