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# BACK-TO-SCHOOL

## UF SCASLA

### SEPTEMBER 2016





## IMPORTANT DATES

SEP 01 FIRST MEETING CANCELLED  
SEP 08 FIRST MEETING  
SEP 09 BOWLING SOCIAL

SEP 16 PARK(ING) DAY  
OCT 01 BOARD VISIT  
OCT 21 ASLA CONFERENCE  
IN NEW ORLEANS

On August 26th, UF's SCASLA participated in the design college's fall premiere, where clubs came out to recruit new members.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### PARK(ING) DAY

On September 16th, ASLA will participate in Park(ing) Day, a day long event where two parking spaces in downtown Gainesville will be transformed into a pocket park. This is an opportunity to expose the work of UF's landscape architecture to the city in order to gain exposure and re-think traditional use of public spaces.

### ACCREDITATION VISIT

On October 1st, UF will be receiving a visit in order to renew the design programs' accreditation. ASLA will be organizing each studio to maximize student interaction with the board members.



UF is offering students the opportunity to study abroad in Croatia. SCASLA members Bryce Donner, Nathania Martinez, and Bryana Boileau will be doing this in the fall.

### IRBY READING GARDEN

The Irby Elementary School has commissioned UF's SCASLA to create an outdoor reading garden. Intended for teachers and students, this will also serve as an outdoor classroom. During the last school year, we were able to communicate with Irby their needs and desires for the site. The next step is creating a final design plan. This is an ongoing project with a completion goal of Spring 2017.



The city of Gainesville opened the gates to Depot Park on August 20th.

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Seeing the sights with fellow student representatives from Minnesota and California.

## PAST EVENTS

### ADVOCACY DAY

Advocacy Day is an annual event hosted in Washington D.C. This year Lea, a student representative, attended to engage senators and state reps. through personal meetings. ASLA focused on championing for the NPS Centennial Park Challenge, where private dollars would match federal dollars put toward recovering maintenance backlog in America's National Parks. The second issue was to renounce a proposed bill that would eliminate federal funding of plants used in green infrastructure projects.



ASLA members receiving awards for Park(ing) Day

### FL ASLA IN JACKSONVILLE

This year's Florida ASLA conference was held in Jacksonville, where many of our members took advantage of this professional networking event. This year, a competition to make the better Park(ing) Day-inspired Parklet was held between the University of Florida and Florida International University! In preparation, 2015-2016 VP, Dan Rodriguez and Treasurer, Wes Lewis worked together to design and build a new Park. The team's efforts paid off in the end and we took home the gold!

### ADVOCACY CHAIR

SCASLA is pleased to announce Andrew Castanheira as our new Advocacy Chair. This position's main focus is to expose students K-12 and other communities to the field of landscape architecture for recruitment purposes.



Advocacy Day in Washington D.C.