Resources by State
Frederick Law Olmsted and the Olmsted firm— together — had nearly 6,000 commissions. Working in 47 out of the 50 states, their work has literally shaped the American landscape. A wide range of resources examine specific landscapes in specific states. As you complete your research, remember to review our website and the websites of conservancies and friends groups.

Alabama
- Troy University, see [www.olmsted.org], Shared Spaces.

California


• NAOP Reprints: *Report of the Director of the Survey to the California State Park Commission*, Frederick Law Olmsted [Jr.], December 29, 1928


**Connecticut**

Preservation Connecticut and the Connecticut State Historic Preservation Office initiated a state-wide project to expand landscape documentation and stewardship and to shed light on current challenges in land conservation, public access to open space for health and recreation, social equity, landscape stewardship and education. The Olmsted Network encourages other SHPOs to follow CT's lead. [Learn more!](https://example.com)

**Delaware**

• *Within the Reach of All—An illustrated History of Brandywine Park*. The 119-page book details the founding of the park and Olmsted's role. It has more than 80 illustrations, many vintage images from the park's early years, and includes an 8-page color section. Contact fowp@dca.net.

**District of Columbia**


• [1902 McMillan Plan Online](https://example.com)

• [Historic Preservation Report for McMillan Slow Sand Filtration Plant, EHT Traceries, Inc., 2010](https://example.com)

• [Rock Creek Park, Report by Olmsted Brothers](https://example.com), 1918.

**Georgia**


• *Atlanta’s Olmsted Linear Park.* Spencer Tunnell and Jennifer Richardson. Arcadia Press, 2022.

**Illinois**

For online information about Chicago parks, visit [www.chicagoparkdistrict.com](http://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com)


• *Olmsted in Chicago.* Victoria Post Ranney, 1972.

• *Frederick Law Olmsted in Chicago.* An article by NAOP and The Olmsted Papers Project, 2011.

• *Preliminary Report upon the Proposed Suburban Village at Riverside, Near Chicago, by Olmsted, Vaux, & Co., Landscape Architects. September 1, 1868.*


**Kentucky**


• The website of the Louisville Olmsted Parks Conservancy, [www.olmstedparks.org](http://www.olmstedparks.org)

**Maryland**

• *Baltimore’s Public Landscapes: The Olmsted Influence -- A Driving Tour Through Northern Baltimore.*

• *Baltimore’s Public Landscapes: From Private Estates to the Public Domain—A Driving Tour of West Baltimore’s Olmsted Legacy.*

• *Charles Street: A Boulevard Revisited.*

• *From Private Estates to the Public Domain—A Driving Tour of West Baltimore's Olmsted Legacy.*

• *Report Upon the Development of Public Grounds for Greater Baltimore, 1904.*

• *Report and Recommendations on Park Extension for Baltimore, 1926.*

• *Waterfront and Neighborhood Parks--A Driving Tour of Southern Baltimore's Olmsted Legacy.*

• *Olmsted Research and Resources in Maryland.*

• *Olmsted Works in Maryland, Spring 2022.*

These resources are available through the Friends of Maryland’s Olmsted Parks & Landscapes: [www.olmstedmaryland.org](http://www.olmstedmaryland.org)

**Maine**
- Archives, [Maine Olmsted Alliance for Parks and Landscapes](#).

**Massachusetts**
- NAOP Reprints: *Frederick Law Olmsted: Report of the Landscape Architect to Charles H. Dalton, Esq., Chairman of the Park Commission—Boston (1883).*
- The website of the Emerald Necklace Conservancy: [www.emeraldnecklace.org](http://www.emeraldnecklace.org)

**Missouri**

**New Jersey**
New York

Buffalo

- For online information on the Buffalo Park System, visit [www.buffaloolmstedparks.org](http://www.buffaloolmstedparks.org)

Niagara Falls

- **Planning the Niagara Reservation.** Charles E. Beveridge.
- **In Defense of Niagara: Frederick Law Olmsted and the Niagara Reservation.** Francis R. Kowsky.

New York City

Oregon


Pennsylvania


Rhode Island


Washington

- *Volunteer Park City Landmark Nomination, Seattle, WA, November 2011.*
- Forthcoming: Biography of John Charles Olmsted, Joan Hockaday.
Wisconsin

- *The Milwaukee River Greenway.* Written and collected by Eddee Daniel with a chapter on “Frederick Law Olmsted’s Influence: Riverside Park and the Greenway Concept,” Virginia Small. Available to purchase from [BookBaby.com](http://BookBaby.com) or author: [eddee@eddeedaniel.com](mailto:eddee@eddeedaniel.com)