



Triangle Trailblazers

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~ 2026 October Newsletter ~

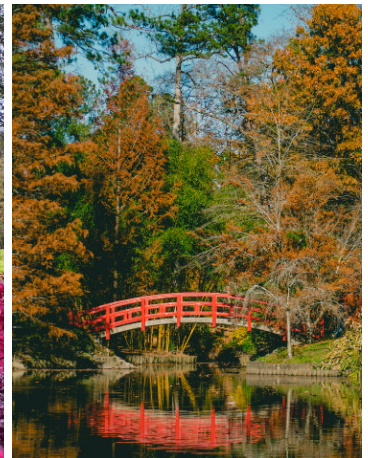
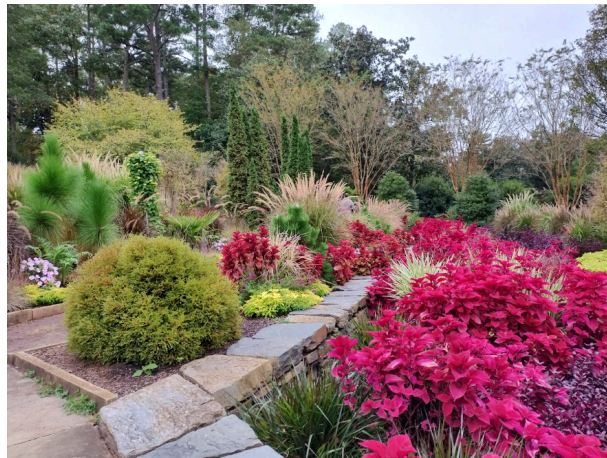
October Group Walk

Durham Duke Gardens - October 10 at 9:30 am

(Click the link for map, driving directions, & Online Start Box info.)

Start Point – Parking Deck at 125 Science Dr, Durham, NC 27710 for Bryant University Center and Duke Chapel. Once you are on Science Dr, go straight past the 1st Visitor Parking sign, and turn right at the 2nd Visitor Parking entrance, then immediately turn right into the garage to park your car. Cost is \$2 per hour. Pay at the kiosk after your walk. We will meet inside the garage on Level 2 by the pay kiosk & elevator. Please meet by 9:15 am to register.

The trail is predominantly on sidewalks and gravel paths with only slight hills and some steps. It goes through the Sarah P. Duke Memorial Gardens and Duke University. The walk's highlights are the beauty of the gardens and the magnificent Gothic architecture of the campuses, including Duke Chapel.



2026 Group Walk Schedule

(all dates are Saturdays)

November 14 – Raleigh Art Museum, 9:30 am. Your last chance to do this walk because it will be suspended in 2027!

December 12 – Raleigh Oakwood, 10 am (annual lunch meeting afterward)

*****Brand new:** a Year-Round walk in Dix Park is coming in 2027, including the Danbo Trolls, Gipson Play Plaza, and more. Details will be forthcoming in the future newsletter.

Fun Memories from September 2026

On a sunny, clear-sky day, we welcomed a new member, Jane Shaw Stroup, on 9/12/2026. Pushing through the Smithfield humidity, which acted like a time capsule, slowing everything down, we visited the Neuse River Greenway and a Historic Riverside Cemetery, enjoyed tree-shaded residential neighborhoods, and went into downtown, including the courthouse, Ava Gardner Museum, & historic brick storefronts of Market Street. Finally, we dined at Gotham's Deli, our energy charging station, where we savored delicious New York-style sandwiches and plentiful drinks.



Photo by Celia Glenn

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Other Groups & Events Schedule

❖ AVA 50th Anniversary - ava.org/50th-anniversary

- ★ October 16-18 – Arlington, VA (Atlantic Region)
 - 25th Annual FreedomWalk Festival IML
- ★ October 28 – November 1
 - South Central Roundup “Halloween Clicks on Route 66”

❖ NC Events -

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October 3, MW – Southend @ 10 am
 7-9(10), AA – Hilton Head Plus
 17, RR – Concord @ 10 am
 24, WW - Triad Park @ 10 am
 24, AA – McDowell County Guided Walk
 31, RR – Dan Nicholas Park @ 10 am