



The fully accessible, wooded path from the Glade to Kingshighway will connect Forest Park to the WashU Medical Campus, Barnes-Jewish Hospital and the Central West End neighborhood.



Designed to harmonize with nearby waterways, prairies and woodlands, the Glade will offer endless opportunities for discovery, relaxation and fun.

The Glade is so much more than a beautiful renovation of Steinberg Rink. With 22.5 acres of built amenities and natural features, this underused part of Forest Park will be transformed into a welcoming, multipurpose destination and jumping off point for even more adventures. It's the only place in the region that will offer ice skating in the winter, roller skating and water play in summer and live music, markets and festivals all year long.

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*An all-season vision for Steinberg
and eastern Forest Park*

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In less than six months, St. Louis will get to experience the Glade, our community-inspired vision for all-season activity in eastern Forest Park. Visitors will come to explore nature, gather with family and friends, enjoy solitude, celebrate milestones, get some exercise or simply relax in a beautiful new setting.

The Glade is the next chapter in Forest Park's comeback story that began 40 years ago when community members came together to save it from further deterioration. Since then, Forest Park Forever has partnered with the City of St. Louis to restore, maintain and continually improve what is now seen as the best city park in the country.

After years of planning and thoughtful community input, we're turning our vision for a year-round destination in Forest Park into reality at the Glade. We're grateful to early supporters who have helped us get this far!



Learn more at
forestparkforever.org/imagine.





Imagine Historic Steinberg Rink in an Expansive New Setting

Etta Steinberg’s vision for the rink started with bringing communities together. And this vision has inspired the reimagined eastern end of Forest Park. The Glade is designed to foster connections and belonging while immersing visitors in nature, right in the heart of the City.

By the end of this year, our community will again create cherished winter memories of ice skating at Steinberg Rink, as they have for generations.

Introducing the Farr Family Lawn Terrace

The Farr Family Lawn Terrace will be a multipurpose outdoor space at the Glade, designed to allow Park visitors to lounge in a comfortable seating area while keeping an eye on the action.

The visually striking but minimalist shade structure that spans the length of Steinberg Rink’s west side will provide open and airy protection from the summer sun and serve as a cozy covered space with fire pits in cooler months.



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David and Lelia Farr, long-time champions of Forest Park and supporters of Forest Park Forever, have committed a generous lead gift to help ensure the Glade is the vibrant, family-friendly destination we’ve envisioned.

As a non-native St. Louisan, David Farr appreciates the benefits of a shared community treasure like Forest Park, with its unique collection of world-class cultural institutions and accessible spaces for recreation and enjoying nature. And as the former CEO of Emerson, he knows how the Park attracts talent to St. Louis and makes it a great place to live, work and raise a family.

“Lelia and I are honored to support the Imagine the Glade campaign,” says Farr. “We can’t wait to see families gather on the terrace lawn to play games before or after skating or just to watch activity on the rink. We are excited that the Glade will provide something new to families who already love this place and encourage even more people to experience all Forest Park has to offer.”

Construction Progress

We’ve made highly visible, exciting progress this spring and are on track to welcome ice skaters to the all-new, state-of-the-art Steinberg Rink this winter. The temporary wood forms for the rink’s base are in place, ready for concrete to be poured. We’ve installed rink lighting and completed the brand-new accessible pathway from Kingshighway to the Glade.

The historical façade of the Steinberg facility also has been restored after workers removed, numbered and cleaned each limestone block before replacing it in its original position. On the new second story, the beams for the rooftop terrace shade structure are in place.



Check out all construction updates at forestparkforever.org/glade-construction.

