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CHICAGO'S NEW MILLENNIUM PARK WINS TRAVEL & LEISURE DESIGN AWARD FOR "BEST PUBLIC SPACE", AND THE AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION "PROJECT OF THE YEAR" AWARD

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Chicago's new Millennium Park has won more than 30 prestigious awards since opening last July – including the 2005 Travel & Leisure Design Award for "Best Public Space", which was bestowed at a reception in New York on February 17, and the American Public Works Association's "Project of the Year" Award, which was presented on March 17.

An article about the awards in the Travel and Leisure's March edition praised the Park, saying: "...what's admirable about the park is its simultaneous embodiment of aesthetic risk-taking and public service. It's a place that represents, in the words of the jury, a 'transformation of this American city."

"Millennium Park is a crowning achievement for the people of Chicago and a dramatic example of a successful public-private partnership," said Mayor Richard M. Daley. "These awards are a testament to our great City and to its many citizens whose hard work and vision made Millennium Park possible."

Partial List of Millennium Park Awards – 04/12/05

- Chicago Architecture Foundation Patron of the Year
 - o Mayor Richard M. Daley
 - o John H. Bryan, Chairman
 - The Crown Family for the Crown Fountain, designed by Jaume Plensa with Krueck & Sexton Architects
 - Miguel d'Escoto and the City of Chicago Department of Transportation for the Millennium Park Bicycle Station, designed by Muller & Muller
 - Joan W. and Irving B. Harris for the Harris Theater for Music and Dance,
 by Hammond Beeby Rupert Ainge
 - o BP for the BP Bridge, designed by Gehry Partners
 - o The Pritzker Family for the Pritzker Pavilion, designed by Gehry Partners
 - Joan Harris for the Joan W. and Irving B. Harris Theater for Music and Dance
 - o Edward K. Uhlir, FAIA, Design Director of the Millennium Park Project
- Illinois Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architecture
- American Council of Engineering Companies Grand Award

Millennium Park Awards/ADD ONE

- Special Events Magazine
 - o Millennium Park Opening Gala Most Outstanding Spectacle
 - Millennium Park Opening Gala Best Event Produced for a Non-Profit Organization
- American Public Works Association Project of the Year.
- Travel and Leisure 2005 Design Awards Best Public Space
- Chicago Tribune Chicagoan of the Year Award: John H. Bryan
- Chicago Magazine Chicagoans of the Year: John H. Bryan
- Keep Chicago Beautiful Environmental Vision Award
- Society of American Registered Architects 2004 Distinguished Building Award for Outstanding Green Architecture and Urban Environment
- Society of American Registered Architects 2004 Special Service Award: Edward K. Uhlir, FAIA
- Illinois Engineering Excellence Award
- McGraw Hill Construction Award of Merit: Cultural
- Wallpaper* Design Awards Best Public Space
- St. Louis Post-Dispatch Best New City Attraction
- Midwest Construction Best of 2004
 - Owner and Developer of the Year: Public Building Commission of Chicago
 - Award of Merit: Cultural
 - Project of the Year, Site/Landscaping: The Crown Fountain,
- Illinois Chapter of the American Civil Engineering Council Engineering Excellence Awards Competition: Eminent Conceptor Award
- The 11th Annual March of Dimes Construction & Transportation Awards –
 Construction Award: Millennium Park
- Hispanic American Construction Industry Association Project of the Year
- Association of Licensed Architects' 2004 Silver Medal: Millennium Park Bike Station
- Mayor's Business Council Award of Excellence in Public/Private Partnership
- Chicago Metropolitan Chapter of the American Public Works Association -Project of the Year: Structures More than \$10 million
- Green Roofs for Healthy Cities 2005 Green Roof Award of Excellence (Intensive/Industrial Category)
- Paralyzed Veterans of America 2005 Barrier Free America Award

Special Recognition

- National Organization of Minority Architects
- Northeast Illinois Chapter of the American Institute of Architects

About Millennium Park:

Millennium Park is located in downtown Chicago, between Michigan Avenue, Columbus Drive, Randolph and Monroe streets. Arrive by bike and park for free in the Millennium Park Bicycle Station at Randolph Street and Columbus Drive. The park is accessible by CTA. Adjacent public parking is available.

For more information about this event, or general information about Millennium Park, please visit www.millenniumpark.org or call 312.744.6630.

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