



iwana baan photographs diller scofidio + renfro-designed zaryadye park in central Moscow

earlier this year, during moscow city day festivities, 'zaryadye park' celebrated its substantial completion with a civic ceremony that opened major portions of the site. the project — led by diller scofidio + renfro — is now complete, and is the first new park to be built in the russian capital in the last 70 years. located in close proximity to st. basil's cathedral, red square, and the kremlin, zaryadye park occupies an area of land that housed the largest hotel in europe until its demolition in 2007. with the masterplan now complete, photographer iwana baan has documented the park with a series of new images.



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photography by iwana baan, courtesy of diller scofidio + renfro (also main image)*

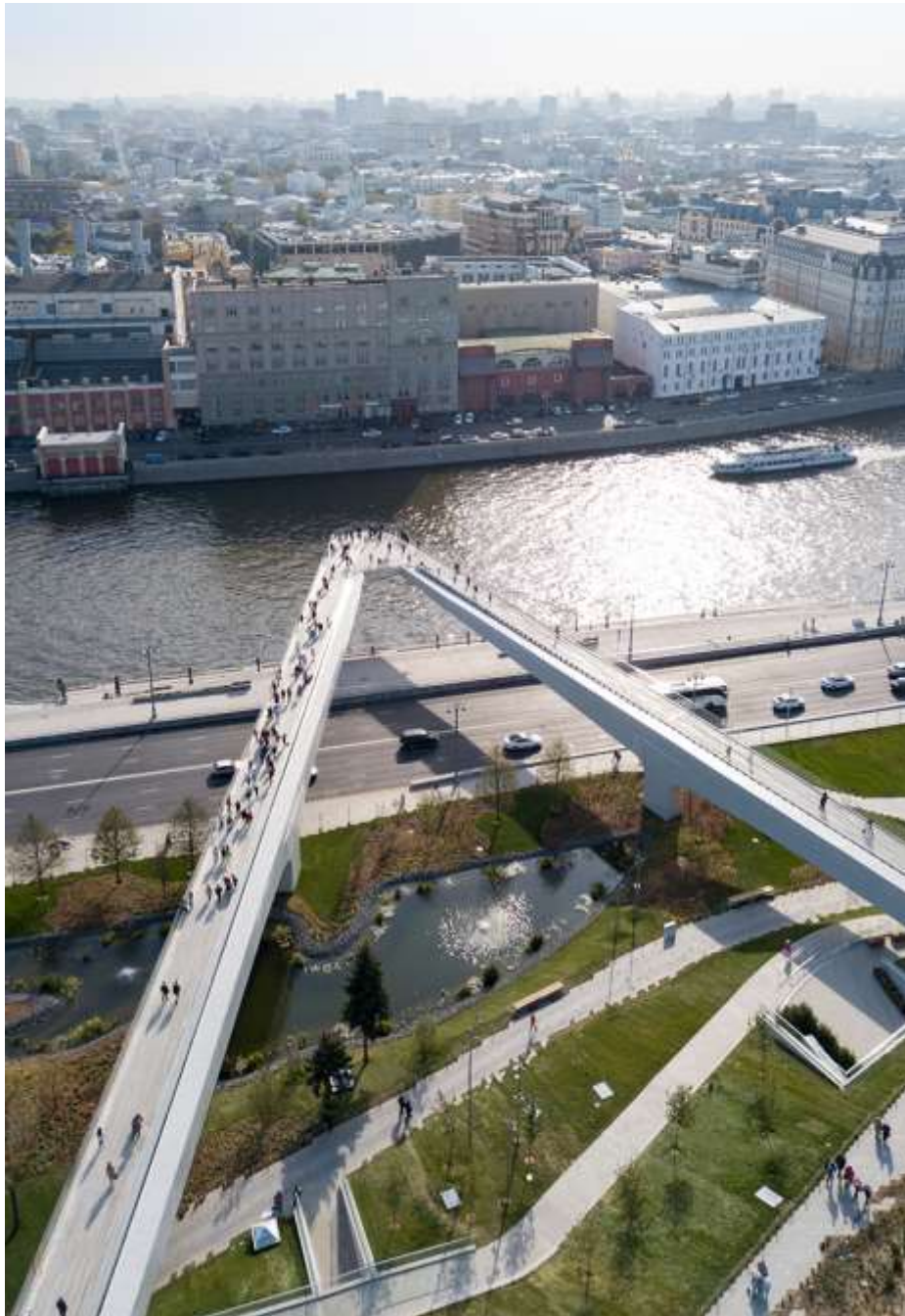
after winning the competition to complete the project in 2012, DS+R worked alongside hargreaves associates and citymakers to develop a design that drew on the latest construction technologies and sustainability strategies. the 35-acre scheme includes an overlook that cantilevers 70 meters over the moscow river, five pavilions, two amphitheaters, and a philharmonic concert hall. the international team sought to transform the historically commercial territory into a vibrant public area, intertwining landscape and hardscape and introducing new typologies to complement the city's traditionally symmetrical park spaces.



the 35-acre scheme includes an overlook that cantilevers 70 meters over the moscow river photography by iwan baan, courtesy of diller scofidio + renfro

throughout the masterplan, natural landscapes are overlaid on top of constructed environments, resulting in what the design team calls 'elemental face-offs between the natural and the artificial'. zaryadye park features a custom

stone paving system that seeks to seamlessly blend nature and architecture, and encourages visitors to meander without restraint.



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photography by iwan baan, courtesy of diller scofidio + renfro

moving between each of the site's four corners, visitors find terraces that recreate russia's varied natural landscapes: tundra, steppe, forest, and wetland. descending from northeast to southwest, each area includes a set of

programmed spaces integrated into the landscape. see designboom's previous coverage of the project [here](#).



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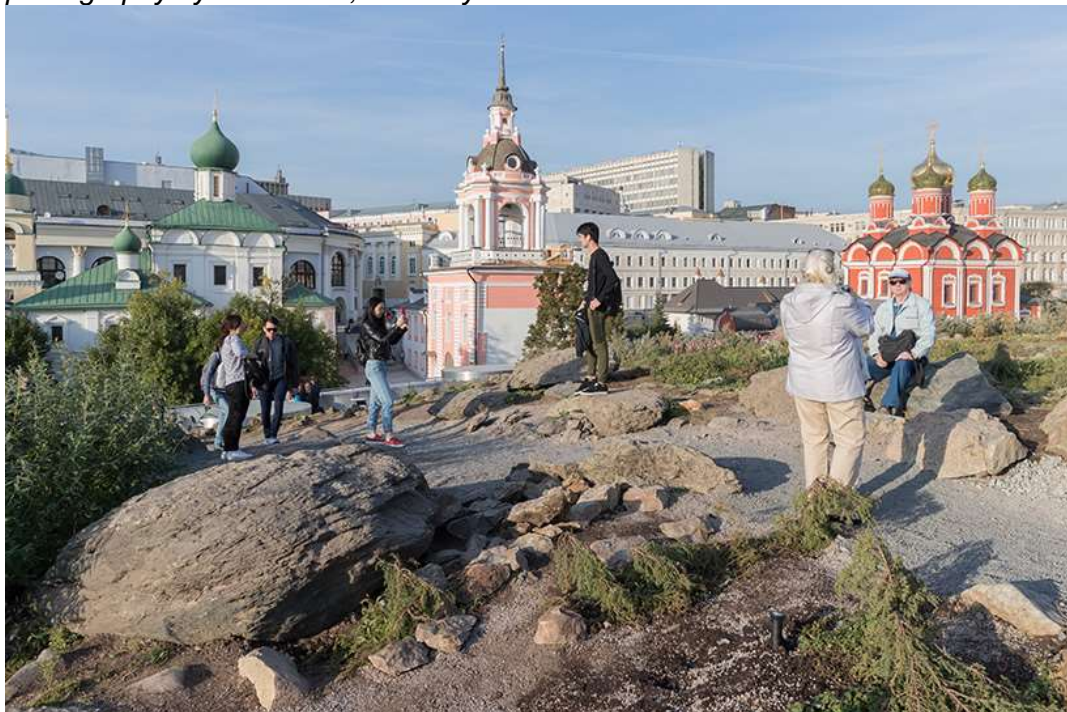
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the park was completed in fall 2017

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site plan | image courtesy of diller scofidio + renfro with hargreaves associates and citymakers

project info:

name: zaryadye park

location: moscow, russia

client: city of moscow, chief architect sergey kuznetsov

status: opened fall 2017; competition selection 2013

site: 10.2 hectares/ 35 acres

design consortium

consortium lead, concept masterplan designer: diller scofidio + renfro (USA)

team: charles renfro (partner), david chacon (project director), brian tabolt (lead designer), ayat fadaifard, seongbeom mo, dino kiratzidis, gabriel bollag, james murray, zoe small, trevor lamphier, mike robitz, lindsay harkema, jose tijerina, kelsey olafson

landscape and masterplan designer: hargreaves associates (USA)

local partner, urban designer: citymakers (russia)

climate engineering and energy consultant: transsolar (germany)

engineering consultant: buro happold (united kingdom)

park management: central park conservancy (USA)

cost consultant: directional logic (USA)

lighting: arup (USA)

native planting expert: arteza (russia)

architect and engineer: MAHPI (russia)

contractor: mosinzhproekt (russia)