

Question au programme :

Frederick Law Olmsted (1822-1903) et le *park movement* américain

Sujet de leçon:

Discuss the following statement.

"[...] Olmsted's parks seemed to offer an attractive remedy for the dangerous problem of discontent among the urban masses. In contrast with other reforms put forward by the gentry, they visibly affected the everyday habits of large numbers of people. By providing pleasant and uplifting outlets in the narrow lives of city-dwellers, they promised a measure of social tranquillity".

Geoffrey Blodgett, "Frederick Law Olmsted: Landscape Architecture as Conservative Reform", *Journal of American History*, Vol. 62, No. 4, March 1976, p. 877.