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John Kieran Nature Trail New York



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States: New York Counties: Bronx Length: 1miles Trail end points: Bronx (Van Cortlandt Park) to Bronx (Van Cortlandt Park) Trail surfaces: Dirt,Gravel,Woodchips Trail category: Rail-Trail Trail activities: Walking

Parking & Trail Access

A free parking lot is close to the start of the trail. Enter the park at Van Cortlandt Park South and Bailey Avenue, and follow the signs for the Van Cortlandt Golf Course. Make the first left after the underpass into the lot. Paid parking is also available in the same area.



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