ATTHE HARLEM MEER



Community Board 8 - February 13, 2025

Davis Center at the Harlem Meer

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OBJECTIVES

- Replace the existing facility
- Repair the damaged landscape and impaired hydrology
- Provide the largest pool and rink possible in the restored site
- Remove a physical and visual barrier
- Develop a design inspired by the scenic landmark
- Build a welcoming, accessible, and environmentally sustainable facility
- Serve more park users year-round
- Expand nature-based recreation

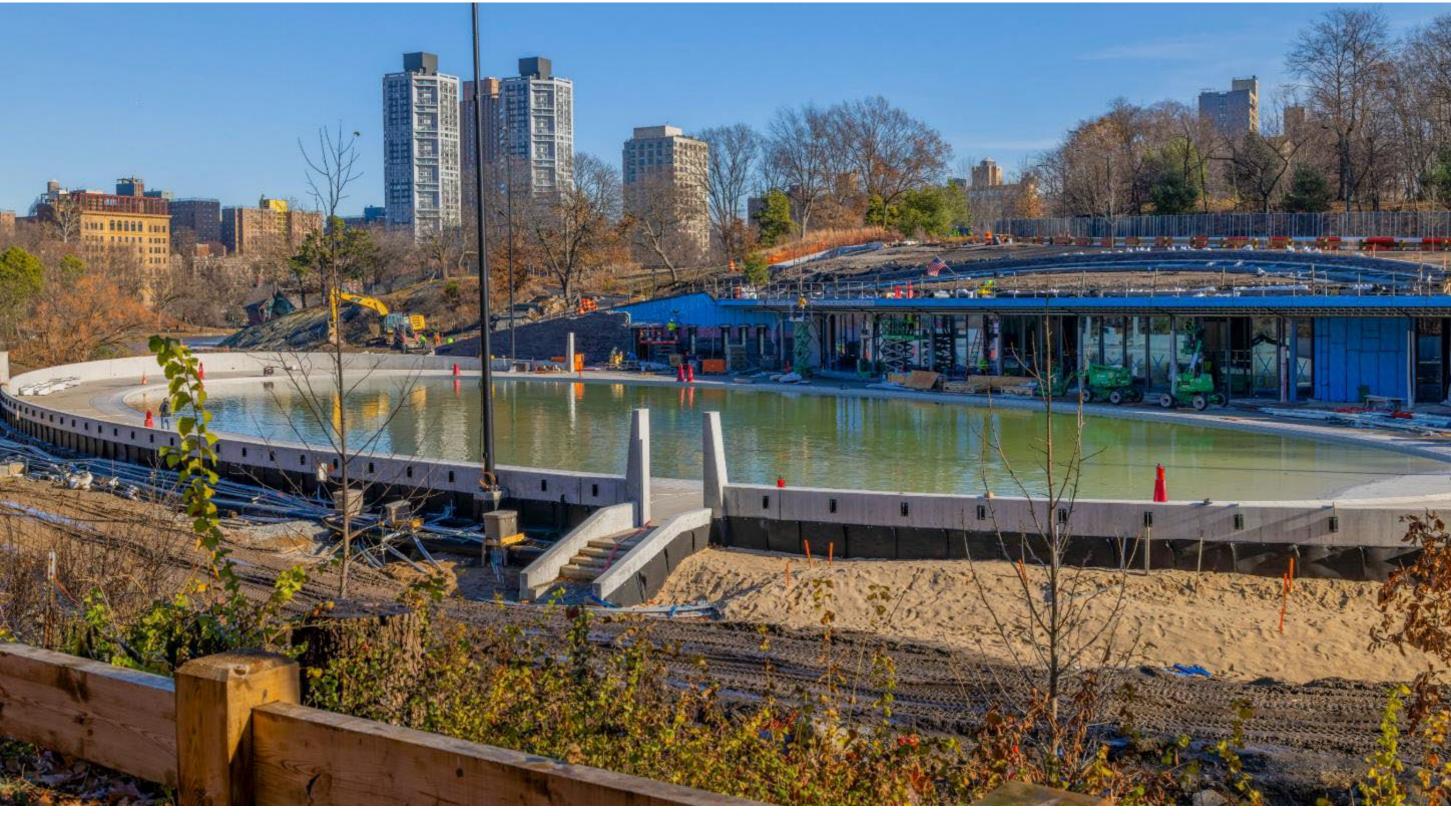




















































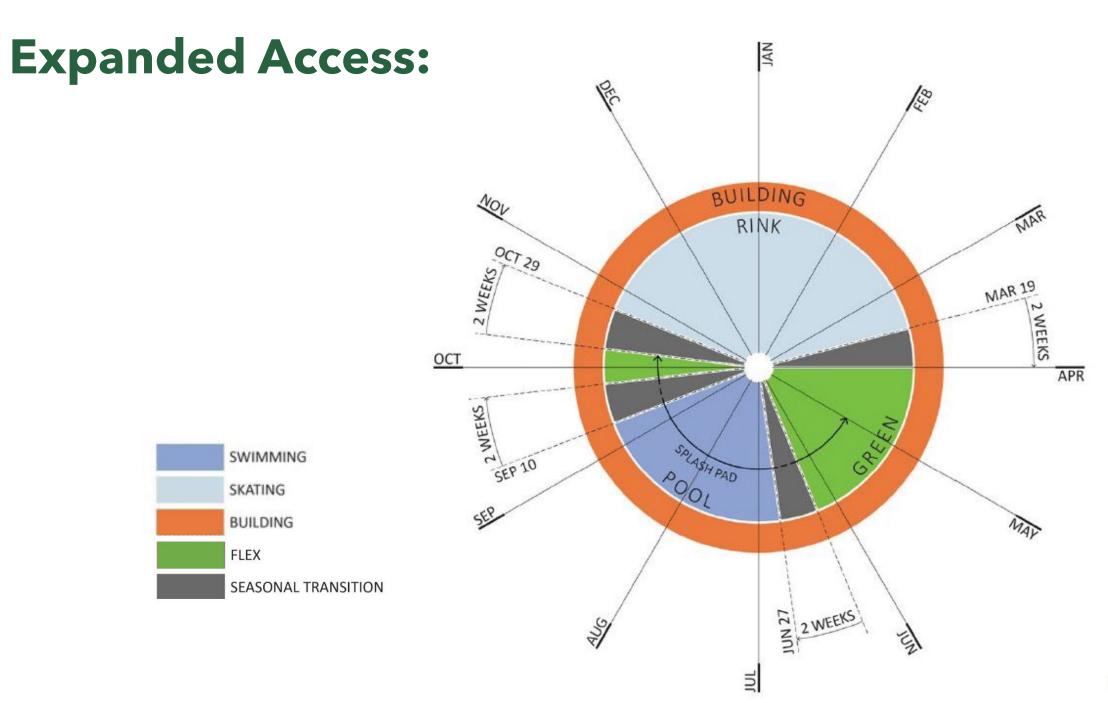


Programming & Community Engagement



The Davis Center will have a transformational impact on the Park and Harlem

- Welcoming and sustainable design
- Four seasons of play on different surfaces: rink, pool, and turf (Harlem Oval)
- New community centric operating model: free and low-cost programming
- Strategic partnerships with local, community-based organizations and funders with shared values



NEW POOL & RINK OPERATIONS

Success in Year One

- Light programming: Offer programming from local organizations; learn what resonates most amongst community members
- Fully functioning facility and excellent customer service
 - Local recruitment and hiring



Cultivate returning visitors through accessible programming and successful community partnerships



Measure community impact and provide results



"We are so excited about the community-first mindset! How refreshing."

- Sharon Cohen, CEO & Founder, Figure Skating in Harlem

Central Park Conservancy

HARLEM OVAL TURF (April-May / September-October)

Activities:

- Relax and unwind
- Games / nature activities
- Wellness / fitness classes
- School field days
- Specialized North End tours

Program Partners:

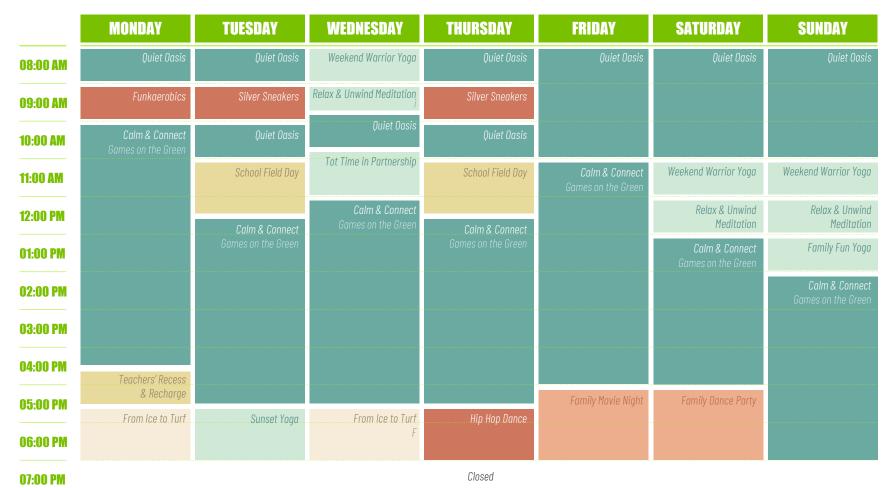
- Multitasking Yogi
- Go Hard Dance!
- Harlem Jets
- Harlem School of the Arts
- Art in the Park
- NYC Public School District 5 (Pilot)







TURF SCHEDULE



We have a full schedule of fun programming for all ages and interests

Enjoy the turf

- Yoga by Multitasking Yogi
- Dance by Go Hard Dance!
- Family fun
- Bringing Ice to the Turf
- School field trips & Teacher Recess with District 5

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DAVIS CENTER ICE RINK (October – March)

Activities:

- Community skate
- Learn to skate
- Community partner use
- Adult and youth hockey leagues

Program Partners:

- Figure Skating in Harlem
- Ice Hockey in Harlem
- North Stars
- American Special Hockey Assoc.
- NYC Public School District 5 (Pilot)







RINK SCHEDULE

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	Bring your family and
07:00 AM	Free style skate	Community skate	Community skate	Adult Open Hockey	Community skate	Free style skate	Community partner use	friends to our open skate
08:00 AM	Community skate			Community skate		Community partner use		time!
09:00 AM								53
10:00 AM						Community partner use	Learn to skate	Are you a hockey fan?
11:00 AM		Community partner use		Community partner use			Learn to skate	Stop by on Thursday
12:00 PM				Community skate		Learn to skate	My Tot & me	mornings for a pick-up
01:00 PM		Community skate				Community skate	Community skate	game
02:00 PM								hunn
03:00 PM	Free style skate					Community partner use		Skates available for
04:00 PM	Learn to skate		Learn to skate	Learn to skate	Learn to skate			rental
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06:00 PM						Community.skate		Tickets are available in-
07:00 PM					Community skate			person and online
08:00 PM			Stick & puck					SAN MANN
09:00 PM			Adult Clinic for Hockey					
10:00 PM	Adult Hockey League	Adult Hockey League	Adult Hockey League	Adult Hockey League				
11:00 PM						Closed		\sim

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GOTTESMAN POOL (July & August)

NYC Parks Department / Pool:

- Community Swim
- Aquatics Programming (Learn to Swim, etc.)

Central Park Conservancy / North End:

- Davis Center Tours
- Summer on the Harlem Meer
- Great Jazz on the Great Hill with Jazzmobile
- Dana Discovery Center (fishing, discovery kits, lawn games)
- Central Park Farmstand with Corbin Hill Food Project



Spreading the Word!

Community Partners

Corbin Hill Food Project The Apollo Jazzmobile Sugar Hill Children's Museum Studio Museum of Harlem All Angels' Church Mother AME Zion Church Harlem Chocolate Factory Omi Gray National Black Theater Music on the Inside Institute for the Exploration of Seneca Village History WE ACT! Northside Center for Childhood Development

Community Supporters / Advocates

Community Boards 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 Boys & Girls Club of Harlem Children Museum of Manhattan El Museo del Barrio Historic Harlem Parks NYPL, Harlem Branch NYPL, Schomberg Center The Africa Center PAL - Harlem Center Brotherhood Sister Sol **ARC Senior Centers** Public Art Fund Madison Square Boys & Girls Club Children's Aid Society Harlem Run

Creo College Prep Second Corinthian Baptist Church Museum of the City of New York Vista on 5th iChallenge Myself Street Corner Resources, Inc. Harlem Grown Mt. Sinai Adolescent Health Center West Harlem Development Corp Fortune Society Harlem Economic Development Corp Greater Harlem Chamber of Commerce Harlem Arts Alliance New York Society for Ethical Culture Black Education Research Center-Teacher's College **CUNY School of Public Health** Strive

Spreading the Word!



Harlem Week, 2024



Harlem Community Education Council District 5 Superintendent Meeting, 2025

Learn More: This Spring in the Park's North End

CENTRAL PARK CONSERVANCY **NEWS**



Since 1980, the Conservancy has been dedicated to the maintenance and restoration of Central Park, and our commitment to the north end started on day one. Working with you, our neighbors, we have achieved great things: the first restoration of the Harlem Meer and the restoration of the Great Hill, our construction of the Charles A. Dana Discovery Center, and the renovation of the East 110th Street and Bernard Playgrounds, to name a few.

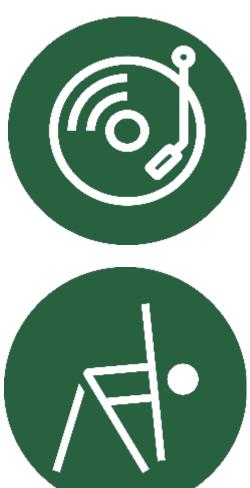
Through it all we have been partners, so we're thrilled to have a new way to stay connected via this newsletter, where you'll find updates on our north-end capital projects, family-friendly programs, tours led by Conservancy guides, and more.

Please share this newsletter with your friends, family, and neighbors, and follow us on social <u>@CentralParkNYC</u>.

Sign up to receive the North End newsletter: centralparknyc.org/HarlemNewsletter







SAVE THE DATE:

Saturday, April 26th Community Celebration

Come celebrate the opening of the Davis Center!

Questions?

For more information, reach out to daviscenter@centralparknyc.org