Dear Educators,

We invite you and your students into the private world of Bonnet House Museum & Gardens, a 35-acre subtropical estate situated on the coastal barrier island between the Atlantic Ocean and the Intracoastal Waterway. The estate was once the winter residence of early 20th century American artist Frederic Bartlett and pioneer Hugh Taylor Birch. Bonnet House offers unique and interactive learning opportunities for students to experience a combination of fine art, local history and life sciences. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, Bonnet House allows students to step back in time and experience a rare piece of old South Florida.

Bonnet House offers six interdisciplinary community-based programs designed for educators looking for an innovative approach to engage students and meet today’s education demands. Each education program is tailored to various grade levels, learning styles and interests. Florida Core Standards are embedded within the lessons. These programs provide experiential learning along with cultural awareness.

If you are looking to involve students with hands-on activities, integrate character education with academic lessons and offer enriching curriculum opportunities, come to Bonnet House. We make Florida History come alive!

For more information, contact the Director of Education & Volunteer Programs.
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EDUCATION PROGRAMS

IMAGES AND IMPRESSIONS OF BONNET HOUSE

Young artists will find inspiration at Bonnet House. Ownner/artist Frederic Clay Bartlett collected paintings, sculptures, artifacts and murals that are displayed throughout the property as well as his own works of fine art and decoration. The Bonnet House grounds also provide inspiration from nature, cultural history, design and architecture. Students use images and their impressions of Bonnet House to create original artwork. Follow-up sessions available.

Cost: $8.00 per student ($1.00 for follow-up sessions) Program Length: 2 hours

AN ECO HERE & AN ECO THERE

Experience firsthand the various ecosystems of South Florida—beach dune, coastal hammock, secondary dune, fresh water slough and mangrove wetland at Bonnet House. Walk along the trails and step back in time to experience the influence of geography on the history of Florida. Explore the rare natural habitats of a Florida barrier island. The five ecosystems at Bonnet House provide habitat for many kinds of wildlife. Students will experiment with water samples, and they’ll learn about Florida history while touring the home of Frederic Bartlett and his family.

Cost: $8.00 per student Program Length: 2 hours

BIRCH BONNET BARRIER ISLAND BEAT ABOUT

Bring the classroom to the field. The Bonnet House estate and Hugh Taylor Birch State Park provide extraordinary sites for field study of environmental history. The textbook comes to life through the observation of various native and exotic species, discussions of environmental issues and participation in hands-on activities and experiments on the barrier island, along with the wonder of the historic structures. Bonnet House and Hugh Taylor Birch State Park are the only significant remnant of this coastal wilderness in Broward County.

Cost: $10.00 per student Program Length: 3 hours

AN OLD SOUTH FLORIDA PORTRAIT

Explore two historic homes of pioneer families from the early 20th century. Examine local history while witnessing the environmental impact on the historical sites of Bonnet House on Fort Lauderdale’s beach and Stranahan House on the New River. Learn how factors such as population growth, human migration, improved methods of transportation and communication influenced the development of this land and the surrounding area.

Cost: $12.00 per student Program Length: 2 hours

TIME TRAVEL AT BONNET HOUSE - THE MULTICULTURAL PAST

Walk the trails and cross paths with earlier inhabitants of Fort Lauderdale beach—learn how ancient Indians, Spanish Explorers, African-Americans, a 19th Century real estate tycoon, two 20th century artists and a poet came together through the years to create one of South Florida’s most treasured legacies.

Cost: $8.00 per student Program Length: 2 hours

THE LAST EGRET

Bonnet House Museum & Gardens and Historic Stranahan House partner to present a unique, exciting program based on Harvey Oyer’s book, The Adventures of Charlie Pierce The Last Egret. This program explores pioneer life as experienced by Charlie, a young boy growing up in the untamed wilderness of Florida. Students will step back in time as they learn colorful tales of Seminoles and early citizens. As ‘pioneers’ students will ‘barter’ for supplies at Frank Stranahan’s Trading Post and participate in hands-on activities, including water testing and butter making. Valuable science lessons include a presentation about the Barrier Island Eco Systems and its sensitive food chain.

Cost: $12.00 per student Program Length: 3 hours

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

EDUCATION PROGRAMS: MAXIMUM 70 students per day (multiple days can be booked through the school year).

PAYMENT: Fees are due before or on the day of the program (check, credit card, or cash). One classroom teacher and one chaperone for every 10 students are complimentary. Additional chaperones each pay the student fee.

AVAILABLE FUNDS: Bonnet House Museum & Gardens is an approved cultural institution for the School Board of Broward County’s Supplemental Arts and Sciences Program (SASP). Check with your School.

Special Pricing for Title 1 schools - please ask while setting up registration.

AUDIENCE: These programs are available to private and public schools, civic organizations and organized home-school groups.

ALL BONNET HOUSE PROGRAMS CAN BE ADJUSTED TO FIT ANY LEVEL & SPECIAL EDUCATION CLASSES.

Picnic tables are available in the shaded grove on Bonnet House property (unsheltered).

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Prices subject to change without notice.

THE LAST EGRET

By Harvey E. Oyer III

Journal & Field Trip Guide

PUBLIC TOUR HOURS
Tuesday—Sunday: 9am—4pm
Last tour: 3:30pm

PUBLIC TOUR ADMISSION
Adults $20
Seniors (over 60) $18
Students (ages 6-12) $16
Grounds ONLY $10
Children under 6 FREE!

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COMPLIMENTARY
BROWARD COUNTY TEACHER ADMISSION
Please show school identification.

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