The Nature Interpretive Center at Clay Pit Ponds State Park Preserve provides educational recreation opportunities for people of all ages. These programs are designed to enhance your visit to our State Parks. Most events are rain or shine! Stay up to date on the status of our programs by visiting our Facebook page at: www.facebook.com/ClayPitPonds.

PLEASE NOTE: Ticks are a fact of life on Staten Island and in our Park Preserve. Please wear long pants, tall socks and closed-toe shoes to all outdoor programs. Bug spray is also recommended and we have it on site for patron use if you don't bring your own.
Tot Time Tuesdays
Every Tuesday
10:00am — 11:30am
Explore a different nature theme each week during this indoor play group. Story time starts at 10:30am followed by a short hike at 11:00am, weather permitting. Ages 0-3.

Egg Hunt
Saturday, April 11
10:00am — 11:00am
Can you find the eggs hidden on our trails? Bring your own basket! Ages 0 to 10.

Earth Day Celebration
Saturday, April 25
1:00pm — 3:00pm
Spread the joy of nature by celebrating Earth Day with us. We will have crafting, recycling relay races, a puppet show, and more! All ages.

World Migratory Bird Day
Saturday, May 9
11:00am — 1:00pm
Over 160 species of birds have been spotted in our preserve. Learn about these birds by playing games and hiking. Best for ages 5 and up.

Carlton Beil Memorial Walk
Saturday, May 9
2:00pm — 4:00pm
A walk and discussion with the Friends of Olmsted-Beil House, in honor of Carlton Beil. We celebrate his life’s work as museum curator, naturalist, and educator, as he shaped the parks we see today. Adults only.

International Mud Day
Saturday, June 27
10:00am — 2:00pm
It’s the only time Mom will encourage you to play in the mud! Wade in our mud pool, cook up a mud pie in the mud kitchen, paint a mud masterpiece, and more! All ages.

Art in the Park
Last Saturday of every month
Create with us! Please RSVP to each date that you plan to attend by calling 718-605-3970 x201.

Papermaking
April 25, 3:00pm — 4:00pm
Use recycled paper scraps to make rustic paper of your own during our Earth Day celebration. Best for ages 5 and up.

Kite Crafting
May 30, 2:00pm — 3:00pm
Build a kite out of biodegradable materials that won’t harm the earth if it flies away! Best for ages 8 and up.

Paint a Potted Plant
June 27, 2:00pm — 3:00pm
Paint a pot and plant a seed! All ages.

I LOVE MY PARK DAY
Saturday, May 2
10:00am — 1:00pm
Show your love for Clay Pit Ponds by helping us maintain our trails!
Best for ages 10 and up.
RSVP at www.ptny.org/events/i-love-my-park-day

Great Global Clean Up
Saturday, April 18
1:00pm — 3:00pm
Join us for the largest environmental volunteer cleanup in history! RSVPs are encouraged but not required to participate. Meet at the Gericke Farm, located at 2876 Arthur Kill Rd Staten Island, NY 10309. Best for ages 8 and up.

Invasive Species Awareness Workshop
Saturday, June 13
11:00am — 1:00pm
Learn how to remove invasive plants to promote growth of native species! Best for ages 10 and up.

Paint a Potted Plant
Saturday, June 20
11:00am — 12:30pm
Celebrate LGBTQ* Pride Month with us during this 1 mile hike. All ages welcome.