

## **Smithsonian Associates: Rock Creek Park, A Virtual Exploration**

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Books and Other Resources

### **Books**

#### **Books by Melanie Choukas-Bradley**

*A Year in Rock Creek Park—the Wild, Wooded Heart of Washington, DC*

*City of Trees—The Complete Field Guide to the Trees of Washington, DC*

*Finding Solace at Theodore Roosevelt Island* (includes Rock Creek Park passages)

*Wild Walking—A Guide to Forest Bathing Through the Seasons*

*Theodore Roosevelt—Naturalist in the Arena*, edited by Char Miller & Clay S. Jenkinson  
with a chapter by Choukas-Bradley titled “Urban Wild—Theodore Roosevelt’s  
Explorations of Rock Creek Park”

#### **Books about Rock Creek Park History**

*A History of Rock Creek Park: Wilderness & Washington, DC* by Scott Einberger

*Rock Creek Park A to Z* by David Swerdloff & Lorraine Swerdloff

*Peirce Mill: Two Hundred Years in the Nation’s Capital* by Steve Dryden

*Bold, Rocky, & Picturesque: The Archeology & History of Rock Creek Park* by John  
Bedell, Stuart Fiedel & Charles LeeDecker

*Rock Creek Park* by Gail Spilsbury

### **Map**

Potomac Appalachian Trail Club Map N: Trails in the Rock Creek Park Area, District of  
Columbia (Order via [www.patc.net](http://www.patc.net))

### **Websites**

National Park Service for Rock Creek Park: [www.nps.gov/rocr](http://www.nps.gov/rocr)



Rock Creek Conservancy: [www.rockcreekconservancy.org](http://www.rockcreekconservancy.org)

Friends of Peirce Mill: [www.friendsofpeircemill.org](http://www.friendsofpeircemill.org)





### Rock Creek Park Map

-  **Western Ridge Trail**
-  **Valley Trail**