Kiener Plaza: A City Park in the Heart of Downtown

Featuring native Missouri plants, a bistro area, splash pad, and a children’s play area

Kiener Plaza was built as a memorial to Harry J. Kiener (1881–1960), an amateur sportsman and member of the USA Track & Field team at the 1904 Olympics, held in St. Louis in 1904 during the World’s Fair. The Plaza’s centerpiece is a pool and fountain containing a statue known as “The Runner” by Lithuanian-born immigrant William Zorach to honor the former Olympian, Harry Kiener, a USA Track & Field member who competed at the 1904 Olympics, eventually becoming a steel company executive and philanthropist.

New Improvements Coming Soon to Kiener Plaza

A new Visitor Services & Maintenance Building is coming to Kiener Plaza. The building will include a workspace for onsite security and provide storage and support space for events and maintenance. This project is a collaboration with our partners, Great Rivers Greenway, Explore St. Louis, and Jefferson National Parks Association to provide visitor information and shopping for St. Louis themed gifts. Work on the new building is expected to be complete by Fall 2021.

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SUNRISE YOGA

Tuesdays All Summer. Sunrise Yoga on Kiener Plaza. Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m. with Yoga Buzz.

SPLASH PAD

Opens in Kiener Plaza

JUNE 13

MONCHEN YOUR PARK

Celebrate the beauty of Gateway Arch National Park, reserve your basket today!

B.A.R.K. RANGER

Gateway Arch National Park is a Dog Friendly Park! Stay tuned for more information about events for you and your furry friends. B.A.R.K. Ranger is a nationwide NPS program.

BLUES AT THE ARCH

Virtual concert series returns Fridays in August at archpark.org

SUNRISE YOGA RETURNS TO KIENER PLAZA

Tuesday mornings at 7:30 a.m.

SPLASH PAD OPENS FOR MEMORIAL DAY!

OCTOBER

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ICONIC EVENING

Iconic Evening with Chef Gerard Craft. Save the date, this event will sell out!

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A letter from our Executive Director

Greetings Gateway Arch Park Foundation Supporters and friends,

My name is Tarona Armstrong, Deputy Superintendent at Gateway Arch National Park. I relocated to St. Louis at the end of December from President William Jefferson Clinton Birthplace Home National Historic Site in Hope, Arkansas, where I served as the Superintendent since 2014.

It is an honor to join the team that has been entrusted with the responsibility of preserving and leading such an iconic park that reflects St. Louis’ role in the westward expansion of the United States, which includes St. Louis Old Courthouse – the site of hundreds of suits for freedom and the first two trials of the pivotal Dred Scott case in 1846 and 1850. It was also where Virginia Minor’s case for a woman’s right to vote came to trial in 1872.

I am eager now to work alongside the world-class park staff, partners, local community, and supporters that help maintain and sustain Gateway Arch National Park. The Gateway Arch is open for visitors and there is plenty of room to safely enjoy the 91-acre park, the newly redesigned museum, and the 630-foot view from the top. I invite you to come see us this summer.

Sincerely,

Tarona Armstrong
Deputy Superintendent, Gateway Arch National Park

Get to Know

Introducing Tarona Armstrong

Deputy Superintendent, Gateway Arch National Park

In a year unlike any other, our region’s defining symbol served as an icon of hope, strength, and pride for so many, and the significance of the 91-acre urban park surrounding St. Louis’ beloved monument has never been more apparent and important. Now more than ever, people need parks.

The pandemic has underscored just how crucial urban green spaces are to our mental health and physical wellbeing, as well as our community’s overall quality of life. Over the past few months, St. Louisans have consistently turned to Gateway Arch National Park for fresh air, exercise, socially distanced gathering, and ultimately, to find a sense of peace.

Throughout 2020, Gateway Arch Park Foundation continued to work to ensure the park remains a vital, welcoming, and well-supported resource for all. Because of our supporters, we were able to support necessary repairs to museum exhibits, invest in new infrastructure like free public Wi-Fi, and help plant and care for our urban national park’s expansive grounds. These and the many other accomplishments were made possible by the support from the community over the past year.

One of the silver linings to the past year was the unwavering generosity and spirited commitment of our many individual friends and corporate and foundation partners. Your support – past, present, and future – is what helps us keep Gateway Arch National Park accessible, beautiful, and relevant. Thank you for supporting a national treasure!

Ryan McClure
Executive Director, Gateway Arch Park Foundation

Donors to Gateway Arch Park Foundation provide the support needed to help preserve and activate Gateway Arch National Park. Be our partner in making an impact on this international symbol of St. Louis. Foundation members are the driving force behind projects that will maintain Gateway Arch National Park for our community and nation. By joining today, YOU are making this incredible urban national park a vital and well-supported resource for generations to come.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Kittle
President, and Executive Director, Enterprise Holdings Foundation

William (Bill) DeWitt III
President, St. Louis Cardinals

Laura Ellenhorn, President, Edward Jones

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Donald M. Suggs, Partner and Executive Editor, St. Louis American

A Monumental Experience

Become a steward of an international icon and enjoy special member benefits throughout the year, which may include:

- "Tram Rides to the Top" passes
- Complimentary Parking Passes
- Special Member only Events and Experiences
- Riverfront Cruise, Café, and Shopping Discounts

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GATEWAY ARCH NATIONAL PARK SUMMER HOURS

Saturday, September 25

9 a.m.-8 p.m. beginning Saturday, May 20 through Labor Day.

NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY AT GATEWAY ARCH NATIONAL PARK

ARCH STORE TO GO

The summertime pop-up of the iconic gift shop at the Gateway Arch, located just outside the Arch Visitor Center, is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., starting Memorial Day. Gateway Arch Park Foundation members receive a 10% discount on purchases.
10 Facts About the Gateway Arch

2. Construction finally began on February 12, 1963, and was completed on October 28, 1965.
3. Finnish architect Eero Saarinen won the international design competition with the Arch design.
4. The arch is as tall as it is wide. The shape is known as a catenary curve and stands 630 feet tall and 630 feet wide.
5. The Arch’s two legs were built separately, and if their measurements were off by as little as 1/64th of an inch, they would not have been able to join at the top.
6. The Tram Ride to the Top was designed by Dick Bowser. It took him two weeks to come up with the concept that is part elevator and part Ferris wheel.
7. There are 1,076 steps leading to the top of the Arch. By comparison, the Washington Monument has 897, and the Statue of Liberty has 162.
8. May 25, 1968 – Dedication of the Gateway Arch by Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey
10. August 10, 1976 – Completion and public opening of the Museum of Westward Expansion

Picnic in Your Park

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teway Arch Park Foundation Friends Advisory Board invites you to celebrate the beauty of Gateway Arch National Park at the inaugural Picnic in Your Park benefit to raise awareness and critical funds for park conservation, education, and community programs.

Your basket will include everything you need to enjoy your picnic! Check in at the North Gateway off Washington Avenue near the Eads Bridge and accessed via Laclede’s Landing between noon and 2 p.m. on Sunday, June 13, to pick up your prepacked Foundation picnic basket to enjoy at your leisure anywhere on park grounds or in your own backyard. Follow the signs for pick-up — we will welcome you, check you in, deliver your basket and wish you a happy day picnicking, with masks and social distancing protocols in place. Accompanying your basket will be a QR code for short virtual messages and the perfect playlist to enjoy while picnicking. Because of COVID-19 restrictions, there will be no defined picnic area, tables, or chairs. We encourage you to bring your own camp chairs and/or picnic blanket and find your perfect spot!

As you start to think about where you might like to enjoy your picnic, please keep the applicable Leave No Trace principles in mind to help us conserve, preserve, and keep Gateway Arch National Park beautiful, vibrant, and welcoming!

Picnic in Your Park will take place rain or shine! In the event of inclement weather baskets will be available for curbside pick-up for you to enjoy at home.

VISIT ARCHPARK.ORG/PICNIC TO PURCHASE YOUR BASKET TODAY!

Volunteer Update

We are excited to announce our new co-managed Volunteer Program between Gateway Arch National Park and Gateway Arch Park Foundation. This co-managed program will build upon the already existing Volunteers-in-Parks (VIP) program at Gateway Arch National Park.

In the near future, new and current volunteers will have the opportunity to participate in many meaningful positions from event support, museum rovers, grounds support, and administrative roles. Be on the lookout for Volunteer updates on our website and social media pages.

Interested in getting involved? Please visit www.archpark.org/support/volunteer to learn more or contact Meagan Patterson at meagan.patterson@archpark.org.
Host a Monumental Event

The Gateway Arch is the perfect place to host your next event. Our dynamic new spaces are ideal for social gatherings, weddings, and corporate events that are sure to make a lasting impression.

MEZZANINE
The beautiful mezzanine of the Museum at the Gateway Arch is welcoming to visitors and can easily be transformed into a dynamic venue for a variety of events.

Price: $5,000 (up to 4 hours)
Capacity: • Seated Dinner: 150 • Standing Cocktail Reception: 200

TRAM LOBBY
With beautiful architectural features and a 100-foot-wide video wall, the Tram Lobby is sure to create a dramatic backdrop for any event.

Price: $10,000 (up to 4 hours)
Capacity: • Seated Dinner: 600 • Standing Cocktail Reception: 700

MUSEUM AT THE GATEWAY ARCH ALL ACCESS EXPERIENCE
Wowie your guests with an all-access private night exploring the entire Museum at the Gateway Arch.

Price: $22,500 (up to 4 hours)
Capacity: • Seated Dinner in the Tram Lobby: 600 • Multi-level reception including Tram Lobby and Mezzanine: 900 – 1,000

TO BOOK YOUR NEXT EVENT, PLEASE VISIT WWW.ARCHPARK.ORG/PRIVATEEVENTS

Experience What’s New

Visit the Museum at the Gateway Arch