

EVENT: Nature Photography and Hiking Summer 2022

DATE: Saturdays and Mondays
TIME: 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM
COST: \$100 (Group Rate)

WHERE: County Parks, State Parks and Nature Preserves

Attendees must register prior. Click Here to Register

Summary

This class will offer guided hiking in parks and nature preserves throughout Long Island. Students will receive instruction in basic photography skills utilizing interchangeable cell phone camera lenses. Participants will learn basic hiking skills and techniques including navigating a trail map, rhythm and flow, keeping a pace, stretching, and tips for nutrition and hydration. Mindfulness practices will be incorporated throughout the class to teach participants how to be present in the moment and have a deeper sense of connection with their natural surroundings.

Due to safety precautions for COVID 19, camera sharing will not be possible at this time. Students may use their cell phones and/or their own personal cameras. A variety of cell phone camera lens attachments will be provided, including a telephoto zoom lens to magnify long distant subjects, 198° Fisheye lens to create unique circular effects, 15x Macro lens to shoot flowers, insects, and small objects, and 120° Wide Angle lens to capture landscape scenery.

- Each student will be provided with a variety of professional camera lenses to use during the class.
- Photographs taken during the class will be available to view and post on a private Nature Photography and Guided Hiking Facebook group.
- All students will be provided direct instruction to increase their photography skills.
- Each weekly class will meet at a different park. Participants will be asked to commit to at least three sessions to build on skills.
- Small group rate \$100 per 90-min. session (Plus park fees if applicable)
- Open to people of all abilities no prior photographic knowledge or experience is needed.

<u>About</u>

Laura Holland (Pace), M.S., LMT is a Health Educator, Wellness Specialist, and Licensed Massage Therapist who has worked in the wellness field for over 25 years. Laura is the owner of All Ability Wellness in East Setauket, NY where she provides individual and small group health education community classes utilizing a variety of modalities and techniques including mind-body awareness, mindfulness training, and sensory integration techniques.

Contact

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Class Schedule

Parks are subject to change.

SATURDAYS

<u>June</u>

Saturday 6/25 Connetquot River State Park - Oakdale

July

Saturday 7/2: Sunken Meadow State Park - Kings Park Saturday 7/9: West Hills County Park - Huntington

Saturday 7/16: Flax Pond, Old Field

Saturday 7/23: Wertheim National Wildlife Refuge - Shirley

Saturday 7/30: Trail View State Park - Woodbury

August

Saturday: 8/6: Avalon Nature Preserve - Stony Brook Saturday: 8/13: Bayard Cutting Arboretum - Oakdale

Saturday: 8/20: Kings Park Bluff - Kings Park Saturday: 8/27: Heckscher State Park - East Islip

MONDAYS

June

Monday 6/27 Sunken Meadow State Park - Kings Park

<u>July</u>

Monday 7/11: Sweetbriar Nature Preserve - Smithtown

Monday 7/18: Flax Pond, Old Field

Monday 7/25: Cedar Beach Nature Preserve - Mt Sinai

August

Monday 8/1: West Hills County Park - Huntington

Monday 8/8: Kings Park Bluff - Kings Park

Monday: 8/15: **Blydenburgh County Park (Smithtown)**Monday: 8/22: **David Weld Sanctuary in St. James**Monday: 8/29: **Robert Moses Lighthouse - Babylon**