



[Intro]

The High Line is located on Manhattan's West Side. It runs from Gansevoort Street in the Meatpacking District to W 34th Street, between 10th & 11th Avenues.

Section 1 of the High Line running from Gansevoort Street to W 20th Street opened to the public in June 2009.

Section 2 of the High Line running from W 20th Street to W 30th Street is projected to open in Spring of 2011.

[Brief History]

The High Line was built in the 1930s, as a part of a massive public-private infrastructure project called the West Side Improvement.

It was a solution to solve freight traffic, by elevating dangerous trains 30 feet in the air away from the streets of Manhattan's largest industrial district at the time.

In 1999 the historic structure was under threat of demolition, a community based non-profit group, Friends of the High Line, joined partnership with New York City to preserve and maintain the structure as an elevated public park.

Construction of the park began in 2006.

[Objective]

The objective for this project was to design a passage way connecting street level to the elevated public park.