



JUNE 2025 PROGRAMS

All programs are free and open to the public unless otherwise stated. Parking fee applies. An adult must accompany children. Rain cancels most programs. In case of inclement weather, confirm by calling (508) 238-6566.

 ADA/Reasonable Accommodation
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Daily **AMES FAMILY PHOTO EXHIBIT**
8:00 am—8:00 pm, In the Visitor Center
Stop by the Newcombe Visitor Center to learn about the Ames family and the construction of the Borderland estate through a series of photographs. Self-guided.

Daily **SELF-GUIDED BROCHURES**
8:00 am—8:00 pm, At the Visitor Center
Want to learn more about the architecture of the historic Ames Mansion or the grounds? Self-guided tour brochures are free and available in the entry way of the visitor center. All ages.

Tuesdays **MANSION TOURS**
Saturdays Times vary. **Registration required. Meet at the Mansion.**
Sundays Step back in time and explore the first floor of the historic Ames Mansion. Free guided tours are offered throughout the week. **Themes and times vary.** Tours are thirty minutes long, first floor only. Accessible. Advance registration required. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/Bordtour> to register.

Tuesday, June 3, 10, 17, and 24

- 1:00-1:30pm: Mansion Tour—Building a Home
- 2:00-2:30pm: Kids Mansion Tour
- 3:00-3:30pm: Mansion Tour—Partners in Love & Work

Saturday, June 7, 14, and 21

- 1:00-1:30pm: Mansion Tour—Building a Home
- 2:00-2:30pm: Kids Mansion Tour
- 3:00-3:30pm: Mansion Tour—Partners in Love & Work

Sunday, June 1, 15, and 29

- 1:00-1:30pm: Mansion Tour—Building a Home
- 2:00-2:30pm: Kids Mansion Tour
- 3:00-3:30pm: Mansion Tour—Partners in Love & Work

Sunday, June 8, 15, 22, and 29 **KIDLEIDOSCOPE**
10:00 am—11:00 am, Meet at the Visitor Center
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.

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- Monday, June 16, 23, and 30** **EXPLORE NATURE SERIES: IN THE TREES**
12:00 pm—1:00 pm, Meet at the Visitor Center
Who calls the woods of Borderland home? What birds are you hearing sing as you explore the trails? Learn about life in Borderland's forests through different hands-on activities. Best for ages 7+. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Inclement weather may cancel.
- Thursdays, June 5, 19, and 26** **OFF THE BEATEN PATH HIKE**
1:00 pm—3:00 pm, Meet at the Visitor Center
Join Park Staff for a guided hike. Explore different trails each week. Hikes are between 2-4 miles long on varied terrain at a moderate pace. Bring water and dress for the weather. For adults and older children. Inclement weather may cancel. Call ahead to confirm if weather conditions are questionable.
- Thursday, June 19 and 26** **KIDS FISHING**
5:00 pm—7:00 pm, Meet at Pud's Pond
Do your kids want to learn how to fish? We will supply poles, bait, and will teach you all the basics and some tips, too! Feel free to bring your own supplies if you have them.
- Friday, June 13, 20, and 27** **EXPLORE NATURE SERIES: BY THE POND**
1:00 pm—2:00 pm, Meet at the Visitor Center
Have you ever wondered who lives above and below the surface of Borderland's ponds? Explore pond life through different hands-on activities. Wear clothes and shoes that can get wet. Best for ages 7+. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Inclement weather may cancel.
- Fridays** **THE LONG HIKE**
1:00 pm—4:00 pm, Meet at the Visitor Center
Join park staff for a guided hike. Hike to the hardly visited northern-most point of Borderland on this 5-mile, moderately paced recreational hike. We'll hike to the Morse Loop and enjoy a snack on the shores of the beautiful and peaceful Dead Swamp Pond. For adults and older children. Wear sturdy shoes and bring plenty of water, as well as a snack to eat at the pond. Inclement weather may cancel. To ensure hike is still happening, please call Borderland at (508)-238-6566.
- Fridays** **NICE AND EASY WALK**
5:30 pm—7:00 pm, Meet at the Visitor Center
Want to get out on the trails, but don't want to venture too far or hike anywhere too intense? Join Park Staff for a nice and easy walk where we'll explore some well-trodden paths at Borderland together. Walks are 1-2 miles long and are a relaxed pace. For adults and older children. Inclement weather may cancel. Call ahead to confirm if conditions are questionable.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

- Sunday, June 1** **SOUTHEAST MA ADULT WALKING CLUB**
9:30 am—11:30 am, Meet at Visitor Center
A moderate hike to Bob's Trail via the Pond Edge and Pond Walk trails. About 3.5 miles on mixed terrain including dirt paths and wide carriage roads. Park at Visitor Center; 259 Massapoag Avenue, North Easton. Parking fees apply.
- Saturday, June 7** **KIDS CONCERT**
10:00 am—11:00 am, Meet at Rock Garden
Join popular kids' musician Greg Luzitano and bring the little ones for a set of classic interactive kids songs! Children will be engaged with invitations to sing along, make funny faces, use their imagination, and make noises as Greg leads them through energetic kids' songs. Best for ages 2-6, but all ages will have fun and grown-ups are encouraged to join in! All children must be accompanied by an adult. Inclement weather may cancel. Please email Borderland at maeve.studholme@mass.gov with questions or for reasonable accommodations.
- Sunday, June 8 and 22** **FRIENDS OF BORDERLAND 3-FLOOR MANSION TOURS**
12:00 pm—2:30 pm, Meet at Ames Mansion
Explore the history of the estate of Oakes and Blanche Ames while supporting the Friends of Borderland State Park. Volunteer tour guides will tell the story of Oakes and Blanche Ames, the mansion, and their love of nature. Tours run every 30 minutes. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Tours are \$10 a person, children and Friends members are free. Tickets go on sale day of beginning at 11:30 am. Rain or Shine.
- Saturday, June 28** **NEW DUNCAN DANCE PROJECT**
12:00 pm—2:30 pm, Meet at the Ames Mansion
The New Duncan Dance Project presents *Dancing Nature: the Art and Feminism of Isadora Duncan*, an outdoor dance concert featuring historic dances by modern dance pioneer Isadora Duncan, as well as new work choreographed by the company. The historic Ames Mansion and grounds are the perfect setting for Duncan's dances, created over a hundred years ago and inspired by nature. The company will also present readings about Duncan's artistic work and feminism, drawing parallels to her contemporary, Blanche Ames, two artists fighting for the autonomy of women. **This performance is free and open to the public. An outdoor reception will follow. Parking fees apply.**
Learn more about the New Duncan Dance Project at www.newduncandanceproject.com.

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