

Activate Union Station

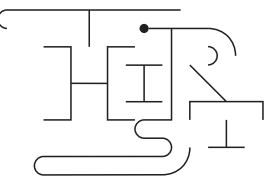
The Yard Bringing the Outside In

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Overall Plan

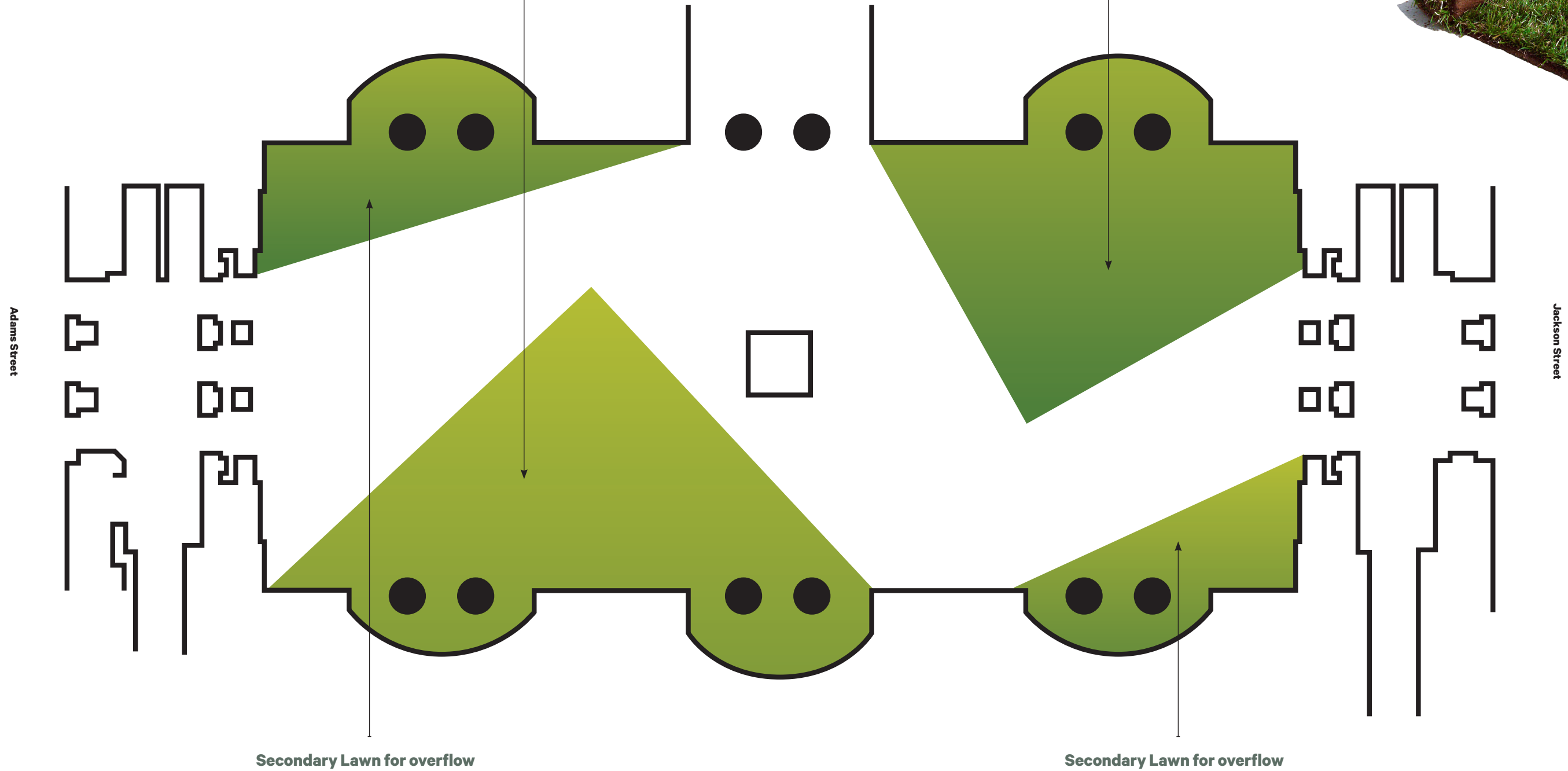
North Lawn
Dance / Puppetry /
Theater / Performance Art

South Lawn
Music / Poetry

Building Materials
Sod



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To All Trains





Chicago is the city of green spaces.

Our motto is *Urbs in Horto*: The city in a garden.

From the lawns of Millennium Park to the trees Hyde Park, from the vision of Burnham to the countless green roofs, we are known for our natural spaces.

This is where we relax, we laugh, we play.

We propose activating Union Station by *bringing the outside in*: to turn the Great Hall into **The Yard** and create an unexpected environment for recreation.

Nearly 3,500 square feet of sod establishes two primary and two secondary “lawns,” where arts and cultural programming come alive over ten days.

This transformed space will certainly be the talk of town, attracting families, couples, young and old.



City Seal with motto



Millennium Park



Prairie Rose's Garden, Hyde Park



Chicago City Hall Green Roof



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