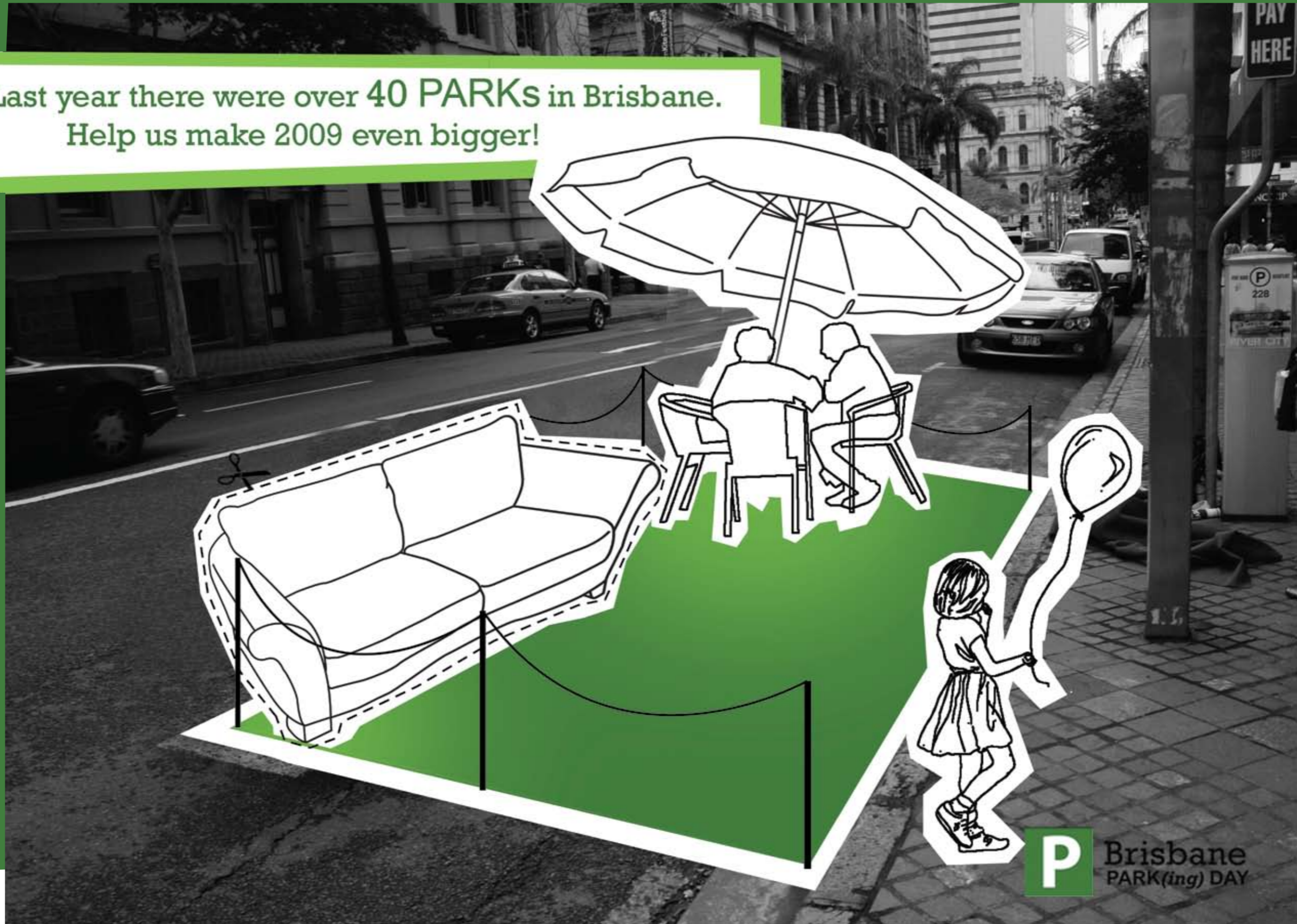


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Rebar started PARK(ing) Day in 2005 and now it's a worldwide event. Join us!



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*Image: Google Street View*



## What's it all about ...

PARKs are surprising, fun additions to the everyday street environments, and powerful symbols of communities wanting to improve urban quality.

PARK(ing) Day is all about –

1. Calling attention to the importance of urban public spaces
2. Rethinking the way we use our streets
3. Creating diverse conversations about design and how we make sustainable cities

PARK(ing) Day is a global event that was started in San Francisco by artscollective Rebar. It's based on the idea that paying a parking meter is like 'renting' a public space, and instead of parking a car, why not park something else?

The original idea 'parked' a mini park simply with turf, a tree and a seat.

Since 2005 PARK(ing) Day has sparked imaginations around the world and last year there were over 200 PARKs in 50 major cities, including New York, London and Los Angeles.



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## Voted Brisbane's Favourite PARK

Deicke Richards (working with Dig-it, Balck Pearl Epicure, BCC Lighting and Stockade Nursery)  
58 Baxter St., Fortitude Valley

This PARK transformed several of the off-street parking spaces at the Deicke Richards' offices into an outdoor boardroom. They also hosted a BBQ lunch for their neighbours. This office prides itself on sustainability, a happy working environment and being a practice that is innovative, imaginative and community minded.

Their design sought to call attention to the importance of urban public spaces, create a relationship with suppliers and encourage staff to use alternative method of travel to work.

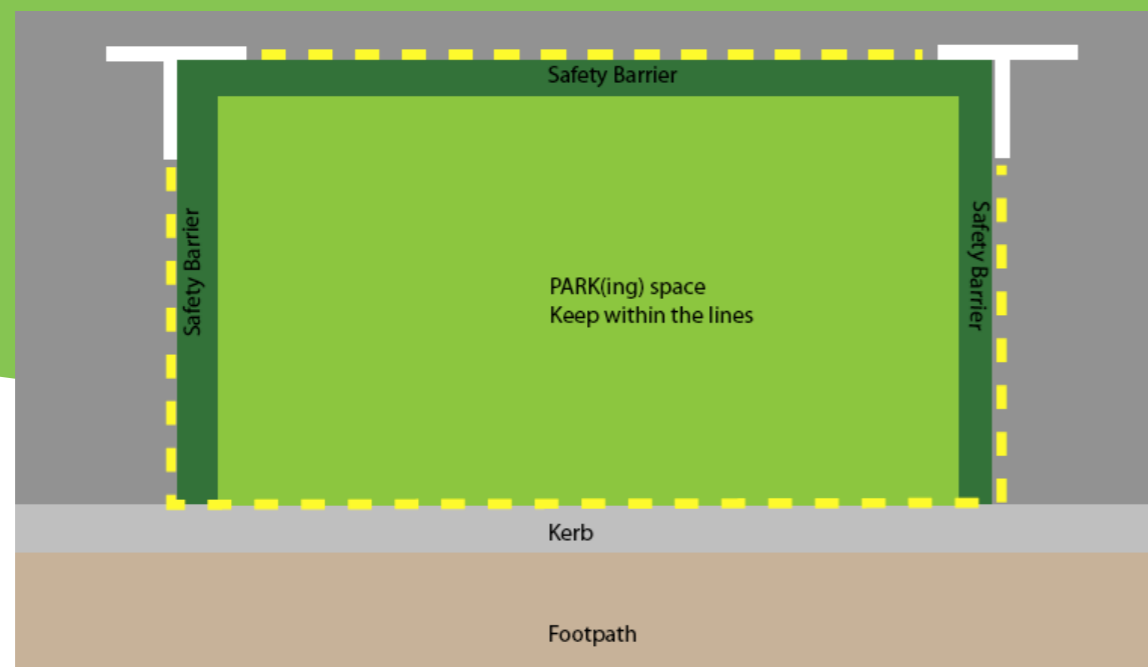
## How to do it ...

### Step 1. Safety/ Enclosure

A self-supporting boundary is important to provide a sense of enclosure and safety for people occupying your PARK(ing) space. Remember all material must be within the lines of a parking space. It can not obstruct roadways or footpaths.

### Step 2. Signs

Every PARK must have the Brisbane PARK(ing) Day sign. It indicates that the space has been transformed into a PARK(ing) space for public enjoyment. Teams are also encouraged to adapt and create your own signage specific to your design theme and/or organisation. Be prepared to provide people information.



### Step 3. Groundcover

Groundcover is not necessary to all designs but turf was a strong element used in the original PARKs. Alternatives could also include carpet, fabric, astro turf, paving material. Teams using turf will need to place a tarp down first to protect the roots and for easy clean up.

### Step 4. Other Stuff

What you put in your PARK is up to your design team, but remember it has to be easily moved. You may have the following elements -

- a) Seating/Furniture
- b) Shade/ Plants
- c) Display/Play

### Step 5. Clean Up

Easy construction and disassembly is a key design consideration. Make sure you have a plan to reuse, recycle, or donate the materials after your PARK(ing) project is complete!

All organic material can be composted at Northey St City Farm, Windsor.

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