

PRESS RELEASE

One Day 3 Parks

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2025

Come join us for a fun-filled family day and enjoy our parks!

The Friends of Heckscher State Park, Bayard Cutting Arboretum Horticultural Society, Friends of Connetquot River State Park Preserve, and the Long Island Greenbelt Trail Conference are excited to announce a special event this fall featuring three state parks in Suffolk County: **Connetquot River State Park Preserve, Bayard Cutting Arboretum, and Heckscher State Park.**

These parks form a unique cluster of state parklands situated just a few miles apart, offering over 5,700 acres of diverse outdoor experiences. Visitors can enjoy the extensive woodlands and river corridor of Connetquot State Park, the pristine riverfront grounds of Bayard Cutting Arboretum, and the vast recreational attractions of Heckscher State Park on the Great South Bay.

On Saturday, October 4, 2025, all three parks will offer special activities throughout the day, hosted by Friends group volunteers at each location.

Snacks and Giveaways and even a Raffle or two!

Bayard Cutting Arboretum:

9:15 AM	Manor House Guided Tour
9:45 AM	Scarecrow to Farm Guided Tour
Anytime	Scavenger Hunt
Anytime	Bird Coloring Tables

Connetquot State Park Preserve:

11:30 AM	House Guided Tour
12:15 PM	Hike Guided Walk
1:00 PM	Fish Hatchery Guided Tour

Heckscher State Park:

2:00 PM	Disc Golf Demonstration
2:45 PM	Guided Nature Walk
3:30 PM	Children's Activities
Anytime	Scavenger Hunt /Exploration Hunt
4:15 – Close	End of Day Celebration – Taylor Pavillion
	Live music featuring Sayville and Farmingdale Schools of Rock
	Food Trucks-Bring a picnic basket

All are Invited!

For more information, please visit <https://www.bcahortsociety.org>

