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Photos: Dallas' Klyde Warren Park finds a regular rhythm in its first week



Lara Solt/Staff Photographer Serenity descended on the darkened park as a couple strolled through the arches of the Jane's Lane walkway on Thursday evening.

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At 5:18 p.m. Thursday, Rob Quinter was lying on his stomach in locust pose, blissfully unaware of the rush-hour drivers below him.

The first week of operation at Klyde Warren Park saw hundreds of people participating in yoga and other scheduled and spontaneous events every day and night.

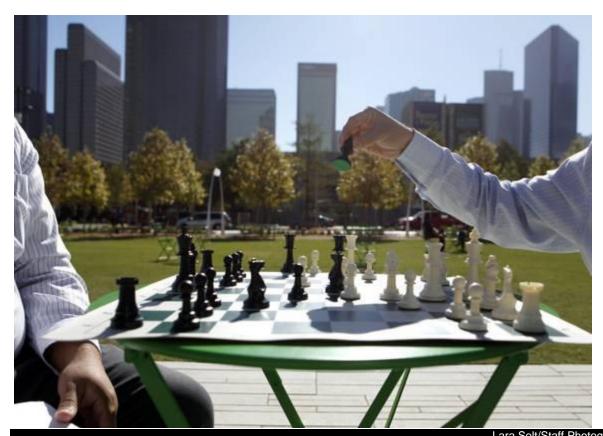
"We have been blown away," said Celia Barshop, vice president of business affairs for the deck park over Woodall Rodgers Freeway. Counts show attendance has grown every day.

The only problems Barshop noted from the first week were minor and are being fixed: the need for more trash cans and the lack of dispensers for bags to collect you-know-what left by dogs.

Barshop's favorite moment of the week is one that kept happening: people's jaws dropping as they asked, "This is all free?"



Lara Solt/Staff Photographer Women stretched on the Ginsburg Family Great Lawn during Tuesday's "Stroller Boot Camp" workout session hosted by the YMCA.



Lara Solt/Staff Photographer Thomas Guerrero (right), operations manager at the nearby Crow Collection of Asian Art, got in a quick game of chess with Abe Carrillo before holding a staff meeting at Klyde Warren Park on Tuesday.



Lara Solt/Staff Photographer
An outdoor staff meeting gave Crow Collection employees the chance to get out of the office while still getting some work done on Tuesday.



Lara Solt/Staff Photographer Charlotte Connell, 3, danced in a water feature along the Hart Boulevard walkway on Tuesday.



Lara Solt/Staff Photographer
The Relish food truck was already drawing a crowd Tuesday. The grab-and-go kiosk by chef John
Coleman will get a permanent home next year alongside the park's restaurant, Savor.



Lara Solt/Staff Photographer Ronda Van Dyk (center) of the Shabby Sheep yarn shop and members of the Dallas Yarn Bombers gave knitting lessons Tuesday in the Dallas Morning News Reading and Games Room, amid trees "yarn bombed" with colorful creations.



Lara Solt/Staff Photographer Harper (left) and Carly Courrege, 16-month-old twins, curled up with a good book Wednesday in the lending library racks at the Dallas Morning News Reading and Games Room at Klyde Warren Park.



Lara Solt/Staff Photographer Marlene Stern (center) taught Vince Pentecost (left) how to play Mah Jongg on Wednesday in the Dallas Morning News Reading and Games Room.



Lara Solt/Staff Photographer Singer and keyboardist Melani L. Skybell entertained the park's visitors during the lunch hour Wednesday. The American Federation of Musicians provides the accompaniment twice a week.



Lara Solt/Staff Photographer Rob Quinter and his dog, Reggie, tried out yoga for the first time during Bikram Yoga Dallas' class at Klyde Warren Park on Thursday.



Lara Solt/Staff Photographer Austin Jarvis tried his hand at croquet during the YMCA's weekly league Thursday evening.