



## Ice Dream

What does the city's brand-new ice-skating rink have that the others have not? It's what it doesn't have: a fee! The 17,000-square-foot **Pond at Bryant Park** (p. 87), which just opened at the end of last month, offers free skate time to the public (there is a charge for skate rental) in a Midtown winter wonderland surrounded by Fêtes de Noël, the annual conclave of vendors offering holiday wares, and, of course, a soaring Christmas tree.—B.C.