



January 2018

# Borderland State Park

259 Massapoag Ave, North Easton, MA (508) 238-6566

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5 <b>Off the Beaten Path Hike</b> 1:00pm-3:00pm	6 <b>Animal Pelt &amp; Skull Discovery in the visitor center</b> 8:00am-4:00pm  <b>Mansion Tour: Building a Home</b> 12:00pm-12:30pm 1:00pm-1:30pm
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28 <b>Owl Pellet Dissection</b> 10:00am-12:00pm  <b>Mansion Tour: Of Governors and Generals</b> 1:00pm-1:30pm	29	30	31			

## Program Descriptions

<p><b>Things to Know Before You Go:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All programs are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.</li> <li>• All children must be accompanied by an adult.</li> <li>• Dress for the weather; bring sunscreen, bug spray, water and a snack.</li> <li>• Programs subject to change and rain cancels most outdoor programs; call ahead to confirm (508) 238-6566.</li> <li>• Reasonable accommodations are available upon advance request.</li> <li>• Park Website: <a href="http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/massparks/region-south/borderland-state-park.html">http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/massparks/region-south/borderland-state-park.html</a>.</li> <li>• Park Trail Map: <a href="http://www.mass.gov/eea/docs/dcr/parks/trails/borderland.pdf">http://www.mass.gov/eea/docs/dcr/parks/trails/borderland.pdf</a>.</li> <li>• Daily parking fee is \$5 MA Vehicle, \$10 non-MA Vehicle. Information about our annual ParksPass can be found here <a href="http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/massparks/passes-and-fees/buy-parks-pass-dcr-generic.html">http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/massparks/passes-and-fees/buy-parks-pass-dcr-generic.html</a>. Seniors (62+, MA resident) can get a lifetime Parks Pass for \$10 at the Visitor Center.</li> </ul>	
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Interior Mansion Tours	
<b>Mansion Tour: Building a Home</b>	Come get a look at the fully furnished interior of the Ames Mansion, including the ornate two-story library. On this 30-minute guided tour of the home, you will learn about the history of the Ames Mansion and the Ames Family. First floor only. For adults and older children. Meet in front of the Ames Mansion. Rain, snow or shine.
<b>Mansion Tour: The Ames and Women's Rights</b>	Did you know that 100 years ago, when the Ames Mansion was built, women did not have the right to vote? Oakes and Blanche Ames's involvement in the struggle for women's rights helped pass the 19 <sup>th</sup> Amendment to the US Constitution on August 18, 1920. During this 30-minute guided tour of the first floor of the Ames Mansion, you will learn about their women's suffrage efforts and view some of Blanche's suffrage artwork and political cartoons. First floor only. For adults and older children. Meet in front of the Ames Mansion. Rain, snow or shine.
<b>Mansion Tour: Of Governors and Generals</b>	Did you know that Blanche and Oakes Ames are related to many politicians and military war heroes? To understand a family, one must look back at previous generations. The Ames Family and their relatives played an intrinsic role in shaping the state of Massachusetts and the Nation. Join the Park Interpreter for a 30-minute guided tour learning about the Ames family involvement in war and in politics. For adults and older children. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Meet in front of the Mansion. Rain, snow or shine.
<b>Mansion Tour: A Portrait of an Artist</b>	Let's go beyond the framed paintings and discover the lasting impressions of artist Blanche Ames. Join the Park Interpreter for a 30-minute tour to gain an understanding of Blanche's contributions to the art world and science community alike. For adults and older children. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Meet in front of the Mansion. Rain, snow or shine.
<b>Mansion Tour: Partners in Love &amp; Work</b>	Oakes and Blanche Ames were partners in every aspect of their lives. They worked together raising a family, building a home, in Blanches' work in the suffrage movement and in Oakes botany work. No matter the task at hand, Blanche and Oakes passions were blurred together creating this true partnership. Learn about how they complimented each other in love and in their work on this 30-minute first floor tour. For adults and older children. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Meet in front of the Mansion. Rain, snow or shine.
<b>Kids Mansion</b>	What would it be like to be a kid living in this mansion? Join the Park interpreter for a mansion tour focused on families with

<b>Tour</b>	younger kids. We will be exploring the first floor of the mansion. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Meet in front of the mansion. Rain, snow or shine.
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<b>Programs</b>	
<b>Off the Beaten Path Hike</b>	Let's hike some of the lesser known trails during the winter season at Borderland State Park. Each week we will change up the hike, exploring different trails and areas of the park on these easy to moderate 2-5 mile hikes. Dress for the weather, bring water, and wear winter boots. Hike is easy to moderate in difficulty. For adults and older children. Meet at the Visitor Center. Rain, icy trail conditions, and snow may cancel, please call ahead to confirm.
<b>Coloring, Coffee and Conversation</b>	Blanche Ames was a self-taught artist, and obtained a college degree in Art History from Smith College in 1899, so let us keep the arts and Blanches' memory alive at Borderland. Join the park staff in the Visitor Center for some coffee and conversation while we use adult coloring books to make our own masterpieces. All skill levels are welcome. Coloring utensils, coloring books, coffee and great conversation will be provided. Feel free to bring your own coloring book or your own art supplies. For older children and adults. Rain, snow or shine.
<b>Animal Pelt &amp; Skull Discovery in the visitor center</b>	Have you ever felt the fur of a skunk or a deer? The park staff will set up a hands-on display and activity about animal pelts and skulls. While touching the pelts and skulls, you will have the opportunity to learn about these New England animals. This is a self-guided program. Great for children of all ages. Rain, snow or shine. Displays will be set up inside the visitor center.
<b>Owl Pellet Dissection</b>	Do you know what an owl eats? Drop in the visitor center between 10:00am and 12:00pm on Sunday, January 28 <sup>th</sup> . The park staff will have owl pellets, magnifying glasses, bone charts and will teach you how to dissect the owl pellet and together we will discover what an owl eats. This is a drop in program, you do not have to stay the entire two hours. While supplies last. Great for children ages 6 and up. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Rain, snow or shine. For more information, please call Borderland at 508-238-6566.
<b>Explore Nature: Stonewall Secrets</b>	Ever wonder why stonewalls crisscross the forests of Massachusetts? Join the park interpreter for a 2 mile hike as we discover why stonewalls are where they are today. Great for older children and adults. Rain, snow and icy trails will cancel. To check status of the program, please call Borderland at 508-238-6566. Meet at the visitor center.

<b>Special Events</b>	