



THE 14 COOLEST URBAN SPACES IN AMERICA

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Who says you have to leave the city to smell the roses/lick some sculpture/whatever you're into? These urban spaces are thoroughly ensconced within their respective concrete jungles, but so well designed that you'll wonder why you ever sat in outbound traffic. Summer is here and it's time to get outdoors – and these are looking good.



3. Citygarden

[St. Louis, Missouri](#)

Nelson Byrd Woltz Landscape Architects

Before its conversion to an urban garden and sculpture park, Citygarden's three-acres of boring old grass, between Eighth and Tenth, and Chestnut and Market Streets, was exciting only to grazing cattle. It's now a public sculpture park, divided into three Missouri-esque zones, each with an appropriate defining ecological feature – the Upland's 500-foot-long wall of Missouri limestone, the Floodplain's spray plaza, and the Lowland's regional plantings.