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# Borderland State Park

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Park Website: <https://www.mass.gov/locations/Borderland-state-park>

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> <b>Explore Nature: Ponding at the Lodge</b> 3:00pm-4:00pm	<b>2</b> <b>Fishing at Borderland</b> 5:00pm-7:00pm	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Off the Beaten Path Hike</b> 1:00pm-3:00pm	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> <b>Explore Nature: Stonewall Secrets</b> 3:00pm-4:00pm	<b>9</b> <b>Fishing at Borderland</b> 5:00pm-7:00pm	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <b>Tail &amp; Tales with the Sharon Public Library</b> 11:00am-12:00pm	<b>12</b> <b>Off the Beaten Path Hike</b> 1:00pm-3:00pm	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> <b>Explore Nature: Ponding at the Lodge</b> 3:00pm-4:00pm	<b>16</b> <b>Fishing at Borderland</b> 5:00pm-7:00pm	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> <b>Tail &amp; Tales with the Sharon Public Library</b> 11:00am-12:00pm	<b>19</b> <b>Off the Beaten Path Hike</b> 1:00pm-3:00pm	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Tai-Chi at the Smith Farm House</b> 9:00am-10:00am <i>Visit <a href="http://smithfarmheals.org">smithfarmheals.org</a> for more information</i>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> <b>Fishing at Borderland</b> 5:00pm-7:00pm	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Tail &amp; Tales with the Sharon Public Library</b> 11:00am-12:00pm	<b>26</b> <b>Off the Beaten Path Hike</b> 1:00pm-3:00pm  <b>Brown Box Theatre Presents Shakespeare in the Park: "Much Ado About Nothing"</b> 7:30pm	<b>27</b> <b>Weston Winds Presents: A Classical Quintet Concert</b> 6:00pm	<b>28</b>
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## Program Descriptions

### Things to Know Before You Go!

- All programs are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.
- All children must be accompanied by an adult.
- Reasonable accommodations are available upon advance request.
- Dress for the weather; bring sunscreen, bug spray, water and a snack.
- Rain cancels most programs; call ahead to confirm (508) 287-2312
- No dogs must be leashed.
- A daily parking fee of \$5 MA Vehicle, \$20 non-MA. Pay for parking at one of the two pay machines located in the main parking lot. Information about our annual Parks Pass can be found here <https://www.mass.gov/guides/parking-at-massachusetts-state-parks#-annual-parking-passes->. Seniors (62+, MA resident) can get a lifetime Parks Pass for \$10 via the mail, visit: <https://www.mass.gov/how-to/get-a-senior-parking-pass>
- Park Trail Map: <https://www.mass.gov/doc/borderland-state-park-trail-map/download>

<b>Ranger Darren's Scavenger Hunt: Geocaching</b>	<p>Geocaching is a fun activity where you find hidden items using GPS coordinates and clues. It's also a great skill to have in the woods by helping you navigate to specific locations, and it assists park rangers when responding to emergencies too. So now it's time to put your navigational skills to the test! Ranger Darren has hidden pictures around Borderland which can be found by using a smartphone with Google Maps, a park map, and bit of problem-solving. Stop by the Visitor Center beginning July 10 to pick up your game sheet and visit often as you like by September 6. For more information email <a href="mailto:borderland.park@mass.gov">borderland.park@mass.gov</a>.</p>
<b>Fishing at Borderland</b>	<p>The popular fishing program is back! Join the park staff for an evening of fishing on Puds Pond every Monday from 5pm to 7pm in July and August. Bring a fishing pole or borrow one of ours. We will supply live bait. We will teach everyone some fundamentals of fishing. Great for all ages, and all skill levels. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Inclement weather will cancel.</p>
<b>Off the Beaten Path Hike</b>	<p>Join the Park Interpreter for a guided hike and explore the trails at Borderland State Park. Hikes are between 2-4 miles long on varied terrain at a moderate pace. Route varies each week. Leashed dogs are welcome to join. We recommend wearing hiking footwear, sun block, bug repellent and bring along water and a snack. Dress for the weather. Inclement weather will cancel. Great for older children and adults. For more information, please call Borderland at 508-238-6566.</p>
<b>Explore Nature Series</b>	<p>The explore nature series is focused for a younger audience, but all ages are welcome to join and learn a little about nature:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <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 at the Stone Lodge, near Lower Leach Pond. Rain cancels.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Stonewall Secrets</b> - How did all these stonewalls get into the woods? Who made them? And why? Learn about the history of the stonewalls that criss-cross Borderland State Park as well as the animals who use them today. For children and curious adults; all children must be accompanied by an adult. Meet in front of the Visitor Center. Inclement weather cancels.</li> </ul>
<b>Tai Chi at the Smith Farm House</b>	Join Turo Vince Jornales for a free Tai Chi class at the Smith Farm House. Registration is not required for this free program. Inclement weather will cancel. For more information, please visit: <a href="http://smithfarmheals.org">smithfarmheals.org</a>
<b>Tails &amp; Tales with the Sharon Public Library</b>	Join Mary Claire, children’s librarian at the Sharon Public Library and the staff at Borderland for a story outside in the picnic area. Bring your own snack or picnic if you would like. Before and after the story, there will be coloring and activities for the children. Great for children of all ages, children must be accompanied by an adult. The story hour will be held in the picnic area near the visitor center. Park in the main parking lot, located at 259 Massapoag Avenue in North Easton, MA. Inclement weather will cancel this program. Program is free, for more information call Borderland State Park at (508) 238-6566
<b>Brown Box Theatre Presents Shakespeare in the Park: “<i>Much Ado About Nothing</i>”</b>	<p><b>Brown Box Theatre Presents Shakespeare in the Park: “<i>Much Ado About Nothing</i>”.</b> Brown Box Theatre returns to Borderland State Park for another stunning Shakespeare performance. Bring lawn chairs, blankets and bug spray for this free show under the stars. We recommend arriving early (around 7:00pm). This is a free performance, donations are accepted. This event is co-sponsored by the Brown Box Theatre, Friends of Borderland and DCR.</p> <p>Inclement weather will cancel this outdoor performance. To ensure program is happening or for more information, please call Borderland at (508) 238-6566.</p> <p><b>PARKING INFORMATION:</b> Enter at 257 Massapoag Ave., North Easton (Maintenance entrance). Slowly drive along the dirt road and park in front of the Ames Mansion. Main parking lot will be closed.</p>
<b>Weston Winds Presents: A Classical Quintet Concert</b>	Join us at Borderland State Park, in front of the Ames Mansion for an outdoor concert featuring leading wind players from the Weston Wind Quintet, who will present a free concert including music for winds. The Weston Wind Quintet of Boston has given concerts throughout Massachusetts and appeared on radio and television. This summer the group will perform outdoors in beautiful Massachusetts state parks.  <b>Please bring your own chair or blanket and enjoy a free classical concert.</b> <b>Rain date: Saturday, August 28, 6:00pm-7:00pm</b> Co-sponsored by The Weston Wind Quintet and DCR.

