

# Olmsted Award for Leadership and Vision

*Frederick Law Olmsted, Sr. (1822 – 1903)*

**Purpose:** The Olmsted Award is for Parks professionals who demonstrate an understanding of the physical and psychological importance of the park experience to urban dwellers.

**Who's Eligible:** All teams and career employees.

**Who can nominate:** All State Parks employees.

**Nomination criteria:** Ability to motivate and inspire others to positive action, demonstrated with specific examples; long-term commitment to Parks ideals and values; willingness to articulate the positive relationship between parks and a healthy society; emphasizes the impact and importance to urban dwellers.

Nominations accepted until December 31 for 2007 accomplishments.

See the State Parks Intranet site for more details about the award and for nomination forms. Click on *Document Library* link.  
[http://isearch.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page\\_id=760](http://isearch.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page_id=760)

# Director's Recognition Awards Program



## Past Examples of Olmsted Award Nominations

- Created and supported youth-focused aquatic training programs for many years.
- Spearheaded efforts to provide long-term support of biological diversity and meaningful outdoor recreation opportunities for residents of a heavily populated region.
- Partnered State Parks with community organizations to improve access to local State Parks by non-traditional visitors.