



# September 2016 Borderland State Park

Park Phone Number: (508) 238-6566

Park Website: <http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/massparks/region-south/borderland-state-park.html>

All programs are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted. \$5 per car parking fee. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Reasonable accommodations are available upon advance request. Programs subject to change please call ahead to confirm.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<b>4</b> <b>The Ames Family and Women's Rights</b> 10:00am-10:30am 3:00pm-3:30pm  <b>Ponding</b> 1:00pm-2:00pm	<b>5</b> <b>Mansion Architecture Tour</b> 1:00pm -1:30pm  <b>Ponding</b> 5:00pm -6:00pm	6	7	8	<b>9</b> <b>Off the Beaten Path Hike</b> 1:00pm - 2:30pm  <b>Mansion Tour: Building a Home</b> 4:00pm-4:30pm	<b>10</b> <b>Kids Mansion Tour</b> 1:00pm-1:30pm  <b>Mansion Tour: Building a Home</b> 4:00pm-4:30pm
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## Program Descriptions

<b>Mansion Tour: The Ames Family 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 or shine.
<b>Mansion Tour: 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 research, paintings and overall contributions to the art world. For adults and older children. Meet in front of the Ames Mansion. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Rain or Shine.
<b>Mansion Tour: Kids Tour</b>	Learn what it was like to be a kid living on the Ames Estate. Before television, computers, and modern technology, the four Ames family children who grew up in this beautiful mansion certainly had to be creative passing time when not at school. Great for families with younger kids to explore the first floor of the Ames Mansion. Join the Park interpreter for this 15-minute tour, which will conclude with an old fashion activity behind the mansion (weather permitting). Meet in front of the mansion. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Rain or shine.
<b>Mansion Tour: Building a Home</b>	If walls could tell a story the Ames Mansion at Borderland State Park could fill volumes. Join the Park Interpreter for a 30-minute guided tour learning about the Ames Family and the unique features of the Mansion they designed. For adults and older children. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Meet in front of the Mansion. Rain or Shine.
<b>Mansion Tour: Of Governors &amp; 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 or Shine.
<b>Architecture</b>	The Ames Mansion was built over 100 years ago. Designed by Blanche Ames herself, the Mansion features many modern conveniences for its time. Explore the exterior of the Ames Mansion and learn about its construction on this 45-minute tour

<b>Tour: A Story in Stone</b>	that will begin outside and finish inside. For adults and older children. Meet in front of the Ames Mansion. Rain cancels.
<b>Ponding</b>	Using nets and buckets, let's catch some of the critters who live in Leach Pond. We will then determine the water quality in Leach Pond using a tally of the types of animals we find. Wear shoes and clothes that can get wet. For children and curious adults; all children must be accompanied by an adult. Meet in front of the Lodge. Rain cancels.
<b>Coloring, Coffee &amp; Conversation</b>	Join the park staff in the visitor center for some coffee and conversation while we use adult age coloring books to make our own masterpieces, as Blanche Ames once did at Borderland. 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>Off the Beaten Path Hike</b>	Explore the trails less traveled on this 3- to 4-mile informative and recreational hike. Route and theme varies weekly. Dress for the weather, bring water, and wear bug repellent. Hike is easy to moderate in difficulty. For adults and older children. Meet at the Visitor Center. Downpour cancels.
<b>Way Off the Beaten Path Hike</b>	Explore the trails less traveled on this 4- to 6 mile informative and recreational hike. Route and theme varies. A small easily carried picnic lunch is recommended. Dress for the weather, bring water, and wear bug repellent. Hike is moderate to challenging in difficulty. For adults and older children. Meet at the Visitor Center. Downpour cancels.

## Special Events

<b>The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Blanche Ames National Art Exhibition</b>	September 20th through October 8th, 11am to 3pm (closed Mondays) in the Ames Mansion Library. The Blanche Ames National Juried Art Exhibition returns to Borderland for its 13 <sup>th</sup> year this September. Throughout her life, Blanche Ames created a beautiful body of artwork, much of which still adorns the halls of Borderland's Ames Mansion. Join us in celebrating that artistic legacy and view the artwork by selected artists for this year's exhibition. Sponsored by Friends of Borderland and the Mass. Department of Conservation and Recreation. Rain or shine.
<b>Opening Reception: Blanche Ames National Art Exhibition</b>	On Saturday, September 24 <sup>th</sup> 2016 from 7:00pm-10:00pm. There will be an opening reception for the Blanche Ames National Art Exhibition. This event is free and open to the public with donations gratefully accepted. Throughout her life, Blanche Ames created a beautiful body of artwork, much of which still adorns the halls of Borderland's Ames Mansion. Join us in celebrating that artistic legacy and view the artwork by selected artists for this year's exhibition. Sponsored by Friends of Borderland and the Mass. Department of Conservation and Recreation. Rain or shine.
<b>4th Annual DJJ Memorial Scholarship Fund 5K</b>	On Saturday, September 24 at 9:00am. Join us at Borderland State Park (race begins at 10:00am). The David Jonathan Jose Memorial Scholarship Fund is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization whose mission is to provide financial scholarships to high school seniors in Sharon, MA and in Boston, MA, allowing the recipients to pursue their educational dreams. The 4th annual 5K Run/Walk theme is "Running the Red Carpet", we encourage our participants to dress as if they were attending the Academy Awards. There will be prizes for first place male, first place female, first place youth, and best thematic costume.

**Run/Walk  
"Running the  
Red Carpet"**

There will be free food, music, raffles and an enjoyable time for all, while keeping David J. Joses memory alive within the community. Race entry is \$35.00. For more information please visit [DJJFund.org](http://DJJFund.org). If you want to volunteer or if you have any further questions, please email [DJJMSF85@gmail.com](mailto:DJJMSF85@gmail.com). The event is rain or shine.