



CAROLINA THREAD TRAIL®

16TH ANNUAL TRAIL FORUM

Presented by LandDesign

Agenda

8:30 - 9:00 Check-in

9:00 - 9:30 Welcome - Lowrance Room

LandDesign staff

Bart Landess, Executive Director Carolina Thread Trail/Catawba Lands Conservancy

- Celebrating Trails

Carolina Thread Trail staff

9:40 - 12:00 Double Session (Classroom and Off-Site)

- Ready to Design a Greenway? Best Practices + Field Study (Lowrance Room) [CEU/PDH credit: PENC]

Iona Thomas, AICP V-P Public Sector, McAdams

Jimmy Prestwood, PE, Bicycle and Pedestrian Engineer, McAdams

Nick Lowe, RLA, Senior Landscape Architect, McAdams

Will Washam, Transportation Planner, Town of Mooresville

9:40 - 10:40 Concurrent Session #1

- Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden: Using Trails as a Catalyst for Strategic Renovation and Programming (Merchant Room)

Eric Smallwood, Outdoor Program Director, DSBG

Jason Bonham, Director of Horticulture, DSBG

John Searby, Executive Director, DSBG and Catawba Riverkeeper

- Preserving the Heritage Oaks: Innovative Tree-Root Crossing Solution on Wake Forest Campus (Cedar Room) [CEU/PDH credit: PENC]

Kimberly Barb, PLA, ASLA, LEED AP BD+C, Partner/SR. Project Manager, Stimmel Associates

Jason Philbin, PE, President, PermaTrak America

- Trail Signage: Improve Wayfinding and Branding (Peddler Room)

Spencer Finch, PE, Principal, Alta Planning and Design

Stephen Bzomowski, AICP, Planning Associate, Alta Planning and Design

Kimberly Williams, Senior Planning Associate, Alta Planning and Design

Brittney Brown, Land Conservation and Trails Project Coordinator, Carolina Thread Trail/Catawba Lands Conservancy

10:40 - 11:00 Break

****All sessions and the keynote approved for AICP, NCBOLA, NPRA CEU/PDH credits. PENC approved sessions listed on agenda****

11:00 – 12:00 Concurrent Session #2

- Charlotte's Urban Arboretum Trail: Preservation, Partnerships, and Placemaking (Merchant Room)
Tim Porter, Chief Urban Forester, City of Charlotte
- Design and Construction of the Great Falls Portage Trail Project (Cedar Room) [CEU/PDH credit: PENC]
Brian Couture, PE, President of Engineering Services, Theorem Geo Associates Engineering
Christy Churchill, RLA, Landscape Architect, Hydro Licensing and Lake Services, Duke Energy
- The World Speaks Trails: Lessons and Tales from a Trail-Builder's Time Abroad (Peddler Room)
Craig Brickser, Owner and President, Community Trail Design

12:00 – 2:00 Lunch and Keynote Activities – Lowrance Room

- Carolina Thread Trail Volunteer of the Year
- Year of the Trail NC Recap
- Keynote: Ready, Set, Thrive – Trail Communities Prospering Through Partnerships
Amy Camp, Owner, Cycle Forward

2:15 – 3:15 Concurrent Session # 3

- The Seam: Master Planning the 50+-Mile Trail (Merchant Room)
Matt Weschler, PE, LEED AP, Studio Leader, LandDesign
Emily Condon, PLA, ASLA, Landscape Architect, LandDesign
Curtis Bridges, AICP, Active Transportation Planner, CRTPO
Will Washam, Transportation Planner, Town of Mooresville
Katie Lloyd, PLA, ASLA, Senior Planner, Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation
John Cock, AICP, Senior Transportation Project Manager, Bolton and Menk
- Achieving the Great Trails State Vision in NC: Implementing the Great Trails State Plan and Expanding State Funding Opportunities for Trails through Advocacy and Year of the Trail (Cedar Room) [CEU/PDH credit: PENC]
Kimberly Williams, Senior Planning Associate, Alta Planning and Design
Stephen Bzomowski, AICP, Alta Planning and Design
NCDOT Representative, TBD
Palmer McIntyre, Director, NC Year of the Trail/Coordinator NC Great Trails State
Iona Thomas, AIVP, V-P Public Sector, McAdams
- Perspectives on Trail Art - Panel (Peddler Room)
Dabney Sanders, Project Manager, Downtown Greenway, Greensboro
Shane Prisby, Trail Program Director, Foothills Conservancy of North Carolina
Michael Applegate, CDME, Director of Gaston County Travel and Tourism
Moderator: May Barger – Public Art Consultant, Board Member – Carolina Thread Trail/Catawba Lands Conservancy

3:15 – 3:30 Closing and Raffle

Thank you for attending the 16th Annual Trail Forum! We hope to see you again next year!