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**NYSDEC Estuary Program** (845) 256-3016 [dec.ny.gov/lands/4920.html](http://dec.ny.gov/lands/4920.html)

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On the cover, from top, left to right:

Boscobel, The Stone Chambers of Mead Farm, Sunset Kayak from Hudson, Mohansic Trailway Hike

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# Discover an American Legacy



New Windsor Cantonment, Orange County

## GOVERNOR Kathy Hochul

**“** The unprecedented year of 2020 with the COVID-19 pandemic severely impacted our businesses, residents

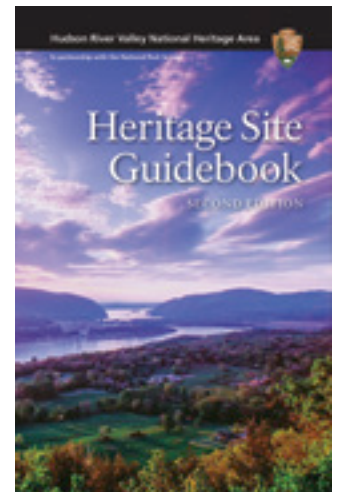
and overall economy. During the crisis, the natural and cultural resources of the Hudson River Valley provided recreational opportunities for many New York residents in their own backyards. The Hudson River Valley Ramble connects heritage and recreation, helping to drive tourism, attract visitors, and promote a deeper appreciation for New York's environment and natural resources. The many organizations that contribute to the Ramble's success provide amazing experiences year after year that will be remembered for a lifetime. As one of New York State's gems, the Hudson River Valley is home to some of the most significant historic and cultural sites in the country, and we are committed to continuing to invest and promote in the area as we build back better and stronger.”

**T**raveling down the Hudson River, named by Native Americans as Mahicanituck, "the river that flows both ways," you discover people, places, and events that made American history. The cultural, historic, and scenic resources of the Hudson Valley are so numerous, so varied, and so compelling that it's no wonder Congress recognized the Hudson River Valley as a National Heritage Area in 1996. The National Park Service called the region the "landscape that defined America." Its political importance was demonstrated early in our history when the river played a critical role in the Revolutionary War. 🇺🇸

The many streams and waterfalls of the tributaries of the Hudson River powered early sawmills and gristmills. The river and its landscapes inspired the Hudson River School painters. Sublime and picturesque paintings by Thomas Cole, Frederic Church, and Asher Durand depicted this unique American landscape for the world to witness. 🖌️ Industrialists and commercial leaders such as William and John D. Rockefeller, Frederick Vanderbilt, J.P. Morgan, and Ogden Mills built their great estates along the Hudson River. 🏠

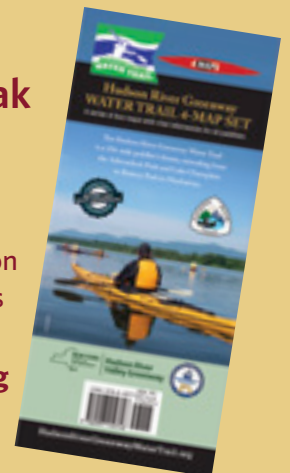
Extending from Waterford, just north of Albany, to the northern border of New York City, the Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area encompasses more than four million acres. The region is home to seven National Historic Sites, 68 National Historic Landmarks, 133 historic districts, and more than 1,000 sites listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area is managed by the Hudson River Valley Greenway with technical and financial support from the National Park Service.

**Visit [hudsonrivervalley.com](https://hudsonrivervalley.com) to plan your trip, order our Heritage Site Guidebook, or download our Train Tour App: [hudsonrivervalley.com/app](https://hudsonrivervalley.com/app)**



## Explore the Hudson River by Kayak

The Hudson River Greenway Water Trail Map and Guides provide detailed information on the more than 100 water trail access points from the Adirondack Park to New York City. The companion mobile website features a trip planner and allows users to find river access points and outfitters on the go. **[HudsonRiverGreenwayWaterTrail.org](https://HudsonRiverGreenwayWaterTrail.org)**



# The 21st Annual Hudson River Valley Ramble

The Hudson River Valley Ramble is back in 2021! Of course, we had to cancel the event in 2020 due to the pandemic, but we are excited to bring you the 21st Annual Ramble this year. The 2019 Ramble was a milestone event, marking 20 years of guided outdoor Ramble adventures from Saratoga to New York City. Throughout its 21 years, the Hudson River Valley Ramble has celebrated the history, culture, and natural resources of the Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area, as well as the amazing landscapes, communities, and trails across the region.

We are very fortunate to have many returning Ramble event leaders, as well as some exciting new events to entice everyone to get out and explore the Hudson Valley this September.

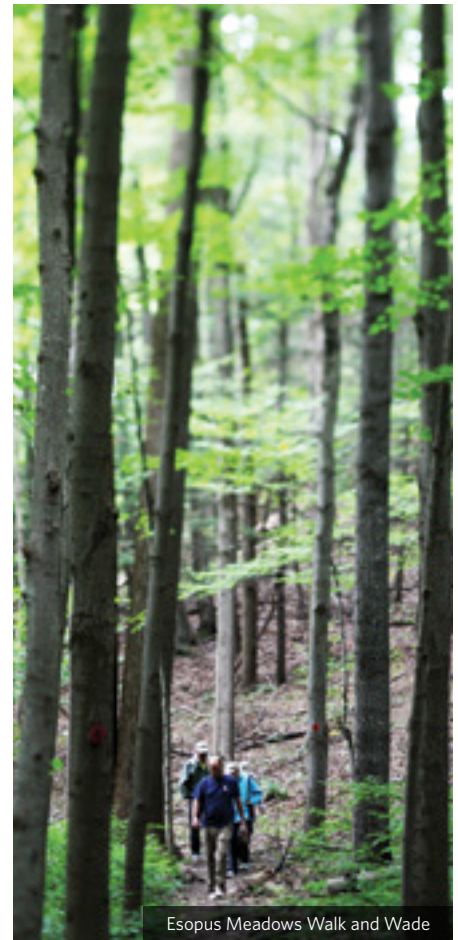
Whether you are interested in a fun or challenging hike, bike ride, or paddle; an inspiring walk through the grounds and homes of some of the Valley's most notable artists, authors, and great Americans; a trip back in time to experience the significant role the region played in the Revolutionary War; a family-fun festival; or river exploration event, there is a huge variety of events to enjoy!

This year we are not providing a printed guidebook, however, a printable PDF guide is available on our homepage, at: **[HudsonRiverValleyRamble.com](https://HudsonRiverValleyRamble.com)**

The Ramble website also features a searchable interface of all the events by region, event type, date, or keyword. You can find directions to each event and contact information for each event leader.

Thank you for spending the last 21 years celebrating this beautiful region with us! We hope to see you at an event this September!

**On the web: [hudsonrivervalleyramble.com](https://hudsonrivervalleyramble.com)**



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# The Hudson River Estuary



Norrie Point. Photo by Chris Bowser.

For nearly half its 315-mile length, the Hudson River is an estuary, an arm of the sea where fresh water from the river's Adirondack headwaters and numerous tributaries meets and mixes with salty ocean water. From the dam at Troy, the Hudson River estuary ebbs and flows for 153 miles to New York Harbor, creating a rich ecosystem pulsing with life. Its waters and tidal marshes provide habitat for more than 200 species of fish, and nursery areas for key commercial and recreational species including striped bass, American shad, bluefish, and blue crab. Bald eagles, osprey, herons, and waterfowl feed on the Hudson's bounty while nesting and migrating. Protected by surrounding forest lands, the streams of the estuary's watershed supply drinking water to millions. The Ramble features estuary-themed events sponsored by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation's Hudson River Estuary Program and partners, which are denoted by the Atlantic sturgeon symbol.



**STATE DEPARTMENT  
OF ENVIRONMENTAL  
CONSERVATION (DEC)  
COMMISSIONER**  
Basil Seggos

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DEC is excited to  
proudly partner in  
this year's annual

*Hudson Valley Ramble, which encourages New Yorkers to get outside and experience our state's world-class wildlife habitats and recreational opportunities. The Hudson River is an environmental gem, and the Ramble spotlights this region for visitors across the state and the nation, bolstering local economies, which is especially important as New York emerges from the pandemic.”*

The Estuary Program leads a regional effort to ensure clean water, protect and restore fish, wildlife, and their habitats; provide education and river access; adapt to climate change; and conserve world-famous scenic views. The program is guided by the Estuary Action Agenda, a forward-looking plan developed with input from communities up and down the river. The Action Agenda's success comes from partnerships with several agencies, local governments, and regional organizations. For information on the Hudson River estuary, the Estuary Program, and how to partner in this conservation effort, visit: [dec.ny.gov/lands/4920.html](http://dec.ny.gov/lands/4920.html).

## HUDSON RIVER ESTUARY-THEMED SERIES

In celebration of National Estuaries Week, the Hudson River Valley Ramble highlights the wetlands, wildlife, and water resources that make the Hudson a world-famous estuary. The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Hudson River Estuary Program and partners present a series of land and water explorations that will open your eyes to the wonders of “the river that flows both ways.” Estuary events are marked with the sturgeon icon: Look for the many ways you can explore the Hudson River estuary during the Ramble. Experience the Hudson River estuary up close through boating and paddling events, learning about life along the shore and in the marshes, and exploring the far reaches of the Hudson River estuary watershed.

## NATIONAL ESTUARIES WEEK

**SEPTEMBER 18-25, 2021**

Each year in late September, people across the country celebrate these magical places where fresh water from rivers mixes with salt water from the ocean. Estuaries connect rivers and oceans and are used as spawning grounds and nurseries by at least two-thirds of the nation's commercial fish and shellfish. Tidal wetlands associated with estuaries protect uplands from coastal flooding and provide habitats for migratory birds. Estuaries also offer recreational opportunities such as swimming, boating, and bird watching. To learn more, go to [estuaries.org](http://estuaries.org).

## A DAY IN THE LIFE OF THE HUDSON RIVER ESTUARY, OCTOBER 14, 2021

A Day in the Life of the Hudson River Estuary brings schools to the river to celebrate the Hudson and educate participants about our unique estuary. Part of National Estuaries Day, the event is coordinated by the Hudson River Estuary Program in partnership with Columbia University's Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory. Each fall, environmental educators team with school classes to collect data that will create an ecological snapshot of the estuary from the Federal Dam in Troy to New York Harbor. For more information, visit [dec.ny.gov/lands/47285.html](http://dec.ny.gov/lands/47285.html).



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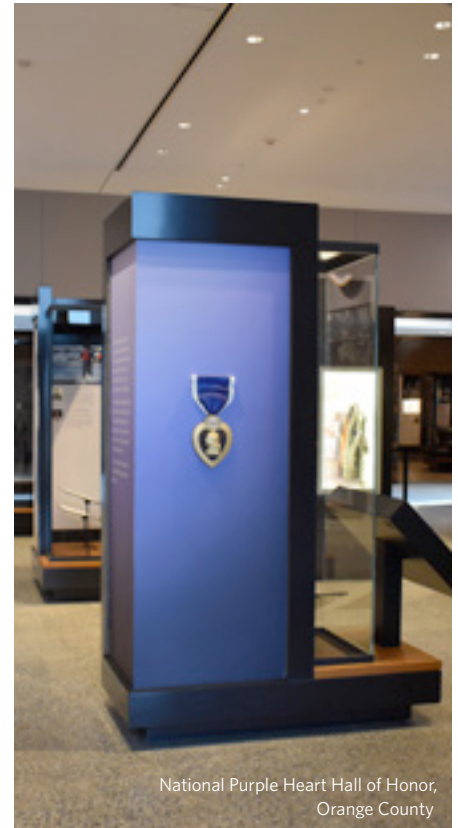
WALKWAY OVER THE HUDSON  
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# Explore State Parks and Historic Sites

The state park system is one of the Empire State's greatest treasures encompassing more than 250 diverse parks, historic sites, trails, golf courses, boat launches, and more, with 350,000 acres of protected land and water. New York State has recognized the importance of these special public spaces by committing at least \$440 million over the next four years in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the State Park Act. This season we are proud to participate in the Hudson River Valley Ramble once again, showcasing some of our flagship properties and hidden gems. Our Ramble lineup features a wide variety of engaging events and programs, from historic house tours to battle reenactments, guided hikes, walks, nature education, and outdoor adventures. New York's state parks and sites are the perfect backdrop to explore and make memories with family and friends. For more information, visit [parks.ny.gov](https://parks.ny.gov) and follow us on Facebook at [facebook.com/nystateparks](https://facebook.com/nystateparks).



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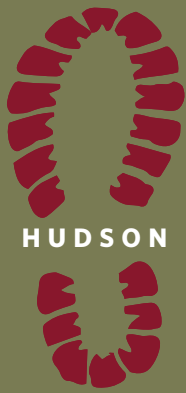


**“** The Hudson River Valley offers amazing opportunities to discover our state's beautiful natural, historic and cultural resources. Last year, the pandemic further highlighted the vital resource that parks provide to our communities, by welcoming a record 78 million park visitors seeking to explore and relax with family and friends. As we celebrate the heritage and recreational opportunities of this region, I encourage all visitors to engage in a variety of events—from a challenging hike or scenic paddle to a historic tour of a home or site—and continue to explore the area throughout the year.”



Sojourner Truth Statue, Walkway Over the Hudson, Ulster County





HUDSON RIVER VALLEY RAMBLE

# MAP

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**FOR DETAILED MAPS AND DIRECTIONS**  
**[hudsonrivervalleyramble.com](http://hudsonrivervalleyramble.com)**

## TRAIL TIPS

1. Look for "Ramble" signs directing you to each trailhead.
2. Wear sturdy shoes: for hikes, an over-the-ankle boot.  
No flimsy flats, flip-flops, sandals, or bare feet.
3. Long pants are recommended for walks/hikes in rural terrain.
4. Carry a water bottle.
5. Bring snacks/lunch for hikes lasting several hours.
6. Bring a rain jacket.
7. Stay on the trail.
8. Never get out of sight of the guide.
9. If you have to leave a walk before it's completed, notify the leader.
10. Don't remove any foliage, flowers, rocks, or other items.
11. Carry it in. Carry it out. Leave nothing behind but your footprints.

Many Ramble events are accessible by train!

## METRO-NORTH RAILROAD

Metro-North has more than 120 stations throughout the region with service to/from Grand Central Terminal in Midtown Manhattan and the Hudson Valley.

Get travel information at [new.mta.info/daytrips](http://new.mta.info/daytrips) or call 511; outside New York State call (877) 690-5114.

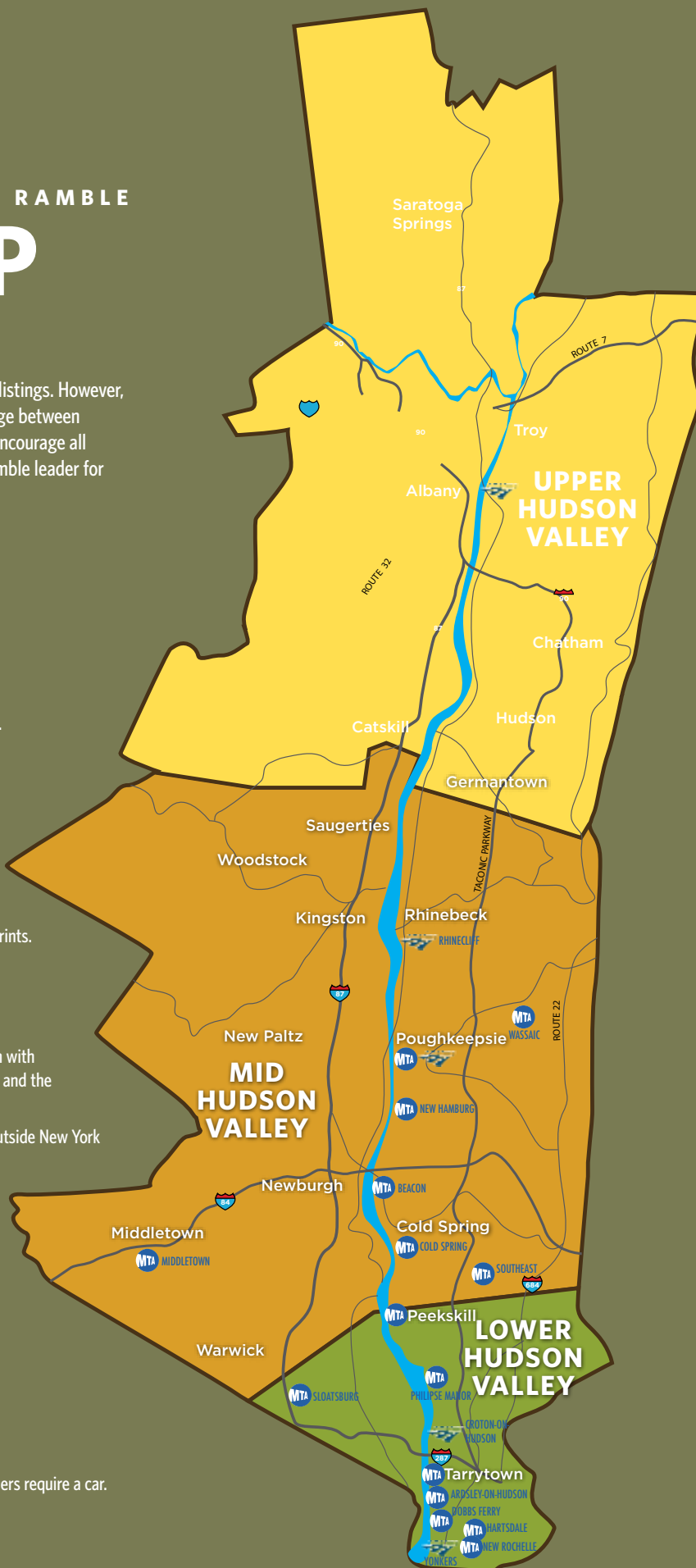
Easy to go, easy to save with discount rail packages for the top tours, attractions, and events at [new.mta.info/daytrips](http://new.mta.info/daytrips).

**Amtrak** (800) USA-RAIL  
[amtrak.com](http://amtrak.com)

**Coach USA**  
[coachusa.com](http://coachusa.com)

**Trailways** (800) 776-7548  
[trailwaysny.com](http://trailwaysny.com)

While many events are accessible by public transportation, others require a car.  
Check <https://www.zipcar.com/metro-north> for availability.














# LOWER HUDSON VALLEY EVENTS



Mohansic Trailway Hike

## KEY TO RAMBLE EVENTS

-  Hudson River Estuary
-  Greenway Trail
-  Great Estates
-  Hudson River Artists Trail
-  Revolutionary War Trail
-  Family Friendly
-  Walk/Hike
-  Bicycle
-  Paddle
-  Wheelchair Accessible (for details, contact the trip leader)
-  Public Transportation

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### 1. History Tidbits-Bedford House

**9/11 11:00AM**

**John Jay Homestead State Historic Site**  
400 Jay Street, Katonah 10536  
(914) 232-5651

**bethany.white@parks.ny.gov**

Join us for a History Tidbits! This program will focus on John Jay's Bedford House. Please note that History Tidbits takes place outside. We will not be going inside Bedford House.

**Registration:** [Johnjayhomestead.org](http://Johnjayhomestead.org)

**Duration:** 0.5 hours

**Not suitable for children under: 6**



### 2. The Armour-Stiner Octagon House

**9/3 9/4 9/5 10:00AM, 11:30AM, 1:00PM, 2:30PM, 4:00PM**

See [www.armourstiner.com](http://www.armourstiner.com) for more dates and times

**45 West Clinton Avenue, Irvington 10533**  
**(914) 817-5763**

**[info@armourstiner.com](mailto:info@armourstiner.com)**

Visit the only known residence built in the form of a domed, ancient classical temple. Created as a whimsical summer retreat in 1872 by tea-importer Joseph Stiner, this National Historic Landmark's shape was based on the theories of Orson Squire Fowler, a phrenologist, who believed octagonal houses enclosed more space, allowed the sun in at all times, and permitted more views into the landscape. This lyrical home retains its magnificent ornamentation and furnishings and the only remaining Egyptian Revival Room in America with its original decoration and furniture. The 1-hour tour in groups of 12 people is conducted by highly trained docents and includes the three principal floors of the house. 10% discount code for participants of this year's Ramble.

**Registration:** [www.armourstiner.com](http://www.armourstiner.com)

Each 1-hour guided tour has a maximum capacity of 12 guests. Tickets can be purchased up until the start time of each tour.

**Fee:** \$29 for Adults, \$26 for Youth (7-17)

As restrictions in New York State continue to lift, we ask all visitors to wear masks indoors as a courtesy to fellow visitors and staff. We will evaluate and make appropriate changes to these policies in the future.

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Additional equipment:** Not suitable for wheelchair users or people with limited mobility. The tour is physically demanding and not recommended for individuals with difficulty walking up and down flights of stairs. Comfortable shoes are recommended.

**Not suitable for children under: 7**

**Metro North station:** Ardsley-on-Hudson



### 3. Cranberry Lake Preserve Hike

**9/4 10:00AM**

**Nature Center**  
1609 Old Orchard St, White Plains 10604  
(914) 274-0449

**[steinberg\\_david@hotmail.com](mailto:steinberg_david@hotmail.com)**

Join David Steinberg, author of "Hiking the Road to Ruins," for a comprehensive exploration of all the historic sites with the preserve: dynamite shed site, mysterious stone chamber, quarry, railroad bed, and much more.

**Notes:** Woods, roads, some bushwhacking, climb up to top of quarry, and steep drop-offs.

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 3 miles

**Duration:** 4 hours





#### 4. Free Sails with Ferry Sloops from Ossining

**9/4** 10:00AM, 11:00AM, 12:00PM, 1:00PM, 2:00PM, 3:00PM  
Shattemuc Yacht Club  
46 Westerly Road, Ossining 10562  
(914) 841-3107  
info@ferrysloops.org

Sail aboard Whimbrel, our sloop-rigged Catboat. The free sails are on a "first come, first served" basis. Guests can sign up at the yellow Ferry Sloops tent beginning at 9:30AM for any of the day's scheduled sail times (limit of 4 passengers per sail). The boat's captain reserves the right to cancel any or all of the day's sails, if weather conditions make it unsafe for sailing.

**Notes:** Children under 18 need a guardian.

**Duration:** 5 hours

**Additional equipment:** Boat shoes, light jacket, hat, and sunscreen.

**Additional activities:** Additional sailboats may be available which would allow us to accommodate more guests. Visit [www.ferrysloops.org](http://www.ferrysloops.org) the morning of the event.

**Not suitable for children under:** 12

**Metro North station:** Ossining



#### 5. Ossining Farmers Market

**9/4** 8:30AM Weekly on Saturdays  
11 Spring Street, Ossining 10562  
(914) 923-4837  
dacotah@downtoearthmarkets.com

Local farms and food makers gather in the heart of Ossining Village on Saturdays from 8:30am to 1pm. Stop by for lunch or a snack while you browse the village, on your way to

the Hudson River waterfront, or before you hit the Croton Aqueduct trail.

**Duration:** 4.5 hours

**Metro North station:** Ossining



#### 6. Farm Market

**9/4 9/11 9/18 9/25** 9:00AM  
John Jay Homestead State Historic Site  
400 Jay Street, Katonah 10536  
(914) 232-5651

bethany.white@parks.ny.gov

Purchase locally produced healthy food and support local, sustainable agriculture. Members of Friends of John Jay Homestead get First Pick 9am-9:30am. Music and Children's activities each week

**Duration:** 5 hours

**Additional activities:** Visitor center and hiking trails.



#### 7. Vista through Ruin Garden Tour at Untermyer Gardens

**9/5** 10:00AM  
Untermyer Park & Gardens  
945 North Broadway, Yonkers 10701  
(914) 613-4502

gardens@untermyergardens.org

Count the steps on the Vista while peeking at the old Color Gardens. Learn about the ancient Roman columns and how they were made. Identify the geometric shapes of the new Ornamental Vegetable Garden. Admire the ancient oaks in the Rhododendron Walk—alive, decaying, and dead. Explore the Ruin Garden, with its hidden alley, secret grotto, graffiti-covered walls, and restored unicorn.

**Notes:** Not stroller friendly

**Registration:** [www.untermyergardens.org/tours2.html](http://www.untermyergardens.org/tours2.html)

**Fee:** \$12

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Metro North station:** Greystone



#### 8. Walled Garden Tour at Untermyer Gardens

**9/5 9/12 9/19 9/26** 10:00AM  
Untermyer Park & Gardens  
945 North Broadway, Yonkers 10701  
(914) 613-4502

gardens@untermyergardens.org

Learn about Artemis, Medusa and the sphinx, why the Walled Garden is built like a fortress and discover the ancient symbolism of its four canals. Learn about the secret histories of plants: trees from the weeping beech to the monkey puzzle tree, aquatic plants like papyrus and lotus and their place in Egyptian history and then stop to smell the roses. Spend a moment finding the mosaic sea creatures on the bottom of an abandoned swimming pool.

**Notes:** Stroller Friendly

**Registration:** [www.untermyergardens.org/tours2.html](http://www.untermyergardens.org/tours2.html)

**Fee:** Adults \$12; Free for children

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** The Walled Garden portion of the tour is accessible.

**Metro North station:** Greystone



Ferry Sloops from Ossining

*"Excellent program. Nice hike and leader was highly knowledgeable."*  
— Scott S.

## 9. Garden History Tour of Untermyer Gardens

**9/5 9/12 11:00AM**

Untermyer Park & Gardens

945 North Broadway, Yonkers 10701

(914) 613-4502

[gardens@untermyergardens.org](mailto:gardens@untermyergardens.org)

This tour highlights the history of the estate from its origin in 1862, through each of its three owners, emphasizing its world famous heyday in the Untermyer years, its dramatic decline after 1940, and the remarkable restoration efforts that have been ongoing from 2011 to the present day. There will be an emphasis on Samuel Untermyer and his wife and their place in early 20th century history as well as discussion of the remarkable architecture of the gardens.

**Notes:** Not stroller friendly.

**Registration:** [www.untermyergardens.org/tours2.html](http://www.untermyergardens.org/tours2.html)

**Fee:** Adults \$12; Free for children

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** The Walled Garden portion of the tour is accessible.

**Additional equipment:** Walking shoes and water.

**Metro North station:** Greystone



## 10. Sunset Tour of Untermyer Gardens

**9/5 6:00PM**

Untermyer Park & Gardens

945 North Broadway, Yonkers 10701

(914) 613-4502

[gardens@untermyergardens.org](mailto:gardens@untermyergardens.org)

Enjoy the gardens as the sun sinks over the Palisades, while taking a leisurely guided tour of the Walled Garden, Vista, and Temple of Love. This tour will contain some history, architecture, and garden information, but is mostly a peaceful experience of the gardens during the golden hour, sunset, and dusk. Plan to watch the colors change, take some photos, and enjoy the evening sights, sounds, and smells. As the tour goes down the steps of the Vista and then back up a woodland path to the Temple of Love, we suggest sturdy shoes. Strollers are not advised for the tours.

**Registration:** Purchase tickets in advance at: [www.untermyergardens.org/tours2.html](http://www.untermyergardens.org/tours2.html)

Sunset Tour

**Fee:** \$20

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** The Walled Garden portion of the tour is accessible.

**Additional equipment:** Walking shoes and a flashlight

**Metro North station:** Greystone



## 11. Lyndhurst Landscape Ramble

**9/5 9/12 9/26 10:00AM**

Meet At Welcome Center

Lyndhurst

635 South Broadway, Tarrytown 10591

(914) 631-4481

[aboesch@savingplaces.org](mailto:aboesch@savingplaces.org)

This two-hour, two-mile adventure offers a complete overview of Lyndhurst's historic landscape. This 67-acre Westchester site reflects 180 years of grand estate living on the Hudson River. Visitors will stroll past specimen trees, including the majestic lindens for which the property was named. The tour will visit the Lord & Burnham greenhouse frame, the rose, fern, and rock gardens, historic Civil War-era rockeries with spectacular views of the Hudson River, and will discuss the 1894 bowling pavilion and the ruined swimming pool building.

**Registration:** [Lyndhurst.org](http://Lyndhurst.org)

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Additional equipment:** Walking shoes and Water

**Additional activities:** Additional Mansion Tours listed on the website

**Not suitable for children under:** 12



## 12. Brinton Brook Audubon Hike

**9/12 9:00AM**

Brinton Brook Audubon Sanctuary

Route 9A, Croton-on-Hudson 10520

(914) 666-6503

[office@sawmillriveraudubon.org](mailto:office@sawmillriveraudubon.org)

Explore the 156-acres of Brinton Brook Audubon Sanctuary overlooking the Hudson River in Croton-on-Hudson with Saw Mill River Audubon. This leisurely nature walk heads to the highest point in Croton on the Village's Highland Trail.

**Notes:** Moderate slopes, some uneven rocky surfaces.

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 2 miles

**Duration:** 3 hours

**Additional equipment:** Sturdy shoes, water, and binoculars.

**Not suitable for children under:** 6

**Metro North station:** Cortlandt



## 13. Highlands Bluegrass Festival at Harmony Hall

**9/12 1:00PM**

Harmony Hall ~ Jacob Sloat House

15 Liberty Rock Road, Sloatsburg 10974

(845) 712-5220

[geoffwelch@gmail.com](mailto:geoffwelch@gmail.com)

Wonderful musicality will once again sound from our outdoor stage for the 11th Annual Highlands Bluegrass Festival! Blue Plate Special, Cole Quest and The City Pickers and the Eugene Tyler Band are the talented bands entertaining us at the 2021 festival. Set in the beautiful Ramapo River Valley on the Great Lawn of Jacob Sloat's 1848

mansion, Harmony Hall.

**Fee:** Suggested Donation: \$10

**Duration:** 4 hours

**Additional equipment:** Lawn chair or blanket.

**Additional activities:** Local crafts, local foods and drinks, children's amusements, historic displays, and Highlands Region environmental displays and information.

**Metro North station:** Sloatsburg



## 14. Temple of Love to Dell Tour at Untermyer Gardens

**9/12 10:00AM**

Untermyer Garden & Park

945 North Broadway, Yonkers 10701

(914) 613-4502

[gardens@untermyergardens.org](mailto:gardens@untermyergardens.org)

The Temple of Love is a feast for the eye with multiple watercourses and rock formations. Many weeping plants echo this form. Walk through the tulip forest and see the giant twin tulips. See the restored Dell fountain and learn about the Old Croton Aqueduct weir. Climb back up to see the ruined Sundial Garden site and the Rock and Stream Garden with its Mughal throne surrounded by water and the anthropomorphic spruces.

**Notes:** Not stroller friendly

**Registration:** [www.untermyergardens.org/tours2.html](http://www.untermyergardens.org/tours2.html)

**Fee:** \$12

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Metro North station:** Greystone



## 15. Historic Piermont Walking Tour: From Pangaea to Paper—Featuring the NY & Erie RR

**9/12 10:00AM**

Confetti Ristorante & Vinoteca Parking Lot

200 Ash Street, Piermont 10968

(917) 509-5429

[lolaesnard@gmail.com](mailto:lolaesnard@gmail.com)

Join Richard Esnard of the Piermont Historical Society -- walk through early 19th century Bogertown and then onto Piermont's pier. Enjoy exceptional river views while learning about this scenic village, its critical geological history, the Revolution, World War II, and how the railroad impacted the village and the nation. Finish at Flywheel Park to learn about Piermont's Papermill.

**Notes:** Flat walk

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 2.5 miles

**Duration:** 2.5 hours

**Additional equipment:** Walking shoes, water, and a walking stick.

**Additional activities:** Visit Piermont's 1883 Landmark RR Station Museum. Piermont's Farmer's Market in Parelli Park.

**Not suitable for children under:** 7





## 16. Mohegan Granite Quarry

**9/12 12:30PM**

Morris Lane (end of road),  
Mohegan Lake 10547  
(914) 245-2661

bookhunterpress@verizon.net

A hike in Sylvan Glen Park Preserve is more than just a walk in the woods. It is a visit to the former Mohegan Granite Quarry with recently installed interpretive signs about the history of the quarry and how stone was removed. This guided tour will explain the multiple steps in the quarrying process and show you remnants of the quarrying operation. The quarry operated from 1890 to 1941 and was once a major supplier of granite for buildings, including the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine New York City. Assemble in the parking lot at end of Morris Lane.

**Notes:** One moderate incline and a narrow trail in one area.

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 2.5 miles

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Additional equipment:** Wear sturdy shoes. Bring water.

**Not suitable for children under:** 6



## 17. Hike to Crash Memorial Site of Flight 6231

**9/12 9:00AM**

Hiker Parking Lot at Harriman State Park  
St. John's Rd, Stony Point 10980  
(845) 729-9754

digitdoger@aol.com

Hike from Hiker Parking Lot on St. John's Road (on road side before Church) by Lake Welch to Crash Memorial Site of Flight 6231 - a Northwest Orient Boeing 727 Crash (12-1-1974).

**Notes:** Minimal elevation

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 2 miles

**Duration:** 4 hours

**Additional equipment:** Hiking boots, walking stick, water, and food.

**Not suitable for children under:** 12



## 18. Westchester Wilderness Walk / Zofnass Family Preserve Hike

**9/12 9:00AM**

Westchester Wilderness Walk / Zofnass Family Preserve  
(914) 234-6992 ext. 23

brendan@westchesterlandtrust.org

Guided hike led by Westchester Land Trust Staff and member of the family that founded this wonderful preserve.

**Notes:** Trails have uneven rocky surfaces, many stepping stones of various sizes, and trail can be slippery or muddy when wet.

**Registration:** westchesterlandtrust.org

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 3 miles

**Duration:** 2.5 hours

**Additional equipment:** Hiking poles and water strongly recommended.

**Not suitable for children under:** 5



## 19. Piermont's 1883 Landmark RR Station Museum

**9/12 9/25 1-4PM**

50 Ash Street, Piermont 10968  
(917) 509-5429

lolaesnard@gmail.com

Visit this 1883 landmark RR Station. Learn about Piermont's unique and diverse history, its role in the American Revolution and WW II as well as the longest railroad in the world, which in 1851 left from Piermont's pier to Lake Erie. View two award-winning documentaries [Last Stop and Piermont's Papermill] on the 2nd floor. Hikers can access the station via the scenic Erie Path overlooking the majestic Hudson. Parking for motorized visitors.

**Additional activities:** Historic Piermont Walking Tour at 10 am, meeting in the parking lot behind Confetti's restaurant; Piermont's Farmer's Market in Parelli Park located at Hudson Way, from 10 AM to 3:00 PM.

## 20. Fall Crafts at Lyndhurst

**9/17 9/18 9/19 10:00AM**

Lyndhurst Mansion  
635 S Broadway, Tarrytown 10591  
(845) 331-7900

madeline@artrider.com

Fall Crafts at Lyndhurst is on September 17-19, 2021. This event features America's best modern makers on the grounds of Lyndhurst, one of the country's most beautiful historic estates. A full day art and shopping experience for the entire family including hands-on demonstrations and more. Rain or shine. No pets. www.artrider.com.

**Fee:** General \$12, Seniors (62 and up) \$11, Kids 6-16 \$4, Under 6 Free

**Duration:** 8 hours



## 21. Family Story Walk

**9/18 10:00AM**

Pine Croft Meadow Preserve  
102 Mead St., Waccabuc 10597  
(914) 234-6992 ext. 23

susan@westchesterlandtrust.org

Join Westchester Land Trust for a story about plants with Lewisboro Library and to learn about what's growing at our Pine Croft Meadow Preserve, on Mead Street in Lewisboro. We'll take a walk through the preserve, which is home to many native wildflowers and the pollinators they attract. Program is geared towards children ages 4-8.

**Notes:** Wide trails in an open meadow. Mostly flat.

**U.S. REPRESENTATIVE**

Sean Patrick Maloney



Welcome  
to the 21st  
annual

Hudson River

Valley Ramble! I invite everyone joining in on the festivities to explore the rich cultural history, stunning natural scenery, and warm hospitality in New York's premier National Heritage Area. I say it all the time: This really is the best place in the world. So if you're a life-long resident or just visiting, I hope you'll enjoy all the Hudson Valley has to offer."

**Registration:** Register by 9/17 by email.

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 0.5 miles

**Duration:** 1 hour



## 22. Lewisboro Land Trust's Hike of the Mount Holly Preserve

**9/18 10:00AM & 11:00AM**

Mount Holly Preserve  
Opposite 21 Mt. Holly Road EAST,  
Katonah 10536  
(914) 548-9350

Bobbestultz@gmail.com

Join us for a leisurely hike of this lovely preserve, which the land trust acquired from The Nature Conservancy last year, and which has since been fully renovated including the addition of a parking area.

**Notes:** Terrain is fairly flat, some moderate incline. Trails are clear and mostly wide.

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 2 miles

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Additional activities:** There will be a brief stop at the "outdoor classroom" to talk about the history of the preserve.

**Not suitable for children under:** 5



*"Excellent tour guide. Very informative.  
Will come back again."  
— Joseph K.*

### 23. Colonial Day at Odell House

**9/18 12:00PM**  
Ridge Road Park  
Pavillion One, 287 Ridge Rd.,  
Hartsdale 10530  
(914) 844-1982  
odellrochambeau@gmail.com

Colonial Day will introduce the community to the events that occurred at Odell House during the American Revolution and the French American Encampment of 1781. There will be re-enactors, games for children, militia drills, a guided walk along the Rochambeau Ramble, and more.

**Registration:** Visit [odellrochambeau.org](http://odellrochambeau.org)

**Fee:** \$5.00 per person; \$20.00 per family

**Duration:** 5 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Ridge Rd. Park is handicap accessible. The Rochambeau Ramble Trail is not. Provided shuttle is not.

**Metro North station:** Hartsdale



### 24. Everything Sing Sing: Bars to Brews Walk

**9/19 2:00PM**  
**10/2 2:00PM (Rain Date)**  
1 Academy Place, Ossining 10562  
(914) 693-6614  
srodgers@wlsmail.org

Stroll the streets of Old Sing Sing village, one of the oldest and most interesting of the Hudson River towns. Visit a hidden museum, soak up terrific Hudson River views from Ossining's steep hillsides, learn about prison

history and local history, and walk the gorge along the Sing Sing Kill Greenway. Meet in downtown Ossining at the corner of Academy Place and State Street.

**Notes:** Hilly and set of steep stairs

**Registration:** Register by 9/16 to [dobref@wlsmail.org](mailto:dobref@wlsmail.org) or call

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 3 miles

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Additional equipment:** Hiking boots or good walking shoes, hat and, water.

**Additional activities:** The final stop, Sing Sing Kill Brewery, offers craft beers and is a favorite local hangout.

**Not suitable for children under:** 12

**Metro North station:** Ossining



### 25. Flavors of Haverstraw Food Crawl & Craft Beer Garden

**9/19 1:00PM**  
Sterling Bank lot  
38 New Main St, Haverstraw 10927  
(845) 372-6552  
[haverstrawriverarts@gmail.com](mailto:haverstrawriverarts@gmail.com)

The 7th Flavors of Haverstraw Food Crawl will feature 15 participating restaurants. MEET, EAT, WALK. Savor and celebrate the diverse cuisine of Downtown Haverstraw. DRINK BEER & listen to live music in the NY CRAFT BEVERAGE GARDEN outdoors on West St. Sample craft brews from Rockland and the lower Hudson Valley.

**Notes:** Rain or shine

**Fee:** \$3-\$6 per plate for food and \$4-\$6 for beer

**Duration:** 4 hours

**Not suitable for children under:** 5



### 26. Iona Island Educational Canoe Trip

**9/19 10:00AM**  
Iona Island  
Iona Island, Bear Mountain 10911  
(845) 889-4745 ext. 109  
[james.herrington@dec.ny.gov](mailto:james.herrington@dec.ny.gov)

Paddle through this marshy maze with Reserve naturalists. Nestled in the Hudson Highlands adjacent to Bear Mountain State park, this wetland features flowering marsh plants, cattails, and soaring raptors.

**Notes:** Canoe trip stays in the protected waters of the marsh. All gear provided.

**Registration:** <https://husoncanoeoprogram2021.eventbrite.com>

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 1.5 miles of canoeing

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Additional equipment:** Please wear footwear that can get wet.

**Not suitable for children under:** 6



### 27. The Dunderberg Spiral Railway and Cornell Mine Ruins

**9/19 10:00AM**  
Parking lot by junction of Rt 9W and River Road, by sign for Vietnam Veterans Memorial Highway. 4 miles south of Bear Mountain Bridge.  
(914) 274-0449  
[steinberg\\_david@hotmail.com](mailto:steinberg_david@hotmail.com)

Join David A. Steinberg, author, "Hiking the Road to Ruins" as we search out impressive remains of the never-completed Dunderberg Spiral Railway. Also on the agenda are the multiple Cornell Mine sites high up and an experiment in time travel. Expect to see filled-in and drilled-out rights-of-way, tunnels, mines, and commanding mountaintop views. This is a challenging hike, done at a leisurely pace, with lots of rewards for your hard work. Signed copies of the book will be available for purchase.

**Notes:** Significant elevation changes, foot trails, woods roads, some bushwhacking, one monster descent (possibly avoided, decided on day of hike).

**Registration:** Please RSVP at least 48 hours in advance.

**Fee:** \$5

**Difficulty:** Difficult

**Length:** 8+ miles

**Duration:** 4 hours

**Additional equipment:** Boots

**Not suitable for children under:** 13



### 28. President's Tour of Untermyer Gardens

**9/19 11:00AM**  
Untermyer Park & Gardens  
945 North Broadway, Yonkers 10701  
(914) 613-4502  
[gardens@untermyergardens.org](mailto:gardens@untermyergardens.org)

Stephen F. Byrns, who is an architect and the founder and President of the Untermyer Gardens Conservancy leads this monthly tour.



Mountain Biking the Yorktown Trails



He is a fount of in-depth knowledge on the history of the property, on Samuel Untermyer and his historical milieu, on the architecture, especially the Indo-Persian Walled Garden and on his vision for the future of this Landmark restoration. Please join us near the 945 North Broadway Parking lot for a 90 minute tour of the gardens. Children twelve and under are free. As the tour goes down the steps of the Vista and then back up a woodland path to the Temple of Love, we suggest sturdy shoes. Strollers are not advised for the tours.

**Registration:** Register by Saturday, September 18 online at [www.untermyer-gardens.org](http://www.untermyer-gardens.org). For more information email [gardens@untermyergardens.org](mailto:gardens@untermyergardens.org)

**Fee:** \$25

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** The Walled Garden portion of the tour is accessible.

**Metro North station:** Greystone



### 29. Mohansic Trailway Hike

**9/25 1:00PM**

Route 118 & Downing Drive, Yorktown Heights 10598

(914) 245-2661

[bookhunterpress@verizon.net](mailto:bookhunterpress@verizon.net)

A rail spur, abandoned in 1917, that once connected Yorktown Heights to a mental institution in what is now FDR State Park in what is now the Mohansic Trailway. Join the folks who built the boardwalk and bridges on the Town of Yorktown's section. Then go into FDR State Park and through the woods over bridges and boardwalks. Meet at Burger King parking lot. Wear sturdy shoes, bring water. No dogs, please. Co-sponsored by Yorktown Trail Town Committee and NY-NJ Trail Conference.

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 2.6 miles

**Duration:** 2 hours



### 30. Hart's Brook Park & Preserve Nature Walk

**9/25 10:00AM**

Harts Brook Park and Preserve  
156 Ridge Road, Hartsdale 10530  
(914) 989-1822

[pmurphy@greenburghny.com](mailto:pmurphy@greenburghny.com)

Guided tour of the Hart's Brook Preserve's barn, greenhouse and master gardens. Learn the interesting history of the Hart's Brook Park and Preserve's property. Explore one of the wooded trails with a member of the Greenburgh Parks & Recreation park staff. Families welcome!

**Notes:** Wooded trails are slightly rocky.

**Registration:** Call or email

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 1 - 1.5 miles

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** The barn/greenhouse tour is wheelchair accessible. Trail is not accessible.

**Additional equipment:** Comfortable shoes and water.

**Not suitable for children under:** 4

**Metro North station:** Hartsdale



### 31. Historic Piermont Walking Tour —Featuring the Birthplace of Piermont & More

**9/25 10:00AM**

Confetti Ristorante & Vinoteca Parking Lot  
200 Ash Street, Piermont 10968  
(917) 509-5429

[lolaesnard@gmail.com](mailto:lolaesnard@gmail.com)

Join Richard Esnard of the Piermont Historical Society for a walk through Piermont's historic district, then to early 19th century Bogertown and ending at Flywheel Park. Enjoy the scenic Sparkill Creek stopping at several sites on the National Register of Historic Places. Learn about the dramatic impact of geology and the NY & Erie RR on the village and the nation.

**Notes:** Flat walk

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 2.5 miles

**Duration:** 2.5 hours

**Additional equipment:** Good walking shoes, water, and walking stick.

**Additional activities:** Visit Piermont's 1883 Landmark RR Station Museum.

**Not suitable for children under:** 7



### 32. Hudson Valley Irish Festival

**9/25 10:00AM**

Peekskill Riverfront Green  
1 Railroad Avenue, Peekskill 10566  
(914) 315-9557

[Michelle.Carter@gmail.com](mailto:Michelle.Carter@gmail.com)

The Hudson Valley Irish Festival is fun day filled with music, food, crafts and vendors on the shores of the beautiful Hudson River. We recommend taking the Hudson Line train to Peekskill, as the fest is just steps away from the station. Rain or shine, 10am-7 pm.

**Format:** Both In-person and Virtual

**Fee:** \$15 voluntary contribution at the gate

**Additional equipment:** Large grassy area, limited paved pathways. Grounds and bathrooms are ADA compliant.

**Additional activities:** The event features live musical entertainment on the main stage as well as in the traditional music tent, as well as a Spoken Word and dance area. The dedicated children's area features a playground and the very popular 18th century games area.

**Metro North station:** Peekskill



### 33. Historic Tallman Mountain State Park Hike

**9/25 11:00AM**

Tallman Mountain State Park  
450 Piermont Ave., Piermont 10968  
(845) 519-4247

[jurasek@optonline.net](mailto:jurasek@optonline.net)

We will hike through the historical Tallman Mountain State Park and learn its interesting history as a former oil tank farm. Then it's out the Piermont Pier to follow in the footsteps of the 40,000 US Troops per month who marched to the waiting ships to transport them to the Atlantic Theatre during WWII. Finally, we will learn of the historic transformation of Piermont, NY from a blue collar factory town to its present day status. Meet in front of 450 Piermont Ave.

**Notes:** One steep descent, rough paths, and short elevation gains.

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 7 miles

**Duration:** 5 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** The Pier is wheelchair accessible but the hiking trails are not.

**Additional equipment:** Lunch, water, snack, and good walking shoes.

**Not suitable for children under:** 7



Croton Dam Hike

### 34. Garden Tour of Untermyer Gardens

**9/26** 11:00AM

Untermyer Park & Gardens  
945 North Broadway, Yonkers 10701  
(914) 613-4502  
gardens@untermyergardens.org

This tour covers some history of Untermyer Gardens, but focuses on the architecture of the garden, elements of garden design in general and of this garden in particular, and identification and discussion of numerous plants and plant combinations.

**Notes:** Not stroller friendly.

**Registration:** [www.untermyergardens.org/tours2.html](http://www.untermyergardens.org/tours2.html)

Garden Tour

**Fee:** Adults \$12; Free for children

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** The Walled Garden portion of the tour is accessible.

**Additional equipment:** Walking shoes and water.

**Metro North station:** Greystone



### 35. Hike Historic Fort Hill Park with Senator Pete Harchuk

**9/26** 8:30AM

Main Entrance of Fort Hill Park  
307 Decatur Ave, Peekskill 10956  
(914) 241-4600  
bayoung@nysenate.gov

Join New York State Senator Pete Harchuk for a hike into Peekskill's hidden gem, Fort Hill Park. The trail through this woodland is amazingly just blocks from Peekskill's busy Main Street and will lead you to fascinating rock formations, meandering stone walls and the natural beauty of the park; offering a peaceful place to escape for a fall morning. Water and a light snack will be distributed at the beginning of the hike but please feel free to bring your own.

**Notes:** Wooded, dirt trails, rocky, and some semi steep ascent/descent.

**Registration:** Register by 9/25 by phone or email.

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 1.5 miles

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Additional equipment:** Hiking boots and comfortable clothing.

**Additional activities:** This event will also include info on funding that was recently awarded to this historic city park.

**Not suitable for children under:** 10

**Metro North station:** Peekskill



### 36. The Original Knickerbocker - Washington Irving & The Legend of Sleepy Hollow

Saturdays and Sundays, 11:30 AM and 2:00 PM

Sleepy Hollow Cemetery - South Gate  
430 North Broadway, Sleepy Hollow 10591  
(914) 631-0081

[christina@sleepyhollowcemetery.org](mailto:christina@sleepyhollowcemetery.org)

Celebrate the Bicentennial of the publication of "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" as we walk to Washington Irving's final resting place. Learn more about the talented Mr. Irving, his influence on popular culture today and reflect on why "The Legend" has never been out of print for more than 200 years! You'll also go inside the Receiving Vault (which is over 121 years old), stop at the Revolutionary War monument, as well as admire this historic cemetery's lovely art and architecture during a one-hour walking tour.

**Fee:** Tickets are \$15.00 and can be purchased in advance from our website [www.sleepyhollowcemetery.org](http://www.sleepyhollowcemetery.org) Walk-ins (cash only) can be accepted if space is available.

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Additional equipment:** This one-hour walking tour covers some steep areas, stairs and unpaved roads. Sturdy walking shoes are recommended.

**Metro North station:** Philipse Manor



Iona Island Canoe Trip














# MIDDLE HUDSON VALLEY EVENTS



Blithewood Garden Paint Out

## KEY TO RAMBLE EVENTS

-  Hudson River Estuary
-  Greenway Trail
-  Great Estates
-  Hudson River Artists Trail
-  Revolutionary War Trail
-  Family Friendly
-  Walk/Hike
-  Bicycle
-  Paddle
-  Wheelchair Accessible (for details, contact the trip leader)
-  Public Transportation

Note: We make every effort to ensure accuracy of event listings. However, due to weather and other factors, information may change between the time of publication and the time of each event. We encourage all participants to verify dates and times with the listed Ramble leader for each event.

### 37. Hurds Family Farm Cornmaze

**All Ramble Weekends**

**Hurds Family Farm,**  
2187 State Route 32, Modena 12548  
(845) 883-7825

[information@hurdsfamilyfarm.com](mailto:information@hurdsfamilyfarm.com)

Adventure. Exploration. Discovery. Come wander this family friendly green and growing living puzzle. This years 3 acre designed

corn maze has 3 trails, one for folks who love a challenge, two for younger hikers and everyone else! Our design is a Surprise this Season, come meet our NEW maze character who promises to bring smiles as you enjoy fresh air, exercise and over 25 family oriented activities including our Ninja Warrior inspired Obstacle Course!

**Registration:** Email or call

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 1 mile

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Yes



### 38. John Burroughs Slabsides Geology Ramble

**8/28 9:00AM**

**John Burroughs Nature Sanctuary**

**at Slabsides**

**Burroughs Drive, off Floyd Ackert Rd.,**

**West Park 12493**

**(845) 384-6556**

[info@johnburroughsassociation.org](mailto:info@johnburroughsassociation.org)

The rocks were one of naturalist John Burroughs' favorite aspects of the Slabsides location, but even he did not realize that the rocks represented sediments eroded from a Himalayan-scale mountain range nearly 400 million years ago. Since they were deposited in a shallow sea, the sediments were repeatedly caught in continental collisions which bent

them and stood them literally on end. As if that wasn't enough, they were most recently scraped clean by a mile-thick sheet of glacial ice which melted a mere 14,000 years ago. Join Vassar College geology professor Jeff Walker for hike to read the many stories in the rocks of the John Burroughs Nature Sanctuary. The newly developed trails are part of the Hudson River Valley Greenway Trail System.

SPACE IS LIMITED.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

**Notes:** Tallus piles and some moderately rough terrain on new, well-developed trails, many with stone pathways and steps.

**Registration:** Aug. 26, 2021

[info@johnburroughsassociation.org](mailto:info@johnburroughsassociation.org)

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 1.5 miles

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Additional equipment:** Wear hiking boots or sturdy shoes and considered bring water and bug spray.

**Additional activities:** Tour John Burroughs' rustic cabin retreat "Slabsides," a National Historic Landmark and a Hudson River Valley National Heritage Site of Special Interest, where he wrote about nature. Cabin will be open from Noon until 4:00pm.

**Not suitable for children under:** 10

**Metro North station:** West Park





Norrie Poiny Kayak

### 39. Pride of the Hudson Narrated Sightseeing Cruise

**Various Dates and Times**

#### Dock

4 Washington Street, Newburgh 12550  
(845) 220-2120  
info@prideofthehudson.com

Join us aboard the Pride of the Hudson for a Cruise through the majestic Hudson Highlands! Bask in the open air on the spacious sundeck or enjoy the comfort of our climate controlled main salon featuring huge wrap-around windows. Our friendly and professional crew will respond to all of your needs. Your adventure will begin at dock 4 Washington Street, Newburgh, NY. Your Captain will present a narration of the sights along the way, including: Washington's Headquarters, Mount Beacon, Bannerman Island, Breakneck Mountain, Cold Spring, World's End, Constitution Island & the United States Military Academy at West Point.

**Registration:** Ticket pre-purchase is strongly recommended as cruise may sell out. Tickets may be purchased online at [www.prideofthe-hudson.com](http://www.prideofthe-hudson.com) or by calling (845)363-4550. Remaining tickets will be sold at the dock 1 hour prior on a first come basis.

**Fee:** Adults \$28; Seniors (65+) \$26; Children (4-11) \$18; 3 & under free

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Additional activities:** During sightseeing cruises, we provide a narration aboard giving information and history of sites being passed. Snack bar/bar available for purchase aboard.

### 40. Walking Tour of Public Art in Poughkeepsie, NY

**9/10 9:00AM** In case of light drizzle, the tour will take place.

12 Vassar St, Poughkeepsie 12601

(845) 516-4758  
Francpalaia1@gmail.com

This is a 2 hour guided walking tour led by noted artist and muralist, FRANC PALAIA of public art in Poughkeepsie, NY. The leisurely tour includes over 45 indoor and outdoor murals, sculptures, historical monuments, architecture in a three block area of downtown Poughkeepsie. The tour highlights several New Deal era murals commissioned by FDR, large scale contemporary murals, 9/11 and Vietnam monuments, one sculpture park and several very new graffiti style street art wall works. The tour ends in restaurant row on Main St Poughkeepsie where several new gourmet and ethnic restaurants have opened. The tour group can stay for lunch or coffee, a great opportunity to review and discuss the tour with the guide. A restaurant stop is not part of the tour, only a suggested option.

**Registration:** 8/20/21 - (845)505-3123, Francpalaia1@gmail.com, [www.FrancPalaia.com](http://www.FrancPalaia.com)

**Fee:** adults \$20; seniors \$15; students \$10, Children under 13-free.

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Only US Post Office bldg is not wheelchair accessible.

**Not suitable for children under: 13**



### 41. Boat Tour - Live Music with Mario Rincon

**9/2 5:30PM**

Hudson River Maritime Museum  
50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401  
(845) 338-0071

lberg@hrmm.org

Tour Rondout Creek Aboard a 100% Solar Powered Boat Built by the Hudson River Maritime Museum! Join us for an intimate

evening of live music with Mario Rincon - International Folk from Appalachia to Andalusia.

**Registration:** Visit [www.solarboattours.org](http://www.solarboattours.org)

**Fee:** Adults \$32; Children \$25; Seniors \$28

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

### 42. Boat Tour - Indigenous Twilight Folklore

**9/2 7:30PM**

**9/15 7:15PM**

Hudson River Maritime Museum  
50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401  
(845) 338-0071  
lberg@hrmm.org

Join us for a twilight cruise with special guest Justin Wexler. This trip takes place aboard Solaris, the 100% solar-powered boat built at the Hudson River Maritime Museum.

**Registration:** Visit [www.solarboattours.org](http://www.solarboattours.org)

**Fee:** Adults \$32; Seniors \$28; Children \$25

**Duration:** 1.25 hours

### 43. Boat Tour - Local Shipwrecks

**9/3 9/10 4:45PM**

**9/17 9/24 4:30PM**

Hudson River Maritime Museum  
50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401  
(845) 338-0071  
lberg@hrmm.org

Tour Rondout Creek Aboard a 100% Solar Powered Boat Built by the Hudson River Maritime Museum! As we cruise along the Rondout Creek and Hudson River from the Hudson River Maritime Museum, you will learn about the shipwrecks, both intentional and accidental, of the area.

**Registration:** Visit [www.solarboattours.org](http://www.solarboattours.org)

**Fee:** Adults \$25; Senior \$22; Children \$20

**Duration:** 1.25 hours



#### 44. Boat Tour - Friday Sunset Cruise

**9/3 9/10 6:30PM**

**9/17 9/24 6:15PM**

Hudson River Maritime Museum  
50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401  
(845) 338-0071

lberg@hrmm.org

Bring your own wine and watch the sun set aboard a 100% solar-powered boat built by the Hudson River Maritime Museum! Solaris is the only solar-powered boat in operation on the Hudson River.

**Registration:** Visit [www.solarboattours.org](http://www.solarboattours.org)

**Fee:** Adults \$25; Seniors \$22

**Duration:** 1.5 hours



#### 45. Wilderstein Guided Tours

**All Ramble Weekends 1:00PM**

Wilderstein Historic Site

330 Morton Road, Rhinebeck 12572

(845) 876-4818

gsokaris@wilderstein.org

With its exquisite Queen Anne mansion and Calvert Vaux designed landscape, Wilderstein is widely regarded as the Hudson Valley's most important example of Victorian architecture. The estate was the home of Margaret (Daisy) Suckley, a distant cousin and confidante of Franklin Roosevelt. Wilderstein is open for guided tours on Saturdays and Sundays from 1 to 4pm. Visit [www.wilderstein.org](http://www.wilderstein.org) for advance reservations and more information.

**Fee:** \$12

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Not suitable for children under:** 6



#### 46. Invasive Plant Removal at Joppenbergh Mountain

**9/4 10:00AM**

Joppenbergh Mountain

Hardenburgh Lane (Willow Kiln Parking Lot 41.845319, -74.081639), Rosendale 12472  
(201) 512-9348

invasives@nynjtc.org

Help to remove invasive plants from Joppenbergh Mountain! No experience necessary, we will teach you how to identify and manage the target plants. The invasives here have been impacting the sensitive ecosystems on the property and threaten the native tree species and native understory growth. Partner organization Wallkill Valley Land Trust plans to restore the target area with native plants following invasives removal!

**Duration:** 4 hours

**Additional equipment:** Work gloves, work clothes (long pants, sturdy shoes), food, and water.

**Not suitable for children under:** 10



#### 47. Stockade National Historic District Walking Tour

**9/4 11:00AM**

Corner of Wall and Main Streets  
63 Main St, Kingston 12401

(845) 339-0720

fohk@verizon.net

Following the street plan designed by Peter Stuyvesant in 1658, the tour walks the heart of the largest intact early Dutch settlement in New York State and the neighborhood where New York State was born in 1777. Walking tour highlights include viewing the many eighteenth century limestone houses still standing in the Stockade District, and visiting the site of the drafting of the New York State Constitution in 1777 and the gravesite of New York's first elected governor, George Clinton, in the Old Dutch Church Burying Ground.

**Fee:** The fee is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 16

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 1 mile

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Most sidewalks are accessible, but there are some uneven surfaces. First floor only of house tour is accessible.

**Additional equipment:** Walking Shoes!

**Additional activities:** Included is a tour of the interior of the c. 1812 Johnston House, the former home and showroom of nationally noted antiques dealer Fred J. Johnston where his collection of 18th and early 19th century furnishings and decorative arts, mostly American, are showcased in eight elegant room settings he designed.

**Not suitable for children under:** 12



#### 48. Cold Spring and Nelsonville Self-guided History Crawls

**All Ramble Weekends 12:00PM**

Putnam History Museum

63 Chestnut Street, Cold Spring 10516

(845) 265-4010

[director@putnamhistorymuseum.org](mailto:director@putnamhistorymuseum.org)

Explore local history on this self-guided History Crawl exploring Cold Spring's nationally recognized Historic District.

**Notes:** Some uphill

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 2 miles

**Duration:** 1-1.5 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Some alternate routes are gravel trails. The entire crawl may be done without using alternate routes.

**Additional activities:** An additional Crawl is available exploring Cold Spring's Upper Main Street and Nelsonville and a scavenger hunt will be provided for younger children.

**Not suitable for children under:** 8

**Metro North station:** Cold Spring



#### 49. Boat Tour - Local Industrial History

**9/4 9/25 2:30PM 9/6 9/11 9/18 4:00PM**

**9/12 4:15PM**

Hudson River Maritime Museum

50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401

(845) 338-0071

lberg@hrmm.org

Tour Rondout Creek aboard Solaris, the 100% solar-powered boat built by the Hudson River Maritime Museum! As we cruise up Rondout Creek from the Hudson River Maritime Museum, you will learn about the industrial history of the area.

**Registration:** [www.solarboattours.org](http://www.solarboattours.org)

**Fee:** Adults \$25; Children \$20; Seniors \$22

**Duration:** 1.25 hours



Pine Bush Bird Walk

## 50. Photographing our Farm with Jane Haslam

**9/4** 4:00PM  
5409 Route 22, Millerton 12546  
(845) 803-1370  
mbissett@mckenroefarm.com

What better way to show appreciation for farmland other than to photograph it? Join photographer Jane Haslam at McEnroe Organic Farm on Saturday, September 4 from 4pm-5pm. No experience in photographing is necessary, just eagerness to take photos!

**Registration:** September 4 by 3pm. Email Michelle Bissett at mbissett@mckenroefarm.com, or call her cell (845) 803-1370.

**Fee:** The ticket costs \$10 (plus processing fees)  
**Duration:** 1 hour

**Additional equipment:** Bring any sort of camera you have, a smartphone is fine too.  
**Not suitable for children under:** 10

## 51. Boat Tour - Indigenous Heritage with Justin Wexler

**9/4** **9/25** 4:00PM  
Hudson River Maritime Museum  
50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401  
(845) 338-0071  
lberg@hrmm.org

Hosted on Solaris, the 100% solar powered vessel built and operated by the Hudson River Maritime Museum! Come aboard the Solaris to explore indigenous life on the Hudson River as it was five centuries ago.

**Registration:** Visit [www.solarboattours.org](http://www.solarboattours.org)  
**Fee:** Adults \$32; Children \$25; Seniors \$28  
**Duration:** 1.25 hours

## 52. What's That in the Water? A Guided Exploration of Aquatic Invasive Species

**9/4** 6:00PM  
Rondout Creek  
Sleightsburgh Park Boat Ramp, Port Ewen 12466  
(914) 762-2912 ext. 141  
lyoder@Teatown.org

Have you ever wondered what plants or animals are lurking beneath the surface of your favorite waterway? Have you ever wondered if those same plants or animals are supposed to be there? Join the Lower Hudson PRISM Aquatic Invasive Species Program Coordinator for an educational workshop on the water all about New York's most unwanted aquatic invaders! From the conspicuous water chestnut to the smallest zebra mussel, you'll learn basic identification, impacts, and what you can do to prevent their spread.

**Notes:** We will be paddling Rondout Creek as the tide rises, so the return trip may be more difficult than the launch, but waters are generally calm at this portion of the creek. Strong currents may be possible if winds are high.

**Registration:** Register by 9/2/2021 with Lindsay Yoder at [lyoder@teatown.org](mailto:lyoder@teatown.org)  
**Difficulty:** Moderate  
**Length:** 1.5 miles

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Additional equipment:** Personal floatation device and boat.

**Not suitable for children under:** 13



## 53. Boat Tour - North Bridge Sunset

**9/4** **9/11** 6:15PM  
**9/18** **9/25** 6:00PM  
Hudson River Maritime Museum  
50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401  
(845) 338-0071  
lberg@hrmm.org

Bring your own wine and ride into the sunset on a 100% solar-powered boat built by the Hudson River Maritime Museum! Join us for a relaxing ride aboard Solaris at sunset as we head north to view the Rhinecliff train station, Kingston Point, Hutton Brickyards, Hudson Cliffs, and the Kingston-Rhinecliff Bridge.

**Registration:** [www.solarboattours.org](http://www.solarboattours.org)

**Fee:** Adults \$28; Seniors \$25

**Duration:** 1.75 hours



## 54. Fall Foliage Paddle

**9/4** 9:30AM  
Kingston Point Beach  
50 Delaware Ave, Kingston 12401  
(845) 481-7336  
kckeeagan@kingston-ny.gov

Paddle the Hudson River during one of the most scenic times of the year. This paddle launches from Kingston Point Beach. The trip includes instruction, equipment and guide.

**Notes:** Launch from a sheltered cove off beach. Paddle is mainly along shoreline in shallow calm waters.

**Registration:** Register by 9/1 at [www.kingstonparksandrec.org](http://www.kingstonparksandrec.org) or call.

**Fee:** \$40 per person; Kingston residents, children, and those who bring their own kayak equipment get \$10 off.

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 2.5 miles

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Not suitable for children under:** 5



## 55. Pathway to the Ballot Box

**9/4** **9/5** 10:30AM, 11 AM, 11:30 AM,  
12 PM, 3 PM, 3:30 PM, 4 PM, and 4:30 PM  
Historic Huguenot Street  
81 Huguenot Street, New Paltz 12561  
(845) 255-1660  
frances@huguenotstreet.org

Pathway to the Ballot Box is a unique immersive theatre experience that will guide visitors on a journey through more than 300 years of local women's history. Visitors will come face-to-face with characters inspired by the real women of New Paltz's past and learn of their challenges, triumphs, fears, and accomplishments.

**Registration:** [huguenotstreet.z2systems.com/np/clients/huguenotstreet/eventRegistration.jsp?event=2023](http://huguenotstreet.z2systems.com/np/clients/huguenotstreet/eventRegistration.jsp?event=2023)

**Fee:** General admission is \$25. Discounted tickets of \$20 are available for HHS members,

seniors, active military members, and veterans. Admission for college students, teens, and kids is \$10. Children under the age of 6 are free.

**Additional activities:** A VIP luncheon experience starting at 1:15 PM will treat visitors to delicious local catering, provided by Valley Home Dining, and the opportunity to have thoughtful, inspiring conversations with a featured guest, including "Pathway to the Ballot Box" producers, writers, actors, consultants, local historians, women's rights advocates, and more.

## 56. Boat Tour - D&H Canal History

**9/4** **9/19** 1:00PM  
Hudson River Maritime Museum  
50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401  
(845) 338-0071  
lberg@hrmm.org

Tour Rondout Creek aboard Solaris, the 100% solar-powered boat built by the Hudson River Maritime Museum! Join D&H Canal Historical Society Historian and Curator Bill Merchant for an engaging conversation about the history of the Delaware & Hudson Canal and the industrial port of Rondout.

**Registration:** [www.solarboattours.org](http://www.solarboattours.org)

**Fee:** Adults \$32; Children \$24; Seniors \$28

**Duration:** 1.25 hours



## 57. Grow Your Own Mushrooms at Sam's Point

**9/5** 10:00AM  
Sam's Point Area of Minnewaska State Park Preserve  
400 Sam's Point Road, Cragmoor 12420  
(845) 647-7989  
Rebecca.howe@parks.ny.gov

Join Sam's Point staff in this hands-on program where we will explore how to grow your own edible mushrooms at home! In this program we will talk about different kinds of mushrooms and what these mysterious organisms need to grow. Each group will build their own mushroom growing kit to take home. This program is open to all ages. Meet at the Sam's Point Visitor Center.

**Notes:** Unvaccinated participants are encouraged to wear face coverings and social distance.

**Registration:** Register by 9/3 by phone.  
**Duration:** 4 hours



## 58. Boat Tour - Dual Lighthouse Trip

**9/5** **9/19** **9/26** 10:30AM  
Hudson River Maritime Museum  
50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401  
(845) 338-0071  
lberg@hrmm.org

See two historic lighthouses from the water! View the Kingston Rondout Lighthouse and the Esopus Meadows Lighthouse aboard Solaris, the 100% solar-powered boat built by the Hudson River Maritime Museum!

**Registration:** Visit [www.solarboattours.org](http://www.solarboattours.org)

**Fee:** Adults \$35; Children \$30; Seniors \$32

**Duration:** 2 hours





### 59. Mount Gulian Historic Site Tours

9/5 9/12 9/19 9/26 12:00PM,

1:00PM, 2:00PM

Mount Gulian

Mount Gulian Society

145 Sterling Street, Beacon 12508

(845) 831-8172

ehayes@mountgulian.org

Visitors will tour the historic home, 18th century Dutch barn, and heritage garden filled with native plantings from a lost era. Guests will hear about Mount Gulian's centuries-long history that shaped our nation, including its part in the Revolutionary War as Patriot General Von Steuben's headquarters. They'll learn about the founding of the Society of the Cincinnati, our country's oldest veterans' organization, and the history of generations of Verplanck family members who lived at Mount Gulian. Visitors will discover the stories of James F. Brown, a fugitive slave who risked his life for freedom, and of Robert Newlin Verplanck's participation in the Civil War as an officer in the US Colored Troops. Artifacts on display span the 18th through the 20th centuries and include antique books, furniture, and an array of Revolutionary War items.

**Registration:** Reservations are required no later than 24 hours before the tour date.

Please call 845-831-8172 or email at info@mountgulian.org

**Fee:** Admission is \$10 adults, \$8 seniors, \$5 children (ages 6-18); free for children under 6 and Mount Gulian members. Membership is open to the public.

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Not suitable for children under:** 5

**Metro North station:** Beacon



### 60. Boat Tour - Local Birdwatching

9/5 9/19 8:30AM

Hudson River Maritime Museum

50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401

(845) 338-0071

lberg@hrmm.org

Take a tour of the tidal mudflats of the Rondout Creek in search of migratory birds, shorebirds, and terns. This tour takes place on Solaris, the 100% solar-powered tour boat built by the Hudson River Maritime Museum. The mouth of Rondout Creek provides rich habitat for migrant and local birds alike. Great blue herons, osprey, bald eagles, cormorants, and other local water birds are easy to spot. Bring your binoculars to look out for migrating waterfowl and songbirds. With Solaris' quiet electric motors, you should be able to get up close and personal with all kinds of birds.

Led by birding enthusiast Peter Schoenberger, tour the mudflats behind the Rondout Lighthouse, the Sleightsburgh barge graveyard, Sleightsburgh spit, and Port Ewen Bay.

**Registration:** www.solarboattours.org

**Fee:** Adults \$29, Seniors \$26

**Duration:** 1.5 hours



### 61. Boat Tour - Kafanica Balkan Cafe Music

9/9 5:30PM

Hudson River Maritime Museum

50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401

(845) 338-0071

lberg@hrmm.org

Join us for Kafanica Balkan Cafe Music aboard Solaris, the 100% solar-powered tour boat built by the Hudson River Maritime Museum. Get out on the water on our super-quiet

boat for a relaxing evening of live music and conversation with area performers.

**Registration:** www.solarboattours.org

**Fee:** Adults \$32; Seniors \$28; Children \$25

**Duration:** 1.5 hours



### 62. The Stone Chambers of Mead Farm

9/11 10:00AM

Meet at 1090 RT 52, Carmel (Dunkin

Donuts), carpool to trail

1090 NY-52, Carmel 10512

(914) 274-0449

steinberg\_david@hotmail.com

Colonial constructions, ancient sacred sites or UFO bases? We will seek out three mysterious stone chambers of unknown origin or date of construction, located on NYC watershed lands. We'll also visit a balanced rock and the enigmatic Hawk Rock glacial erratic. Led by David A. Steinberg, author, "Hiking the Road to Ruins." Signed copies of the book will be available for purchase.

**Notes:** Foot trails and eroded abandoned roads, some bushwhacking, no major elevation changes

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 4 miles

**Duration:** 4 hours

**Additional equipment:** Hikers and especially parked cars should have a free DEP permit, available here: <https://a826-web01.nyc.gov/recpermitapp/>

Plan to carpool: parking is limited at the trailhead.

Bring bug spray and boots.



Rondout Lighthouse

*"Leaders were very knowledgeable and engaging.  
A great tour full of history."*

— Susan L.

### 63. Guided Invasive and Native Plant ID Hike

**9/11 9:00AM**

Sugarloaf Hill Trail at Castle Rock  
Unique Area

Sugarloaf Hill, Osborn Loop Trail  
29-31 Wing and Wing, Garrison, NY 10524  
(315) 559-7266

bboscarino@nynjtc.org

This guided hike will provide you with the skills and eye for basic plant identification including the key features of some common native and invasive trees and shrubs found along the beautiful Sugarloaf Hill Trail. You will also be introduced to and can practice using some really helpful and easy-to-use nature ID apps along the way. It's the perfect way to take your hiking experience to the next level and learn about the diversity of life along the trails.

**Notes:** Some high grasses and a moderate climb.

**Registration:** See website

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 3 miles

**Duration:** 3 hours

**Additional equipment:** Water, bug spray, and cell phone.

**Not suitable for children under:** 5



### 64. Boat Tour - Climate Change Education with Maija Niemisto

**9/12 1:00PM**

Hudson River Maritime Museum  
50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401  
(845) 338-0071

lberg@hrmm.org

Learn about climate change in the Hudson Valley aboard Solaris, the 100% solar-powered vessel built at the Hudson River

Maritime Museum!

**Registration:** [www.solarboattours.org](http://www.solarboattours.org)

**Fee:** Adults \$32; Children \$25; Seniors \$28

**Duration:** 1.25 hours



### 65. What You See and What You Don't See

**9/12 10:00AM**

Staatsburgh State Historic Site  
(Mills Mansion)

Old Post Road, Staatsburg 12580  
(845) 889-8851 ext. 338

donald.fraser@parks.ny.gov

In 1895, Staatsburgh's landscape architect designed glorious grounds that showcased the good life in the Gilded Age. But the landscape was also designed to hide from view the turn-of-the-century technology and labor that made the estate run. Enjoy a leisurely guided stroll through the historic grounds as we explore what you see...and what you don't see.

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Not suitable for children under:** 8



### 66. Hike at the Catskills Visitor Center / Introduction to Preparing for a Hike

**9/12 10:00AM**

Catskills Visitor Center  
5096 State Route 28, Mt. Tremper 12457  
(845) 688-3369

obernard@catskillcenter.org

Come with questions to a demonstration on the basics of preparing for a day hike or an overnight backpacking hike with Catskills Visitor Center staff. A hike of the trails at the Visitor Center is included. Learn about outdoor equipment, Catskills ecology, and take a short hike on Visitor Center trails.

**Notes:** Mostly flat

**Registration:** Register by 9/3 by phone or email.

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 1 mile

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Stationary portion lecture and portion of hike at the Visitor Center.

**Additional equipment:** Good shoes and water.

**Not suitable for children under:** 12



### 67. Paddle the Wallkill in New Paltz

**9/12 11:00AM** Be there early and ready to launch

Sojourner Truth Park Fishing Access Site  
Plains Rd off Rt 299 Bridge  
New Paltz NY 12561

(315) 527-8478

barrettinclinton@gmail.com

We will paddle the Wallkill River in New Paltz. There is a mild current. Views of the Shawangunks. Shady if it's hot. This is a pleasant paddle on flat water with few challenges

**Notes:** Flat water with mild current. Heavy wind cancels. Restroom onsite. Rentals available at New Paltz Kayaks.

**Registration:** Register by Jul 10. barrettinclinton@gmail.com, cell: 315-527-8478

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 3 miles

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Additional equipment:** Kayak or canoe with safety gear

**Additional activities:** Those looking to expend more energy can visit the Nyquist-Harcourt Wildlife Sanctuary nearby in New Paltz or checkout the village's lively downtown.

**Not suitable for children under:** 11



### 68. Guided Tour of the D&H Canal Five Lock Walk

**9/12 2:00PM**

DePuy Canal House  
1315 Main Street (NYS Route 213), High Falls 12440

(845) 687-2000

info@canalmuseum.org

Come for a free guided tour of the national historic landmark Five Lock Walk. See five restored locks from the final 1850 enlargement of the D&H Canal, the first million dollar private enterprise in US history. The Canal ran for 108 miles from Honesdale PA to Rondout NY to bring coal from Carbondale PA to NYC, running from 1828 through 1898.

**Length:** 0.5 miles

**Duration:** 1.5 hours



### 69. Boat Tour - Esopus Meadows Lighthouse

**9/12 9:00AM**

Hudson River Maritime Museum  
50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401  
(845) 338-0071

lberg@hrmm.org

Visit the Esopus Meadows Lighthouse aboard



Boscobel



Solaris, the 100% solar-powered boat built by the Hudson River Maritime Museum! Take a guided tour of the interior of the historic 1871 Esopus Meadows Lighthouse.

**Registration:** [www.solarboattours.org](http://www.solarboattours.org)

**Fee:** Adults \$45; Seniors \$42

**Duration:** 3 hours

## 70. Invasive Plant Walk & Talk

**9/12 9:00AM, 11:00AM**

Sisters Hill Road, Stanford

**(845) 876-4213**

[swyant@winnakee.org](mailto:swyant@winnakee.org)

Invasive plants are one of the biggest threats to biodiversity around the world and represent a major challenge in conservation. Visit one of Winnakee's conserved lands, Sisters Hill Road, to learn how to identify many of these plants, hear about how and when they were introduced to our region, and find out how Winnakee manages them.

**Notes:** Uneven, rocky surfaces, rough trail.

**Registration:** Please register by 9/9 by emailing

[swyant@winnakee.org](mailto:swyant@winnakee.org) or visit [winnakee.org](http://winnakee.org)

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 1 mile

**Duration:** 2 hours



## 71. Boat Tour - Stories of the Night with Karen Pillsworth

**9/16 7:15PM**

Hudson River Maritime Museum

50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401

**(845) 338-0071**

[lberg@hrmm.org](mailto:lberg@hrmm.org)

Join us for a captivating nighttime cruise with special guest Karen Pillsworth aboard Solaris, the 100% solar-powered boat built at the Hudson River Maritime Museum. Under the beautiful night sky, bring family and friends and get ready to listen to spellbinding stories of history, folklore, and the natural world.

**Registration:** [www.solarboattours.org](http://www.solarboattours.org)

**Fee:** Adults \$34; Seniors \$28; Children \$25

**Duration:** 1.25 hours

## 72. Boat Tour - Rondout Lighthouse

**9/17 9/23 9/24 1:30PM, 3:00PM**

**9/18 2:30PM**

**9/19 2:45PM, 4:15PM**

**9/25 1:00PM**

**9/26 9/30 1:15PM, 2:45PM**

Hudson River Maritime Museum

50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401

**(845) 338-0071**

[lberg@hrmm.org](mailto:lberg@hrmm.org)

Visit the Rondout Lighthouse Aboard a 100% solar powered boat built by the Hudson River Maritime Museum! Take a guided tour of the interior of the historic 1915 Rondout Lighthouse!

**Registration:** [www.solarboattours.org](http://www.solarboattours.org)

**Fee:** Adults \$25; Seniors \$22; Child: \$20

**Duration:** 1.25 hours

## 73. Saugerties Historic Ramble 2021

**9/18 10:00AM**

41 Market Street, Saugerties 12477

**(845) 246-8329**

[jeremy@thingsrelevant.com](mailto:jeremy@thingsrelevant.com)

The Town of Saugerties Historian and Historic Preservation Commission have teamed up to present a self-guided historically-themed Ramble highlighting many of the landmarks, stories, figures and facts of the town nestled between the Hudson and the Catskills.

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** General accessibility will vary from location to location, but most are wheelchair accessible

**Additional activities:** Currently planned along the self-guided tour are presentations, lectures, house tours, special museum access, a scavenger hunt, and much more.



## 74. Fleece to Shawl Event with the Elmendorph Handspinners

**9/18 9/19 10:00AM**

Ulster County Historical Society/Bevier

House Museum

2682 Route 209, Kingston 12401

**(845) 377-1040**

[uchsdirector@gmail.com](mailto:uchsdirector@gmail.com)

Join us in welcoming the Elmendorph Handspinners Guild of Red Hook. Over the two days the guild will hold a quasi "Fleece to Shawl" competition. On Saturday begins the competition between 5 individuals (a weaver, a pleyer, and 3 spinners). On Sunday there will be a demonstration in the art of spinning with a wheel and with a drop spindle.

**Duration:** 6 hours

**Additional activities:** Museum will be open to the public with their special exhibit, "Spinning & Stitching: An Evolution of Textiles in Ulster County."



## 75. Gravestone Cleaning Workshop at the Vails Gate United Methodist Church Cemetery

**9/18 11:00AM**

Vails Gate United Methodist

Church Cemetery

854 Blooming Grove Turnpike

New Windsor 12553

**(845) 360-6978**

[NNazzaro@orangecountygov.com](mailto:NNazzaro@orangecountygov.com)

Marianne Greenfield, proprietor of Gravestone Cleaning Service, will instruct up to 16 participants on the proper techniques of caring for gravestones. She will begin with a quick talk about the only recommended method of cleaning and then the hands-on portion of the workshop will begin. Expect to get a bit dirty - the results will be worth it!

**Notes:** Event will go on in light rain, but storms will postpone the event.

**Registration:** Register by 9/14 by email.

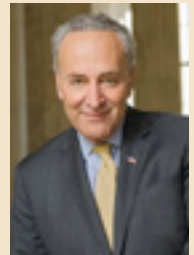
**Duration:** 2 hours

**Additional equipment:** See website

**Not suitable for children under: 12**

## US SENATOR

Charles E. Schumer



The return  
of this year's  
Ramble

reminds us all that, much like autumn, what falls will rise again. Although this past year we've faced unprecedented challenges, our love of the Hudson Valley's unparalleled outdoor activities and breathtaking sites only grew. From fighting to preserve the history, culture, and natural resources of the Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area to championing Walkway Over the Hudson's inception, I've worked ceaselessly to highlight our region's incredible landscape, communities, and trails. In its 21st year, the Ramble will once again welcome thousands of visitors to highlight all that the Hudson Valley has to offer, and I look forward to supporting this celebration in the years to come."

## 76. Boat Tour - Local Lenape History

**9/18 12:00PM**

Hudson River Maritime Museum

50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401

**(845) 338-0071**

[lberg@hrmm.org](mailto:lberg@hrmm.org)

Learn about the Hudson Valley's first people with special guest Harv Hilowtz! This event takes place aboard Solaris, the 100% solar-powered boat built by the Hudson River Maritime Museum.

**Registration:** [www.solarboattours.org](http://www.solarboattours.org)

**Fee:** Adults \$32; Seniors \$28; Children \$25

**Duration:** 1.25 hours



## 77. Art Walk Kingston

**9/18 9/19 12:00PM**

City of Kingston, Kingston 12401

**(845) 454-3222**

[artwalkkingston@gmail.com](mailto:artwalkkingston@gmail.com)

Art Walk Kingston is a celebration of the arts and the local community. Over the course of two days, visitors and local residents are invited to explore three distinct areas of the city of Kingston and immerse themselves in a range of art and events.

**Notes:** City streets

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Duration:** 5 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Depends on the location





**US SENATOR**  
Kirsten Gillibrand

**“** I am proud to call the Hudson River Valley my home. This

region is one of our country's great treasures, where families from across New York, all 50 states, and around the world can come explore, relax, and enjoy the endless recreation the area has to offer. The Hudson River Valley Ramble is a wonderful tradition that honors this beautiful part of our state and our shared heritage as New Yorkers. The Hudson River Valley fuels our state's economy with good-paying jobs and year-round tourism, and I will always work to preserve the beauty and tradition of our home.”

## 78. Franklin D Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum: Special Director's Tour of the Highlights

**9/18 2:00PM**

Meet in the lobby of the Visitor Center; please arrive at 1:45 pm for check in Franklin D Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum  
4079 Albany Post Road, Hyde Park 12538  
(551) 427-5792  
annesumers@gmail.com

This special tour with Director Paul Sparrow brings history alive through multimedia exhibits, films and newsreels. Learn about the Depression, Dust Bowl, Pearl Harbor, D-Day. Many of the protections and programs which make life better and more secure today were started by FDR: Social Security, EPA, OSHA, child labor laws, overtime and the invention of “The Weekend”— the 5 day work week Roosevelt's life and accomplishments in trying times and with his own enormous physical challenges will inspire you and your family, and make you proud to be an American.

**Registration:** Email or call

**Fee:** \$10 admission fee. No charge for Special Directors Tour.

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Not suitable for children under: 6**



## 79. In Their Own Words - The Battle for Fort Montgomery!

**9/18 9:30AM**

Fort Montgomery State Historic Site  
690 Route 9W, Fort Montgomery, NY 10922  
(845) 446-2134  
peter.cutul@parks.ny.gov

Come for a unique, extended tour of one of the Hudson Valley's most dramatic battle

sites! Drawing mainly on 1st hand accounts and archaeological data, this ramble will bring to life the Revolutionary War attack on Fort Montgomery using the words of the soldiers who were there and what they left behind. Program will last approximately 2 hours and include rarely visited spots of the battlefield and conclude with a musket firing demonstration. \*Rambles welcome to bring a bagged lunch.

**Notes:** Part of walk will be off trail. Small Hill Climb and rolling terrain.

**Registration:** Required by 9/17/2021 by 5 PM. Call (845) 446-2134 or email: grant.miller@parks.ny.gov

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 1 mile

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Not suitable for children under: 12**



## 80. Invasive Plant Removal and Native Planting at Harriman State Park

**9/19 10:00AM**

Harriman State Park  
(201) 512-9348  
invasives@nynjtc.org

Do you enjoy birds, butterflies, and wildflowers? Would you like to help protect them? Come help us restore habitat at this beautiful park! Join the Trail Conference's Invasives Strike Force as we remove invasive plants and plant native plants at a restoration site in Harriman State Park. Anyone can participate. No experience is necessary; we provide on-the-job training. You will need to bring leather work gloves and plenty of water to drink. We provide the tools. Exact meeting place and more details will be provided upon sign-up.

**Registration:** Register by September 18. Sign-up at nynjtc.org/events or email invasives@nynjtc.org

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Not suitable for children under: 12**



## 81. Hudson River Beach Seining

**9/19 3:00PM On the Beach!**

Little Stony Point, Hudson Highlands State Park, Cold Spring, river mile 55  
Wappingers Falls 12590  
trlake7@aol.com

At low tide, the warm inshore shallows at Little Stony Point will be teeming with young-of-year fishes of a dozen species, as well as blue crabs and other aquatic life. Come help us haul our nets to capture and discuss the amazing stories the animals have to tell. Getting wet is half the fun!

**Duration:** 2.0

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** There is deep sand adjacent to the beach.

**Additional activities:** Beachcombing, Photography, Bird-watching, Hiking, Relaxing  
**Metro North station:** Wappingers Falls



## 82. LaGrange Wappinger Creek Greenway Trail Walk

**9/21 9:00PM**

LaGrange  
87 Sleight Plass Road, Poughkeepsie 12603  
(845) 554-9166  
m2htoo@yahoo.com

Enjoy a walk in a serene woodland setting on a beautiful nature trail that winds for over a mile along the banks of the Wappinger Creek under a canopy of sycamore, oak, maple, hickory, cottonwood, and other trees. Park at the Sleight Plass Rd. trail entrance and meet your guides by the sign "Wappinger Creek Greenway Trail."

**Notes:** Mostly flat grassy footpath, some roots, possibly some muddy spots if it rained in the days prior to the event.

**Registration:** Register by 9/20 at

(845)-554-9166 and/or m2htoo@yahoo.com

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 2.75 miles

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Additional equipment:** Bring water and insect repellent. Wear long sleeve shirt, pants, and sturdy footwear.

**Not suitable for children under: 6**



## 83. Friends Fest

**9/25 9/26 1:00PM**

Phillies Bridge Farm Project  
45 Phillies Bridge Rd, New Paltz 12561  
(845) 256-9108  
info@philliesbridge.org

Friends Fest at Phillies Bridge Farm is a party for your friends, with your friends, by your friends! Featuring Hudson Valley's most talented performers bringing music, art, and magic from their hearts to yours!

**Fee:** Visit letsbefriendsny.com or philliesbridge.org for more info.

**Duration:** 6 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Music will be viewed in the back field, and that is not accessible by wheelchair.

## 84. Geology Hike at Sam's Point

**9/25 10:00AM**

Sam's Point Area of Minnewaska State Park Preserve  
400 Sam's Point Road, Cragmoor 12420  
(845) 647-7989  
Rebecca.howe@parks.ny.gov

Join an Interpretive Ranger, on a hike around Lake Maratanza and the Ice Caves to study how the mountains and caves formed. Meet at the Sam's Point Visitor Center.

**Notes:** Unvaccinated individuals are encouraged to wear a face mask and social distance.

**Registration:** Call

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 4 miles

**Duration:** 4 hours

**Additional equipment:** Water, snacks, sunscreen, and appropriate footwear.

**Not suitable for children under: 4**





### 85. Wild East Women: Invasives Strike Force Workday

**9/25 10:00AM**

Harriman State Park  
(201) 512-9348

[invasives@nynjtc.org](mailto:invasives@nynjtc.org)

Join the New York-New Jersey Trail Conference's Invasives Strike Force in restoring the habitat in Harriman State Park along the Appalachian Trail by removing invasive plants and making room for native species. Anyone is welcome to participate. No experience is necessary; we provide on-the-job training. You will need to bring leather work gloves, plenty of water, and a lunch you can eat on the trails. We provide the tools. Exact meeting place and more details will be provided upon sign-up. This event is co-hosted by Wild East Women and is focused on bringing together people who identify as female and their advocates in a supportive, non-judgmental environment to learn about the joys of nature and giving back to the outdoors.

**Registration:** Register by September 24. Sign-up at [nynjtc.org/events](http://nynjtc.org/events) or email [invasives@nynjtc.org](mailto:invasives@nynjtc.org)

**Duration:** 4 hours

**Additional equipment:** Leather work gloves, water, and lunch.

**Not suitable for children under:** 12

### 86. Rombout Colonial Days Weekend and Encampment

**9/25 10:00AM**

**9/26 12:00PM**

Brinckerhoff House Historic Site  
68 N. Kensington Dr, Hopewell  
Junction, NY 12533

(845) 227-4136

[rjsodler@gmail.com](mailto:rjsodler@gmail.com)

Living history demonstrations will show what life was like for soldiers, camp followers and civilians during the American Revolution. Musket drills, cooking, baking, colonial games, wood working, gunsmithing and blacksmith demonstrations. There will also be live presentations by History At Play, LLC each day. [www.HistoryAtPlay.com](http://www.HistoryAtPlay.com)

**Fee:** \$5 suggested donation

**Duration:** 6 hours

**Additional equipment:** If you desire, bring a lawn chair.

**Additional activities:** Tours of our Dutch Colonial Farmhouse, one room schoolhouse and other buildings.

September 25th Rendezvous with Rachel Revere, by History At Play.

September 26th A Revolution of Her Own: Deborah Sampson, by History At Play. Please check our website for performance times. [eastfishkillhistoricalsociety.org](http://eastfishkillhistoricalsociety.org)



### 87. Rondout National Historic District Walking Tour

**9/25 11:00AM**

Meet at The Gazebo, 73 West Strand,  
Lower Broadway

73 West Strand, Kingston 12401

(845) 339-0720

[fohk@verizon.net](mailto:fohk@verizon.net)

Hear how Kingston's historic waterfront district mushroomed from farmland into a prosperous maritime village and major Hudson River port during the heydays of the Delaware and Hudson Canal (1828-1898). View the legacy of residential, commercial and ecclesiastical architecture built by the "melting pot" of nationalities that emigrated to Rondout in the nineteenth century.

**Notes:** Sidewalks with one gravel surface path. Some uphill walking.

**Fee:** \$10 adult; \$5 child under 16

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 1 mile

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Gravel uphill path is not wheelchair accessible.

**Not suitable for children under:** 12



### 88. Beacon Volkswalk for Everyone!

**9/25 9:30AM** Meet outside Yankee Clipper

Diner on Main Street entrance

397 Main St., Beacon 12508

(845) 462-7539

[vcwpava@gmail.com](mailto:vcwpava@gmail.com)

On this walk you'll walk by many historic buildings, antique shops, restaurants and specialty stores, and Beacon's Riverfront on Hudson.

Two routes totaling 10k are available, that are 5k each. The Mt. Beacon route passes Beacon Falls and the trail head at the base of Mount Beacon. The Waterfront loop circles down to the train station offering great views of the Hudson River from its shore and ferry terminal area. A self-guided brochure and guide/map is available that will point out the various historical sites and natural scenic points along the way. A guide will walk the two routes consecutively, starting with the Mt. Beacon route first leaving at 9:30 AM.

**Registration:** RSVP please to [vcwpava@](mailto:vcwpava@)

[vcwpava@gmail.com](mailto:vcwpava@gmail.com) or call 845-462-7539 and leave a message; bad weather (rain) will cancel

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Mostly on city streets.

**Metro North station:** Beacon



### 89. Kites Over The Hudson

**9/25 2:00PM**

Washington's Headquarters State  
Historic Site

84 Liberty St., Newburgh 12550

(845) 562-1195

[elyse.goldberg@parks.ny.gov](mailto:elyse.goldberg@parks.ny.gov)

All are invited to come and enjoy the outdoor fun at this annual event when color fills the sky overlooking the Hudson River. FREE kites are given to the first 150 children 15 years and under. Event, Museum, and tours, are free today compliments Friends of the State Historic Sites of the Hudson Highlands. All applicable Covid-19 guidelines in effect at the time of the event will be followed. For more information, please contact the site at 845-562-1195.

**Fee:** Kites will be given free to the first 150 youth 12 or under. Admission is free thanks to generous support of Central Hudson. Program also sponsored by Friends of the State Historic Sites of the Hudson Highlands, and the Palisades Parks Conservancy.

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Park with various levels of accessible paths. Museum 1st floor accessible. Hasbrouck House accessible. No accessible rest rooms.

**Additional activities:** Washington's Headquarters grounds will be open from 11am until 4pm. Reservations are required to take a tour of the historic Hasbrouck House, and explore the Museum including the multi-award winning exhibit, "Unpacked & Rediscovered: Selections from the Washington's Headquarters' Collection."



Alpaca Days at Lilymoore Farm

"Fantastic... and I would come again in a heartbeat!"  
— Jan B.

## 90. Birdwatching Walk & Talk

**9/25** 8:30AM

**9/26** 8:30AM (Rain date)

Vlei Marsh

186 Vlei Road, Rhinebeck 12572

(845) 876-4213

swyant@winnakee.org

Join Winnakee Land Trust as learn about the many birds that call Vlei Marsh home. Talk led by Dr. Alan Peterson of the Ralph T. Waterman Bird Club.

**Notes:** Uneven surfaces, may be wet.

**Registration:** Register by 9/20 at [winnakee.org](http://winnakee.org) or email.

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 1 mile

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Additional equipment:** Bring tick spray or dress appropriately.

**Not suitable for children under:** 8



## 91. Annual Prostate Cancer Walk

**9/25** 9:00AM

Eastdale Village

50 Eastdale Ave North, Poughkeepsie 12603

(845) 481-0535

[Scapozzoli@premiercaresfoundation.org](mailto:Scapozzoli@premiercaresfoundation.org)

Join hundreds of people for this walk to fight prostate cancer and support those who have been affected by it. Soak up the views of the

Hudson Valley and the magnificent landscape!

**Registration:** [premiercaresfoundation.org](http://premiercaresfoundation.org).

Walk-ins accepted.

**Fee:** \$25 per person; Free for children 0-9

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** A hill on the wall might be challenging to access.

**Metro North station:** Poughkeepsie



## 92. National Alpaca Days at Lilymoore Farm

**9/25 9/26** 9:00AM tickets required

Lilymoore Alpaca Farm

21 Moore Rd, Pleasant Valley 12569

(845) 605-7002

[lilymoorefarm@gmail.com](mailto:lilymoorefarm@gmail.com)

Come join the fun. Walk an alpaca, tour the farm, have a picnic on the farm and pick one of four amazing options: yoga, wet felting, painting or crocheting. Each group is limited to 10 people.

**Registration:** [lilymoorefarm.com/calendar](http://lilymoorefarm.com/calendar)

**Fee:** Discount for early bird registration.

**Duration:** 3 hours

**Not suitable for children under:** 9

## 93. Newburgh Open Studios

**9/25 9/26** 12:00PM

5 Grand Street, City of Newburgh 12550

(845) 561-5552

[michael@newburghartsupply.com](mailto:michael@newburghartsupply.com)

The 11th Annual Newburgh Open Studios tour offers a unique opportunity to see the work and meet many of the artists in the City of Newburgh's burgeoning arts community. The

studios are located in some amazing historic buildings, most of which are rarely open to the public. This is a self-guided tour, much of it walkable from Newburgh Art Supply. Maps will be available on both days starting at 10:00am at Newburgh Art Supply, 5 Grand Street.

**Duration:** 6 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Some locations are at street level, others are up stairs.



## 94. Esopus Meadows and the Living River

**9/25** 4:00PM

Esopus Meadows Preserve

257 River Road, Ulster Park 12487

(845) 265-8080 ext. 7106

[eli@clearwater.org](mailto:eli@clearwater.org)

Join Clearwater educators to explore the life of the Hudson River. We will collect and identify aquatic macroinvertebrates, a fun and hands-on activity for all ages. Then, participants will don chest waders and take a net through the water to catch fish. By examining the life of the shallows, the attendees will have a greater understanding of the health and vitality of the Hudson River.

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Not suitable for children under:** 3



## 95. Sterling Forest Fire Tower Ramble

**9/29** 10:00AM

Sterling Forest State Park

116 Old Forge Road, Tuxedo 10987

(845) 351-5907

[barbara.kohlberger@parks.ny.gov](mailto:barbara.kohlberger@parks.ny.gov)

The Fire Tower Ramble is a moderate 4 mile loop highlighted by scenic views of Sterling Forest. Hikers are able to observe the surrounding Hudson Highlands from a 60 foot fire tower built in 1922.

**Notes:** Trails can be steep and rocky, so please wear sturdy hiking shoes.

**Registration:** Register by 9/20/2021 Phone: 845-351-5907

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 4 Miles

**Duration:** 4 hours

**Additional equipment:** Bring water, boots, and snack.

**Not suitable for children under:** 10



## 96. 40th Annual Woodstock-New Paltz Art & Crafts Fair

**9/4 9/5** 10:00AM - 5:30PM

**9/6** 10:00AM - 4:00PM

Ulster County Fairgrounds

249 Libertyville Road, New Paltz 12561

(845) 516-4342

[ola@quailhollow.com](mailto:ola@quailhollow.com)

Visitors are offered one-on-one interactions with many of the country's finest artists and craftspeople. Shop from over 200 juried exhibitors and engage in ongoing craft demonstrations, from wood-turning, to torch-blown jewelry making, metal-smithing, soap-making and much, much more!



Woodstock New Paltz Art



**Fee:** Call or visit [quailhollow.com](http://quailhollow.com)

**Duration:** 7.5 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Fairgrounds include grass and pavement; wheelchairs can be used throughout.

**Additional activities:** Interactive musical performances and more.



### 97. Hudson River Maritime Museum Admission

All Ramble Weekends, Thurs - Sun 11AM-5PM

Hudson River Maritime Museum  
50 Rondout Landing, Kingston 12401  
(845) 338-0071

[lberg@hrmm.org](mailto:lberg@hrmm.org)

Come check out the museum and its exhibits documenting maritime transportation, industry, recreation, and natural science.

**Fee:** Adults \$9, Seniors \$6, Children \$6, Military Free

**Additional activities:** Boat tours are also available and take place aboard Solaris, the 100% solar-powered boat built at the museum's Wooden Boat School.



### 98. Revolutionary War Headquarters Site

All Ramble Weekends 1:00PM  
Van Wyck Homestead Museum  
504 Route 9, Fishkill 12524  
(845) 896-9560

[FHSinfo@Yahoo.com](mailto:FHSinfo@Yahoo.com)

The Van Wyck Homestead was built in 1732, and enlarged to its present size in 1757. It is one of the oldest homes in Dutchess County. During the American Revolution the home was used as an Officers' Headquarters for the Fishkill Supply Depot soldiers' encampment (Oct. 1776 - Oct. 1783). Dozens of notable Revolutionary War heroes visited the Homestead - including George Washington, Alexander Hamilton, John Jay, and Marquis de Lafayette to name a few. For more information about this historic homestead please visit: [www.FishkillHistoricalSociety.org](http://www.FishkillHistoricalSociety.org)  
**Fee:** No Fee - Donations are greatly appreciated.

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Additional activities:** Guided Tours (about one hour long) will be given from 1-4 PM Saturday and Sunday. Last Tour is at 3 PM. Revolutionary War era documents and artifacts are on display. No Fee - donations appreciated. Self-guided bicycle tour brochures for Fishkill will be available 24/7 in the display case of the Van Wyck Homestead Museum located at the Jct. of I-84 exit 46 off Route 9 in Fishkill. Driveway entrance is off Snook Road.



### 99. West Point Museum

All Ramble Tuesdays - Sundays 9:30AM - 4:15PM

West Point Museum  
2110 New South Post Road, USMA, West Point 10996  
(845) 938-3590

[usarmy.westpoint.cmh.mbx.west-point-museum@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.westpoint.cmh.mbx.west-point-museum@mail.mil)



Birding at John Burroughs Slabsides

All visitors to the United States Military Academy are encouraged to tour the Museum to view the oldest and largest diversified public collection of militaria in the Western Hemisphere. The Museum supports cadet academic, military and cultural instruction. Its collections include nearly all aspects of military history and encompass the history of West Point and the United States Military Academy, the evolution of warfare, and the development of the American Armed Forces. Based upon captured British materials brought to West Point after the British defeat at Saratoga in 1777, the Museum collections actually predate the founding of the United States Military Academy. When the Academy opened in 1802, many Revolutionary War trophies remained to be used for cadet instruction. By the 1820s, a teaching collection of artifacts existed at the Military Academy and after the Mexican War (1846 - 1848) West Point was designated by Executive Order as the permanent depository of war trophies. In 1854 the first public museum was opened and today it represents the culmination of more than two centuries of preserving our military heritage.

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Additional equipment:** Museum admission is FREE.

**Additional activities:** Self-Guided Tour  
Free Admission



### 100. Migration Birds at John Burroughs Slabsides

9/11 8:00AM

John Burroughs Nature Sanctaury  
West Park 12493  
(845) 384-6556

[jjjburroughs@yahoo.com](mailto:jjjburroughs@yahoo.com)

Birds were the first love of literary naturalist John Burroughs when he was writing at the turn of the Twentieth Century. Then as now, the land surrounding his cabin Slabsides was abundant with bird life and at this time of year migrating songbirds en route to wintering grounds in South America are stopping off. Discover the richness of tree top bird life through sight and song. Beginning birders through advanced are welcome.

**Registration:** September 9, 2021
















# UPPER HUDSON VALLEY EVENTS



Roe Jan Ramble Bike Tour

## KEY TO RAMBLE EVENTS

-  Hudson River Estuary
-  Greenway Trail
-  Great Estates
-  Hudson River Artists Trail
-  Revolutionary War Trail
-  Family Friendly
-  Walk/Hike
-  Bicycle
-  Paddle
-  Wheelchair Accessible (for details, contact the trip leader)
-  Public Transportation

Note: We make every effort to ensure accuracy of event listings. However, due to weather and other factors, information may change between the time of publication and the time of each event. We encourage all participants to verify dates and times with the listed Ramble leader for each event.

### 101. Indoor Explore & "Cross Pollination" Exhibition

**9/1** 10:00AM Open Tuesday - Sunday from 10am - 5pm; Last entry 4pm  
Thomas Cole National Historic Site  
218 Spring Street, Catskill 12414  
(518) 943-7465 ext. 102  
mdistefano@thomascole.org

Explore the restored historic interiors of the Thomas Cole National Historic Site to learn about the artist and environmentalist Thomas Cole (1801-1848) and see the exhibition

"Cross Pollination: Heade, Cole, Church & Our Contemporary Moment" at your own pace with Museum Educators stationed throughout the Site to offer information and answer questions. The exhibition is installed in the Main House, Old Studio, New Studio, and on the grounds. "Cross Pollination: Heade, Cole, Church and our Contemporary Moment" is a national collaborative exhibition exploring the theme of cross pollination in art and the environment from the 19th century to today. The project stems from the artist Martin Johnson Heade's 19th-century series of hummingbird and habitat paintings, "The Gems Of Brazil," and their unique relationship to the epic landscapes of Hudson River School artists Thomas Cole and Frederic Church, as well as their continued significance to major contemporary artists working today. Artists featured in the exhibition include Martin Johnson Heade, Thomas Cole, Frederic Church, Emily Cole, Isabel Charlotte Church, and many more. For more information, visit [hudsonriverskywalk.org/crosspollination](https://hudsonriverskywalk.org/crosspollination).

**Registration:** Tickets for September Indoor Explore will go on sale in mid-August. For tickets, please visit <https://thomascole.org/purchase-your-ticket-ahead-of-time/>. Tickets are released monthly. For questions, please email [info@thomascole.org](mailto:info@thomascole.org).

**Fee:** Adults \$16; Free for children, students, and members

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** The New

Studio, Visitor Center and Gift Shop, Old Studio, and first floor of the Main House are all wheelchair accessible. The second floor of the Main House requires negotiating a flight of stairs.



### 102. Exhibition: Cross Pollination

**9/1** 10:00AM Tues-Sun, through October 31  
Thomas Cole National Historic Site  
218 Spring Street, Catskill 12414  
(518) 943-7465

[hparoubek@thomascole.org](mailto:hparoubek@thomascole.org)

"Cross Pollination: Heade, Cole, Church and our Contemporary Moment" is a national collaborative exhibition exploring the theme of cross pollination in art and the environment from the 19th century to today. The project stems from the artist Martin Johnson Heade's 19th-century series of hummingbird and habitat paintings, The Gems Of Brazil, and their unique relationship to the epic landscapes of Hudson River School artists Thomas Cole and Frederic Church, as well as their continued significance to major contemporary artists working today.

**Fee:** Adults \$16; Free for children, students, and members

**Duration:** 7 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** All sites are wheelchair accessible, with the exception of the upper floor of the 1815 Main House.





**103. The Rankins of Cherry Hill: Struggling with the Loss of their World**

9/3 9/10 9/17 9/24 1:00PM

9/4 9/11 9/18 9/25 10:00AM

Historic Cherry Hill

523 1/2 South Pearl Street, Albany 12202

(518) 434-4791

shawna@historiccherryhill.org

This tour tells the story of how the last two generations at Cherry Hill responded to social, economic, and personal change at the turn of the 20th century. Artifacts in each room vividly tell the story of Catherine Rankin's loss of her wealth and near loss of her ancestral home—and her family's struggle to regain their financial standing and restore Cherry Hill to its colonial grandeur—while watching industry and an immigrant working class neighborhood grow up around the property.

**Registration:** cherryhilltour.eventbrite.com or call.

**Fee:** 6\$

**104. Historic Downtown**

**Albany Food Tour**

9/3 9/10 12:30PM

75 Livingston Ave., Albany 12207

(518) 495-2277

info@tasteoftroyfoodtours.com

Taste Albany's rapidly evolving culinary scene by exploring the food print of this historic city on the west bank of the Hudson River! Put on your walking shoes for an entertaining and delicious way to experience Albany. New York's Capital City for 320+ years, is undergoing a culinary and craft brewing boom. You'll sip and sample from restaurants that are spicing up Albany's food scene. 7 sips and tastes for a complete meal.

**Notes:** Rain or shine

**Registration:** See website

**Fee:** Adults \$69; Children \$49

**Duration:** 3 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** One stop's rest room is on the 2nd floor without an elevator.

**Additional equipment:** Proof of vaccination or a <72 hours negative PCR COVID test, mask and, water bottle

**Not suitable for children under:** 8



**105. Art in the Garden**

9/4 10:00AM

Thomas Cole National Historic Site

218 Spring Street, Catskill 12414

(518) 943-7465

mdistefano@thomascole.org

Come on out to a morning of drawing, creating, and exploring the historic site's kitchen garden. You will explore and draw inspiration from the natural world through the lens of art and ecology, just like the artists featured in the collaborative exhibition, "Cross Pollination," on view until October 31.

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Additional equipment:** All materials will be provided on-site.

**Additional activities:** Tickets for Indoor Explore & "Cross Pollination" exhibition must be purchased separately.



**106. Central Troy Historic**

**District Food Tour**

9/4 9/11 10:00AM

DeFazio's Pizzeria (first tasting stop)

266 4th Street, Troy 12180

(518) 495-2277

info@tasteoftroyfoodtours.com

Rediscover this 200+ year-old gem of a city as you experience the vibrant culinary scene surrounding Troy's year-round farmers' market. 7+ tastings, bites & sips, including 3 from different Farmer's Market vendors.

**Notes:** Tours are rain or shine.

**Registration:** Register 24 hours at

www.tasteoftroyfoodtours.com

**Fee:** Visit website

**Duration:** 3 hours

**Additional equipment:** Proof of vaccination or a <72 hour negative PCR COVID test, face mask, and water.

**Additional activities:** Visit the Troy Farmer's Market and local shops.

**Not suitable for children under:** 8



**107. Labor Day Weekend Bird Walk with Alan Devoe Bird Club**

9/4 8:00AM

Olana State Historic Site

5720 NY-9G, Hudson 12534

(518) 751-6938

cmcdermott@olana.org

Get your binoculars ready for this Labor Day Weekend Bird Walk! Join the Alan Devoe Bird Club on an exploration through Olana's artist-designed landscape while keeping eyes and ears open for local birds. Learn more about local bird species, habitats, and behaviors with Dr. William Cook, Professor Emeritus at Columbia-Greene Community College and the Curator of C-GCC's Natural History Museum.

**Registration:** Advanced registration required. For more information, please contact education@olana.org.

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Not suitable for children under:** 4



**108. USS SLATER Open for Tours**

9/6 10:00AM

141 Broadway, Intersection of Broadway & Quay Street, Albany 12202

(518) 431-1943

info@usslater.org

Tour the last World War II Destroyer Escort afloat in America. USS SLATER is open for tours Wednesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is charged.

**Fee:** \$9 per adult, \$8 per senior citizen 65 and older, \$7 per child ages 6-14

**Duration:** 6 hours

**Additional equipment:** Comfortable walking shoes and raingear, as needed.

**Not suitable for children under:** 4

**109. Fall Pollinator Walk and Workshop**

9/11 1:00PM

Olana State Historic Site

5720 NY-9G, Hudson 12534

(518) 751-6938

education@olana.org

Learn about how honeybees and humans can prepare for cold and flu season through a guided outdoor walk and workshop. During this program, beekeepers Chris and Lisa Layman will lead a guided outdoor walk and a short demo about making honey throat spray. Chris and Lisa run Fox Farm Apiary, a honeybee rescue and sanctuary in the Hudson Valley. In partnership with Olana, Fox Farm maintains an apiary onsite at Olana's farm complex.

**Registration:** education@olana.org

**Fee:** \$20 per person; Members \$15

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 0.25 miles

**Duration:** 1 hour



**110. Some Like it Hot: Making a Spicy Sauce**

9/11 1:00PM

Clermont State Historic Site/

Clermont Cottage

87 Clermont Avenue,

Germantown, NY 12526

(315) 200-8245

jhemmerlein@friendsofclermont.org

Are you guilty of adding hot sauce to literally EVERYTHING? Do you wish to experiment with bold flavors and spice up your condiment collection? Then this workshop is for you! You will have the opportunity to start your sauce from scratch, using local peppers ranging from mild to super-hot and flavor powerhouses like garlic, onion, and fruit for balance. To heat things up even more, we'll create our own branding for the sauces, including clever names and illustrated labels.

**Registration:** To register, visit [www.friendsofclermont.org/events](http://www.friendsofclermont.org/events).

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Additional equipment:** All supplies are included.

**Not suitable for children under:** 8





**CONGRESSMAN**  
Mondaire L. Jones

“The Hudson River Valley is a natural gem in our community.

*Its beauty and history make it one of New York's most significant cultural sites, so I'm thrilled Ramble will be back this year to celebrate it. Not only does Ramble bring new folks in to enjoy the Hudson Valley, but it cultivates interagency relationships within the Hudson Valley to help stimulate the local economy. After a long year, I'm excited that Ramble will help more folks across New York and beyond discover all the Hudson Valley has to offer.”*

### 111. Discover the Hilltowns: Farms, Artisans and More Tour

9/11 9/12 10:00AM

Berne, Knox, Rensselaerville and Westerlo  
(518) 618-5376

HHAplicity@gmail.com

Experience the scenic Hilltowns of Albany County on this self-guided driving tour of farms, artisan studios, markets, historical museums and other places of interest. Visit [www.Hilltowns.org](http://www.Hilltowns.org) for more info.

**Notes:** Day and times vary by venue; see website and map for details.

**Duration:** 6 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Visit [www.hilltowns.org/discover-the-hilltowns-tour.html](http://www.hilltowns.org/discover-the-hilltowns-tour.html)

**Additional equipment:** Comfortable shoes; boots recommended for farm tours. Dress for the weather.

**Additional activities:** Family friendly tours, pasture walks, demonstrations. produce and wares.



### 112. Walking Tour: The Gilded Age in Troy

9/11 10:30AM

265 River Street, Troy 12180  
(518) 272-7232

starlynd@hartclueett.org

May and June 2021 saw the historic district in Troy became the backdrop for the filming of the HBO Julian Fellows production, The Gilded Age. This tour will view the exteriors of the many sites chosen for the film and discuss the original tenants of these grand 19th century homes and businesses - from Monument Square to Washington Park. We will also share behind the scenes stories about the filming, so when the series comes out you will be able to say, “Hey! I know where this is!” Walking Tours meet in

front of the Arts Center at 265 River Street.

**Registration:** [www.hartclueett.org/events/walkingtourgildedage](http://www.hartclueett.org/events/walkingtourgildedage)

**Fee:** \$5 Members; \$10 non-members

**Duration:** 1 hour

### 113. Geocaching Introduction and Tour

9/11 12:00PM

Starts at the Collar City Ramble Table  
Troy Waterfront Farmer's Market,  
Troy 12180

(518) 274-3050

CollarCityRamble@gmail.com

Geocaching is a real-world treasure hunting game in which the goal is to navigate to a set of GPS coordinates and seek out the geocache container hidden there. The Capital District is fortunate to have an active geocaching community and Troy is no exception! There will be an introduction to geocaching followed by a hunt led by an experienced geocacher for some nearby downtown Troy caches.

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** At least one geocache will be wheelchair accessible.

**Additional equipment:** A GPS unit or GPS-enabled device, including most cellphones.



### 114. Oakwood's Spectacular Celtic Crosses

9/11 9:00AM

9/12 9:00AM (Rain date)

Oakwood Cemetery Troy NY  
186 Oakwood Avenue, Troy 12182  
(518) 272-7520

oakwood\_cemetery@yahoo.com

On this driving and walking tour we will see beautiful examples of Celtic monuments, learn about their history and symbolism, and hear about the Irish immigrants memorialized by them. Led by Michael Barrett, Executive Director of the Hudson Mohawk Industrial Gateway.

**Registration:** Reservations required.

Call 518-328-0090.

**Fee:** Cost is \$15.00 per person, PrePay only, reservations required

**Duration:** 2 hours

### 115. Collar City Ramble

9/11 9:00AM

Collar City Ramble Table  
Troy Waterfront Farmer's Market,  
Troy 12180

(518) 274-3050

CollarCityRamble@gmail.com

Explore Troy's urban trails by foot, bicycle, water, or whatever in this alternate transportation festival. Discover places you have never seen! The Collar City Ramble covers Troy in ways that anyone can find to enjoy.

**Duration:** 5 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Access to the booth is wheelchair accessible. Access of tours varies.

**Additional equipment:** Depends on the activity.

**Additional activities:** Collar City Ramble events throughout the month.



### 116. Shaker Heritage Harvest Craft Fair

9/11 10:00AM to 4 PM

Shaker Heritage Society

25 Meeting House Road, Albany 12211

(518) 456-7890

volunteer@shakerheritage.org

We look forward to welcoming you to the Shaker Heritage Society for our Harvest Craft Fair! To make this event as safe as possible, we have the following guidelines set in place: All VENDOR BOOTHS will be OUTDOORS in the fresh air and sunshine. Vendors will be at least 6 feet apart, and we ask you to do your part and maintain your social distance, too. Inside the Meeting House, masks will be required for everyone regardless of vaccination status. Visitors and vendors are not required to wear masks outdoors unless unvaccinated and within 6 feet of another person.

**Fee:** In recognition of the economic hardship faced by many members of our community, ADMISSION fees are PAY-WHAT-YOU-WILL. You can set your own ticket price when you checkout. You can also make a donation upon your arrival to the Craft Fair.

**Duration:** 6 hours

**Additional activities:** Live Music!

Pony Rides and Petting Zoo, 1pm-3pm

Site Tours: On the Half Hour, every hour, 15-minute introduction to the Shakers followed by a longer tour for those interested. Meet at Stop sign at the corner of the Meeting House



### 117. Regional Visitor Center Walk 'Round the Historical Block'

9/12 11:30AM, 2:30PM

Gateway Visitor's Center

30 Ferry Street, Schuylerville 12871

(518) 350-7275

kmorse@hudsoncrossingpark.org

Tour the new Regional Visitor Center in Schuylerville, NY and register to be part of a group (limited to 15) that will gather across the street on the Towpath that is now part of the Champlain Canalway and Empire Trail system. The group will walk the towpath to and around the Schuyler House then up to Broadstreet and on to the historical Bullard Block. (Window Shopping is encouraged.) During the walk a narrator will share historical facts and legends about the influence of the canal, the Schuyler's and the early businesses that grew the village. Plus, the speaker will share possible solutions to a couple of mysteries surrounding a local legend that a headless horseman plagues a street near the creek. This walk will end at the Bullard Block in downtown Schuylerville, where there are plenty of shops and dining options. It is a short walk back to the Visitor's Center and participants are invited to return at their leisure.

**Notes:** Walkways: Select portions of this walk will be on grass, stone dust trail, and sidewalk. Participants will walk around the grounds when off the towpath trail near the Schuyler



House and when approaching the walkway of the Rt. #4 bridge over Fish Creek.

**Registration:** Deadline: September 9. To register e-mail [kmorse@hudsoncrossingpark.org](mailto:kmorse@hudsoncrossingpark.org)

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 1 mile

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** The portion along the Champlain Canal towpath is stone dust and the section along the Bullard Block on Broad Street in Schuylerville is a paved surface and wheelchair accessible.

**Additional equipment:** Water and bug spray are recommended.

**Additional activities:** Participants are invited to explore the Champlain Canal Gateway Region Visitor's Center before and after the walk. Admission is free of charge.

**Not suitable for children under: 8**



### 118. Troy Public Library: An Italian Palazzo

**9/12 12:00PM**

Troy Public Library  
100 Second Street, Troy 12180  
(518) 274-7071

[CollarCityRamble@gmail.com](mailto:CollarCityRamble@gmail.com)

The Troy Public Library tour will be led by Suzanne Spellen, a renown architectural historian, who blogs as Spellen of Troy. The exterior, interior, and history of the building will be the focal points of the building tour. Designed to be both a library and art gallery, the American Renaissance style building was completed in 1897. View behind the scene areas that are not open to the public. Learn about the recently located documentation of the purchase of the priceless Aldus stained glass window from Tiffany. The beautiful

setting provided by the building enhances the experience of library users.

**Duration:** 1 hour



### 119. Troy Riverfront & Downtown History Tour

**9/12 2:00PM**

Independent Living Center of Hudson Valley  
15 Third Street, Troy 12180  
(518) 274-3050

[CollarCityRamble@gmail.com](mailto:CollarCityRamble@gmail.com)

Join us for a tour of Riverfront Park and downtown Troy to learn or deepen your knowledge of the historical charm unique to the Collar City. Identifying the storied gems in the midst of our beautiful streets, you will come away with talking points to impress your friends and family, and a deeper connection to Troy. Tour the new wheelchair accessible Riverfront Park river walk together, discussing the plan to link it with Collar City Bridge Park.

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 1 mile

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Metro North station:** Troy



### 120. Monarch Butterfly Walk

**9/12 9/26 1:00PM**

Wilton Wildlife Preserve & Park  
4402 NY-50, Saratoga Springs 12866  
(518) 450-0321

[vherkalo@wiltonpreserve.org](mailto:vherkalo@wiltonpreserve.org)

Join us for a nature walk to learn about the amazing lifecycle of the Monarch butterflies. The walk covers about a mile of gently rolling terrain. We will be looking for the butterflies during their peak season just before they start to migrate to Florida and Mexico for

the winter. The monarch butterflies love the Wilton Preserve for its many nectar species and its open pine/oak savannah. The walk will not take place if there is rain.

**Notes:** Flat and rolling terrain of the Saratoga Sandplains ecosystem.

**Registration:** Please register at least one business day in advance. To register, please call 518-450-0321 or email [info@wilton-preserve.org](mailto:info@wilton-preserve.org)

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 0.8

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Not suitable for children under: 6**



### 121. Environmentalists on Olana: The History of Our Forested Landscape with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Columbia and Greene Counties

**9/18 1:00PM**

OLANA

5720 NY-9G, Hudson 12534

(518) 751-6938

[education@olana.org](mailto:education@olana.org)

Local environmentalists and ecological stewards will lead walking tours of Olana, engaging participants in the work of their organizations and providing new insights into Olana's 250-acres.

**Registration:** Email [education@olana.org](mailto:education@olana.org)

**Fee:** Adults \$15; Members \$10; Free for children 0-11

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Duration:** 1 hour



Schodack Island Nature Walk



**CONGRESSMAN**  
Antonio Delgado

**“** The return  
of the  
Hudson  
Valley River  
Ramble is a cause

for celebration. I am ecstatic for folks to experience the beauty, history, culture, and economic opportunity of our communities at this year's ramble. There are endless landmarks and activities for first-time visitors and residents to explore throughout the Hudson Valley. I hope you and your loved ones enjoy all the beautiful and historic sites upstate has to offer. Thank you to the Hudson River Valley Ramble for 21 years of showcasing the best of the Hudson Valley.”

## 122. Exploring the Canals of Cohoes

**9/18 1:00PM**  
Cohoes Visitor Center  
58 Remsen St., Cohoes 12047  
(518) 237-5618  
cherniak@nycap.rr.com

On this tour, you will travel old canal towpaths where mules pulling barges once trod, see 170 year old limestone locks built by hand, and learn the history of this 19th century technological achievement. You will find out the different routes the canal took through Cohoes over time, hear stories of life in a lively canal town, and learn how transportation and power canals led to the growth of the Harmony Mills and other industries in Cohoes.

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 3 miles

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Not suitable for children under:** 10



## 123. Hiking the Narrows: Troy's Urban Trail in Progress

**9/18 10:00AM**  
Burden Pond Preserve  
Corner Route 4 / Mill Street and Campbell Avenue, Troy 12180  
(518) 274-3050  
CollarCityRamble@gmail.com

Come take a hike in an urban area that has surprising open space: scenic gorges, beautiful waterfalls, and rich history. The Narrows is a trail in progress which, when complete, will link multiple existing open spaces within the City of Troy. We will walk along completed trails in the woods as well as future trails along adjacent roads. Walk along sections of the Wynants Kill, walk through Burden Pond

Preserve, continue up and over to Spring Avenue then down to Poesten Kill Gorge Park and the Poesten Kill to Downtown Troy.

**Notes:** See website

**Registration:** Register by 9/17 by phone or email

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 3.5 miles

**Duration:** 3 hours



## 124. Walking Tour: Marking History

**9/18 10:00AM**  
Tour begins in front of the Arts Center at  
265 River Street Troy, NY  
265 River Street, Troy 12180  
(518) 272-7232  
admin@hartcluet.org

You may walk by them every day - patriotic and honored citizens of Rensselaer County and important events are commemorated by the many monuments and memorials were placed throughout the historic district in Troy. Emma Willard, the Vietnam War and The Rensselaer County Soldiers and Sailor's Monument are just a few of the monuments we will visit on this walk.

**Registration:** Purchase tickets in advance using the following link [www.hartcluet.org/events/walkingtourmarkinghistory](http://www.hartcluet.org/events/walkingtourmarkinghistory)

**Fee:** \$10 per person or \$5 per HCM member  
**Duration:** 1.5

**Additional activities:** The Hart Cluett Museum and the Smithsonian Collaborative Exhibition, "The Way We Work(ed)" will be open immediately following the walking tour.

## 125. Ornament Weaving Workshop

**9/12 10:00AM Ends at 1 PM**  
Shaker Heritage Society  
25 Meeting House Road, Albany 12211  
(518) 456-7890  
volunteer@shakerheritage.org

Participants will make three woven ornaments. An eight pointed snowflake and a puffy heart, woven in thin maple strips, and a reindeer woven in dyed reed. No prior experience is need. Suitable for ages 14 and up. Maximum 10 participants.

**Registration:** [www.eventbrite.com/e/ornament-weaving-workshop-tickets-160828481317](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/ornament-weaving-workshop-tickets-160828481317)

**Fee:** \$35 for Shaker Heritage Members, \$40 for General Public. Plus \$20 materials fee.

**Duration:** 3 hours

**Not suitable for children under:** 14



## 126. Biking Around Troy

**9/18 11:00AM**  
**9/19 11:00AM (Rain date)**  
Troy Public Library in Downtown  
100 Second Street, Troy 12180  
(518) 274-3050  
CollarCityRamble@gmail.com

Please join us for a slow roll bike ride highlighting the wonderful libraries in the area! This will be a group ride at a comfortable

pace for all riders along bike paths whenever possible.

**Notes:** Mild hills

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 9 miles

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Additional equipment:** Bring your own bike or rent a bike with the bike share program.

**Additional activities:** The tour is offered as part of the Collar City Ramble.



## 127. Roe Jan Ramble Bike Tour

**9/18 8:00AM** Start times vary. See [www.roejanramble.org](http://www.roejanramble.org) for more info.  
Copake, New York  
305 Mountain View Road, Copake 12516  
(347) 952-5764  
roejanramble@gmail.com

This popular annual cycling event is a must for both casual and experienced cyclists. A non-competitive ride through the picturesque country hills of the Roe Jan area towns of Copake, Hillsdale and Ancram, NY, along the Taconic Mountains bordering Massachusetts. Choose from 6 routes of 10, 18, 25, 35, 50 and 62.5 miles (from easy to challenging) on lightly traveled country roads & portions of the Harlem Valley Rail Trail. Registration is free; suggested donation to benefit the Harlem Valley Rail Trail Association is encouraged. More information is available at [www.roejanramble.org](http://www.roejanramble.org).

**Notes:** The Roe Jan Ramble Bike Tour consists of your choice of six scenic routes through the beautiful foothills of the Taconic and Berkshire mountains. The basic 10 mile route is mostly flat with a few gentle hills. The easy/moderate 18 mile route is mostly flat.

**Registration:** Register online now through September 17 at [www.roejanramble.org](http://www.roejanramble.org) or contact [roejanramble@gmail.com](mailto:roejanramble@gmail.com).

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 50 miles

**Duration:** 4 hours

**Additional equipment:** All bicyclists must wear a helmet.

**Additional activities:** Join us for our after-ride lunch with food & drink for purchase beginning at 12:30PM. Participants are also welcome to bring a picnic lunch, paddle ball, frisbee, etc and spend the afternoon post-ride in the park with your fellow Ramblers!

**Not suitable for children under:** 6



## 128. Historic Architecture in the Twenty-First Century

**9/19 1:15PM**  
Monument Square  
Second Street and River Street, Troy 12180  
(518) 274-3050  
CollarCityRamble@gmail.com

A Second Street walk from Monument Square to Washington Park, talking about the history of the buildings and styles as well as Troy's development along with people of note who



lived there. This will be an overview of early buildings that have remained the same, ones that changed with the changing fortunes of the owners, as well as later ones and even new ones. Duration: 1.25 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** A building interior may not be accessible.

**Additional activities:** The tour is offered as part of the Collar City Ramble.



### 129. The Industrial Gateway Bicycle Tour Pt 3

9/26 11:00AM

Albany County Visitors Center  
25 Quackenbush Square (corner Broadway and Clinton Ave), Albany NY 12207  
(518) 225-4209

Hardworkinjohn@aol.com

Our ride will take us along the route of the Erie Canal from downtown Albany through Cohoes, returning via Waterford and Troy. We will make stops along the way and explore the birthplace of the great Industrial Revolution of the United States. Old canal ruins, 19th century industrial sights and factory buildings and the unsurpassed beauty of the Hudson River will be our constant companions on this unique and educational ride through history. There is a 20 rider limit. Please register early as previous rides have sold out. We will stop to buy your own lunch at the amazing and scenic Cohoes Falls.

**Registration:** by 9/17/21

Hardworkinjohn@aol.com or 518-225-4209

**Fee:** \$10

**Duration:** 5 hours

**Additional equipment:** All participants must possess a properly working bicycle, adequate riding skills for an extended on road tour and a helmet which must be worn in the ride. The ride is self supported, no mechanical services can be provided.

**Additional activities:** We'll be riding a 10-12 mile pace on paved city streets, paved and unpaved bike paths. Hybrid bicycles work best. There is a short steep section in Cohoes but otherwise terrain is flat.

**Not suitable for children under:** 16



### 130. Hudson River Skywalk Arts Festival

9/19 12:00PM to 4PM

Rip Van Winkle Bridge  
99 NY-23, Catskill 12414  
(845) 691-7245

csteber@nysba.ny.gov

Celebrate the art of the Hudson Valley and the Hudson River Skywalk, a new pedestrian path which connects the historic homes and studios of master artists Thomas Cole and Frederic Church. Come to the park next to the Rip Van Winkle Bridge's toll plaza in Catskill to view and buy artwork, participate in hands-on art lessons, and hear live music by songwriter David Temple, all in a beautiful setting overlooking the Hudson. Consider adding

more art to your day by visiting the Thomas Cole National Historic Site and Olana State Historic Site. Motorists have to pass through Toll Lane 1 (full service lane) in order to enter the Bridge Authority parking lot. Learn more about the Hudson River Skywalk by visiting [www.hudsonriverskywalk.org](http://www.hudsonriverskywalk.org).

**Duration:** 4 hours

**Portion wheelchair accessible:** Overall, the event is wheelchair accessible. Doors to the restrooms are heavy and need to be pushed open.



### 131. Unplanned Views at Olana: Geology Walk

9/19 2:00PM

Olana State Historic Site  
5720 NY-9G, Hudson, NY 12534  
(518) 751-6938

education@olana.org

Time travel back to Olana's ice age past! Join geologist Robert Titus for a walking tour showcasing Olana's artist-designed landscape through science and storytelling. During this program, participants will learn more about the geological history of Olana and the forces that shaped Frederic Church's masterpiece.

**Registration:** Advanced registration is required. For more information, please contact [education@olana.org](mailto:education@olana.org) or call (518) 751-6938.

**Fee:** \$15 person, \$10 members.

**Duration:** 1 hour



Olana Garden

### 132. Papscanee Island Nature Preserve Walk

9/24 10:00AM

Papscanee Island Nature Preserve  
Staats Island Road, Castleton 12033  
(518) 270-2888

ashaughnessy@renesco.com

Led by David Chinery from the Cornell Cooperative Extension, enjoy a 1-hour walk though the Papscanee Island Nature Preserve and discover the various species of plants and animals that make the 156-acre Preserve and Hudson River shoreline their home. Cottonwood trees, buckthorn shrub, and bittersweet vine reflect the history of the land farmed by the Mohican Indians for thousands of years. The preserve also boasts a variety of habitats, including marsh, river bank, and floodplain. This riparian setting is a pristine example of nature reinventing itself. Over 30 acres of the preserve are still farmed today, giving the land the distinction of being under active agriculture (corn) longer than any other lands in the U.S. Over six miles of hiking trails offer public access to over 2 miles of Hudson River shoreline. From 9J, turn Right at Preserve South Entrance sign onto Staats Island Rd.; go .25 mi. cross Amtrak tracks, right into Preserve parking lot.

**Notes:** Trails are relatively flat with some uneven surface and slight ascents/descents, exposed tree roots and limbs.

**Registration:** Pre-registration not required but appreciated by 9/23/21: (518)270-2888.

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 1 mile

**Duration:** 1 hour





**CONGRESSMAN**  
Paul Tonko

“After an incredibly difficult year for our Hudson River

Valley communities, I cannot wait to once again share in the festivities of the 21st annual Hudson River Valley Ramble. There has never been a more important time to celebrate and support the places, people, and stories that make our historic Hudson Valley National Heritage Area so special. The Ramble builds a powerful sense of place and local history, while lifting up our local businesses and economies in the process. I look forward to joining my fellow New Yorkers for the Ramble's 21st year!

### 133. Hiking Through History Along Troy's Wynantskill

**9/25 1:00PM**

**Burden Pond Environmental Park: Wynantskill Trail**  
Corner Route 4 / Mill Street and Campbell Avenue, Troy 12180  
(518) 274-3050  
CollarCityRamble@gmail.com

Come learn about the local history and the changing landscape of south Troy shaped by the Wynants Kill from Colonial time mills to the Industrial Era Burden Iron Works. Hike through an urban nature preserve with a deep gorge, a water fall, and remnants of dams and infrastructure that applied water power. We will stand in an area that had once been a mill pond. We will finish at a historic church and vantage point to see where the Burden Iron Works once stood and imagine what it all looked like in the past.

**Notes:** Some short hill climbs and dirt paths.

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 2.5 miles

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Additional activities:** Start at the former Burden Iron Works offices at 12:15p to hear from local historians and more.



### 134. Walls of the Museum: Rocks and Fossils Older Than the Age of Dinosaurs

**9/25 1:00PM** Registration required.

**New York State Museum**  
222 Madison Ave., 222 Madison Avenue, Empire State Plaza, Albany 12230  
(518) 474-5877  
nicole.lafountain@nysed.gov

The natural material used to create the exterior walls of the Museum are filled with 365-million-year-old fossils and Llenroc stone. This traditional building stone illuminates New York State's ancient history. Join State Paleontologist Emeritus Dr. Ed Landing for an educational tour of the outside walls of the Cultural Education Center building.

**Notes:** Participants will walk around the front of the New York State Museum in Albany, NY on the sidewalks to gain a closer look at the rocks that cover the Cultural Education Building, where the Museum is located.

**Registration:** Required. Please register at <https://nyslibrary.libcal.com/event/7739685> Registered participants should meet outside of the entrance to the Museum Lobby at 1pm.

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 0.5 miles

**Duration:** 1 hour

**Not suitable for children under: 12**



### 135. Explore Troy's Gateway to the Hudson River Water Trail

**9/25 10:00AM**

**Ingalls Avenue Boat Launch**  
Ingalls Avenue and Presidents Street, Troy 12180  
(518) 274-3050  
CollarCityRamble@gmail.com

This intermediate Water Trail Paddle is will proceed downstream to around the Congress Street Bridge along the Troy waterfront and return. This is recommended for paddlers who have had experience on the river.

**Notes:** Weather and tide dependent.

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 3 miles

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Additional equipment:** Free kayak available or bring your own kayak.

**Additional activities:** The tour is offered as part of the Collar City Ramble.



### 136. Burden Iron Works Museum Tour

**9/25 10:00AM**

**The Burden Iron Works Museum**  
1 East Industrial Parkway, Troy 12180  
(518) 274-5267  
CollarCityRamble@gmail.com

Visit the Burden Iron Works Museum to learn not only about the history of iron working in South Troy, but also about the transformation of the region around the confluence of the Hudson and the Mohawk Rivers into the Silicon Valley of the nineteenth century.

**Duration:** 4 hours

**Additional activities:** The tours are offered as part of the Collar City Ramble. At 12:15p there is a talk on industrial history of the Wynantskill.



### 137. Walking Tour: Wild Women of Second Street

**9/25 10:30AM**

**265 River Street, Troy 12180**  
(518) 272-7232

starlynd@hartclueett.org

The women of Troy worked on social movements such as Abolition, Temperance, women's rights, labor issues and child welfare. Even with often different perspectives, they found common ground to establish key community organizations, many of which are still active today. They came together in times of national challenges as well. Learn about some of these women who left their mark and a lasting legacy in Troy.

Walking Tours meet in front of the Arts Center at 265 River Street.

**Registration:** [www.hartclueett.org/events/walkingtourwildwomen](http://www.hartclueett.org/events/walkingtourwildwomen)

**Fee:** \$5 members; \$10 non-members

**Duration:** 1 hour

### 138. A Mile on the Hudson

**9/25 10:30AM, 11:30AM, 12:30PM**

**Ingalls Avenue Boat Launch**  
Ingalls Avenue and Presidents Street, Troy 12180  
(518) 274-3050

CollarCityRamble@gmail.com

A Mile on the Hudson with Upstate Kayaks offers guided outings on the Hudson for those who want to try out kayaking with a volunteer guide. This route circumnavigates Adams Island.

**Notes:** Weather and tide dependent.

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 1 mile

**Duration:** 0.75 miles

**Additional equipment:** Free kayaks available at the launch or bring your own kayak.

**Additional activities:** These paddles are a part of the Collar City Ramble.



### 139. Industrial History Along Troy's Wynantskill

**9/25 12:15PM**

**The Burden Iron Works Museum**  
1 East Industrial Parkway, Troy 12180  
(518) 274-3165  
CollarCityRamble@gmail.com

Come learn about the local history and the changing landscape of south Troy shaped by the Wynants Kill from Colonial time mills to the Industrial Era Burden Iron Works. Michael Barrett of the Hudson Mohawk Industrial Gateway describes what led to the historical industrial development along this waterway.

**Duration:** 45 minutes

**Additional activities:** This talk may be attended as background for the following hike, Hiking Through History Along Troy's Wynantskill, or separately. The talk is offered as part of the Collar City Ramble.







Underground Railroad Bike Tour

#### 140. Hiking Frear Park Trails

**9/25 3:00PM**

**Frear Park Tennis Courts Parking Lot  
Frear Park Road, Troy 12180  
(518) 274-3050**

**CollarCityRamble@gmail.com**

Discover Frear Park's hiking trails, enjoy natural scenery, and learn some history on this guided hike. We will hike along the old Troy water reservoirs, pass by a beaver dam and pond, and the waterfalls in the Piscawen Creek. Enjoy the view over the Hudson Valley: on a clear day you can clearly see downtown Albany and the Catskills from the top of the trails. Interesting native wildflowers can be found along the trails, and a stop will be made to enjoy the educational wildflower and butterfly gardens near the Frear Park pagoda and fountain.

**Notes:** Off-road trails

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 2 miles

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Additional activities:** The tour is offered as part of the Collar City Ramble.



#### 141. Parks & Trails: Pedal to Peebles on the Empire State Trail

**9/25 9:00AM**

**Corning Preserve Boat Launch  
Colonie/Water Streets, Albany  
(518) 434-1583**

**dcarey@ptny.org**

Join Parks & Trails New York for a bike ride,

three-quarters of which will be on a paved bike path, from Albany along the banks of the Hudson River up to Peebles Island State Park in Cohoes. At the park, we will be led on a short hike by members of the Friends of Peebles Island State Park and will be led on a tour of the park which is rich in history. Following lunch (not provided) we will return by bike to Albany.

**Notes:** Flat bike path, natural walking trail at Peebles Island

**Registration:** Register by 9/20/21 at <https://ptny.wufoo.com/forms/q19r1i1h1jkd27v/>  
Contact Rebecca De La Cruz with PTNY at [rdelarcruz@ptny.org](mailto:rdelarcruz@ptny.org) with any questions.

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Length:** 21 miles

**Duration:** 5 hours

**Additional equipment:** All participants will need to bring their own bicycle and will need to wear a helmet. Lunch will not be provided, participants will need to bring their own lunch. In case of rain, please wear appropriate rain gear.

**Additional activities:** Miles completed on the ride will count for completing your miles on the Canalway Challenge! Sign up and track your miles at [canalwaychallenge.org](http://canalwaychallenge.org)

**Not suitable for children under: 8**



#### 142. Historic Walk of Prospect Park

**9/25 9:00AM**

**Prospect Park Pavilion  
Prospect Park, Troy 12180  
(518) 274-3050**

**CollarCityRamble@gmail.com**

Using historic images, Rensselaer County & Troy City Historian Kathy Sheehan will lead a historic tour through the Prospect Park that was known as Warren Hill, we will see the Wesley Bintz swimming pool and the famous overlook. Designed in 1903 by the first black graduate of RPI, Garnet Douglas Baltimore, it quickly became a much-needed respite from the industrial urban environment of the city open to all citizens and available in all seasons.

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Length:** 1 mile

**Duration:** 1 hour



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Town of Hillsdale  
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Town of Saugerties Historic Preservation Commission  
Transport Troy  
Troy Public Library  
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Untermeyer Gardens Conservancy  
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Washington's Headquarters State Historic Site  
West Point Museum  
Westchester Land Trust  
Westchester Land Trust and Lewisboro Library  
Wilderstein Historic Site  
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## ***Hudson River Valley Greenway Community Grant Program***

*Funding for community and regional planning, economic development, natural and cultural resource protection, scenic resource protection, and open space protection*

## ***Hudson River Valley Greenway Conservancy Trails Grant Program***

*Dedicated to funding recreational trail projects. Special consideration is given to projects that seek to implement the goals of the Greenway Trail Program. The 2021 application emphasizes connections to the Empire State Trail*

## ***Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area Heritage Development Grants***

*Funding for programming, interpretation and marketing that support the mutual goals of the HRVNHA and applicants*

## ***Teaching the Hudson Valley "Explore Awards"***

*Transportation and admissions costs for school fieldtrips to heritage and environmental destinations in the Hudson River Valley*

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