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Dieke Richards
PARK, Valley, 2008
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Puzzle Park, Kelvin
Grove, 2009
(Bottom left)
Through the Looking
Glass, George St,
CBD, 2009



Car Spaces Become People Places

Brisbane car parks will be transformed into 'people parks' on 17 September for International PARK(ing) Day.

The concept of PARK(ing) Day is based on the idea that putting money into a parking meter is like 'renting' a public space. The PARKs are surprising, creative and often whimsical additions to everyday street environments. They reflect people's attitudes towards their city and their vision for alternative uses of public space in Brisbane.

Last year over 50 PARKs were created in Brisbane, ranking us 3rd in the world out of 140 cities participating. This year already 55 PARKs have regsitered and we expect more.

This year there will be over 200 tertiary students taking part in Park(ing) Day.

100 Queensland University of Technology design students will create 20 PARKs across the CBD.

These students will partner with local community groups, charities and businesses to foster "real world" partnerships. *Brisbane City Council* is supporting this partnership through the Creative City Initiative MicroGrants.

Brisbane City Council's Creative City Initiative encourages young people in Brisbane to explore their own creative ideas in public space.

At the University of Queensland's St Lucia Campus 100 Architecture students will apply their creative learnings to 20 PARKs.

PARK(ing) Day was started by Rebar Arts Collective in San Francisco in 2005 and since then has been creatively adapted in cities around the world including Sydney, LA, New York, Paris and London.

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