

**AN ILEAD LECTURE EVENT**

***“The Ants of New England:  
To Know Them Is To Love them”***

**Speaker: Aaron Ellison**

Ants are the little things that run around your kitchen and backyard while they are running the world. Ants are everywhere, they are beautiful, and they are important to us in many ways. Without ants, plants would not grow as well as they do; ants turn over soil, disperse seeds, and even farm fungus and tend micro-livestock. Ants also have a lot to teach us about the evolution of behavior and sociality. Join Aaron Ellison, Senior Ecologist at Harvard University’s Harvard Forest and the lead author of the new Field Guide to the Ants of New England for a lecture and discussion about the diversity of ants in New England forests, fields, gardens, and homes, and learn more about how important ants are to us and to the world around us. Signed copies of the Field Guide will be available for purchase.



**Aaron Ellison** is an Adjunct Research Professor in the departments of Biology and Environmental Conservation at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. He received his B.A. in East Asian Philosophy from Yale University in 1982 and his Ph.D. in Evolutionary Ecology from Brown University in 1986. In 1992, Aaron received the National Science Foundation’s Presidential Faculty Fellow award. Aaron also holds the position of Senior Research Fellow in Ecology at the Harvard Forest – Harvard’s 1500-hectare outdoor classroom and laboratory for ecological research. He has authored or co-authored over 100 scientific papers, dozens of book and software reviews, and the books A Primer of Ecological Statistics (2004; 2nd edition 2012) and A Field Guide to the Ants of New England (2012). Aaron is the Editor-in-Chief of “Ecological Monographs”, and in 2012 was elected a Fellow of the Ecological Society of America.

**Thursday, February 28, 2013  
2:00 - 4:00 PM  
Life Sciences Center - Room 201  
(see reverse for map)**

If you would like to attend this event please send in a reservation. The cost is \$10 per person, payable to ILEAD. Seating is limited to the first 80. Snacks and beverages will be provided. No tickets will be mailed, and check-in will be at the door.

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**Lecture Location:** Life Sciences Center



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