



Friends of the Old Croton Aqueduct, Inc.

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Walks and Tours: April - June 2012

All walks and tours are free and do not require prior registration (unless otherwise noted). They will be organized/led by a member of the Friends of the Old Croton Aqueduct. Call contact for the event for updates on schedule, weather, etc. and bring water and snacks. Check aqueduct.org for more walks and tours. General questions: Tom Tarnowsky, 914-862-4207 or Sara Kelsey, 646-303-1448.

April 1, Sunday -- Ossining Water Treatment Plant Tour

Meet at 11 am at the last Old Croton Aqueduct-fed water treatment plant and discover (in a plant manager-led tour) what happens to water before it arrives in our taps. Address: 25 Fowler Ave., Ossining 10562. Northbound drivers: From Rte. 9A exit at Shady Farm Rd., turn left and then make an immediate right onto Old Albany Post Rd. Drive about half a mile and turn right onto Fowler Ave. At the top of the hill, the chain link fence of the GE campus will be on your right. Drive straight across the Aqueduct trail and continue to the water treatment plant. Or, from Route 9/Highland Ave., turn right onto Old Albany Post Rd. (north of the Ossining Community Center) and proceed as above. Southbound drivers: from Rte. 9/Highland Ave. turn left onto Old Albany Post Rd. and proceed as above. Parking available. Information: 914-271-5471.

April 21, Saturday -- Old Croton Aqueduct at Ossining Weir Tour

Meet at 10 am at the Joseph Caputo Community Center to watch a short film about the Aqueduct. Following the film, take a quick walk to the Weir on the Double Arch Bridge and descend into the original 1842 brick water tunnel and learn its history. Address: 95 Broadway, Ossining, NY 10562, just west of Rte. 9/Highland Ave. at the junction of Croton Ave. (Rte. 133) (Metro-North Ossining Train Station by taxi or 15-minute uphill walk, 9:44 am northbound train) Information: 914-762-4082.

May 19, Saturday -- Old Croton Aqueduct at Ossining Weir Tour

As part of New York State Heritage Weekend, descend into the original 1842 brick water tunnel and learn its history. Meet at 1 pm at the Joseph Caputo Community Center, (see directions for April 21st Weir tour above, except 12:30 pm northbound train) to watch a short film about the Aqueduct. Then take a quick walk to the Weir on the Double Arch Bridge for the tour of the tunnel. Information: 914-478-3961.

May 20, Sunday -- Riverwalk-Lyndhurst/South Tarrytown-Gracemere Loop Walk

Meet at 9:45 am at the back of the parking lot of the Eldorado West Diner to discover sweeping views of the Hudson River and New York City from the trail. Address: 460 South Broadway, Tarrytown (taxi from Metro-North Tarrytown Train Station, 9:10 am northbound train). Route includes obscure entries to several paths, not all on the Aqueduct. About 3-4 miles, mostly level, with one section of walking on streets. Information: 914-478-3961.

June 2, Saturday -- Old Croton Aqueduct/Sleepy Hollow/Rockefeller State Park Walk

Meet at 10 am in the north parking lot of Sleepy Hollow High School for a 5 mile ramble through an area rich in history. Address: 200 North Broadway, Sleepy Hollow, NY 10591 at Rte. 448, uphill (east) from Rte. 9. Walk north on Aqueduct/detour into Rockefeller Estate. Bring lunch. Reservation: 914-693-0529.

June 9, Saturday -- Old Croton Aqueduct at Ossining Weir Tour

As part of the Ossining Village Fair, descend into original 1842 brick water tunnel and learn its history. Tours between 10:30 am and 2:30 pm. Meet at the Weir at the north end of the Double Arch Bridge near the Joseph Caputo Community Center (see directions for April 21st Weir tour above). Information: 914-862-4207.

June 30, Saturday -- Old Croton Aqueduct in Yonkers to Untermyer Park Walk

Meet at 10 am at the top of the driveway of the Hudson River Museum. Learn the history of the famous elegant gardens where Isadora Duncan once danced and Mahler played. Address: 511 Warburton Ave., Yonkers, NY 10701 (short walk from Metro-North Glenwood Train Station, 9:53 am northbound train). Walk 4-5 miles north for scenic views of Hudson River and detour to Untermyer Park. Reservation: 914-693-0529