

## Fairsted, Brookline, MA

On a cool but sunny May 8<sup>th</sup>, twenty-two members of the club carpooled to Fairsted, the Brookline Estate and Architecture Office of Frederick Law Olmsted, now a National Historic Site and part of the National Park system. Park rangers divided us into two smaller groups for terrific educational tours of the office and the home as well as a brief tour of the property. Our heads filled with information about Olmsted, his family and the firm he founded, we regrouped at the Wellesley College Club for a delicious lunch.























## Fuller Gardens, North Hampton NH

Fuller Gardens is a public botanical garden that was once part of the summer estate of Alvan T. Fuller (twice Governor of MA in the 1920s) on the seacoast of NH that includes rose gardens designed by the Olmstead firm in the late 1920s. The late spring meant that we were early for peak rose season, but there were still plenty of roses to enchant us. We were equally enchanted by the Japanese Garden, the formal English perennial borders, and especially the conservatory filled with fabulous succulents and tropical plants. If we hadn't had reservations for lunch we wouldn't have been able to tear ourselves away from this spectacular garden, but we managed and enjoyed a delightful lunch at the Old Salt Restaurant in Hampton.



















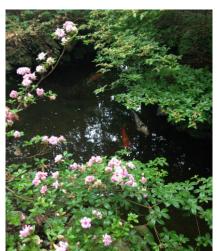












































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