

Welcome to the Park



Channel Center Park

130 A Street, Boston MA

Halvorson Design Partnership

Grass, concrete, softscape,
wood

2.2 acres

2014

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Site Analysis & Context

Channel Center Park is located to the west of Fort Point at Channel Center. One side faces A Street, while two others are backed by One Channel Center, an office building, and the Channel Center Garage. The other side faces the Artists for Humanity building. The park is an oasis for residents in a previously industrial area, and still largely commercial district. The park is utilized not only by residents of Fort Point, but also people who work in the area.



History and Creation

The 2.2 acre park opened 2014 in combination with other new development as a part of the 100 Acres Master Plan for Fort Point Channel. Among the materials present in the park are reclaimed wood and existing marble blocks. These materials help celebrate the history of the industrial site. Both have been utilized to add seating opportunities. The marble blocks are integrated into a hillside, positioned to overlook a dog park, while reclaimed wood is put to new use as long benches near the playground. The circulation paths allow for new pedestrian access, and strolls through the park.



Program

The park includes multiple distinctive programmatic elements. One of the main attractions is a playground for children. The playspace incorporates a small circular lawn, child size furniture and a rolling hill. The rubber surface is perfect for running, jumping and active play. The park also includes a community garden and a half court basketball area, complete with benches for those who choose to watch the activities. The court is adjacent to a large open lawn as well as a fenced-in dog park, where dogs can run freely.