Goals of Landscape Architecture

- Make places like parks, gardens, playgrounds, town squares, and wilderness for people to enjoy.
- Design places that are safe and accessible to all people with places to walk, sit, play, exercise and explore.
- Make better neighborhoods that have parks, playgrounds, schools, and stores that are easy to walk to.
- Design places that prevent pollution from entering our streams and rivers by providing rain gardens where water can soak back into the ground and filter out pollution by using soil and plants.
- Design streets that accommodate all kinds of people — those on foot, on bikes, in wheelchairs, waiting for the bus, and even in cars.

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in English and Spanish to learn more about
landscape architecture blending art
and the environment.



About Friends of Olmsted-Beil House

Friends of Olmsted-Beil House (FOBH) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, formed in 2018 by concerned neighbors and former residents of Frederick Law Olmsted's farmhouse to preserve and present to the public this historic site of local and national importance. The ultimate goal is to make of this site an educational center open to scholars and visitors alike.

FOBH's goal is to raise awareness of the house and its significance, educate the local community and the larger public about this historic treasure, and bring back to life the property that was so central to the ideas of the man, Frederick Law Olmsted, who gave America an enduring legacy of magnificent green spaces stretching from New York City's Central and Prospect Parks, to Boston's Emerald Necklace, to Niagara Falls State Park, and to Yosemite National Park. It is a member of the Olmsted Network.

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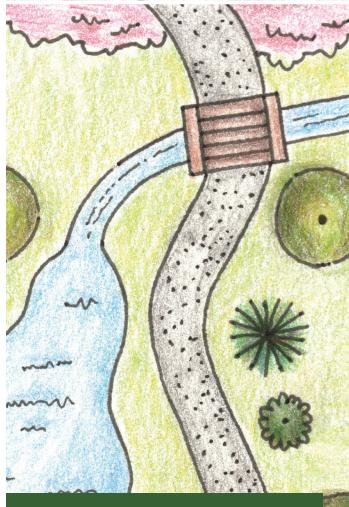


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A Career That Blends Art, Design, and the Environment



Includes: Scavenger Hunt & Park Design Activity

Winter Scavenger Hunt

In winter, New York City looks different from the way it looks when everything is green and growing. Your neighborhood looks different too! Follow the images and words below to look for natural features that might be hidden by plants and green leaves in warmer weather.



Blue Jay

Most birds with blue feathers in New York City are blue jays. Confirm their identity by looking for the crest of feathers at the back of their head and hearing their harsh calls.



Cardinal

Cardinals' red feathers were brighter when they were newly grown in the spring, but, these birds are easier to see in winter when the trees have no leaves.



Famous for their red breast feathers grown in the spring. In the winter, their colors are faded and are almost invisible amid bare tree branches of grey or brown.

Sparrow

Sparrows like to eat seeds; their beaks are shaped to break them open. Look for sparrows anywhere that there are seeds.

Raccoons

Are there any in raccoons your neighborhood? You may only know them when you find their footprints in mud or snow. Do not approach this wild animal if you see one!



It is hard to tell the stem from the leaf of moss since this plant is so small. Visit it again in the spring to see the flower stalk.



Golden Rod

A late bloomer named for the color and vertical shape of its flower. Look for the remains of the flowers. Some stems are found near animal homes called "galls."



Deer Tracks

Deer are returning to some areas of NYC. Do they visit your neighborhood to look for food? If they do, you may find their footprints in the mud or snow.



The only marsupial (animal that shelters its babies in a pouch) that lives in New York City. Do not approach this wild animal.

Friends of Olmsted-Beil House would like to see what scavenger hunt items you liked in your neighborhood. If you take fun photos during the hunt, please consider forwarding your best photos to:

ptramontano@olmstedbeilhouse.org

Sample Graphics Used by Landscape Architects

Landscape architects create plan drawings. A plan drawing is used to show the design of a place as if you were viewing it like a bird flying over the place and looking down at it. Some of the building blocks of a landscape are plants, soil, water, and other materials. A plan drawing uses these building blocks to represent a place using a "bird's-eye view."

Flowers



Shrub



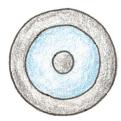
Trees





Evergreen Tree

Fountain



Brick Path



Brick Pavers



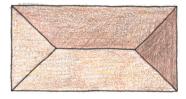
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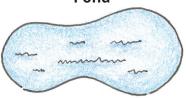
Bridge



Building



Pond



Stream



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Circle the graphics in this plan drawing!

