



DECEMBER 2025 PROGRAMS

All programs are free and open to the public. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Reasonable accommodation is available upon request. Inclement weather may cancel programs. Programs meet at the Visitor Center unless otherwise noted: 259 Massapoag Avenue, North Easton. To confirm or for more information call (508) 238-6566.



ADA/Reasonable Accommodation
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Daily
8:00am-
4:00pm

Ames Family Photo Exhibit

Stop by the Visitor Center to learn about the Ames family and the construction of the Borderland estate. All ages.

Self-Guided Brochures

Want to learn more about the architecture of the historic Ames Mansion or the grounds? Self-guided brochures are free and available in the entryway of the visitor center. All ages.

StoryWalk

A self-guided walk featuring the book “Hiders Seekers Finders Keepers: How Animals Adapt in Winter” by Jessica Kulekjian and illustrated by Salini Perera. Follow the Pond Walk starting at the Visitor Center and towards the Stone Lodge to read along. For youth with accompanying adult.

Various dates
and times

DCR Ames Mansion Tours

Explore the first floor of the historic Ames Mansion on these free guided tours. Space is limited. All tours meet at the Ames Mansion. **REGISTER** at <https://tinyurl.com/Bordtour>

Building a Home

See the fully furnished interior of the Ames Mansion, including the ornate two-story library. Explore the history of the family and the house itself.

- 1:00pm-1:30pm on Dec. 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 28, 29, & 31
- 12:00pm-12:30pm on Dec. 22, 24, & 27

Portrait of an Artist

Who was Blanche Ames? On this tour, we will learn about her artistic work, her passion, and her legacy.

- 1:00pm-1:30pm on Dec. 22, 24, & 27
- 2:00pm-2:30pm on Dec. 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 28, 29, & 31

Kids Mansion Tour

What would it be like to be a kid living in the Ames Mansion? Learn about the Ames family and the four children who grew up here on this tour. Great for families with younger children.

- 2:00pm-2:30pm on Dec. 22, 24, 27, & 28



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Coming events

Sundays 10:00am–11:00am Dec. 7, 14, 21, & 28	Kidleidoscope Learn about the natural world through beautifully illustrated books and hands-on activities. We will feature a new book and craft each week. Best for ages 4+. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Rain or shine.
Tuesdays 1:30pm–2:30pm Dec. 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30	Family Nature Exploration: Animal Activities Join park staff and explore animal pelts, bird feathers, and animal skull replicas to learn more about the wildlife that calls Borderland home. All ages welcome. Rain or shine. Great for homeschool groups!

SPECIAL EVENTS

Saturday, Dec. 6 9:00am–11:00am	Southeast Adult Walking Club A moderate 4-mile loop along the old carriage roads around Upper and Lower Leach Ponds. Inclement weather may cancel, call ahead if conditions are questionable. Location: Meet at the Visitor Center. Parking is at 259 Massapoag Avenue, North Easton. For more information, call 508-238-6566 or email at borderland.park@mass.gov
Sunday, Dec. 7 1:00pm–2:30pm	Holiday Hand Bell Concert The North Easton Unity Church English Hand Bell Choir returns for its annual holiday concert in the Ames Mansion library. Sponsored by the Friends of Borderland. \$15 per person, \$10 for members of the Friends of Borderland. Seating is limited, first-come-first-serve. Tickets will only be sold day-of, in the Ames Mansion at 12:30pm. Location: Meet at the Ames Mansion. Parking is available at 259 Massapoag Avenue, North Easton. For more information, please call 508-238-6566 or email at borderland.park@mass.gov



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**Sunday,
Dec. 14
2:00pm-
4:00pm**

‘A Christmas Carol’ Dramatic Reading

Join us for this remarkable presentation by Gary Poholek in the stately library of the Ames Mansion. Gary uses different voices and mannerisms for Dicken’s story characters. Sponsored by the Friends of Borderland. Admission is \$15 per person, \$10 for members of the Friends of Borderland. Seating is limited, first-come-first-serve. Tickets will only be sold day-of, in the Ames Mansion at 1:30pm.

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**Sunday,
Dec. 21
2:00pm-
3:00pm**

Klezmer Band Concert

Join Klezamir, a roots rockin’ klezmer band, for an afternoon of traditional Jewish music hosted in the beautiful Ames Mansion Library. It will be the perfect way to celebrate the Hanukkah season! This event is sponsored by the Friends of Borderland. Admission is \$15 per person, \$10 for members of the Friends of Borderland. Seating is limited, first-come-first-serve. Tickets will only be sold day-of, in the Ames Mansion at 1:30pm.

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