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"The designers' detailed personal account (and manual) for High Line lovers." —*The New York Times*

"Documents the park's design work in detail...Flipping through its pages makes clear that, as Diller puts it, [visitors] are freed from the everyday in order to see the everyday anew." —*Surface*

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About the Author

James Corner Field Operations is an award-winning, international landscape architecture, urban and public

realm design firm based in New York City. The practice is renowned for strong contemporary design across a variety of project types and scales, from large urban districts and complex post-industrial sites, to small well-crafted, detail design projects. James Corner is recipient of the National Design Award and the Academy of Arts and Letters Architecture Award, among others.

Diller Scofidio + Renfro is an interdisciplinary design studio that integrates architecture, the visual arts and the performing arts. The firm established its identity through theoretical and self-generated projects before coming to international prominence through projects such as Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts and the recently opened Broad Museum. For their commitment to merging art, architecture, and culture, founding partners Diller and Scofidio were the first in architecture to be recognized with the MacArthur Foundation "genius" award.

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