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Special screening of “Frederick Law Olmsted: Designing America”

Jacksonville, Fla. – December 20, 2016 – On Tuesday, January 10, at 7 P.M., the Memorial Park Association will present a special screening of the documentary, “[Frederick Law Olmsted: Designing America](#),” at [Sun-Ray Cinema](#). It will be followed by a Q & A with Olmsted authority, **Laurence Cotton**. The screening is free, but seating is limited, so reservations are required. To reserve a seat, please email mpaspecialscreening@memparkjax.org. An email response will be sent acknowledging your reservation, which will be required at the door.

The Memorial Park Association is showing the film to educate the public about the Olmsted Brothers, the landscape architects of Memorial Park and their prominence in founding landscape architecture in America. The association wants to promote local understanding of why the park is significant in America.

Laurence Cotton is a writer, historian, and filmmaker who studied cultural anthropology and film at Hampshire College and served as principal researcher and consulting producer for “**Frederick Law Olmsted: Designing America**.” Following the screening, which premiered nationwide on PBS in June 2014, Cotton will hold a Q & A.

“**Frederick Law Olmsted: Designing America**” is a co-production of [WNED-TV Buffalo-Toronto](#) and [Florentine Films/Hott Productions, Inc.](#). The documentary is narrated by **Stockard Channing** and the voice of Olmsted is performed by **Campbell Scott**. For additional information about the documentary, please visit: <http://www.pbs.org/wned/frederick-law-olmsted/home/>

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About Memorial Park and the [Memorial Park Association](#)

Memorial Park is located at 1620 Riverside Ave., between Margaret Street and Memorial Park Drive in Riverside near the 5 Points area of Jacksonville, Fla. The [Memorial Park Association](#) is a nonprofit charitable organization with a mission to enhance, promote and preserve Memorial Park as the premier historic park in the [City of Jacksonville](#). Learn more about Memorial Park and the Memorial Park Association [here](#) and visit them on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).

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