

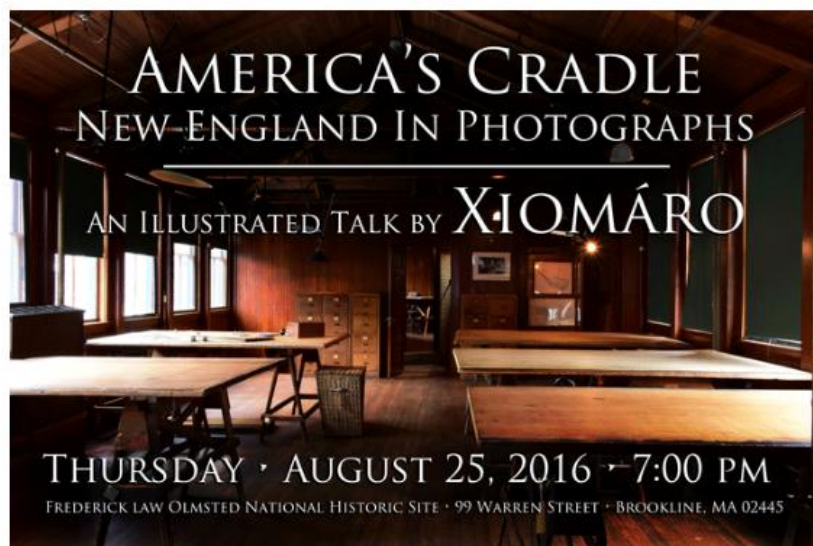
Happy 100th Birthday NPS!



Join us in celebrating 100 years of the National Park Service!

On August 25, 1916 President Woodrow Wilson signed into law that National Park Service Organic Act, which created NPS under the Department of the Interior. Though much has changed, the mission remains the same as it was written by Frederick Law Olmsted, Jr. 100 years ago:

"To conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations."



Kick off the centennial celebration on Founders' Day, **Thursday, August 25**, with a talk at **7:00 pm** by award-winning photographer Xiomáro. [Registration](#) is required.

An outdoor reception on the South Lawn at **6:00 pm** precedes the talk and will celebrate winners and runners up of "Inspired by Olmsted" visual art and writing contest for area high school students.

These events are co-sponsored by Friends of Fairsted.

<https://www.nps.gov/frla/playourvisit/centennial-weekend.htm>