SIERRA CLUB

Robert Lunz Group

Lunz Letter

October 2026

Conservation at Black River Cypress Preserve



Sarah Wilson
Visitation & Education Manager
Black River Cypress Preserve



Thursday, October 1
7:00 pm

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

Attend online via Zoom: Click to Register

The privately owned Black River Cypress Preserve was created to inspire, activate, and educate citizens about the extraordinary blackwater swamps and native pinelands of the South Carolina coastal plain. Founded in 2015, the Preserve features fifteen miles of interpretive walking and biking trails. In addition to a 3.2-mile kayak route down the main stem of the river, there are seven miles of paddling trails within the cypress swamp, on the Swampside Tract and across the river on property owned by The Nature Conservancy.

Share this with friends on Facebook and Meetup.

Get Involved with the Sierra Club!



We Want Your Travel Pics!

(...for the January 7 Member Slide Show)

Each January we invite members to share photos and stories from their travel adventures at the monthly meeting. Contact Nina Fair (ninafair@bellsouth.net) about participating.

Don't worry if you only have a few or they aren't quite up to National Geographic standards!



Upcoming Training for New Outings Leaders

November 20 - 22
Santee State Park

Interested in 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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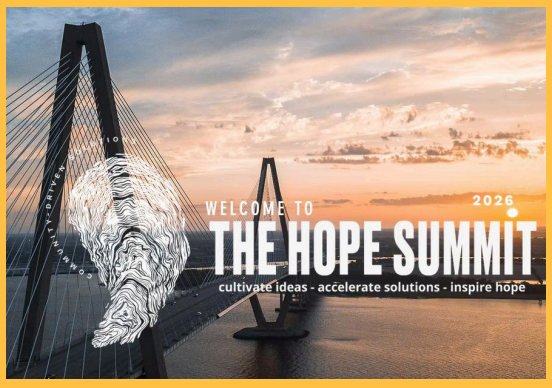
Questions? Contact Amanda Voges at avogeslambert@gmail.com

Get Involved in Your Community!

Beneath the Oaks Symposium

Thursday, October 15
Charleston Museum

Beneath the Oaks is a community initiative dedicated to celebrating



Hope Summit

Conference | Festival | Film

October 1 - 4

Various Charleston locations

The Hope Summit is a multidisciplinary event including a

native plants, resilient landscapes, and environmental stewardship throughout the Lowcountry. This symposium will feature presentations on pollinators, native seed supply and designing urban habitats among others.

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conference, community festival and film festival, all focused on ideas and solutions around thematic tracks including water quality, stewardship and citizen science, governance, ecological restoration, resilience and adaptation, among other topics.

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Save The Date: October 18 - 24

South Carolina Native Plant Week

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November Program

April Magill

Executive Director,
Root Down Building Collective

Adjunct Prof. of Sustainable Materials
American College of the Building Arts

Thursday, November 5

Recent Program:

Mushrooms of the Lowcountry

Brian Wheat

Horticulture Instructor
Trident Technical College

Watch Recording

Upcoming Outings





Mt Pleasant Waterfront Park Clean Up

Saturday, September 19

Come out for this Lunz Group-hosted clean up as part of the 2026 Beach Sweep / River Sweep. We'll meet at the park under the Ravenel Bridge before spreading out to clean along the Cooper River shoreline. Supplies, gloves, and trash bags will be provided.

Wild Mushroom Forage

Saturday, September 26

Follow up our September program on wild mushrooms with a guided outing led by veteran foragers Jane and Paul White. The exact location will depend on current conditions, but likely either in the Goose Creek area or Francis Marion National Forest near Cooperhead Road.

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More Outings on the Horizon

October 17 Celebrate 50 years of Congaree National Park
November 1 Forest Immersion
November 7 Explore the Black River Cypress Preserve
November 15 Fall color paddle trip on the Edisto River
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

Thank You to our 2026 Oyster Roast Donors!

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