### January 2020

**Nature Programs**

**Long Island Region**

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* Program accessible for the physically challenged.

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## Nature Programs
### Long Island Region

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First Day Hikes  Wednesday January 1, 2020

Join us as we kick off the New Year with a hike to explore New York State Parks! Discover the changes in the winter landscape and search for signs of wildlife. Breathe in the fresh air and embrace a new start to 2020!

**Nature Walks**

Connetquot River State Park Preserve  
1:30 - 3:30pm  
Please call for reservations: 631-581-1072

Caumsett State Historic Park Preserve  
10:00 - 11:30pm  
Please call for reservations: 631-581-1072

Sunken Meadow State Park  
10:00 - 11:30am  
Please call for reservations: 631-581-1072

Montauk State Park  
10:30 am - 12:30 pm  
Please call for reservations: 631-668-5000

**Seal Walks**

Jones Beach State Park  
1:30 - 3:00 pm  
Please call for reservations: 516-780-3295

Free Trip to State Parks!

Receive up to $1,000 of your field trip costs for visits to New York State Parks, Nature Centers and Historic Sites! Any public school with a Title 1 school in their district are eligible to apply. Apply online at parks.ny.gov!

**Schedule a Nature Program with the Long Island Region of NYS Parks!**

Caleb Smith State Park– 631-265-1054  
Jones Beach State Park– 516-780-3295  
Connetquot River State Park Preserve and other LI State Parks– 631-581-1072

**Questions about the grant?**  
Contact Community Programs Unit at 518-474-0409 ext.1

Did You Know?

NYS Parks Has Programs For School Groups & Youth Organizations!

School programs are aligned to state standards on a variety of subjects and are available at many state parks. We offer programs for scouts that can fulfill many badge requirements such as the Naturalist, Forester and Night Owl!

For a complete list of programs and the parks where they are offered, please call (631) 581-1072
January

Tiny Tots: “Nature Discoveries”
Explore the natural world around us. These programs will connect children and their parents with nature through short walks, animal visitors, and crafts. Children ages 3-5.

**Held on Thursdays: 10:00 - 11:00 am**

- **January 9th**
- **January 23rd**

**Slippery Seals**
Who’s Been Walking in the Snow?

**Scrap the Winter Blues Away**
Children’s Program
Sunday January 5th
1:30 - 3:00 pm
Make a keepsake to give as a gift or keep for yourself. We will show you how to make a nature inspired scrapbook. Supplies will be provided but feel free to bring pictures and any other special items to add to your pages.

**Reservations are required**:
(631) 265 - 1054

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Caumsett State Historic Park Preserve

**Winter Seasonal Stroll**
Adult Program
Sunday January 5th
11:00 am ~ 1:00 pm
On this short (approximately 1.5 miles) stroll, one of a series designed to observe seasonal changes, you’ll discover that nature is beautiful and interesting in winter too.

**Reservations are required**:
(631) 423 - 1770

**Maple Sugaring**
Adult Program
Saturday January 11th
11:00 am ~ 1:00 pm
Saturday January 25th
11:00 am ~ 1:00 pm
This hands-on program, geared for the average adult, will teach you how to identify and tap a maple tree so you can make real maple syrup at home. You will also learn the cultural, historical, economical, and scientific background of this uniquely American craft. Very short-walk. Not recommended for children.

**Reservations are required**:
(631) 423 - 1770

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Connetquot River State Park Preserve

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**Held on Tuesdays: 10:00 - 11:00 am**

- **January 14th**
- **January 28th**

**Mad Scientist Lab**
Family Program
Saturday January 4th
10:00 – 11:30 am
Step into the science lab! During this hands on program, you will participate in fun and exciting experiments. Do you have what it takes to be a Mad Scientist? This program is appropriate for children ages 7 and up.

**Reservations are required**:
(631) 581 - 1072

**Historic House Tour**
Family Program
Sunday January 5th & 19th
1:00 - 2:00 pm
Step back in time as you tour the Main House of the South Side Sportsmen’s Club. A docent will discuss the history of the tavern and the high society Sportsmen’s Club which shaped Connetquot River State Park Preserve into what it is today.

**Bird & Breakfast**
Adult Program
Saturday January 11th (12/28)
8:00 – 11:00 am
Enjoy a continental breakfast (courtesy of The Great South Bay Audubon Society) and a presentation introducing the local and migratory birds seen in our area. Afterward, take a walk through the preserve led by experienced birders from the Audubon Society. Binoculars and identification books will be available for loan.

**Deer Detectives**
Children’s Program
Sunday January 12th
1:30 – 3:00 pm
Where have all the deer gone? Expand your deer knowledge indoors as we explore the ways of the white-tailed deer. Outdoors we will become deer detectives and search for the clues that the deer have left behind.

**Reservations are required**:
(631) 581 - 1072

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Join us for a Winter Celebration

**Connetquot River State Park Preserve**

**Saturday, January 25th**
11:00am - 3:00pm

**Questions? Please Call**:
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Held on Tuesdays: 10:30 - 11:30 am
January 7th Baby Seals
January 21st Snowflakes

Reservations are required. Please call 516-780-3295.

Winter Seal Walks
Family Program
Our winter visitors are here! Come join us for a short talk about seals and then bundle up as we walk along the shoreline to see these amazing marine mammals.

Wednesday Jan. 1st 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm (Field 10)
Saturday Jan. 4th 10:30 am – 12:00 pm (WBH)
Sunday Jan. 12th 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm (WBH)
Saturday Jan. 18th 10:30 am – 12:00 pm (WBH)
Sunday Jan. 26th 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm (WBH)

WBH — West Bath House

Winter Bird Hikes
Adult Program
Bundle up and join us for some birding on the beach! On this brisk stroll, you’ll discover the birds that make Jones Beach their home for the winter.

Saturday Jan. 11th 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (Boat Basin)
Sunday Jan. 19th 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (Boat Basin)

Reservations are required for all programs. Please book Seal Walks online at bookwhen.com/jonesbeachnaturecenter
**February**

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### Caleb Smith State Park Preserve

**Tiny Tots: "Nature Discoveries"**

Explore the natural world around us. These programs will connect children and their parents with nature through short walks, animal visitors, and crafts. Children ages 3 - 5.

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Bayberry Candles

**Family Program**

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Bayberry is a common shrub, found all over the barrier islands of New York, and has some surprising links to American History. We will teach you all about the origins of the bayberry candle and each family will have the opportunity to make their own decorative candle to take home.

Reservations are required: (516) 780-3295

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### Connetquot River State Park Preserve

**Long Island Lighthouses**

Friends of Connetquot Lecture Series

**Adult Program**

**Sunday February 23rd**

1:00 - 2:00 pm

Examine the history of more than 20 light stations over 200-plus years. Lecture will be based on Muller's 2004 book of the same name and his experience as a local lighthouse history researcher and preservationist. Images in the program range from the 1850s to the present and include lighthouse keepers, lighthouses, and lighthouses that no longer stand. Information includes personal stories about many of the personalities involved in this history. For reservations, please visit friendsofconnetquot.com

### Jones Beach State Park Nature Center

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**Winter Seal Walks**

**Family Program**

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**Winter Bird Hikes**

**Adult Program**

Bundle up and join us for some birding on the beach! On this brisk stroll, you'll discover the birds that make Jones Beach their home for the winter.

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Sunken Meadow State Park

Tiny Tots: "Nature Discoveries"
Explore the natural world around us. These programs will connect children and their parents with nature through short walks, animal visitors, and crafts. Children ages 3-5.

Held on Fridays: 10:00 - 11:00 am

February 7th
Take a Bird to Lunch
February 21st
Moon Myths & Facts

Maple Sugaring
Saturday February 1st
10:00 am - 12:00 pm
& 1:30 - 3:30 pm
From seed to syrup, discover the importance of our maple trees! This hands on program will teach you how to identify a maple tree, tap it and make syrup!
Program is mostly indoors, with short outdoor demonstrations.
Reservations are required: (631) 581 -1072

Tracks and Traces
Sunday February 15th
1:30 - 3:00 pm
Exploring the forest can be exciting during the winter. Learn how to 'read the signs' animals leave behind, then take a hike as we search for tracks and traces that might even lead us to the animals!
Reservations are required: (631) 581 -1072

Caleb Smith State Park Preserve

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Held on Thursdays: 10:00 - 11:00 am

March 5th
In Like a Lion, Out Like a Lamb
March 19th
Spring has Sprung

Wind Catchers
Sunday March 15th
10:00 – 11:30 am
Wind plays an important part in our world. Discover advantages and disadvantages of the wind through hands-on activities and games. Afterwards, you'll create your own unique wind catcher for your yard.
Reservations are required: (631) 265 – 1054

Caumsett State Historic Park Preserve

History of Caumsett
Sunday March 1st
11:00 am ~ 1:00 pm
On this hilly, moderately long walk (approx. 2 miles), we will study the park's social, economic, architectural, and political history.
Reservations are required: (631) 423 – 1770

Just a Hike
(Summer Section)
Adult Program
Sunday March 8th
11:00 am ~ 1:00 pm
While questions are most welcome, there will be no formal nature discussion during this moderately paced, five-mile walk, thus affording walkers the opportunity to relax, socialize, and enjoy the park's beauty.
Reservations are required: (631) 423 – 1770

Winter
Water Walk
Adult Program
Saturday March 14th
9:45 am ~ 1:00 pm
While our main goals are leisurely observation of winter waterfowl and exploration of the beach, we'll also learn about ponds. During our moderately paced 4 mile walk to and from the water, we'll relax and socialize. Bring binoculars.
Reservations are required: (631) 423 – 1770

Introduction to Wilderness Survival
Adult Program
Sunday March 22nd
10:45 am ~ 1:00 pm
You can survive on your own at Caumsett. In this hands-on program, geared for the average adult, we'll teach you how to find food, start a fire, and build shelter. Approximately 1 mile. For reasons of safety, no children under 18 will be permitted. There will be some sitting on the grass.
Reservations are required: (631) 423 – 1770

Nature on the Move
(Western Section)
Adult Program
Sunday March 29th
11:00 am ~ 1:00 pm
We'll maintain a slow to moderate pace for 4 miles as we observe and discuss the fields and woods of Caumsett.
Reservations are required: (631) 423 – 1770
Connetquot River State Park Preserve

Tiny Tots: "Nature Discoveries"
Explore the natural world around us. These programs will connect children and their parents with nature through short walks, animal visitors, and crafts. Children ages 3 - 5.

Held on Tuesdays: 10:00 - 11:00 am

March 10th
Forever Green

March 24th
Spring is Here!

Historic House Tour
Sunday March 1st & 15th
Step back in time as you tour the Main House of the South Side Sportsmen’s Club. A docent will discuss the history of the tavern and the high society Sportsmen’s Club which shaped Connetquot River State Park Preserve into what it is today. Reservations are suggested: (631) 581 -1072

Wildlife Detectives
Sunday March 8th
During a walk outside, we will uncover what animals are living in the forest by searching for clues they have left behind. Do you have what it takes to be a Wildlife Detective? Reservations are required: (631) 581 -1072

Coaching Along the Great South Bay - The Golden Age of Horse Drawn Vehicles
Saturday March 14th
Look back at travelling with a coach and four in hand from New York City to the estates along the Great South Bay by members of the "Coaching Club" many of whom were also members of the Southside Sportsmans Club. A glimpse back at the route they took, their Gold Coast Estates and the logistics of such a journey. Mr. Mateyunas will talk about the houses, clubs and residents who traveled to the Great South Bay. From the birthplace of American polo on the legendary fields of The Meadow Brook, come hear about our Island’s Equestrian history. For reservations, please visit friendsofconnetquot.com

Night of the Owl
Sunday March 13th
Owls come in many shapes and sizes, from a variety of habitats all over the world. Explore the world of these silent predators and learn how they hunt in the dark during a walk through the preserve at night! Reservations are required: (631) 581 -1072

Welcome Spring Stroll
Adult Program
Sunday March 22nd
Spring has sprung! Join us on a leisurely stroll through the preserve as we celebrate nature awakening from the chill of winter. Dress for the weather. Reservations are required: (631) 581 -1072

Jones Beach State Park Nature Center

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Held on Tuesdays: 10:30 - 11:30 am

March 3rd
Leprechaun’s Rainbow

March 31st
Welcome Spring

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Sunken Meadow State Park

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Held on Fridays: 10:00 - 11:00 am

March 6th
Colorful Rainbows

March 20th
Seeds of Spring

Winter Beach Wander
Family Program
Saturday March 7th
10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Leave your bathing suit behind and grab your winter coat! Breathe in the crisp winter air as we stroll the beach at Sunken Meadow. We will search for visiting wildlife along the way. **Dress for the weather.** Reservations are required: (631) 581 -1072