



At this site in 1892, the Chautauqua Association offered lectures and entertainment in a large dome located just above the town's flour mill. When the unused mill was demolished, the land it occupied, and the eight acres where the dome once stood, were dedicated as park land. This marked the beginning of Lithia Park. Additional land was purchased and donated over the years and the park now spans over 90 acres. Golden Gate Park Superintendent John McLaren assisted with the design. His motto: "Trees, and more trees" explains the lush landscape, though Ashland Creek remains the central feature.

From the Lower Duck Pond to the Swimming Reservoir, there are many ways to enjoy Lithia Park:

- · Sip lithia water at the Enders Shelter.
- Listen to the musical stream in the Japanese Garden.
- Explore the scents of flower gardens.
- Walk the paths along Ashland Creek.
- Picnic on one of the many lawns.
- Sit quietly in a secluded alcove where you might encounter deer, birds, squirrels or other wildlife.