



SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Longfellow National Historic Site **2009**

To make a reservation:

- Call Liza Stearns at (617) 201-7217, Monday - Friday 8:30 to 4:30.
- Select the date for your program. Programs are offered **9:15-11:15** on Tuesdays and Wednesdays in **March & April**, and on Wednesdays in **May**.
- All programs are free and booked on a first come, first served basis.
- We can accommodate groups of 25 students per visit; 1:10 adult/student ratio required.
- All programs include pre- and post-visit teaching materials for classroom use.



Longfellow National Historic Site
105 Brattle Street
Cambridge, MA 02138

EXPERIENCE YOUR AMERICA™

The National Park Service cares for special places saved by the American people so that all may experience our heritage.

For students grades 3-6

Within the Walls of Castle Craigie

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow valued, respected, and drew inspiration from all kinds of people. He turned the lessons he learned from people into poems that inspired the world. This two-hour program includes two components: a **ranger-led tour** of the Longfellow House and a **poetry writing workshop** in the historic carriage barn *or* an **art-making workshop** in the landscape.

During the house exploration, students read poems aloud to discover who influenced Longfellow to write some of his most popular poems. The poetry and art workshops encourage students to express their responses to the Longfellows and their family home in Cambridge.

Featured Poems:

The Village Blacksmith
To a Child
The Castle-Builder
The Children's Hour
From My Armchair

Ties to the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks

- History/Social Science: Standards 3.7b, 3.9 & 3.12
- English Language Arts: Standards 14 & 15
- Art/The Arts Discipline: Standard 3



Courtesy National Park Service, Longfellow National Historic Site

Longfellow education programs are **FREE** and offered on a first come, first served basis. Space is limited. Make your reservation today!

For students grades 8+

Architects of Fate: A Walking Tour of Longfellow's Cambridge

This two-hour neighborhood exploration introduces students to the people, places, and events that shaped Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's thinking and influenced him to write poems of social conscience. Students read poetry, study historic photos, interpret the built environment, and hear primary source accounts of issues related to slavery, the Civil War, immigration, and the building of the nation. Students are challenged to consider the context in which Longfellow lived and explain why he believed that we are all architects of fate. The program includes a visit to the historic study where Longfellow wrote poems that captured the nation's imagination.

Featured Poems:

The Builders
Slave in the Dismal Swamp
In the Churchyard at Cambridge
Charles Sumner
The Village Blacksmith

Ties to the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks

- History/Social Science: Standards USI.28 & USI.31
- English Language Arts: Standards 9 & 14