



# Friends of the Old Croton Aqueduct, Inc.

Keeper's House, 15 Walnut Street, Dobbs Ferry, NY 10522-2109

Watch our website for future events: [www.aqueduct.org](http://www.aqueduct.org)

## **WALKS & TOURS & MORE: March 2018 (v. 3 as of 2/28/18)**

**FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** *Walks & Tours & More are free and do not require prior registration (unless otherwise noted). They will be organized/led by the Friends of the Old Croton Aqueduct. Call event contact for the event for any updates on schedule, weather, etc. and bring water and snacks. General questions about Walks & Tours: Co-chairs Tom Tarnowsky, 914-862-4207, [tom.tarnowsky@gmail.com](mailto:tom.tarnowsky@gmail.com), or Sara Kelsey, 646-303-1448, [saraakelsey@gmail.com](mailto:saraakelsey@gmail.com). General questions about the Friends: President Mavis Cain, 914-693-0529, [mavisbird500@verizon.net](mailto:mavisbird500@verizon.net).*

**GO THE EXTRA MILE!** *The Friends will recognize walkers/runners who complete the Westchester portion or the entire Old Croton Aqueduct with a 26- or 41-mile certificate and patch (free to members). Details and recognition forms are available on the website and at walks and tours. Walks/runs can be completed in segments or all at once and can be done in any sequence, direction, speed, or length of time. Use the Friends' Old Croton Aqueduct State Historic Park Map & Guide and the Old Croton Aqueduct in New York City map as the reference points for location (or a work-around, where necessary). Inquiries: Sara Kelsey, [saraakelsey@gmail.com](mailto:saraakelsey@gmail.com) or call 646-303-1448.*

### **March 3, Saturday at 10 am - 1 pm - Free-A-Tree on the southern section of the Old Croton Aqueduct in Yonkers.**

Yonkers. For details and to register, see <https://gwhv.eventbrite.com/>

**March 10, Saturday at 10 am - Weir Tour** -- Meet at the Joseph Caputo Community Center & view a short film about the Aqueduct. The Weir is nearby on the Double Arch Bridge. There you will descend into the original 1842 brick water tunnel and learn its history. There is an optional walk along the Sing Sing Kill Greenway, located below the Double Arch Bridge, after the Weir Tour. Address: 95 Broadway, Ossining, NY 10562, just west of Rte. 9/Highland Ave. at the junction of Croton Ave. (Rte. 133) (from Metro-North Ossining Train Station by taxi or 15-minute uphill walk). Inquiries: Peter Dispensa, [solarconstant@msn.com](mailto:solarconstant@msn.com) or 914-522-5000.

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**March 11, Sunday at 10:30 am -- Walk the High Bridge & Explore Nearby** - Meet at the NE corner of 168 Street and St. Nicholas Avenue in Manhattan, a short walk from subway stations. Washington Heights near the High Bridge deserves more attention, especially now that the gleaming bridge beckons day trippers once more. Let's take a long walk that starts across the Harlem River via the High Bridge. You will hear the tale of the Old Croton Aqueduct then wind back to the gorgeous Jumel Terrace Historic District, Trinity Cemetery (resting place of Ed Koch and John James Audubon), and to hidden Audubon Terrace. Along the way, we will pay homage to Paul Robeson, jazz greats like Lena Horne, the indomitable Eliza Jumel and to NY baseball. Be prepared for many stairs and 3 hours of hilly walking (2+ miles), plus elevated subway train transfers. Metro North Hudson Line riders can ride down to Manhattan with the guide. Bring snacks and plenty to drink; rain cancels. Inquiries: text or phone Lesley Walter, 914-671-7112.

**March 24, Saturday at 10 am -- Croton Reservoir & Dam Hike.** Easy 2-mile hike north along the Aqueduct and atop the beautiful Croton Dam. Meet near the restrooms at the parking lot at Croton Gorge Park, Rte. 129, Cortlandt, NY 10567. The leader of the hike will discuss the history and construction of the Old Croton Aqueduct and the features of the Croton Dam, the trailhead of the Aqueduct trail. The Aqueduct was completed in 1842 to supply water to New York City. No reservations necessary. Inquiries: Sara Kelsey, saraakelsey@gmail.com or 646-303-1448.