

COMING EVENTS AT BORDERLAND STATE PARK

Ames Mansion Open House (1st floor) Sunday: Aug 15 1:00pm - 3:00pm Visit Borderland for a look at the first floor of the Ames Mansion, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. See the grand entryway, kitchen, living room, dining room, and the stately 6000-volume, two-story library. After touring the mansion, join the Friends for lemonade on the back porch. A donation of \$3 per person is suggested. If you would like to volunteer as a tour guide for future tours, please speak with the tour coordinator.

Art Exhibit Daily 8:00am – 7:30pm Massachusetts Jr. Duck Stamp Art On display in the Visitor Center.

Live Animal Presentation Sunday August 29

Astronomy Night August 12 9:00pm – 12:00pm Join local astronomers in viewing Perseids Meteor Shower and the night sky from the front lawn of the Ames Mansion. Telescopes available to view stars, planets, and other objects in the night sky. Borderland will be open this evening for this event only. Bring a lawnchair or blanket and wear bug repellent. For all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Call Park Supervisor Ellenor at the park on the day of the event for more information at 508-238-6566. \$2 per car parking fee. Reasonable accommodations available upon advance request. Rain or a cloudy sky cancels. 9:00pm – 12:00am

Kidleidoscope Thursday: Aug 5, 19, 26 10:00am – 11:00 Pre-registration required, spots limited. Preschoolers join the Park Interpreter for a weekly adventure at Borderland State Park. Co-sponsored by the Friends of Borderland. Each session includes a hike, story, and craft. \$1 donation to the Friends of Borderland requested per child per class. Meet at Visitor Center. Downpour cancels.

Ames Mansion Tour Friday: Aug 6, 13, 20, 27 2:00pm – 3:00 pm Learn about the history, construction and historic preservation of the 1910 Ames Mansion and see the grand entryway, kitchen, living room, dining room, and the stately 6000-volume, two-story library. This hour tour highlights the architectural features of and the materials used in the construction of the mansion, as well as current restoration efforts. For adults and school-age children. Meet in front of the mansion. Reasonable accommodations available upon advance request. All children must be accompanied by an adult. \$2 per car parking fee. Rain cancels.

Ames Mansion Architecture Tour Saturday: Aug 7, 14, 21, 28 2:00pm – 2:30pm Learn about the construction and historic preservation of the 1910 Ames Mansion. Meet in front of Ames Mansion. Rain cancels. All children must be accompanied by an adult.. \$2 per car parking fee.
Craft Time Monday: Aug 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Park Interpreter and visitors make a craft project. Materials supplied by the park and the Friends of Borderland. \$1 donation

per child requested. For the young and young at heart. Meet at the Visitor Center. Reasonable accommodations available upon advance request. All children must be accompanied by an adult. \$2 per car parking fee. Rain or shine.

Ponding **Monday:** Aug 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 2:00pm – 3:00pm and **Friday:** Aug 6, 13, 20, 27 10:00 am – 11:00am Want to meet a crayfish, water boatman, or some tadpoles? Join the Park Interpreter and perhaps we can scoop up some of these pond creatures and more! Meet at the Visitor Center. For any age. \$2 per car parking fee. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Rain cancels.

Healthy Heart Hike: **Thursday:** August 5, 19, 26 2:00pm – 3:30pm. Join the Park Interpreter for a recreational hike on the trails of Borderland State Park. We will cover approximately three miles. Please wear sturdy shoes, bug repellent and bring water. Routes will vary weekly. For adults and older children. Meet at the Visitor Center. Reasonable accommodations available upon advance request. All children must be accompanied by an adult. \$2 per car parking fee. Rain cancels.

Nature Exploration: **Saturday:** Aug 7, 14, 21, 28 9 00am-10:00am Be prepared to use sketch pads, binoculars, hand lenses, field or pond nets, and field guides while discovering the natural world of Borderland State Park. Each week we will explore a different aspect of the park. For adults or school-aged children. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Meet at Visitor Center. \$2 per car parking fee. Rain cancels.

Tennis on the Ames Mansion Court: **Daily:** 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Play tennis on the refurbished court next to the back lawn at the Ames Mansion. Bring your own rackets and tennis balls. Park at the Visitor Center, walk to the mansion. Proceed down the steps to the left of the mansion, past the small stone pool and up the steps to the back lawn. First come, first served. Free - just come and play. \$2 per car parking fee. Unless otherwise noted, events meet at the Lawrence Newcomb Visitor Center located at 259 Massapoag Ave in N. Easton, are free of charge and open to all. No pre-registration required. Reasonable accommodations available upon advance request. Call Park Supervisor Ellenor at 508-238-6566.

Borderland State Park is located off Massapoag Avenue on the Easton/Sharon line. There is a parking fee of \$2 per car payable at the yellow machine. Individuals over the age of 62 should visit the office in the Visitor Center for a free lifetime parking pass. Sponsored by Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation. See the DCR Events Calendar at

<http://www.mass.gov/dcr/events.htm>.