

# Walks & Talks

Fall 2012

*“Our country has her Russias, her Silecias, her Riviervas; and many types of scenery which are all her own besides. Are we to attempt to bring all to the English smoothness? Rather let us try to perfect each type in its own place.”* – Charles Eliot, *Anglomania in Park Making* 1887



Franklin Park 2009. Photo by Matt Tueten. Courtesy of NPS/Olmsted NHS.

**Saturday, October 6, 10:00 am–12:00 pm**

## **Olmsted's Brookline Neighborhood: Part Two**

Discover the people and places associated with Frederick Law Olmsted in his Green Hill Neighborhood on this one-mile walk, passing by the home and office of architect HH Richardson, the Isabella Stewart Gardener Estate, the Schlesinger Estate, and “Cliffside” the home of John Charles Olmsted, Olmsted's son and partner. *Advanced registration required; call 617-566-1689 ext 221.*

**Sunday, October 14, 10:00 am–12:00 pm**

## **Arnold Arboretum: Seeds of Conservation**

*“Those who dwell among the beauties and mysteries of the earth are never alone or weary of life.”* – Rachel Carson  
Investigate specific trees and the writers, artists, and at times, unexpected advocates they inspire. Some of the first seeds of conservation were germinated at the Arnold Arboretum and continue to grow today as these inspirational trees are threatened by a changing climate. *Meets at Hunnewell Building, Visitor Center.*

**Sunday, October 21, 10:00 am–12:00 pm**

## **Franklin Park: Country in the City**

Join us as we return to Franklin Park, the last of Olmsted's classic urban parks, one of his finest design achievements, and a prime example of his social ideals. Discover Olmsted's vision for the park on our walk through the landscapes of Scarboro Pond, Schoolmaster Hill, and the Wilderness. *Meets at the Resting Place Picnic Area in front of the Shattuck Hospital, Jewish War Veterans Highway.*

**Saturday, October 27, 9:00–11:00 am**

## **Blue Hills Reservation: Charles Eliot's Master Plan**

In his 1890 Waverly Oaks report, Charles Eliot suggested that Boston residents look beyond the city and into the suburbs for natural scenery to foster and preserve “an education in the love of beauty” and “a means of human enjoyment.” Contemplate Eliot's efforts and ideas as we traverse the Blue Hills. *Offered in partnership with the Department of Conservation and Recreation. Prepare for moderate hike over rugged and rocky terrain. Meets at Trailside Museum Parking Lot.*

**Sunday, November 4, 10:00 am–12:00 pm**

## **Olmsted Park: The Lost Jewel**

Explore this sometimes-overlooked link in the middle of Olmsted's Emerald Necklace. We'll stop at ponds, pastures, and even pass by a babbling brook. Sunprinting and photography will take place, so bring your camera (or we'll provide one for you to use). If you don't know what sunprinting is, you'll have to come by to find out! *Meets at Daisy Field Parking Lot, Willow Pond Road, Jamaica Plain.*

**For more information on these programs please call 617-566-1689.**

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### **Volunteer Opportunities**

Learn more about joining the Olmsted team as a Park Educator, Interpretation Ambassador, or Visitor Service Representative; visit [nps.gov/frla/supportyourpark](http://nps.gov/frla/supportyourpark).

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