SIERRA CLUB

Robert Lunz Group

Lunz Letter

November 2026

Designing and Building for a Sustainable Future



April Magill
Principal Architect & Executive Director,
Root Down Designs

Thursday, November 5
7:00 pm

Attend in Person:
Rita Hollings Science Center
58 Coming St.
College of Charleston

Attend online via Zoom: Click to Register

Healthy, breathable buildings made from bio-based, plant-derived materials offer a powerful path toward a carbon-negative future—one that supports the health of both our planet and the people who inhabit it. Local architect April Magill will talk about her firm's work to advance progressive architecture across the Southeast with hands-on building workshops and educational classes that are transforming the way we think about—and build—the places we call home.

Share this with friends on Facebook and Meetup.



Did you know the Sierra Club had an important role in protecting Congaree's remarkable old-growth forest, helping pave the way for the creation of the park? We're excited to celebrate this conservation legacy alongside the National Park Service!

The park's anniversary weekend activities including:

- Guided hikes
- Ranger-led programs
- Educational presentations
- BioBlitz activities
- Special speakers

The Sierra Club will have a picnic shelter reserved all day on October 17. Join us for a potluck lunch or stop by anytime between 9am and 5pm to meet fellow members.

Learn More & RSVP



Save the Date

Annual Lunz Group Potluck & Holiday Party

Thursday, December 3

Christine & Alec's home in Mt Pleasant.



January Program:

Member Slide Show

Thursday, January 7



Next Month

Upcoming Training for New Outings Leaders

November 20 - 22
Santee State Park

This is your opportunity to give back by becoming a Sierra Club Outings Leader. Join us for this weekend-long hands-on training for members interested in leading future hikes, paddles and other outdoor adventures.

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Questions? Contact Amanda Voges at avogeslambert@gmail.com

Upcoming Outings



Pollinator Garden Work Party

Saturday, October 24

Event Leader: Kathleen Guy

Help us celebrate South Carolina Native Plant Week with a hands-



Forest Immersion in Old Towne Creek County Park

Sunday, November 1

Event Leader: Amanda Voges

Disconnect from daily stress and join us at the recently opened Old

on morning of weeding, tidying and helping to maintain two local pollinator gardens in Charleston's Eastside neighborhood. We'll also be making seed balls to take home and plant on your own.

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Towne Creek County Park. Local eco-experience guide Elizabeth Brumbach-Mills will join us for this unique experience as we immerse ourselves in the sounds, colors and smells of nature.

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Explore the Black River Cypress Preserve

Saturday, November 7

Outings Leader: Amanda Voges

This outing will include a combination of biking and hiking on trails winding through the Preserve's pineland forests and cypress swamp landscape.

A limited number of bicycles will be available to borrow.

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Canoe / Kayak on the Edisto River & Penny Creek

Sunday, November 15

Outings Leader: Bill Turner

This trip will start at Willtown Bluff and trace back channels and old rice canals upriver with the incoming tides to Penny Creek, which gradually narrows from antebellum rice field terrain to hardwood swamp forest.

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More Outings on the Horizon

December 5 Walk at Botany Bay & Roxbury Park
January 10 Day hike at Hasty Point Plantation
February 20 Day hike at Donnelley Wildlife Management Area
March 28 Biking at Santee National Wildlife Refuge
April 14 Paddle in Rimini (Sparkleberry) Swamp

And be sure to save the date!
February 21, 2027 - Annual Lunz Group Oyster Roast

17th Annual SCELP Wild Side



Saturday, October 24

Enjoy a fantastic catered dinner, cocktails, live music and the company of good people while supporting the South Carolina Environmental Law Project.

SCELP's annual Wild Side fundraiser will again be held under the majestic oaks of the historic Kaminski House in Georgetown. This year's featured speaker will be Bob Inglis, former congressman and recipient of the 2015 John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award for his work on climate change.

Learn More & Buy Tickets



Recent Program:

Conservation on the Black River

Black River Cypress Preserve's education manager, Sarah Wilson spoke at the October meeting about their efforts to conserve this privately-owned property, and welcome the public to enjoy its 25+ miles of walking, biking & paddling trails that wind through blackwater swamps and native pinelands.

Watch Recording



Save the Date:

South Carolina Native Plant Week

October 18 - 24

Come celebrate the benefits of native plants to birds, insects and the climate with this annual celebration that includes a variety of activities, plant sales, workshops, lectures and volunteer opportunities.

Learn More

Sierra Club Action Hour:

Data Centers

Wednesday, Oct 21



The national Sierra Club's monthly action hour will focus on the growth of data centers and their impact on communities, health, and climate. In this hour, we'll learn about a brand new report on how unconstrained data center developments are affecting our communities and what we, collectively, can do about it.

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