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**Crown Fountain in Millennium Park**

201 E. Randolph St., between Michigan Ave and Columbus Ave
Chicago IL 60602
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Crown Fountain in Millennium Park

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Designed by Spanish artist **Jaume Plensa**, the **Crown Fountain** in **Millennium Park** is a major addition to the city's world-renowned public art collection.

The fountain consists of two 50-foot glass block towers at each end of a shallow reflecting pool. The towers project video images from a broad social spectrum of Chicago citizens, a reference to the traditional use of gargoyles in fountains, where faces of mythological beings were sculpted with open mouths to allow water, a symbol of life, to flow out.

Plensa adapted this practice by having faces of Chicago citizens projected on LED screens and having water flow through an outlet in the screen to give the illusion of water spouting from their mouths. The collection of faces, Plensa's tribute to Chicagoans, was taken from a cross-section of 1,000 residents.

The fountain's water features operate during the year between mid-spring and mid-fall, while the images remain on view year-round.

Millennium Park is located in the heart of **downtown Chicago**. It is bordered by Michigan Avenue to the west, Columbus Drive to the east, Randolph Street to the north and Monroe Street to the south. For more information on shopping, dining and attractions near Millennium Park, visit [Explore Chicago's neighborhood page](#).

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Location:

201 E. Randolph St., between Michigan Ave and Columbus Ave
Chicago, IL 60602

Hours:

Daily, 6am – 11pm

Admission:

FREE

Website:

For additional information please visit <http://www.millenniumpark.org>

Accessibility:

The following services are available for persons with disabilities:

- Accessible entrance(s)
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For more information and reservations call 312.742.1168, TTY: 312.744.2947

Public Transportation:

From the Green, Orange, Brown, Pink and Purple Line Express elevated lines, exit at the Madison/Wabash or Randolph/Wabash stations and walk two blocks east. From the Red and Blue Line subways, exit at Monroe or Washington stations and walk two or three blocks east. The park is also served by buses 3, 4, 6, 14, 20, 56, 60, 124, 151, 157 and 173. During weekday rush periods only the Park is also served by buses 26 and 148.



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Parking:

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