THINGS TO DO, PLACES TO GO! New York's Hudson Valley, East of the Hudson River

TACONIC REGION; COLUMBIA, DUTCHESS, PUTNAM AND WESTCHESTER COUNTIES

October Highlights

ROCKEFELLER STATE PARK PRESERVE

Hulda's Night
October 15-18, 22-25
Showtimes at 6 and 7pm

WALKWAY OVER THE HUDSON

Starry Starry Night
Friday, October 3: 6-10 p.m.
Upper Landing Park, Poughkeepsie

BANNERMAN ISLAND

Movie Night
Bride of Frankenstein
Friday, October 3

CLERMONT STATE HISTORIC SITE

Legends by Candlelight
Friday & Saturday,
October 17, 18, 24, 25

STAATSBURGH STATE HISTORIC SITE

Gathering of Old Cars
October 19: 11am - 4pm

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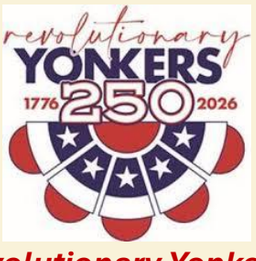

Revolutionary Yonkers Tea Party
October 18: 12pm -4pm

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LITTLE STONY POINT CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

3011 Route 9D Cold Spring, NY 10516

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Fish and Wildlife Day
Saturday, October 4
10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Come and enjoy "Fish and Wildlife Day" along the Hudson River in the majestic Hudson Highlands!! You can fish in the river (equipment provided), watch River seining demonstrations and observe, up close, netted water species with a river expert explaining the catch! Also, there will be native plant and wildlife demonstrations to heighten our awareness of the natural species in our midst in the lower Hudson Valley! *Hosted by the Little Stony Point Citizens Association.*

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COLUMBIA COUNTY

OLANA STATE HISTORIC SITE // 518.751.0344

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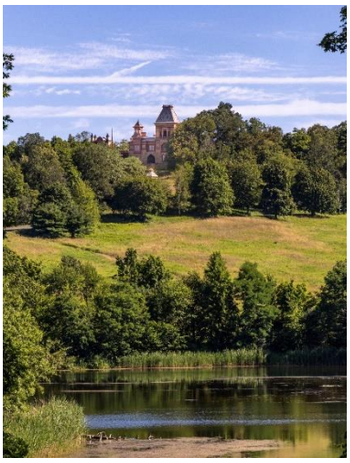

Landscape: Olana State Historic Site's 250-acre landscape is free and open to all, every day from 8:00 AM to sunset.
Image by: Peter Aaron/ OTTO

October Hours: Visit OLANA.org/plan-your-visit/ for the most up to date October hours.

Olana Eye Skycam: Virtual visitors can experience the iconic view from Olana's Studio Tower at any time and from around the world at OLANA.org/OLANAEYE. Use the hashtag #OLANAEYE on social media to share your amazing screen captures. Follow us @OlanaFredericChurch.

Virtual Tours: Learn about Frederic Church's Olana and explore the 250-acre landscape from the comfort of your own home. Virtual tours are available on the Olana website at *https://www.olana.org/virtual-olana/*

What's Missing?
Olana State Historic Site | Now through October 31, 2025
Organized by The Olana Partnership

Olana is the most intact historic artist's environment in the United States, encompassing the Main House and its extensive collections, an historic farm complex, and the 250-acre landscape designed by Frederic Church. Despite its remarkable state of preservation, several of Olana's extant structures were removed years prior to Olana becoming a National Historic Landmark and New York State Historic Site. In these structures' absence, stories of the people who built them and the functions they served have also been lost. Visible foundations and archaeological evidence survive for some of

these missing structures. In other cases, only photographs, maps, or oral histories bear witness to their past existence. These buildings may have vanished, but their stories remain embedded within Olana's landscape. For *What's Missing?,* The Olana Partnership commissioned artists **Ellen Harvey** and **Gabriela Salazar** to create site-specific outdoor artworks that respond to these missing pieces of Olana's landscape history. *Image by: Peter Aaron/ OTTO*. See: OLANA.org/whatsmissing

A Closer Look | Olana State Historic Site | Sharp Family Gallery
Organized by The Olana Partnership
Through October 26, 2025
Frederic Church carefully studied the world around him, incorporating those observations into his paintings, guiding the viewer's eye through his composed landscapes, and encouraging them to take *A Closer Look*. The Olana Partnership invites you to discover works of art through close looking, observation, and conversation. Participants in *A Closer Look* will be encouraged to slow down, open their minds to discover Frederic Church's art in new ways, and spend time in close dialogue with select artworks from the Olana collection. No prior knowledge of art is required. Visit https://olana.org/acloserlook/ for the full schedule. *Image credit: Frederic Edwin Church, Aurora Borealis, c. 1865-66. Oil on canvas. 9 1/16 x 14 5/8 inches. New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation, Olana State Historic Site, OL.1980.1879.A*

OLANA Webinar
Virtual offering – visit olana.org/webinars
Get cozy and learn more about Olana and its history from home with our range of over 50 webinars highlighting the diverse stories connected to Frederic Church, his family, and creation, Olana. Topics range from the popularity of coffee in the 19th century to presentations on Church's unique artist friends and colleagues like Marianne North and Edmonia Lewis to conversations with contemporary artists like Jean Shin and Mark Igloliorte. Visit olana.org/webinars to learn more.

The Travelers and Excavations of Ancient Petra
Saturday, October 11 | 5:00 – 6:00 pm
Nestled in the rose-red sandstone cliffs and surrounded by the deserts of what is today southern Jordan, the archaeological site of Petra is one of humanities greatest wonders. Hewn from canyon walls, the rock-cut city thrived for centuries as the capital of the ancient Nabataean people. Most often recognized by The Treasury, an enigmatic but stunning structure Frederic Church captured in his 1874 painting, *El Khasné, Petra*, the city sprawled for miles.
Join Professor Pearce Paul Creasman for a discussion of the ancient travelers who helped bring this enigmatic site to the contemporary world's attention and an exploration of the recent archaeological work shaping an understanding of Petra's history and impact. This onsite lecture takes place in the Frederic Church Center for Art & Landscape; refreshments to follow.
This program is $20 per person ($15 for members), and it meets at the Frederic Church Center for Art and Landscape. Advanced registration required. Please contact education@olana.org to learn more.

OLANA
THIRD THURSDAYS
TERCER JUEVES
FREE Monthly Tours and Programs
Entradas y Programas Mensuales Gratuitos

Thursday, October 16 | 1:00 – 7:00 PM
The Olana Partnership's Free Community Day at Olana State Historic Site, the Third Thursday of every month. Make a day of it! Join a FREE program! Learn more below.
Fall Fishing with the Hudson Sloop Club | 3:00 – 6:00 pm
Tunes with a View: Brasskill | 5:00 – 6:15 pm
To learn more visit: https://olana.org/thirdthursdays/

What's Missing? Artist Walk with Ellen Harvey
Friday, October 17 | 5:00 – 6:00 pm
Join contemporary artist Ellen Harvey for a walk and conversation around her current installation in Olana's artist-designed landscape and learn how she was inspired by the site's mysterious "summer house." This one hour walk will take place outdoors near Harvey's project, Winter in the Summer House, which places Frederic Church's lost summer house with a radical reimagining of what was once there. During this walk, participants will learn more about the artist's motivation and will walk around 1 mile. $10/$5 members. Meet at the Museum Shop.

Gallery Explorers: A FREE Family Program
Saturday, October 18 | 1:00-2:00pm
Experience learning, looking closely, and conversation as a family during this series of special museum gallery tours at Olana State Historic Site. Each month, The Olana Partnership educators will lead an exploration of two to three works of art on the second-floor galleries through family-friendly dialogue and other hands-on activities. After your tour, extend your day at OLANA and head down to the Wagon House Education Center for a free drop-in program, Art Making in the Afternoon from 1-4pm.
Designed for families with children ages 3 and up. FREE; advanced registration required. Please contact education@olana.org to learn more, visit https://olana.org/programs-events/ for details.
Image credit: The Olana Partnership

Family Saturday: Artmaking in the Afternoon
Saturday, October 18 | 1:00-4:00pm
Inspired by your time at Olana or looking for family-friendly fun? Participate in free, drop-in artmaking in the Wagon House Education Center and learn more about Frederic Church's artist-designed home and studio on the Hudson.
This drop-in artmaking program is open to all ages and skill levels; all materials provided. FREE. No advanced registration is required. Contact education@olana.org or call (518) 751-6938 for more info. Visit https://olana.org/programs-events/ for details. Image credit: Philip Scalia

Evenings at Olana: Ecology Walk + Piazza Toast
Saturday, October 18 | 4:30 PM (90 mins)
Join us for a rare opportunity to enjoy a guided evening landscape walk at Olana! Spend one hour walking through Frederic Church's designed landscape with a guide certified as both a volunteer master gardener and master forester. Dive into the flora and ecology and learn about how they informed Olana's carefully composed views and its story as a living artwork. Next, enjoy the one-of-a-kind experience of a Hudson Valley evening with a glass of prosecco on the piazza of the historic house. Watch the sun begin to set behind the Catskill Mountains and see the views that inspired a great American artist. (non-alcoholic beverages also available)
Walk covers approximately one mile over unpaved roads and is not ADA accessible.
Tickets: $65 non-members | $50 members
Credit: Zio & Sons

Guided Forest Bathing with Fru Molnar
Saturday, October 25 | 1:00 – 3:00pm
Get outside and show yourself and the land some love through a special guided walk through Olana's artist-designed landscape and views. Fru Molnar, trained and certified forest bathing guide, will lead the way, helping you connect with nature through a slow-paced, easeful sensory exploration. Based on the Japanese practice of Shinrin-yoku ("forest bathing"), participants will explore the forest while connecting with nature and themselves.
Fru Molnar (she/her) is the founder of Forest Baths (est. 2021), a lifelong student of the trees, and a Certified Forest Therapy Guide with the ANFT (Association of Nature and Forest Therapy Guides).
This program is $10 per person ($5 for members). Advanced registration required. Please contact education@olana.org to learn more.

WEBINAR – Botanical Exchanges: The Art of Emily Cole and Isabel Charlotte "Downie" Church
Tuesday, October 28 | 12:00 – 1:00pm
Emily Cole and Downie Church were both prolific painters of flora, finding inspiration in the meadows, orchards, and gardens of their Hudson Valley homes. As friends, neighbors, and fellow artists, Emily Cole and Downie Church continued the legacy of artistic mentorship begun by their artist fathers, Thomas Cole (1801-1848) and Frederic Edwin Church (1826-1900). This discussion will explore how Emily Cole's and Downie Church's artistic practices—largely characterized by the close observation of the natural world, specifically its flora—reflect personal expression, gendered expectations, and the professional artistic networks and trends of the late 19th century
Join Allegra Davis (former Associate Curator, The Olana Partnership; M.A. candidate in the History of Art & Architecture, Boston University) and Amanda Malmstrom (Associate Curator, Thomas Cole National Historic Site) for a conversation on 19th-century flower painting with focus on the artwork of Emily Cole (1843–1913) and Isabel Charlotte "Downie" Church (1871–1935).
Presented in collaboration with the Thomas Cole National Historic Site in connection to their exhibition, *EMILY COLE: Ceramics, Flora & Contemporary Responses*, on view through November 2, 2025.

CLERMONT STATE HISTORIC SITE // 518.537.4240

NATURE | ART | FAMILY | HERITAGE

Ongoing: Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, & Sundays. Holiday Mondays.
On the hour, 11:00AM through 4:00PM
Mansion Tours
Come take a tour of the historic Clermont Mansion! Explore the legacies of the illustrious Livingston family and the untold histories of the enslaved and paid staff whose labor made life at the mansion possible. Dive further into the history with our Visitor Center exhibit, "Spero Meliora: Life in The Land of Livingston," special exhibit "A Connection of This Kind, The Romantic Friendship of Robert R. Livingston and John Jay" and our "Poetry in the Parks" installation. Take a stroll through our gardens or enjoy the scenic view the river from our parking lot adjacent picnic area.
Please note: Tour tickets for the mansion must be purchased at the Visitor Center. **Tickets are $10 for adults, $8 for seniors and students, and children under 12 are free.**

Crafty Kids Halloween
Saturday, October 4, 2025
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Meet at the Visitor Center, Free!
We're welcoming the spooky season with paper-plate black cats and cardboard bats! These creepy-cute creations are perfect for crafty kids ages 2 to 12. Light instruction is offered, creativity is encouraged!
This is a program for children; all children must be accompanied by an adult and all adults must be accompanied by a child.

Chancellor's Open House Series: Edgewater Estate
Saturday, October 4, 2025 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM
Edgewater Estate, Barrytown, NY 12507
$50 for Friends of Clermont Members, $100 for non-members
Edgewater was built for John R. Livingston as a present to his daughter Margaretta on the occasion of her marriage to Captain Rawlins Lowndes Brown of Charleston, South Carolina. In 1853, Edgewater was purchased by Robert Donaldson, a North Carolina native who moved to New York to pursue a career in business. Donaldson enlarged the house the following year with an octagonal library after designs by Alexander Jackson Davis.
There are two tour times to choose from, 11 a.m. or 1 p.m. Each includes a tour of the interior of the home, with time to explore the expansive ornamental grounds. Parking is outside of the gates with an approximately one quarter mile walk to the house. Shuttle transportation is available.

The Livingston's Landscape:
Uncover the relationship the Livingstons had with the land and those living on it.
Sunday, October 12, 2025
2:00 PM
Meet at the Visitor Center, Free!
Join us at Clermont State Historic Site for a guided landscape tour. On this tour we will look back through generations of the Livingston family and explore how their role as landowners shaped the land and local communities. From the questionable land purchases from Indigenous tribes to enslaved men and tenant farmers tilling the soil, to the Livingston's own gentleman farmers, the relationship with the land and those who worked it changed many times over the past 300 years. **Please dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes.** In the event of severe weather this tour will be postponed.

Legends by Candlelight: Halloween Ghost Tours
Friday, October 17. Saturday, October 18. Friday, October 24 and Saturday, October 25.
6:00 PM, 6:30 PM, 7:00 PM, 7:30 PM, 8:00 PM.
Meet at the Visitor Center
Adult tickets: $15. Children aged 5 to 12: $5. Children under 5: Free!
Join us for an exciting, one-of-a-kind, Halloween experience! What starts as a campy candlelit tour quickly turns into a quest to quell the spirits of the mansion. You'll meet ghosts with stories of glory, loss, success, and failure. Be sure to listen carefully, because all their stories are **true!** Your haunting experience starts with Halloween treats inside our cozy Visitor Center. After a short walk through the jack-o-lantern lit landscape, your tour begins on the mansion's porch and ends with a bonfire & marshmallows.
Please wear sturdy shoes and bring a jacket, as it gets bone-chillingly cold along the river!
Please Note: **Tickets will go on sale Wednesday, October 1 at 9:00 am.** Space is limited, reservations are required. No walk-ins. **To reserve your tickets, please call (518) 537-4240.**

Chancellor's Open House Series: Harper House
Saturday, October 18, 2025 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM Harper House, Staatsburg, NY 12580
$50 for Friends of Clermont Members, $100 for non-members
Perched atop a hillside that overlooks the hamlet of Staatsburg sits a stately two-story home that was built for the housekeeper of Ruth Livingston Mills and Ogden Mills. The house was constructed in 1885 and is in close proximity to Staatsburgh State Historic Site.
Tour the home with owners Mary Alden and John White, learn about its rich history, and enjoy brunch on their beautiful porch! Mary coincidentally grew up here when her parents purchased the home in 1960. Mary also serves on the board of the Friends of Mills at Staatsburgh.

Trick-or-Treat at Clermont!
Friday, October 31, 2025
10:30am to 4:00pm
Visitor Center, Free!
Happy Halloween! Swing by our Visitor Center between 10:30 am and 4 pm to trick-or-treat at Clermont. Come for the candy, stay for the photo ops at our spooky-cute Halloween photo stations!
Please Note: **Trick-or-treating in the Visitor Center is free.** The mansion will be open for regular Thursday tour hours: on the hour from 11 am to 4 pm. Tour tickets for the mansion must be purchased at the Visitor Center. Tickets are $10 for adults, $8 for seniors and students, and children under 12 are free.

NATURE FAMILY

TACONIC STATE PARK // 518.329.3993

Every Satruday and Sunday through Columbus Day
2pm-4pm
Visit the Copake Iron Works for guided tours and the *Pomeroy Family Railroad* for a ride on the train to learn about the Iron Works. Brought to you by the Friends of Taconic State Park.

Migratory Bird Walk
Saturday, Oct 4: 9:00am
Free Event |All Ages Welcome | Meet at Orphan Farms location
There is something magical about clear night skies and listening for animals as you take a stroll by under a full moon. This is not a spooky walk, it's a family friendly roll and stroll to learn why Dark Skies matter. We will also be shedding some "light" on many misunderstood creatures of the night. *Flashlights or headlamps encouraged. Appropriate footwear required. Strollers and mobility assistance devices approved for the HVRT are welcome.*

2nd Annual Autumn in the Park
October 11, 10am-3pm
Copake Falls Day Use Area
Free Entry, Food Truck, Live Animal Show, Bear Bus and More!
Celebrate the change of the seasons with us and enjoy the fall foliage during our 2nd Annual Autumn in the Park. We'll have yard games, corn hole, face painting, pumpkin painting, cider, apple games, community organizations to visit with, This and That Food Truck, The Bear Bus, Hudson Paws with adoptable dogs, special visits from Smokey Bear and Sparky the dog, and MORE!
Please note: Cider and pumpkins are while supplies last.

Trunk or Treat & Cruise In
October 18, 4pm-6pm
Copake Falls Day Use Area
Free Entry, Vehicles MUST Register prior
Come out with your best costume and friends and have some fun. We are encouraging vehicles of all sorts to "Cruise In" and participate. Vintage, restored, modified vehicles are all encouraged. Interested in participating as a vehicle? All vehicles must be registered with the Park.
Please contact us at Haley.Sylvan@parks.ny.gov for a form and details or call the Park Office.
Please note: Space is limited for vehicles. **This event is free of charge.**

Moonlit Dark Skies Walk
Monday, Oct 6th 7:00pm-8:00pm
Free Event |All Ages Welcome | Meet at Orphan Farms location
There is something magical about clear night skies and listening for animals as you take a stroll by under a full moon. This is not a spooky walk, it's a family friendly roll and stroll to learn why Dark Skies matter. We will also be shedding some "light" on many misunderstood creatures of the night.
Flashlights or headlamps encouraged. Appropriate footwear required.
Strollers and mobility assistance devices approved for the HVRT are welcome.

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Mid-Hudson Astronomical Association Monthly Star Party
Fri., October 17 @ 6:00 PM
The Mid-Hudson Astronomical Association hosts a monthly stargazing party in the West Beach parking lot. Bring your own telescopes and binoculars or use those provided by our members. You will be asked to provide your license plate number and make/model car, so park management and police have a record of who will be in park after hours. More info at https://www.spy-hill.net/myers/astro/ltsp/
Registration: RSVP is required at least one day beforehand.

DUTCHESS COUNTY

STAATSBURGH STATE HISTORIC SITE // 845.889.8851 NATURE ARTS FAMILY HERITAGE

October 2 – 26, Thursday through Sunday: 11am-4pm
Mansion Tours
Mansion tours by advance reservation. See the magnificent Gilded Age home of Ruth Livingston Mills, decorated with its original furnishings.
Reservations required:
Cost: $10/Adults, $8/Seniors & Students, Children 12 & under are free

October 1 – 31, every day
Photographic Scavenger Hunt
A phone with a camera and some walking shoes are all that's needed to explore the grounds and complete 10 riddles on a loop through Staatsburgh's beautiful landscape along the Hudson River. All ages are invited to participate – play solo or with a group. Learn about some of the highlights of the historic grounds around the mansion while having fun!

Thanks to Stewart's Shops, participants who complete the hunt can also win a free ice cream cone while supplies last. To download the clue sheet: **https://millsfriends.org/virtual/letsgo-outside**
Cost: free

October 4 at 11am
A Closer Look: A Curator-Guided Exploration of the Hidden & Hard-to-See
In this special 90-minute tour, Staatsburgh's curator will focus on a selection of objects that are not easily seen on tour or which tell a special story. This version of the tour will focus on all things France including the French objects, furniture, and architecture of the house.
Reservations required**: https://Bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS**
Cost: $12/Adults, $10/Seniors & Students, Children 12 & under are free

October 4, 11, 18: 2pm
October 25: 11am & 2pm
The REAL Gilded Age: America's Elite in the Downton Abbey Era
This tour highlights the real-life characters and themes at Staatsburgh that parallel *Downton Abbey* and HBO's *The Gilded Age*. Led by a costumed interpreter, the tour shows how the Mills family and their servants conducted a busy weekend of high society entertaining, comparing Staatsburgh to what viewers saw on TV.
Reservations required: **https://Bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS**
Cost: $12/Adults, $10/Seniors & Students, Children 12 & under are free

October 10 & 24: 10am
Guided Landscape Walk of Staatsburgh's Grounds: *What You See and What You Don't See*
A guided walk through the estate's grounds that explores how the landscape was designed to reflect the luxurious lifestyle of Staatsburgh's owners, while deliberately hiding the turn-of-the-century technology and labor that made the estate run. Reservations required:
https://Bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS
Cost: free

October 11: 10am
Staatsburg Village Walking Tour
This 90-minute walk in the village of Staatsburg will explore the estate's close relationship with the nearby village and its connection to the Mills family. A guide will discuss historic buildings and highlight hidden locations in the village that demonstrate Staatsburg's vibrant past and the lasting legacy of Ruth and Ogden Mills beyond the estate walls.
Reservations required**: https://Bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS**
Cost: free

October 12 & 25: 10am
History Hidden in the Woods
Have you ever wondered what some of the ruins within Mills-Norrie State Park might be? The beautiful park land was once the setting for grand Hudson Riverfront estates. This 90-minute guided hike will lead visitors through the park, exploring the history of three historic estates: from Staatsburgh's founding as a gentleman's farm in the 1700s to the development of The Point and

Stonehurst estates in the 19th century. The hike is approximately 1.5 miles of uneven terrain, requiring study footwear.
Reservations required: **https://Bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS**
Cost: free.

October 12 & 26: 2pm
A Life in Service
It took a small army to run this 79-room Gilded Age estate. See the mansion through the servants' eyes, as they rose before dawn and toiled until after midnight. The tour—led by a costumed guide—will include visiting the unrestored servants' hall. Even in its unrestored state, the hall is a striking artifact of servant life and work, featuring the servants' dining room and the footmen's bedrooms.
Reservations required: **https://Bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS**
Cost: $12/Adults, $10/Seniors & Students, Children 12 & under are free

October 19: 11am to 4pm
A Gathering of Old Cars
See hundreds of classic cars in a Great Gatsby setting during peak leaf-peeping season.
Cost: free - donations gladly accepted. **New this year – ALL SHOW CARS MUST ENTER BY 11AM. Register your show car for guaranteed admission and a dash plaque:* https://Bookeo.com/StaatsburghSHS

Explore Staatsburgh's beautiful grounds along the Hudson River self-guided walking tour

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WALKWAY OVER THE HUDSON STATE HISTORIC PARK // 845.834.2867

HERITAGE

NATURE

Starry Starry Night
Friday, October 3: 6-10 p.m. - Upper Landing Park, Poughkeepsie
Every October, we celebrate the anniversary of Walkway Over the Hudson's grand opening and the millions of connections made high atop the Hudson River since 2009. Starry Starry Night is a magical evening showcasing the bounty of the Hudson Valley and highlighting Friends of the Walkway's profound impact on our region.
Plan to join us at Upper Landing Park in Poughkeepsie on **Friday, October 3 from 6-10 p.m.** where guests will enjoy numerous food and drink stations featuring chef-crafted culinary creations expertly paired with local wines, beers, and spirits. Live music, art, and other captivating performances will create a dazzling, festival-like atmosphere before the Walkway's glass-enclosed elevator transports guests onto the World's Longest Elevated Bridge for one-of-a-kind twilight views and a fireworks display.
For complete information and to purchase tickets, visit walkway.org/starrystarrynight.

Walkway Connections (For Kids): Using Patterns In Artwork
Friday, October 10: 5-6 p.m.
Young artists will use a black and white outline of the Walkway and its picturesque surroundings to fill in with various patterns at this fun and interactive art event led by Rose Gennaro on Friday, October 10 from 5-6 p.m. at the Ulster Welcome Center (87 Haviland Road, Highland). All Walkway Connections events are free to attend, no RSVP required.

A volunteer Ambassador for the Walkway Over the Hudson, Rose Gennaro is also an established Artist in the area. She has a BS in Art Education and an MS in Fine Art and has a passion for painting beautiful scenery and subjects that inspire her. In addition, she has studied under local and accomplished artists in the region. She has taught art privately, in public schools and is currently teaching online. Her style is a combination of realism and impressionism, with an emphasis on light and dramatic contrasts.

Walkway At Night
Friday, October 10: 6:30-8 p.m.
Friends of the Walkway is pleased to offer the opportunity to enjoy amazing Hudson Valley views after dark from 212 feet above the Hudson River at Walkway at Night. With the moon hanging high in the sky and the Mid-Hudson Bridge twinkling in the distance, there is truly nothing like a twilight evening on the World's Longest Elevated Pedestrian Bridge. Our friends from the Mid-Hudson Astronomical Association will be on-bridge with telescopes to view the night sky (weather permitting).
Reserve your ticket for entry at walkway.org/walkwayatnight.

Walkway Connections: FDR's Train Commute
Saturday, October 11: 2-3 p.m.
FDR often traveled between Washington and his home in Hyde Park. Find out about the trains he used and his connections to local places at this Walkway Connections event on Saturday, October 11 at 2 p.m. at the East Gate Plaza in Poughkeepsie.
The event is free to attend and appropriate for all.

Walkway Connections (For Kids): Halloween Happenings
Sunday, October 19: 2-3 p.m.
This Walkway Connections program on Sunday, October 19 from 2-3 p.m. at the Ulster Welcome Center (87 Haviland Road, Highland) will consist of a brief presentation illustrating the importance of bats and the role the play in our ecosystem. Participants will then be able to try pumpkin painting and building their own bat box to bring these wonderful creatures closer to their homes. Costumes are encouraged!
Led by Mike Littier of New York State Parks. Mike has been with Parks for over 10 years and has a background in ecology and environmental education.
All Walkway Connections events are free to attend with no RSVP required.

Flag Changing Ceremony
Sunday, October 26: 12-12:30 p.m.
The American Legion Post 739 organize and present monthly Flag Changing Ceremonies on the Walkway to honor our region's veterans and their service to our country. These events are open to all who wish to attend.

BANNERMAN CASTLE TRUST // 845.831.1001

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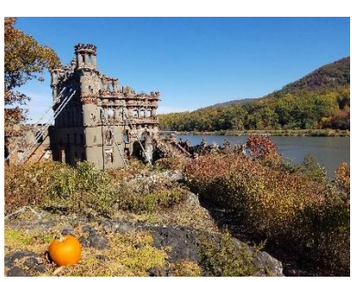


October - Book a Tour to Bannerman Island & Castle in the Hudson River Highlands The Estuary Steward tour boat leaves the Beacon Waterfront Dock across from the Metro-North Train Station at 2 Red Flynn Drive in Beacon, NY from May-October. Enjoy a guided, or self-guided tour of Bannerman Island. Visit the historic Bannerman Castle ruins and gardens and explore the original Bannerman residence which is now a museum. For a schedule of tours and events including; theater, concerts, dinner events and more, or to purchase tickets visit: **https://bannermancastle.org/tours-events/bannerman-island-tour/**

Friday, October 3
Movie Night on Bannerman Island
The BCT presents the 1935 Movie Classic "The Bride of Frankenstein" starring Boris Karloff, Elsa Lancaster and Colin Clive. Take a sunset cruise and tour to Bannerman's Island and join us for a night of popcorn and scary fun! For tickets visit: https://bannermancastle.org/tours-events/bannerman-island-tour/

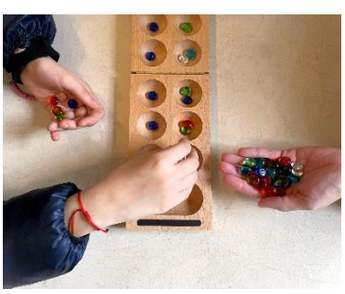
Sunday, October 19
Bannerman Castle Trust's Third Sunday Music Concert Series
The Bannerman Island Stage welcomes popular Indie Folk Duo "Whispering Tree" The concert is FREE for visitors taking the 11:00am and 12:30pm tours only! For tickets visit: https://bannermancastle.org/tours-events/bannerman-island-tour/

October - December
Exhibitions at Bannerman Island Gallery, 150 Main Street, Beacon, NY.
Main Gallery
The Bannerman Castle Trust's Anniversary Exhibition continues. Historic show features artwork, photographs and artifacts from Bannerman Island and the Bannerman Family Collection as well as works by contemporary artists. The exhibition focuses on the history of the island and BCT's development since 1994. ***West Wall Exhibition*** – Virginia Donovan *(Paintings) and* Mary Ann Glass *(Photo-Mixed Media)*. Ongoing show featuring Hudson Valley Paintings & Photography. (Art Sales support preservation projects on Bannerman Island). Gallery Hours: Saturdays & Sundays, Noon – 5:00pm, weekdays by chance & appointment. 845-831-1001 www.bannermancastle.org

WESTCHESTER COUNTY

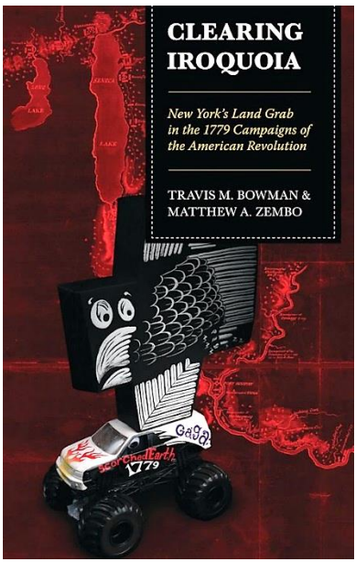
PHILIPSE MANOR HALL STATE HISTORIC SITE // 914.965.4027 HERITAGE FAMILY ART

Did you know? Philipse Manor Hall is open year-round! Explore the museum on your own or take a guided tour. Free scavenger hunts for kids! Museum open Wednesday-Sunday, 10 am to 5 pm.

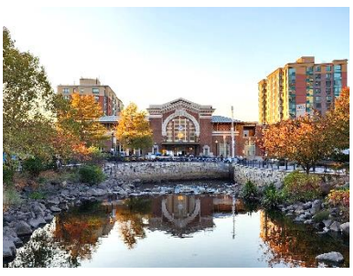


Saturday, October 4, 2025
Historical Games
12:00 – 2:00 PM | in-person at Philipse Manor Hall State Historic Site | Free!
Play with the past! Enjoy indoor & outdoor colonial-era games like hoop & stick, graces, battledore & shuttlecock, shut the box, mancala, jacob's ladder, and more! Free and open to everyone. All children must be accompanied by an adult. No registration required.

October 8 through December 28, 2025
Exhibit: "Takings: A History of Land Dispute on the Old Croton Aqueduct"
10:00 AM – 5:00 PM | Wednesdays through Sundays
When the first Croton Aqueduct was built, the exercise of eminent domain disrupted many longstanding working farms and estates in Westchester, the Bronx, and Manhattan. Although local landowners were powerless to stop the project, they did win significant concessions, including tunnels, ramps, small route diversions, and even the glorious Highbridge. Don't miss this new collection of archival documents and research that reveals this important part of the Aqueduct story. Originally developed by the Old Croton Aqueduct State Historic Park and the Friends of Old Croton Aqueduct, this temporary exhibit will be on display through December. Learn more at https://www.philipsemanorhall.com/programs-and-events/exhibit-takings-a-history-of-land-disputes-along-the-croton-aqueduct



Wednesday, October 8, 2025
Lecture: "Clearing Iroquoia"
7:00 PM | in-person at Philipse Manor Hall State Historic Site and online via YouTube
Join authors Travis M. Bowman - the head of museum collections for the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation's Bureau of Historic Sites - and Matthew A. Zembo - associate professor of history and military history at Hudson Valley Community College and instructor of American history at Bard Early College - for a talk about their new book, Clearing Iroquoia: New York's Land Grab in the 1779 Campaigns of the American Revolution (2024). In 1778, George Washington, Philip Schuyler, army officers, and New York officials began planning invasions against Iroquoia, the homeland of the Haudenosaunee and several other allied Indigenous nations. Bowman and Zembo's Clearing Iroquoia offers a fresh perspective on the Clinton-Sullivan campaign and hard truths about of the dispossession of the Haudenosaunee homeland and American colonialism. Register at https://www.philipsemanorhall.com/programs-and-events/lecture-clearing-iroquoia



Saturday, October 11, 2025
Revolutionary Yonkers Walking Tour
10:30 AM | in-person at Philipse Manor Hall State Historic Site
Join us for this special 2.5 mile urban hike of downtown Yonkers focused on the Revolutionary War! Did you know that George Washington and the Continental Army spent time in Yonkers during the American Revolution? And that British Army General Sir Henry Clinton once used Philipse Manor Hall as his headquarters? Explore the troop movements, skirmishes, and people of the American Revolution in Yonkers on this special themed walking tour of the Albany Post Road and the Yonkers waterfront. Tour will include stops at the Enslaved Africans Rain Garden, St. John's Episcopal Church, and Philipse Manor Hall. $6 for adults, $3 for seniors and students, tickets include museum admission. For more information visit https://www.philipsemanorhall.com/programs-and-events/revolutionary-yonkers-walking-tour-10-11-2025

Saturday, October 18, 2025
Revolutionary Yonkers 250 Tea Party
12:00 PM – 4:00 PM | in-person at Philipse Manor Hall State Historic Site
Join Revolutionary Yonkers 250 for this special program around the tea parties of New York and Westchester County during the American Revolution. Guests will sample teas of the Boston Tea Party with entertainment by opera singer Yolanda F. Johnson. A presentation by Yonkers City Historian Mary Hoar will feature the story of the Westchester tea party and a few of the women who played a role in the American Revolution. For more information and to register visit www.philipsemanorhall.com/programs-and-events.

Tuesday, October 21, 2025
"She-Merchants, Sachems, and Slaves: Women of Colonial New York"
6:30 PM | in-person at the Poughkeepsie Public Library
New York was one of the most diverse of the thirteen colonies, thanks to its Dutch colonial roots. Religious and racial diversity meant that colliding cultures had different ideas of how to treat women. Learn about women's rights (or lack thereof) in Munsee, Iroquois, African, Dutch, and English culture, and how enslaved women's rights changed over time. Learn about women's roles in everyday life, uprisings, and war. Meet individual women like Dutch she-merchant Margaret Hardenbroek De Vries Philipse, Esopus sachem Mamanuchqua, Jewish merchant Rebecca Gomez, Revolutionary War soldier Deborah Sampson, and more. Join Philipse Manor Hall's Sarah Wassberg Johnson at the Boardman Road Branch of the Poughkeepsie Library for this special program. Register at https://poughkeepsie.librarycalendar.com/event/she-merchants-sachems-and-slaves-women-colonial-new-york-9530

Saturday, October 25, 2025
Family Halloween Day
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM | in-person at Philipse Manor Hall State Historic Site
Get spooky with the whole family! Come to Philipse Manor Hall in your costume to trick-or-treat at the front desk, then go upstairs to the Gothic Chamber for historical Halloween crafts and watch Disney's "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" (1949) cartoon. The cartoon will loop throughout the day. Free for everyone! No registration required. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Saturday, October 25, 2025
Historian & A Movie: Sleepy Hollow (1999)
2:30 PM | in-person at Philipse Manor Hall State Historic Site
Celebrate the spooky season in Westchester County! Join us in-person in the Gothic Chamber as we watch Tim Burton's "Sleepy Hollow" (1999, R). Based on the Washington Irving tale by the same name, "Sleepy Hollow" is set in 1799 New York where young police constable Ichabod Crane investigates a series of murders in the rural town of Sleepy Hollow. We'll hear from Philipse Manor Hall State Historic Site manager Michael Lord with commentary on what is and isn't accurate to Irving's story, the Hudson Valley's Dutch heritage, and the history of late 18th century New York. "Sleepy Hollow" is rated R and is not recommended for young audiences.

JOHN JAY HOMESTEAD STATE HISTORIC SITE // 914.232.5651

FAMILY HERITAGE NATURE

John Jay Homestead Farm Market
Saturdays May-October, 9:00am to 2:00pm
Join Friends of John Jay Homestead in Katonah Village at 190 Katonah Ave in Lot #2 for the 15th annual Farm Market season. This market is a weekly outdoor, certified market which provides the finest New York-grown, fresh and seasonal fruits and vegetables, seafood, breads, specialty items and more. Every Saturday, customers can expect to find certified organic and biodynamic produce, ethically-raised, organic meat and eggs, as well as a wide variety of artisan food items with dozens of weekly vendors and live music. Members Only First Pick 9:00am to 9:30am. Learn more about the Farm Market and join the newsletter to keep up with which vendors will be in attendance each week at https://bit.ly/farmmarketjjh

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JAY HERITAGE CENTER // 914.698.9275

210 Boston Post Rd, Rye, NY 10580

FAMILY NATURE HERITAGE

Garden Tours and Volunteer Opportunities
Thursday 10am-2pm; Sundays 10am-5pm
(Closed Indigenous Peoples' Day weekend)
Come and discover the award-winning Jay Estate Gardens this fall! Our gardens are constantly changing and the fall is the perfect time to stop by for a visit. Drop in for a lesson, talks, and workshops led by **JHC's Director of Horticulture and Garden Education, Lucia Maestro** and special guest speakers. Please visit our website or email Lucia for more information: hortdirector.JHC@gmail.com.

Porcelain Berry and Honeysuckle Workshop
October 19; 9.30am-12pm
Open to young adults and adults
In collaboration with the Lower Hudson Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management (LH PRISM) and their ISF crew, this hands-on practice workshop is designed to understand the importance of native species protection, through invasive species education and control. Invasive species like black jetbead, wineberry, mugwort, Japanese knotweed, porcelain berry and Japanese honeysuckle will be targeted and removed by hand in several areas to protect other native species; learn how to properly identify and remove them. Bring long pants, sunscreen and bug spray, water and snacks. Work gloves will be provided. Please be aware that poison ivy, ticks and other insects may be present in the area as we will be working off-path. Please email Lucia for more information: hortdirector.JHC@gmail.com.
In the event of rain this workshop may be cancelled or rescheduled.

Seed Harvest & Plant Propagation Workshop
October 19; 1pm-2pm
Open to All ages
Saving seeds and learning when and how to propagate your perennial plants can help you save money, while you grow your garden with all your favorite plants. Learn about seed saving and plant propagation and division using as an example some of our very own native species on display in the Jay Gardens. Hands-on practice workshop.

Closing Gardens: Flowers in Rituals & Traditions
October 26: 10am-5pm
Open to All ages with Family-Friendly Activities
Join us to celebrate a successful season in the Jay gardens, enjoy a nice day outdoors. Bring your children and learn about how different cultures use plants and other flowers in their rituals and traditions. Decorate your own Día de los Muertos mask, make a musical instrument (choice of rain stick or maraca), and more. Hands-on practice workshop.

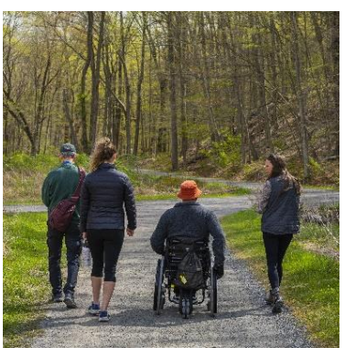
ROCKEFELLER STATE PARK PRESERVE // 914.631.1470

ARTS NATURE

Rockefeller is a designated State Park Preserve. A Park Preserve is a protected area of importance for flora, fauna, or features of geological or other special interests that is reserved and managed for conservation purposes. We are recognized as an Important Bird Area by the National Audubon Society and have a diverse population of animal residents. We are also part of the Old Growth Forest Network and are home to many rare and protected plants. We welcome passive recreation such as walking, jogging, photography or wildlife viewing but please leave the picnic and park games at home. Thank you!

Adaptive Hike with Action Trackchairs ♿
October 1 (Wed) 10:00 am – 12:00 pm & 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm
SOAR Experiences and Starr Adventures Dealership invite you on a guided adaptive hike for persons with limited mobility in Action Trackchairs, which empower users to navigate throughout our Preserve. Registration very limited, you must fill out a request form. **Register on SOAR's website:** https://soarexperiences.org/rockefeller-hikes
Photo courtesy of Martha Bierut.

Autumn Mushroom Walk
October 2 (Thu) from 10:00 am – 11:30 am
Explore the fantastic fungi that can be found within our preserve on a Mushroom Walk with Stone Barns Senior Ecological Monitoring Coordinator and mycologist Lindsey Jerome! Discover the hidden world of mushrooms and fungi, uncover their secrets, and learn about their vital role in the ecosystem. **Cost: $4**. **Parking: $6 per vehicle**. *Photo courtesy of Martha Bierut.* RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events



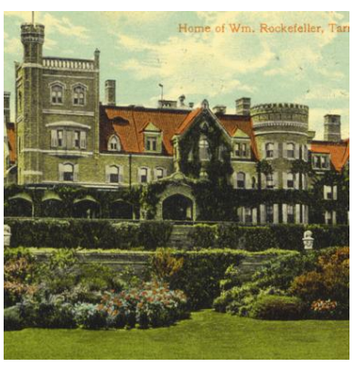
Abilities Celebration and Wildlife Day ♿
October 4 (Sat) from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Join us for a family-friendly day of live music, food, guided hikes, and wildlife at our third annual Abilities Celebration! With our well-maintained carriage roads, Rockefeller State Park Preserve is uniquely suited to welcome individuals of all abilities. We aim to create an inclusive environment where everyone can be grounded in nature and connected to their community.
Registration Required: RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

Repurposed Artistry Gallery Reception ♿
October 5 (Sun) from 1:00pm – 3:00pm
Our featured artists and our gallery curator, Lisa D'Amico, welcome you to the reception of our next temporary exhibit: "Repurposed Artistry". This collection is comprised of works that have been assembled using found and unconventional materials. Join us for the reception for food, drinks, and conversation with the artists themselves! **Cost: FREE**. **Parking: $6 per vehicle**. *Inset: Palisades by Barbara Galazzo.*
RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

Full Moon Hike: "Corn Moon"
October 6 (Mon) from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
Experience the Preserve after dark! Join Shayla, Hailey, and Dave for a 4-mile hike on carriage roads lit by moonlight. We walk at a brisk pace and there will be hills; some hiking experience is recommended. Leashed dogs are welcome. **Meet in the Visitor Center courtyard**. Please bring water and wear comfortable closed-toed shoes. **IMPORTANT:** We leave promptly at scheduled times. This hike takes place after the park has closed; latecomers will not be able to join after the group has departed. In the event of inclement weather, the hike will be canceled; you will be notified at least 2 hours in advance. *Photo courtesy of Kim Fendrich.* Max: 40 people. **Cost: $4** RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

Tree Identification Walk
October 7 (Tue) from 10 am – 12 pm
Join New York Botanical Gardens instructor and botanist Devon Cummings for a program where you will leave with the knowledge of our most common trees plus species that helped grant Rockefeller State Park its Preserve status. Learn about key identification factors that differentiate the trees we know and love from trees we see less often. We'll also talk about using iNaturalist and Seek, contributing to the scientific community. Please be aware this is a 1.11 mile walk, mostly flat surface. Max: 12 people. **Cost: $4. Parking: $6 per vehicle**. RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

Sunset Yoga
Tuesdays from 6 – 7 pm
(October 7, 14, 21, 28)
Relieve stress and explore the connection between breath and movement with instructor Shivani Singh as the sun sets over the Hudson with views of the palisades and NYC in the distance**. Weather dependent**; yoga may occur in our art gallery with very limited registration. Appropriate for all levels of experience, ages 18+. **Cost: $6 per class.** *Photo courtesy of Kim Fendrich*.
RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

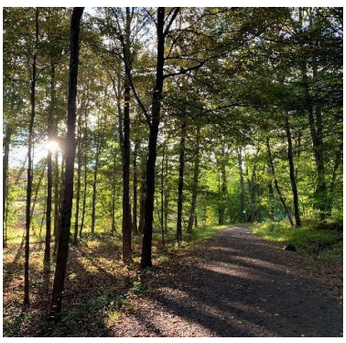


History of Rockwood Hall
October 11 and 25 (Sat) from 10 am – 12 pm
Join our Historian David Teich on a 2-mile adventure into the past as we explore Rockwood Hall and its rich history through stories of the land and the people who called it home. Former estate of William Rockefeller, this site boasts scenic views overlooking the Hudson, lush forests, and remnants of 19th century luxuries. The Rockwood Hall parking lot is on Kendal Way at the west end of route 117, just after the intersection of

Phelps and Regeneron. **Cost: $4**. **Gather at the kiosk at the top of the hill.**
RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

Plein Air Painting ♿
October 11 and 25 (Sat) from 2 – 4:30 pm
Experience nature through painting! Learn watercolor technique under the guidance of award-winning artist Anne Johann as you absorb the beauty of the landscape before you. You may bring your own supplies if you have them; if not, supplies will be provided. **Cost: $8**. **Parking: $6 per vehicle** Max: 10 people. *Photo courtesy of Heidi Fuhrman.*
RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

Spotted Lanternfly: Ecology and Impacts ♿
October 12 (Sun) from 10:00 am – 11:30 pm
Come learn with Rockefeller State Park Preserve's Stewardship Coordinator, Collin Sugrue, about spotted lanternfly ecology and their prevalence in New York. Then, join him as he counts spotted lanternflies in on-site traps and learn how you can help mitigate their invasion! Ages 12 and up. **Cost: FREE. Parking: $6 per vehicle.** RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events



Hike with Mike: Pocantico Lake and Pocantico River
October 13 (Mon) from 9 am - 11 am
While this 5-6 mile, 3-hr hike won't take you across any oceans, we'll follow the Pocantico River on our way to our neighbor, Pocantico Lake and return via a portion of 13-Bridges, Gory Brook and the Pocantico River trails including a view of our triple arch bridge. The hike starts promptly at 9:00 AM in the Visitor Center Courtyard. Make sure you have water with you. **Cost: FREE. Parking: $6 per vehicle**. RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events
Photo courtesy of Shayla Schott

Sound Healing ♿
October 15 (Wed) from 4 – 5 pm & 5:30 – 6:30 pm
Join Dayna Gralla for a therapeutic and restorative sound healing experience. Envelop yourself in the sounds of crystal singing bowls, chimes, and a variety of soothing instruments as you allow your mind to drift from an active state to a relaxed and meditative state. Ages 10+. Max: 20 per session. *Photo courtesy of Kim Fendrich.* **Cost: $8**. **Parking: $6 per vehicle** until 4:30 pm. (no parking fee after 4:30pm) RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

Hulda's Night
October 15 - 18 and 22 - 25 at 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm
Spooky Season is upon us in Sleepy Hollow, and we have a lesser-known local legend to share! Travel back in time to the American Revolution on this lantern-lit walk with actors that regale you about local suspected witch Hulda before having a chance encounter with her yourself. **Cost: $80**.
RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

Birdwatching with the Saw Mill River Audubon Society
October 18 (Sat) and 20 (Mon) from 8:00 am – 10:00 am
Get to know our feathered residents and experience the "dawn chorus" during the peek breeding song with an expert from the Saw Mill River Audubon. Great for all levels of birding experience, beginners welcome! Binocular loans available upon request. Rain or shine except in extreme weather, in which case you will receive a cancellation email 2 hours before scheduled walk. **Ages 8+. Max: 25 people. Cost: FREE. Parking: $6 per vehicle**. *Photo courtesy of Todd Cameron*.
Please register at: sawmillriveraudubon.org/register-trips/

Coyotes and Bears, Oh My!: Leave No Trace for Wildlife Conflict Mitigation ♿
October 18 (Sat) from 10:00 am – 11:30 am
Worried about local coyotes and bears within Rockefeller State Park Preserve and your neighborhood? Join RSPP Program Coordinator and certified Leave No Trace Instructor Martha Bierut to learn best practices for minimizing you and your family's risk of harmful wildlife encounters. **Capacity: 40**. **Cost: FREE.** RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

Bird Photography Workshop
October 19 (Sun) from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Learn the best techniques for photographing birds and other wildlife and explore some of the best locations to shoot with photographer Bill Golden. The timing should be just right to capture the fall bird migration. We'll begin with an instructional presentation in the art gallery followed by a walk through the Preserve to put your newfound skills to the test. **Cost: $4**. **Parking: $6 per vehicle.** Max: 20 people. *Photo courtesy of Bill Golden*. RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

Postural Therapy: Living Comfortably ♿
October 21 (Tues) from 9:00 am – 10:00 am
Start your day with movement! Get energized in this virtual session with postural therapist Joey Zimet and learn exercises to improve posture and function. The class will incorporate standing, sitting, and floor exercises that are easily adapted to fit your needs. These methods are based upon neuroscience, biomechanics, and the myofascial system. Treat yourself to some maintenance and self-care! Registered participants will receive a Zoom link to join. **Cost: FREE**. **Registration required.**
RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

Sensory Stroll: Awaken Your Senses
October 24 (Fri) from 9:00 am – 10:30 pm
Awaken your senses as you slow down and tune in to nature in this embodied experience with Linda Parker. You'll be amazed at what you notice when you focus on one sense at a time. **Meet in the Visitor Center courtyard**. Dress comfortably and bring water to drink. In case of bad weather, the program may be canceled or postponed; you will be notified via email by 5 pm the day before. **Max: 15 people. Cost: $4. Parking: $6 per vehicle**; NYS residents over 62 park free on weekdays. *Photo courtesy of Kim Fendrich*.
RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

Roll and Stroll ♿
October 25 (Sat) from 10 am – 12 pm
This 1-hour Roll & Stroll, 1.25-mile hike is a relatively level route with trails consisting primarily of packed pebble. You'll experience Swan Lake while it still has some of its fall foliage. Traditional wheelchair users have made the trip; however, the trail will be rougher than usual. Those using adaptive hiking devices having mountain tires will be more comfortable. The Preserve has two such devices available that can be borrowed for scheduled hikes when reserved two days in advance. The hike starts Promptly at 10:00 in the Visitor Center Courtyard. Make sure you have water with you. **Cost: FREE**. **Parking: $6 per vehicle.**
RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

Fall Foliage Photo Walk
October 26 (Sun) from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Join fine arts photographer Heidi Fuhrman, who has supported NYS Parks by guiding hundreds of photo enthusiasts on walks at RSPP for 10+ years to celebrate the unique textures and colors of each season. Heidi will help point out photographic opportunities and approaches during an energetic 2-hour jaunt through our carriage trails in search of both broad vistas and close-ups. Any camera is fine, even a cell phone. **Cost: FREE**. **Parking: $6 per vehicle**. *Photo courtesy of Heidi Fuhrman*. RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

Rockwood Hall Sunset Hike
October 30 (Thu) from 4:30 pm – 6:00 pm
Take in the sunset at the Rockwood Hall site of Rockefeller State Park Preserve with Park Guardian Melissa. This scenic and beautiful 3-mile hike of the grounds that once were home to William Rockefeller's country estate offers old-growth trees, abundant birds, and panoramic views of the Hudson River as the sun sets behind the Palisades. Halloween costumes encouraged! **The hike is at Rockwood Hall, DO NOT go to the main Preserve entrance.** Max: 40 people. **Cost: $4 per person**. **Parking: FREE.** *Photo courtesy of Martha Bierut*. RockefellerStateParkPreserve.org/events

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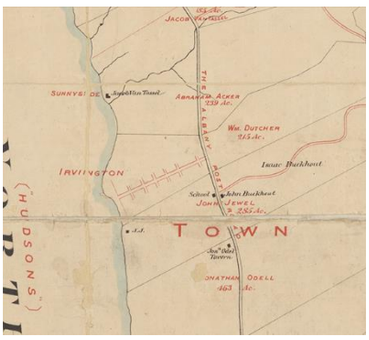
OLD CROTON AQUEDUCT // 914.693.5259

HERITAGE NATURE

Wildlife Day
Sat., October 4 @10am; Rain Date: Oct. 18
Come help us restore forest habitat by planting native plants along the Old Croton Aqueduct. This planting is supporting a multi-year effort to remove invasive plants and restore areas along the trail. Tools & gloves provided. No experience necessary.
Sponsored by PTNY and hosted by the Friends of the Old Croton Aqueduct, the NY-NJ Trail Conference's Invasives Strike Force and Teatown Lake Reservation.
To register: https://reg.resport.io/s/step1.jsp?r=4940463305916416

Saturday, October 11@ 11:00 AM.
Ossining Weir Tour
After a brief walk, descend into the Weir in Ossining and explore the original 1842 brick water tunnel and learn its history: the engineering, the people and its impact! Free, easy, 2-hour tour. Meet at the side (lower level/western side) of the Joseph Caputo Center, which is located at 95 Broadway, Ossining, NY 10562, just west of Rte. 9/Highland Ave. at the junction of Croton Ave. (Rte. 133 (from Metro-North Ossining Train Station by taxi or 15-minute uphill walk/parking lots nearby). Walk may be rescheduled if weather does not cooperate. Required: pre-registration: https://aqueduct.org/event/?id=366
11:00 AM | Location: Ossining | Free | Ages: All Ages



Saturday, October 11 @ 11:30 AM.
Divided Loyalties - Revolutionary War on the Aqueduct
The Old Croton Aqueduct between Dobbs Ferry and Hastings-on-Hudson crosses several colonial tenant farms impacted by the Revolutionary War. Walk and learn how the war divided neighbors and families into patriots or loyalists and everything in between. Discuss their lives in the dangerous, war-torn contested ground of Westchester County and how it shaped our area following its conclusion.
This free, two-hour tour is offered in partnership with Revolutionary Westchester 250, the Old Croton Aqueduct State Historic Park, and Friends of the Old Croton Aqueduct and will cover about 4 miles. Tour starts at the Mercy College bleachers next to the trail/Victory hall. We will be walking towards Edgar's Lane and back. This walk may be rescheduled due to bad weather.
To register, visit https://aqueduct.org/events.
11:30 AM | Bleachers next to OCA and Victory Hall, Mercy College, Dobbs Ferry | Free | Ages: All Ages

Friday, October 17
10:30 AM. Dobbs Ferry Library Storytime
Join the Old Croton Aqueduct and the Dobbs Ferry Public Library for our monthly toddler storytime! Stop by the Keeper's House to read about a diverse range of trail topics before taking part in a small craft. Afterwards, we encourage you to take a stroll along the trail and enjoy the morning!
10:30 AM | Location: OCA Keeper's House, 15 Walnut Street, Dobbs Ferry | Free | Ages: Toddler

Sunday, October 19 @10:00 AM.
Croton Dam Hike
Enjoy a free, easy, 2 miles/2 hours (total) loop hike north along the Aqueduct and atp the beautiful Croton Dam. The leader of the hike will discuss the history and construction of the Old Croton Aqueduct and the features of the Croton Dam, the trailhead of the Old Croton Aqueduct Trail. The Aqueduct was completed in 1842 to supply fresh water to a thirsty New York City. Note: Meet near the restrooms at the rear (south end) of the parking lot at Croton Gorge Park, Rte. 129, Cortlandt, NY. 10567, GPS Coordinates: 41°13' 20.46" N -73°51'12.59" W. $10 parking fee/car from May - Labor Day (From Metro-North Hudson Line Croton-Harmon Train Station: 15-minute taxi.) Walk may be rescheduled if weather does not cooperate. Required: pre-registration: https://aqueduct.org/event/?id=367
10:00 AM | Location: Croton Dam | Free | Ages: All Ages

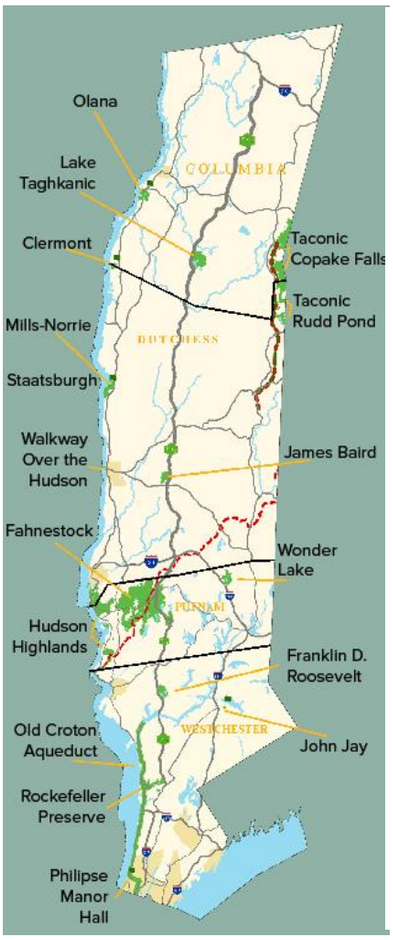
Thursday, October 30 @ 5:00pm – 8:00pm.
Halloween Spectacular featuring Hocus Pocus
The Halloween fun starts the night before this season at the Keeper's House with the return of our Halloween Spectacular! Enjoy the games, decorations, crafts and of course, candy as the holiday kicks into full gear! Make sure to stop by the Keeper's House Visitor Center before we kick off the movie at dark!
5:00pm-8:00pm | Location: OCA Keeper's House,15 Walnut Stret, Dobbs Ferry | Free | Ages: All Ages

SAVE THE DATE! Charity Walks, Marathons and more!

DATE	EVENT NAME	NY STATE PARK
Oct. 4	Rocky's 5K	Rockefeller
Oct.5	Miles of Hope Breast Cancer Walk	James Baird
Oct. 5	Support-a-Walk Breast & Ovarian Cancer	FDR
Oct. 5	Suicide Awareness Walk	Walkway
Oct. 5	Great 41 Mile Challenge: Walk 3	Old Croton Aqueduct
Oct. 26	Huntington's	Walkway Over the Hudson
Oct. 17	Westchester Walk Like MADD	FDR
Oct. 19	Alzheimer's	Walkway Over the Hudson
Oct. 18	ALS	Walkway Over the Hudson
Nov. 8	Sarcoma Strong 5K	FDR
Nov. 8	Pocantico Marathon & Half Marathon	Rockefeller

NEW YORK STATE PARKS—TACONIC REGION FACILITY LOCATIONS & PHONE NUMBERS

Please contact the park/site for information regarding fees & availability



STATE PARKS

Clarence Fahnestock Memorial
Carmel (845) 225-7207
Fahnestock Winter Park
Administration (845) 225-7207
Snow conditions (845) 225-3998
Franklin D. Roosevelt
Yorktown Heights (914) 245-4434
Hudson Highlands
Peekskill to Beacon (845) 225-7207
James Baird
Pleasant Valley (845) 452-1489
Lake Taghkanic
Ancram (518) 851-3631
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Staatsburg (845) 889-4646
Rockefeller Preserve
Pleasantville (914) 631-1470
Taconic/Copake Falls
Copake Falls (518) 329-3993
Taconic/Rudd Pond
Millerton (518) 789-3059
Wonder Lake
Kent/Patterson (845) 225-7207

STATE GOLF COURSES

Dinsmore
Staatsburg (845) 889-4071
James Baird
Pleasant Valley (845) 452-1489

STATE HISTORIC SITES

Clermont
Germantown (518) 537-4240
John Jay Homestead
Katonah (914) 232-5651
Olana
Hudson (518) 828-0135
Philipse Manor Hall
Yonkers (914) 965-4027
Staatsburgh
Staatsburg (845) 889-8851

EDUCATION/NATURE CENTERS

Taconic Outdoor Education Center (TOEC) By Group Reservations Only
Cold Spring (845) 265-3773
Norrie Point Environmental Center (DEC)
Staatsburg (845) 889-4745

STATE HISTORIC PARKS

Old Croton Aqueduct
Dobbs Ferry (Park Office) (914) 693-5259
Walkway Over the Hudson
Highland/Poughkeepsie (845) 834-2867

OTHER PROPERTIES OWNED, MANAGED OR IN PARTNERSHIP WITH NYSOPRHP

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Beacon, (845) 831-1001
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Rye, (914) 698-9275
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Poughkeepsie (845) 298-4600

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