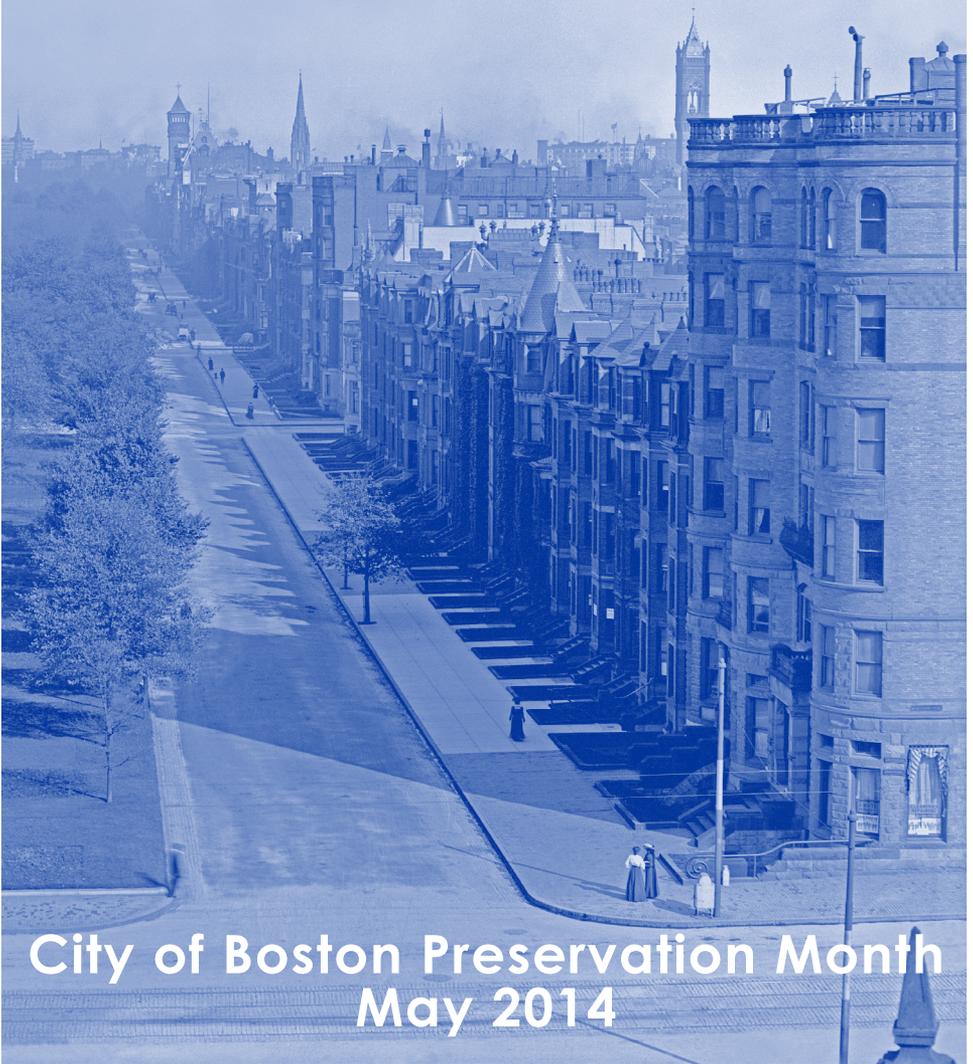


# BUILDINGS & Grounds



City of Boston Preservation Month  
May 2014



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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
**MARTIN J. WALSH**

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

May is National Historic Preservation Month. At any time, but especially in May, there is no better place to be than in the city of Boston surrounded by our beautiful parks, our handsome 19th and 20th century neighborhoods or our enduring downtown and theater district and our versatile industrial loft buildings.

*Buildings and Grounds* is the theme of Boston's city-wide 2014 celebration. The Boston Landmarks Commission has compiled this calendar, brimming with activities presented by many organizations. Please come with your family and friends to rediscover our community's storied past in the everyday places we call home.

To kick off the month, come join Lyn Paget on May 1st to hear how her family introduced the Swan Boats to the Public Garden four generations ago, and today, still actively operates them. Take a walking tour led by the enthusiastic staff of the Boston Landmarks Commission on your lunch hour and visit downtown or a historic district. Learn about your own neighborhood treasures or those of another neighborhood with the City Archaeologist. Visit artists' studios in the Fort Point Channel Landmark District. Find out about the Fort Hill Standpipe's recent renovation and climb to the top with staff of the City's Property and Construction Management Division. Come and follow our historic Freedom Trail, and discover the rich history of the American Revolution, as it began in Boston, where every step tells a story.

I invite you to celebrate Boston and the vibrant presence of its past. Enjoy the places, people and buildings that make Boston a very special city. Happy Historic Preservation Month!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Martin J. Walsh". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Martin J. Walsh  
Mayor of Boston

# Preservation Month Calendar · May 2014

## About Preservation Month

Preservation Month is sponsored annually each May by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. It is designed to raise awareness about the power historic preservation has to protect and enhance our historic communities. The Boston Landmarks Commission (BLC) invites you to explore this year's theme:

## **BUILDINGS** & *Grounds*

By participating in the Preservation Month activities listed in this calendar, you will learn more about Boston's history, architecture, and historic neighborhoods.

The Preservation Month 2014 calendar includes:

- A Keynote Event - "**Mated for Life: Boston and the Swan Boats**" on May 1 from 6:00 to 7:30 PM at the Taj Boston, 15 Arlington Street
- Highlighted events presented by BLC and historic district commission staff, including a special series of walking tours entitled "**Tour de Grounds**"
- Daily activities occurring throughout Boston and its diverse neighborhoods
- An overview calendar of BLC and Environment Department events
- A list of participating organizations

## About the Boston Landmarks Commission

The Boston Landmarks Commission is the municipal preservation planning agency for Boston's historic buildings, places, and neighborhoods.

As one of the oldest American cities, Boston has long played an important role in the development of the nation and is home to a wealth of important cultural resources— there are more than 8000 properties located with the City's nine local historic districts or designated as individual Boston Landmarks. These are the buildings, structures, sites, and areas that inform us about the people that have lived and worked in Boston and the events that have shaped the City from its beginning to the present.

The BLC provides information and assistance concerning the regulatory process, historic preservation planning and protection tools, archaeology, sources for historical information, and technical assistance.

Find us online to learn more about the Boston Landmarks Commission, view public hearing schedules for the BLC and historic district commissions, and download a PDF of the Preservation Month Calendar.



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*All events included in this calendar are subject to change. To confirm event details or for more information, please contact the appropriate individual/group indicated in each event listing.*



# Tour de Grounds

Special Midday Tour Series:

Every Tuesday (May 6, 13, 20 & 27) at noon

Did you know that America's love affair with coffee began right here in Boston? According to legend, it all started on a cold December night in 1773, when a band of unruly colonists threw chests of tea into the harbor to protest a newly levied British tax on the staple. Craving liberty—and jones-ing for a politically correct buzz—these patriots turned to a more stimulating brew, which the Crown hadn't thought to tax. And so, as the story goes, our national thirst for coffee was born. Could this be the *real* reason our city is called Beantown?

As with all legends, this account may be more romantic than accurate. Even so, this much seems certain today: if there's anything in Boston more numerous than historic places, it must be places where you can get a great cup of coffee! Surely you've noticed how many of our coffee shops are located in historic buildings? You can find them scattered throughout our designated districts and in an easily walkable cluster of individual downtown landmarks. And call us full of beans if you like, but these establishments also happen to reflect nearly every period and type of Boston's development.

Of course no handful of buildings could encompass the city's historic fabric as a whole. Taken together, however, these represent a surprising microcosm of the city's built heritage. We'll be exploring them all in a month-long series of brisk and bouncy lunch-hour walks we're calling our Tour de Grounds. Grab your coffee drink of choice (or pick one up along the way) and join us each at noon each Tuesday in May for a caffeinated dash through Boston's architectural history.

## May 6 | Back Bay

**William Young**, Assistant Director for Historic Districts.

Contact [william.young@boston.gov](mailto:william.young@boston.gov) before May 2 to reserve a place.

## May 13 | South End

**Meghan Hanrahan-Richard** South End Landmark District Commission staff.

Contact [meghan.hanrahan@boston.gov](mailto:meghan.hanrahan@boston.gov) before May 9 to reserve a place.

## May 20 | Individual downtown landmarks

**Elizabeth Stifel**, Boston Landmarks Commission staff architect.

Contact [elizabeth.stifel@boston.gov](mailto:elizabeth.stifel@boston.gov) before May 16 to reserve a place.

## May 27 | Beacon Hill

**Erin Doherty**, Beacon Hill Architectural Commission staff.

Contact [erin.doherty@boston.gov](mailto:erin.doherty@boston.gov) before May 23 to reserve a place.

Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.

Free and open to the public.

As no more than 30 participants may be accommodated, pre-registration is required.

Contact [william.young@boston.gov](mailto:william.young@boston.gov) for more information.

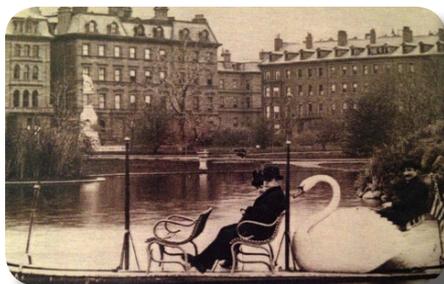
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[www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks)

# Preservation Month Keynote Event

## *Mated for Life: Boston and the Swan Boats*

Thursday, May 1 | 6:00 to 7:30 PM  
Taj Boston, Main Dining Room  
15 Arlington Street

Quick: What do Calvin Coolidge, Princess Grace, and Cyndi Lauper have in common? If you're guessing that they all wanted to have fun, you're getting warm. Give up? Why, they've all ridden on the Swan Boats, of course! So have you, probably. (And if you haven't, you're certainly missing out!)



Swan Boats have been gliding along the Public Garden lagoon since Victorian days, delighting passengers of all ages and from all walks of life. Befitting the first botanical garden in the United States, the Swan Boats are the only watercraft of their kind in the world. Offering splendid views of the venerable trees and vivid flower beds of the Public Garden and the handsome historic buildings beyond, each jaunt aboard the Swan Boats invites us on a journey in time and tradition.

Join us at the storied Taj Boston for our Preservation Month 2014 Keynote Event. At this historic hotel overlooking the Public Garden, **Lyn Paget**, the descendant of the original Swan Boat operators, shares with us her fascinating account of this little flotilla, from its earliest launch to date. Lyn will explain how in 1877 her great-grandfather Robert Paget first adapted the now-familiar swan imagery from Wagner's *Lohengrin* for his very first paddleboat.

The actual birds' legendary attributes of gracefulness and fidelity seem reflected by the fleet's continuation and growth, after Robert's untimely death, by his widow Julia, a pioneering businesswoman. Remaining a Paget family enterprise to this day, the Swan Boats bloom perennially as both a tourist attraction and a source of seasonal employment for the vigorous young people whose deft pedal work keeps them afloat.

Now well into their second century, the Swan Boats grow yearly in fame through the ever-popular works of children's authors Robert McCloskey and E. B. White, attracting generations of new enthusiasts the world over, Bostonians and visitors alike. Come hear Lyn's interesting facts and anecdotes, learn how the vessels are operated and maintained, and revel in the surprising history of these beloved symbols of Boston itself. Reception to follow.

Please see page 65 for more information about the Taj Boston.  
Free and open to the public. As space is limited, pre-registration is required.

Presented by: Boston Landmarks Commission | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks)  
Co-sponsored by: City of Boston Department of Parks & Recreation | [www.cityofboston.gov/parks](http://www.cityofboston.gov/parks)  
Friends of the Public Garden | [www.friendsofthepublicgarden.org](http://www.friendsofthepublicgarden.org)  
Back Bay Association | [www.bostonbackbay.com](http://www.bostonbackbay.com)  
Taj Boston | [www.tajhotels.com/boston](http://www.tajhotels.com/boston)  
The Swan Boats of Boston | [www.swanboats.com](http://www.swanboats.com)  
Contact [tonya.loveday@boston.gov](mailto:tonya.loveday@boston.gov) to pre-register.

*Image courtesy of: The Swan Boats of Boston*

# Preservation Month Daily Calendar

MAY 1

1 | THURS | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

## Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour

An ideal introduction to this city, this historic walk features seven designated Freedom Trail sites. Included are the Old State House, where the Declaration of Independence was first read in Boston; the site of the Boston Massacre; and Faneuil Hall ("The Cradle of Liberty"). Tours take place rain or shine.

Meet your guide in front of Faneuil Hall at the statue of Samuel Adams on Congress St.

\$12 for adults, \$8 for children ages 6-12, free for Boston By Foot members.

Tickets can be purchased from the guide or at Boston By Foot's website.

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Contact: [info@bostonbyfoot.org](mailto:info@bostonbyfoot.org) | (617) 367-2345

1 | THURS | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR

## The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours

Walk the Freedom Trail® through history. Experience more than 250 years of history - and Boston's most significant sites - along the Freedom Trail. Join a 90-minute walking tour led by an 18th century costumed guide. Historical facts and anecdotes on colonial life and history are told as one follows the Freedom Trail, the city's iconic 2.5 mile red brick or painted path leading to Boston's precious 17th, 18th and 19th century sites.

Tours depart from the Boston Common Visitor Information Center, 139 Tremont St.

\$14 for adults, \$12 for seniors/students, \$8 for children – includes \$1 donation to the Freedom Trail Foundation Preservation Fund for capital projects at Freedom Trail sites.



The Freedom Trail Foundation has launched the Granary Burying Ground's Top 100—a smartphone application for one of Boston's most historic burying grounds. This one-acre Freedom Trail site, dating from 1630, is the resting place for over 6,000 people, including four signers of the Declaration of Independence, Paul Revere, John Hancock, James Otis, and Benjamin Franklin's family, as well as goldsmiths and mechanics, politicians and printers, writers and preachers, slave dealers, ship owners, merchants, and government officials. Download the app and learn about the Top 100, familiar and unfamiliar citizens of Boston who were instrumental in shaping the Revolution. The first-in-the-nation smartphone app for a colonial burying ground, the Granary's Top 100 is filled with tidbits about the lives, images, and quotes from its residents. Available on iTunes or at [TheFreedomTrail.org](http://TheFreedomTrail.org).

Presented by: The Freedom Trail Foundation | [www.thefreedomtrail.org](http://www.thefreedomtrail.org)

Contact: [info@thefreedomtrail.org](mailto:info@thefreedomtrail.org) | (617) 357-8300

## 1 | THURS | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour

From the golden dome of the State House, to the elegant homes of Louisburg Square, this tour offers examples of Charles Bulfinch and his followers. By daylight or twilight, "The Hill" casts a spell of enchantment. Tours take place rain or shine.

Meet your guide at the front of the State House steps, on Beacon St. across from the Common. \$12 for adults, \$8 for children ages 6-12, free for Boston By Foot members. Tickets can be purchased from the guide or at Boston By Foot's website.

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## 1 | THURS | 6:00 PM | PRESENTATION

### A Lantern Restored

During the 2012-2013 academic year, second-year preservation carpentry students from the North Bennet Street School (NBSS) had the unique and uniquely rewarding experience of restoring the lantern for the steeple of the First Parish Church in Dorchester. The Lantern is 53 feet high and preservation carpentry students spent a total of 7,842 man-hours over three months restoring every detail of the lantern. NBSS preservation carpentry instructor **Rich Friberg** took hundreds of photos of the process. Rich selected the best of the photos and gathered details on the history and the building to tell the story in this one-hour presentation.

Windgate Gallery, 150 North Street.

Free and open to the public, RSVP is requested through the NBSS website:  
<http://www.nbss.edu/about/news/FirstParishChurch/index.aspx>

Presented by: The North Bennet Street School | <http://www.nbss.edu>



Image courtesy of: North Bennet Street School

# MAY 2

## 2 | FRI | 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM | ROAD SHOW

### UMass Boston Mass. Memories Road Show

Are you a current student at UMass Boston? Do you work at UMass Boston? Are you an alum or former staff or faculty at UMass Boston or its predecessor colleges (Boston State College, State College at Boston, and State Teachers College)? Have you lived in Savin Hill, Columbia Point, or another Dorchester neighborhood? If you've answered yes to any of these questions, come to the Road Show, and spread the word to others! UMass Boston is celebrating its 50th anniversary, and we invite everyone with a connection to the university to participate. You can help us create a snapshot of our community!

Bring up to three photographs (printed or digital) that tell your UMass Boston story. The Mass. Memories Road Show team will scan and upload your images, return originals to you, and help record your story. Visit [www.openarchives.umb.edu](http://www.openarchives.umb.edu) to see how your story will be shared.

UMass Boston Campus Center, 1st Floor Terrace.  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: UMass Boston | [www.umb.edu](http://www.umb.edu)  
Contact: Carolyn Goldstein | [carolyn.goldstein@umb.edu](mailto:carolyn.goldstein@umb.edu)

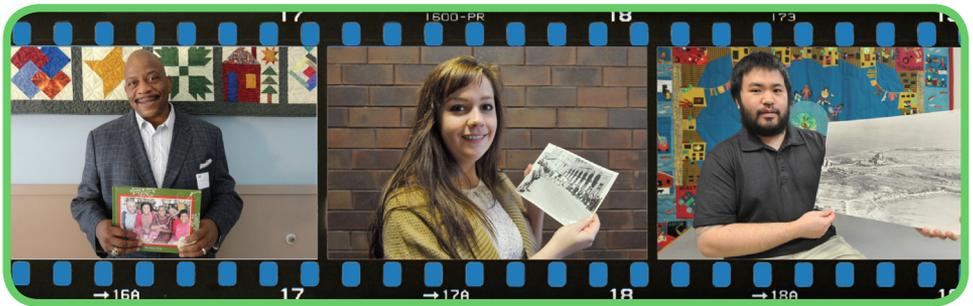


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## 2 | FRI | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour

See entry on page 4 for more information.

## 2 | FRI | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR

### The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours

See entry on page 4 for more information.

## **2 | FRI | 1:00 to 2:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's North End Walking Tour**

The North End is a delightful labyrinth of narrow streets and exotic marketplaces. This 90-minute tour covers the history of America's oldest neighborhood from colonial days to the present, as well as the history of the city through waves of 19th century immigration. A gateway for immigrants from around the world, it is also home to the Old North Church and the Paul Revere House, the oldest extant building in Boston. Tours take place rain or shine.

Meet your guide at the intersection of Hanover and Cross Streets, in front of the statue of boxer Tony DeMarco.

\$12 for adults, \$8 for children ages 6-12, free for Boston By Foot members.

Tickets can be purchased from the guide or at Boston By Foot's website.

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## **2 | FRI | 1:00 to 3:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's The Road to Revolution Tour**

From the Boston Massacre to Paul Revere's Midnight Ride, Boston is well-known for events that sparked the American Revolution. Explore the streets of Boston's oldest neighborhoods and discover the extraordinary stories of the meeting houses, halls, and homes where the Revolution was born. Tours take place rain or shine.

Meet your guide in the plaza across the street from King's Chapel, in front of One Beacon St.

\$15 for adults, \$8 for children ages 6-12, free for Boston By Foot members.

Tickets can be purchased from the guide or at Boston By Foot's website.

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## **2 | FRI | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Victorian Back Bay Tour**

Boston's Back Bay embraces one of America's richest collections of art and architecture. Its treasures include Trinity Church, the Boston Public Library, and grand rows of stately townhouses. Tours take place rain or shine.

Meet your guide on the steps of Trinity Church, facing Copley Square.

\$12 for adults, \$8 for children ages 6-12, free for Boston By Foot members.

Tickets can be purchased from the guide or at Boston By Foot's website.

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## **2 | FRI | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Walking Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

## 2 | FRI | 6:00 to 7:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's The Dark Side of Boston Tour

Explore the darker side of Boston's North End, including the scourges of smallpox and influenza, the Molasses Flood, the Brink's Job, and other tales of mishaps, malfeasance and mortality. Tours take place rain or shine.

Meet your guide at the intersection of Hanover and Cross Streets, in front of the statue of boxer Tony DeMarco.

\$12 for adults, \$8 for children ages 6-12, free for Boston By Foot members.

Tickets can be purchased from the guide or at Boston By Foot's website.

Presented by: Boston By Foot | [www.bostonbyfoot.org](http://www.bostonbyfoot.org)

Contact: [info@bostonbyfoot.org](mailto:info@bostonbyfoot.org) | (617) 367-2345

## 2 | FRI | 6:30 to 8:00 PM | FILM

### Jane Jacobs In Her Own Words

To kick start Jane's Walk weekend: we present a series of interviews with renowned journalist and author. Jane Jacobs' *Death and Life of Great American Cities* is a classic and scathing criticism of the way urban planning was conducted in 1960s. Three interviews with Jacobs will be presented and a discussion with the audience as to how it relates to the West End and the exhibit will follow. Jacobs discusses urban planning in Toronto and Montreal, the similarities between economies and nature, and her book *Dark Age Ahead*. Programming Chair, **Kimberly Whitaker**, will lead the discussion.

West End Museum, 150 Staniford St.

Free and open to the public.

Presented by: West End Museum | [www.thewestendmuseum.org](http://www.thewestendmuseum.org)



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## MAY 3

**3 | SAT | 9:00 to 10:30 AM | CLEAN-UP**

### Charlestown Preservation Spring Clean-Up

Join the Charlestown Preservation Society as they look after Charlestown's treasures during our annual Spring Clean-Up. The event will start at the Phipps Street Burying Ground and continue to Preservation Park. If necessary, a rain date is set for Saturday, May 10.

Meet at Phipps Street Burying Ground, Charlestown.  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: The Charlestown Preservation Society | [www.charlestownpreservation.org](http://www.charlestownpreservation.org)  
Contact: Nick K. | [info@charlestownpreservation.org](mailto:info@charlestownpreservation.org) | (617) 241-7500



*Image courtesy of: The Charlestown Preservation Society*

**3 | SAT | 10:00 to 11:00 AM | WALKING TOUR**

### Boston By Foot's Boston By Little Feet Tour

This child's-eye-view of the Freedom Trail's architecture and history is especially designed for young walkers of six to twelve years. An ideal introduction to this city this historic walk features seven designated Freedom Trail sites. It includes the Old State House, where the Declaration of Independence was first read in Boston; Faneuil Hall ("The Cradle of Liberty"); and the always-beckoning Quincy Market. Explorer's Map is included. Tours take place rain or shine.

Meet your guide in front of Faneuil Hall at the statue of Samuel Adams on Congress St.  
\$10 per person, free for Boston By Foot members.  
Tickets can be purchased from the guide or at Boston By Foot's website.

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Contact: [info@bostonbyfoot.org](mailto:info@bostonbyfoot.org) | (617) 367-2345

### 3 | SAT | 10:00 to 11:30 AM | WALKING TOUR

#### Boston By Foot's Literary Landmarks Tour

Our literary stroll highlights the homes and haunts of such great Victorians as Hawthorne, Thoreau, Alcott, and Longfellow. Individually, they were writers and poets without equal. Collectively, they made Boston the epicenter of American Letters. Tours take place rain or shine.

Meet your guide in front of Walgreen's at the corner of School and Washington Streets. \$12 for adults, \$8 for children ages 6-12, free for Boston By Foot members. Tickets can be purchased from the guide or at Boston By Foot's website.

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### 3 | SAT | 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM | WALKING TOUR

#### Boston By Foot's The Road to Revolution Tour

See entry on page 7 for more information.

### 3 | SAT | 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM | ROAD SHOW

#### UMass Boston Mass. Memories Road Show

See entry on page 6 for more information.

### 3 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM | WALKING TOUR

#### Charlestown Archaeology

Sharing his vantage-point as the City of Boston's Archaeologist, **Joe Bagley** leads a walking tour through historic areas of significance where digging has recently occurred. A luncheon in the Training Field follows.

Meet your guide at the Bunker Hill Memorial, Charlestown. In support of The Friends of the Training Field and the City of Boston Archaeology Program, a \$15 donation is recommended.

Presented by: The Charlestown Preservation Society | [www.charlestownpreservation.org](http://www.charlestownpreservation.org)  
The Charlestown Historical Society | [www.charlestownhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.charlestownhistoricalsociety.org)  
Co-Sponsored by: The Friends of the Training Field | [info@friendsofthetrainingfield.org](mailto:info@friendsofthetrainingfield.org)  
The Friends of City Square Park | [www.citysquarepark.org](http://www.citysquarepark.org)  
Contact: David H. | [info@charlestownpreservation.org](mailto:info@charlestownpreservation.org) | (617) 241-7500

*Image courtesy of: City of Boston Archaeology Program*



3 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | TOUR

### Behind-the-Scenes Tour of the All Saints Ashmont Restoration Project

The Parish of All Saints and Saint Mark's Area Main Streets (SMAMS) invite you to Dorchester's historic Peabody Square for a tour of the comprehensive restoration project underway at All Saints, Ashmont. All Saints is the first church designed by noted architect Ralph Adams Cram and profoundly influenced American church design in the Gothic Revival style. After four years of planning, in 2013 the Parish embarked on an extensive exterior and interior rehabilitation of the building. All Saints parishioner and SMAMS Board member **Jeffrey Gonyeau**, who is providing fundraising and other preservation support to this major project, will make a presentation and lead a tour of the project's progress. The group will meet in the church parking lot at 209 Ashmont St.

The Parish of All Saints, 209 Ashmont St., Dorchester.

Free and open to the public, but space is limited, RSVP to Jeffrey Gonyeau or Meaghan Overton.

Presented by: The Parish of All Saints | [www.allsaints.net](http://www.allsaints.net)

Saint Mark's Area Main Streets | [www.smams.org](http://www.smams.org)

Contact: [jeffrey.gonyeau@gmail.com](mailto:jeffrey.gonyeau@gmail.com), [office@smams.org](mailto:office@smams.org) | (617) 825-3846



*Image courtesy of: St. Mark's Area Main Street, Inc.*

3 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's North End Tour

See entry on page 7 for more information.

### 3 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM | WALKING TOUR

#### Historic New England's Beacon Hill Walking Tour

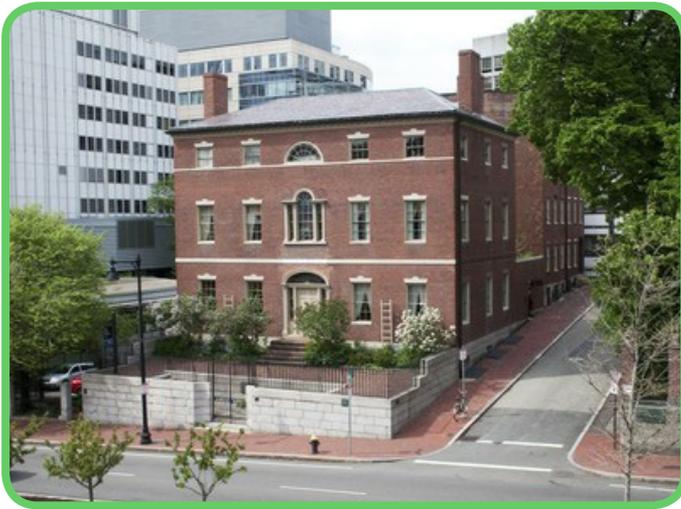
Go beyond the brick sidewalks and charming gardens and learn about Beacon Hill's development in the Federal era. The fortunes, ambitions, and struggles of Beacon Hill's early residents, both wealthy and working class, shaped the streets, architecture, and character of the hill. Start with a tour of Otis House, the earliest intact mansion in the neighborhood, and continue on Beacon Hill's historic streets. Private group tours available by appointment.

Otis House, 141 Cambridge St.

\$12 per person, \$6 for Historic New England members, registration is recommended.

Presented by: Historic New England | [www.historicnewengland.org](http://www.historicnewengland.org)

Contact: Melinda Huff | [otishouse@historicnewengland.org](mailto:otishouse@historicnewengland.org) | (617) 994-5920



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### 3 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM | WALKING TOUR

#### Jane Jacobs in the West End: Could her ideas have changed the neighborhood?

The West End Museum's first time participating in Jane's Walk ([www.janeswalk.net](http://www.janeswalk.net)), a global event that brings free walking tours about Jane Jacobs and city planning to cities. The West End Museum leads Boston in joining over 100 international cities in giving these tours. Given by local organizations: our tour will focus on Jane Jacob's ideas and how they could have been implemented in the West End. Instead ideas such as the Radiant City and Garden City (ideas that Jacobs rejected as damaging to neighborhoods) prevailed in the West End. This tour will look at multiple theories of Urban Planning and let you decide which is the best for the West End. This tour will be led by museum Docent **Jim Briand** and Programming Chair **Kimberly Whitaker**.

West End Museum, 150 Staniford St.

Free and open to the public.

Presented by: West End Museum | [www.thewestendmuseum.org](http://www.thewestendmuseum.org)

**3 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

### **The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**3 | SAT | 12:00 to 3:00 PM, continuously | PROGRAM**

### **Treasure or Trouble Gallery Program**

Put on a pair of our white gloves and explore the preservation history of the Old State House by looking at and touching building elements removed during preservation.

Old State House, 206 Washington St.

Cost included with Old State House admission.

Presented by: The Bostonian Society | [www.bostonhistory.org](http://www.bostonhistory.org)

Old State House | [www.revolutionaryboston.org](http://www.revolutionaryboston.org)

Contact: Alexa Drolette | [education@bostonhistory.org](mailto:education@bostonhistory.org) | (617) 720-1713 ext. 27



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**3 | SAT | 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

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### 3 | SAT | 1:00 to 3:00 PM | WALKING TOUR

#### Remnants of Urban Renewal

The term “urban renewal” has become synonymous with Boston’s West End. In the late 1950s and early 1960s, more than 50-acres of tenement housing was demolished under the process of ‘slum clearance’ to make way for luxury high-rise buildings; over 10,000 low to middle income residents were relocated. Some key architectural buildings were left intact, as was the north slope of Beacon Hill which for hundreds of years was known as West Boston and later the West End. This tour will focus on some notable remaining buildings north of Cambridge Street and their significance to the people of the West End over the last 200 – years. Support materials will be handed out. The tour will begin at the West End Museum and end at the Otis House on Cambridge Street. **Duane Lucia**, Curator of the West End Museum will lead the tour.

West End Museum, 150 Staniford St.  
\$7 for Museum members, \$15 for non-members.

Presented by: West End Museum | [www.thewestendmuseum.org](http://www.thewestendmuseum.org)

### 3 | SAT | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

#### Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour

See entry on page 5 for more information.

### 3 | SAT | 3:00 PM | TOUR

#### Old State House Preservation Tour

Join us for a half-hour tour detailing the history of the Old State House, a 300 year old Boston Landmark.

Old State House, 206 Washington St.  
Cost included with Old State House admission.

Presented by: The Bostonian Society | [www.bostonhistory.org](http://www.bostonhistory.org)  
Old State House | [www.revolutionaryboston.org](http://www.revolutionaryboston.org)  
Contact: Alexa Drolette | [education@bostonhistory.org](mailto:education@bostonhistory.org) | (617) 720-1713 ext. 27

### 3 | SAT | 4:00 to 5:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

#### Boston By Foot's Victorian Back Bay Tour

See entry on page 7 for more information.

### 3 | SAT | 6:00 to 7:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

#### Boston By Foot's The Dark Side of Boston Tour

See entry on page 8 for more information.

## MAY 4

**4 | SUN | 10:00 to 11:30 AM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**4 | SUN | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **A Walk with Mr. Olmsted through the Back Bay Fens**

See the Back Bay Fens through the eyes of the man who designed and built it. Join Frederick Law Olmsted, as portrayed by **Gerry Wright**, and an Emerald Necklace docent as they lead a walk through the historic landscape of the Fens. Learn how Mr. Olmsted transformed the area once described as, "The foulest marsh and muddy flats to be found anywhere in Massachusetts," into the first link in his chain of parks we know today as the Emerald Necklace. Hear the story of a remarkable life from the man himself. Wright has performed as Mr. Olmsted in the US and abroad and is co-founder of Olmsted 2022.

Meet your guide at the Shattuck Visitor Center, 125 The Fenway.

Free and open to the public.

Presented by: The Emerald Necklace Conservancy | [www.emeraldnecklace.org](http://www.emeraldnecklace.org)  
Contact: Jeanie Knox | [jeanine@emeraldnecklace.org](mailto:jeanine@emeraldnecklace.org) | (617) 522-2700



*Image courtesy of:  
The Emerald Necklace Conservancy*

**4 | SUN | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Victorian Back Bay Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**4 | SUN | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

### **The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**4 | SUN | 1:00 to 2:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Boston By Little Feet Tour**

See entry on page 9 for more information.

**4 | SUN | 1:00 to 3:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's The Road to Revolution Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**4 | SUN | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**4 | SUN | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Reinventing Boston: A City Engineered**

From creating land, building America's first subway, to the Big Dig, Boston has a long tradition of changing its cityscape. Find forgotten streets and waterways and discover awe-inspiring infrastructure on this walk through the history of a city transformed.

Meet your guide at the corner of Tremont and Court Streets, in front of the "Steaming Kettle." \$12 for adults, \$8 for children ages 6-12, free for Boston By Foot members.

Presented by: Boston By Foot | [www.bostonbyfoot.org](http://www.bostonbyfoot.org)

Contact: [info@bostonbyfoot.org](mailto:info@bostonbyfoot.org) | (617) 367-2345

**4 | SUN | 2:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Sumner Hill Jamaica Plain Walking Tour**

Please join us as we meander through a remarkable neighborhood of well-preserved mid-late 19th century residences that were built on land once owned by the David Stoddard Greenough and William Hyslop Sumner families. Highlights of the tour include a look at the High Georgian Loring-Greenough House (1760), the Greek Revival houses of Green Street and vicinity, the ornate Civil War era Mansard/Italianate houses of Alveston Street (a.k.a "the street of the Civil War Colonels"), as well as high style 1880s Queen Anne houses by William Ralph Emerson. The tour will be led by **Edward Gordon** and will be 1.5-2 hours in length. The tour is preceded by brunch at Doyle's Café, a legendary early 1880s saloon complete with fascinating murals and memorabilia, at 12:00 PM.

Meet your guide upstairs in front of the Orange Line Green St. Station, Jamaica Plain. \$10 for VSA/NE Members, \$12 for non-members, RSVP requested for the brunch at Doyle's Café by May 1.

Presented by: The Victorian Society in America / NE Chapter | [www.victoriansocietynewengland.org](http://www.victoriansocietynewengland.org)

Contact: Edward Gordon | [edwardwgordon@aol.com](mailto:edwardwgordon@aol.com) | (617) 872-9001

**4 | SUN | 6:00 to 7:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's The Dark Side of Boston Tour**

See entry on page 8 for more information.

## MAY 5

5 | MON | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### **Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

5 | MON | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR

### **The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

5 | MON | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR

### **Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

## MAY 6

6 | TUES | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### **Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

6 | TUES | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR

### **The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

6 | TUES | 12:00 PM | WALKING TOUR

### **Tour de Grounds: Back Bay**

Special midday tour of the Back Bay led by **William Young**, Assistant Director for Historic Districts. See entry on page 2 for more information about this unique tour series.

Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.

Free and open to the public.

As no more than 30 participants may be accommodated, pre-registration is required.

Presented by: Boston Landmarks Commission & local historic district commission staff |

[www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks)

Contact [william.young@boston.gov](mailto:william.young@boston.gov) before May 2 to reserve a place.



6 | TUES | 5:00 to 6:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### A Lofty Renaissance

Reinvestment in Boston's only intact warehouse district has in recent years transformed the area into a vibrant and pedestrian friendly mixed-use neighborhood. How did an area dedicated to industry become such a desirable neighborhood in which to live and work? This walking tour will look more closely at how new construction, adaptive reuse, and revitalization of open spaces have allowed Fort Point Channel to live on beyond its industrial past – and how the neighborhood's status as a historic district has supported this change. This tour will be led by City of Boston Preservation Planner **Erin Doherty**. Following the tour, continue the conversation over a pint at an informal gathering in one of the district's new establishments, Row 34.



Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.  
Free and open to the public, pre-registration is requested.

Presented by: City of Boston Preservation Planner Erin Doherty | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/fpc.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/fpc.asp)  
Contact [erin.doherty@boston.gov](mailto:erin.doherty@boston.gov) before May 2 to reserve a place.

6 | TUES | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**MAY 7**

7 | WED | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour

See entry on page 4 for more information.

7 | WED | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR

### The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**7 | WED | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**7 | WED | 5:30 PM | AWARDS DINNER**

### **Preservation Massachusetts Annual Awards Dinner**

For 2014 it's "Lights, Camera, Action!" as we focus on the design and restoration work that transforms these historic resources and gives them new life. From the general contractors and architects to environmental and structural engineers, the projects begin to come to life as we watch the changes from groundbreaking through ribbon cutting. Sponsorship opportunities are available.

Fairmont Copley Plaza Hotel.  
\$300 per ticket, \$3,000 per table (seats 10).

Presented by: Preservation Massachusetts | [www.preservationmass.org](http://www.preservationmass.org)  
Contact: Courtney M. Whelan | [cwhelan@preservationmass.org](mailto:cwhelan@preservationmass.org) | (617) 723-3383



*Image courtesy of: Preservation Massachusetts*

**7 | WED | 6:30 to 8:00 PM | TALK**

### **Museum Talk: Jim Vrabel**

**Jim Vrabel**, formerly of the Boston Redevelopment Authority, comes to the West End Museum to discuss his new book on Boston, specifically focusing on the West End.

West End Museum, 150 Staniford St.  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: West End Museum | [www.thewestendmuseum.org](http://www.thewestendmuseum.org)

## MAY 8

8 | THURS | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour

See entry on page 4 for more information.

8 | THURS | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR

### The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours

See entry on page 4 for more information.

8 | THURS | 5:00 to 6:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Bay Village, Revised and Revived

Nestled between Park Square to the north and the Mass. Pike to the south, Bay Village was known as the Church Street District until well into the twentieth century. And in much the same way that its old name is now largely forgotten, this appealing little enclave has twice been the focus of land-making operations difficult to imagine today. Nevertheless, these efforts not only created the area in the 1820s but preserved it a generation later when the higher grade of the newly filled Back Bay led to the flooding of its basements and backyards.

Perennially overshadowed by larger, more populous neighborhoods, Bay Village has also survived recurrent adjustments to the original shoreline, street layout, and transportation infrastructure. These re-drawings of the map are reflected by the obscure names and truncated lengths of several streets that live on as remnants of their former selves. If you've ever been puzzled as to why Broadway should happen to be so narrow, or wondered whether Isabella Street was named for Mrs. Gardner or a queen of Spain, come along on this tour and find out!



Tour will be led by **William Young**, Assistant Director for Historic Districts, who has staffed the Bay Village Historic District Commission since 1991.

Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.

Free and open to the public.

As no more than 30 participants may be accommodated, pre-registration is required.

Co-sponsoring organizations may, at their discretion, accord their members priority reservations.

Presented by: Bay Village Historic District Commission | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/bayvillage.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/bayvillage.asp)

Co-Sponsored by: Bay Village Neighborhood Association | [www.bayvillage.net](http://www.bayvillage.net)

Contact [president@bayvillage.net](mailto:president@bayvillage.net) before April 30 to reserve a place.

Contact [william.young@boston.gov](mailto:william.young@boston.gov) for more information.

*Image courtesy of: Boston Public Library*

## 8 | THURS | 5:30 PM | EXHIBIT RECEPTION & PANEL DISCUSSION

### For the Public Good: Tremont Street from St. Alphonsus to Parker Street

Join the Friends of the Parker Hill Library and the Friends of Historic Mission Hill for an exhibit reception (5:30 PM), followed by a panel discussion on preservation, change and neighborhood identity (6:30 PM). Panelists include **Meghan Hanrahan-Richard**, City of Boston Preservation Planner, **Father John Lavin C.Ss.R.**, currently in residence at Mission Church with more than 40 years in service in Hispanic Ministry, **Tessil Collins** from the Roxbury Crossing Historical Trust, and **James Madden** staff member of The Community Builders and co-creator with MIT professor of "Boston, Place and Planning," a web based history of Boston's urban development. Local residents, **Marie-Claire Dumornay** and **Alison Pultinas**, facilitating and moderating.

Parker Hill Branch Library, 1497 Tremont St., Roxbury Crossing  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: Friends of the Parker Hill Library | [parkerhilllibrary@gmail.com](mailto:parkerhilllibrary@gmail.com)  
Friends of Historic Mission Hill | [historicmissionhill@yahoo.com](mailto:historicmissionhill@yahoo.com)  
Contact: Alison Pultinas | [historicmissionhill@yahoo.com](mailto:historicmissionhill@yahoo.com) | (617) 739-1489

## 8 | THURS | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour

See entry on page 5 for more information.

## 8 | THURS | 6:00 to 8:00 PM | TOUR

### Tour of All Saints Church and the Lyn Hovey Stained Glass Studio

Join the Alliance for a construction tour of a preservation work-in-progress! The tour begins at the Lyn Hovey Stained Glass Studio ([www.lynhoveystudio.com](http://www.lynhoveystudio.com)) in Dorchester where we will learn how the historic stained glass from All Saints Church is being restored. Then we will walk over to All Saints Church ([www.allsaints.net](http://www.allsaints.net)) to tour the preservation work currently in progress to keep this 1893 structure of Quincy granite and Nova Scotia limestone looking its best and serving its parish. Light refreshments and an opportunity to ask questions will be provided after the tour.



*Image courtesy of: Boston Preservation Alliance*

Meet at the Lyn Hovey Studio, 57 Southern Avenue, Dorchester.  
Free and open to the public, registration is strongly encouraged.

Presented by: Boston Preservation Alliance | [www.bostonpreservation.org](http://www.bostonpreservation.org)  
Contact: Alison Frazee | [afrazee@bostonpreservation.org](mailto:afrazee@bostonpreservation.org) | (617) 367-2458

## MAY 9

**9 | FRI | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**9 | FRI | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

### **The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**9 | FRI | 1:00 to 2:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's North End Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.



*Image courtesy of: Boston By Foot*

**9 | FRI | 1:00 to 3:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's The Road to Revolution Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**9 | FRI | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Victorian Back Bay Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

9 | FRI | 4:00 to 7:00 PM | ART WALK

### 14th Annual Fort Point Arts Community ArtWalk

Visit artists' studios in Fort Point's historic warehouse buildings during Fort Point's Spring Open Studios Weekend.

Fort Point district – primarily 300 Summer St., 249-259 A St., 15 Channel Center.  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: Fort Point Arts Community | [www.fortpointarts.org](http://www.fortpointarts.org)

Contact: Gabrielle Schaffner | [gabrielle@fortpointarts.org](mailto:gabrielle@fortpointarts.org) | [gsos@rcn.com](mailto:gsos@rcn.com) | (617) 283-6458



*Image courtesy of: Fort Point Arts Community*

9 | FRI | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour

See entry on page 5 for more information.

9 | FRI | 6:00 to 7:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's The Dark Side of Boston Tour

See entry on page 8 for more information.

**MAY 10**

10 | SAT | 10:00 to 11:00 AM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's Boston By Little Feet Tour

See entry on page 9 for more information.

**10 | SAT | 10:00 to 11:30 AM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Literary Landmarks Tour**

See entry on page 10 for more information.

**10 | SAT | 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's The Road to Revolution Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**10 | SAT | 11:00 AM | TALK**

**Historic Interiors: Evolution and Preservation**

Join us as staff from Historic New England discuss the evolution of historic interiors and preservation techniques. This event is being held in a 1760 Georgian mansion so space is limited.

Loring-Greenough House, 12 South St., Jamaica Plain.  
\$5 donation requested.

Presented by: Jamaica Plain Tuesday Club | [www.loring-greenough.org](http://www.loring-greenough.org)  
Historic New England | [www.historicnewengland.org](http://www.historicnewengland.org)  
Jamaica Plain Historical Society | [www.jpshs.org](http://www.jpshs.org)  
Contact: [info@loring-greenough.org](mailto:info@loring-greenough.org) | (617) 524-3158

**10 | SAT | 11:00 AM | WALKING TOUR**

**Monument Square, Jamaica Plain**

View architecture that spans three centuries, including an elegant 18th-century mansion that once served as the country's first military hospital and the oldest community theatre in the US. Tours last between 60-90 minutes and are cancelled in case of heavy rain.

Meet your guide outside the Loring-Greenough House, 12 South St., Jamaica Plain.  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: Jamaica Plain Historical Society | [www.jpshs.org](http://www.jpshs.org)

**10 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Historic New England's Beacon Hill Walking Tour**

See entry on page 12 for more information.

**10 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's North End Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**10 | SAT | 11:00 AM & 2:00 PM | PRESENTATION**

**Boston Light – Preserving 300 Years of History**

**Sally Snowman**, Lighthouse Keeper for Boston Light, will present the history of Boston Light and efforts to preserve the facility in advance of the 300th Anniversary in 2016. May 10 is opening day for the NPS Pavilion and the Boston Harbor Islands ferries. Other festivities will take place at the pavilion.

Boston Harbor Islands Pavilion of the Rose Kennedy Greenway.

Free and open to the public.

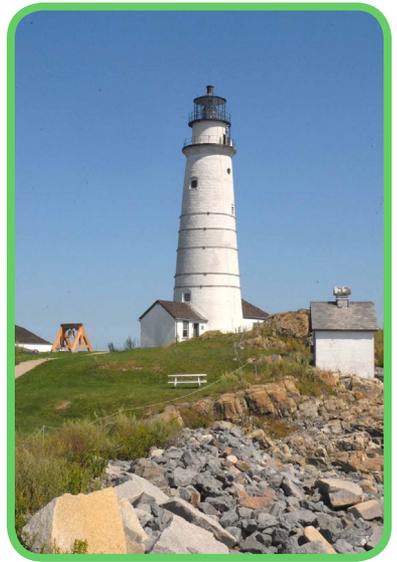
Presented by: National Park Service |

[www.bostonharborislands.org](http://www.bostonharborislands.org)

U.S. Coast Guard | [www.uscg.mil](http://www.uscg.mil)

Contact: Hugh Hawthorne |

[hugh\\_hawthorne@nps.gov](mailto:hugh_hawthorne@nps.gov) | (617) 223-8668



*Image courtesy of: National Park Service*

**10 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

**The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**10 | SAT | 12:00 to 3:00 PM, continuously | PROGRAM**

**Treasure or Trouble Gallery Program**

See entry on page 13 for more information.

**10 | SAT | 12:00 to 5:00 PM | ART WALK**

**14th Annual Fort Point Arts Community ArtWalk**

See entry on page 23 for more information.

**10 | SAT | 1:00 to 2:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

## 10 | SAT | 1:00 to 2:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Sweet History Stroll along the Neponset River

What do chocolate and the Neponset River have in common? Join a **DCR Park Ranger** and Dorchester Historical Society President **Earl Taylor** on a scenic stroll in Milton and Dorchester Lower Mills to find out. We'll explore the former Baker Chocolate Factory site and learn about the sweet history of Lower Mills as part of Historic Preservation Month in Massachusetts. We'll end our tour at the Baker Chocolate Artist Lofts and learn about the DCR's Historic Curatorship program.

Meet at the public parking lot in Milton Lower Mills, beside the Milton Yacht Club at 36 Wharf St., Milton. Parking is limited, public transportation is encouraged via the Milton Station of the MBTA Mattapan High Speed Line.  
Free and open to the public, for ages 10 and up.

Presented by: MA Department of Conservation and Recreation | [www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr](http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr)  
Co-Sponsored by: Dorchester Historical Society | [www.dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org)  
Contact: DCR Boston Region | (617) 333-7405 ext. 104

## 10 | SAT | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour

See entry on page 5 for more information.

## 10 | SAT | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### The South End

The South End is one of the city's most vibrant neighborhoods. We'll go beyond its well-known restaurants, funky boutiques, and galleries to explore the area's heart and history. The South End, created largely by landfill before the development of the Back Bay, was intended to be the new residential area for Boston's 19th century elite. We'll discuss the neighborhood's 20th-century transition from an ethnically diverse, urban neighborhood to one that has become increasingly gentrified, and together we'll explore the South End's residential architecture, grand public buildings, and pocket parks.

Meet your guide in the Southwest Corridor Park across from Back Bay Station, Dartmouth St. \$15 per person, \$5 for Boston By Foot members.

Presented by: Boston By Foot | [www.bostonbyfoot.org](http://www.bostonbyfoot.org)  
Contact: [info@bostonbyfoot.org](mailto:info@bostonbyfoot.org) | (617) 367-2345

## 10 | SAT | 3:00 PM | TOUR

### Old State House Preservation Tour

See entry on page 14 for more information.

**10 | SAT | 3:00 to 4:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Modernist Urbanism: Paul Rudolph and Government Center**

**Timothy M. Rohan** from UMass Amherst, in conjunction with the New England Chapter of DOCOMOMO, will lead an architectural walking tour explaining Paul Rudolph's never fully completed Government Services Center (1961-72) at Cambridge and New Chardon streets and its relationship to the larger civic complex.

Meet beneath the portrait of Mayor Collins at Boston City Hall, 1 City Hall Ave.  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: DOCOMOMO NE Chapter | [www.docomomo-us.org/new\\_england](http://www.docomomo-us.org/new_england)  
UMass Amherst | [www.umass.edu](http://www.umass.edu)  
Contact: Marie S.A. Sorensen, AIA NCARB LEED AP | [marie@artifacre.com](mailto:marie@artifacre.com) | (917) 215-5796



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**10 | SAT | 4:00 to 5:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Victorian Back Bay Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**10 | SAT | 6:00 to 7:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's The Dark Side of Boston Tour**

See entry on page 8 for more information.

**10 | SAT | 8:00 PM to 12:00 AM | GALA FUNDRAISER**

### **The South End Soirée**

Come one, Come all, step right up and join us at the South End Soirée! Celebrate the history of the American Carnival while supporting historic preservation and education in the South End. The Soirée is a gala fundraiser that supports the continued operation of the South End Historical Society. General admission includes an open bar, dinner, dancing, and carnival games! All proceeds from this event benefit the South End Historical Society. Founded in 1966, the South End Historical Society led the fight to preserve the South End's built environment and continues to be the driving force behind the neighborhood's preservation. The Society also promotes interest in the South End's rich social history and maintains a collection of documents, artifacts, and photographs related to the South End's past.

The Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology, 41 Berkeley St.  
\$125 per person.

Presented by: The South End Historical Society | [www.southendhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.southendhistoricalsociety.org)  
Contact: Stacen Goldman | [admin@southendhistoricalsociety.org](mailto:admin@southendhistoricalsociety.org) | (617) 536-4445

# MAY 11

**11 | SUN | 10:00 to 11:30 AM | WALKING TOUR**

## **Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**11 | SUN | 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

## **Women of Beacon Hill Walking Tour**

Take a stroll around Beacon Hill and discover the stories of the women who shaped the history and charm of Beacon Hill over the centuries: wealthy and working class, black and white, entrepreneurs and reformers, artists and preservationists.

Otis House, 141 Cambridge Street, Boston.  
\$15 per person, \$7 for Historic New England members, registration is required.

Presented by: Historic New England |  
[www.historicnewengland.org](http://www.historicnewengland.org)  
Contact: Melinda Huff |  
[otishouse@historicnewengland.org](mailto:otishouse@historicnewengland.org) | (617) 994-5920



*Image courtesy of: Historic New England*

**11 | SUN | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

## **Historic Gems of the Back Bay Fens**

From once-foul mud flats to a recreated salt marsh to today's gardens and parkland, the Fens has undergone many transformations in the last 130 years. Join Emerald Necklace docents as they talk and walk the landscape, uncovering the layers of history from Olmsted's 19th-Century sanitary improvement and H.H. Richardson structures to the 20th-Century transformations that brought gardens, memorials and ball fields to the Fens. What do a 17th-Century Japanese Temple Bell, a historic bridge made of Roxbury puddingstone, the oldest continually operating World War II Victory Garden in the country and a tree once thought extinct have in common? They all reside in the Back Bay Fens. Learn about these and other historic gems on a guided walking tour of the Back Bay Fens that is sure to bring out the history detective in you!

Meet your guide at the Shattuck Visitor Center, 125 The Fenway.  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: The Emerald Necklace Conservancy | [www.emeraldnecklace.org](http://www.emeraldnecklace.org)  
Contact: Jeanie Knox | [jeanine@emeraldnecklace.org](mailto:jeanine@emeraldnecklace.org) | (617) 522-2700

**11 | SUN | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

## **Boston By Foot's Victorian Back Bay Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**11 | SUN | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

**The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**11 | SUN | 12:00 to 5:00 PM | ART WALK**

**14th Annual Fort Point Arts Community ArtWalk**

See entry on page 23 for more information.

**11 | SUN | 1:00 to 2:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Boston By Little Feet Tour**

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**11 | SUN | 1:00 to 3:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's The Road to Revolution Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**11 | SUN | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**11 | SUN | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Reinventing Boston: A City Engineered**

See entry on page 16 for more information.

**11 | SUN | 6:00 to 7:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's The Dark Side of Boston Tour**

See entry on page 8 for more information.

## MAY 12

**12 | MON | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**12 | MON | 5:00 to 6:30 PM | MOBILE WORKSHOP**

### **Boylston Street: The Abstract and the Concrete**

Unlike the Back Bay's other major streets, where original deed restrictions stipulated a uniform setback that largely prevails to this day, no such standard was ever established for Boylston Street. As a consequence, the building lines vary from one block to another and, all too often, within blocks as well. This lack of consistency demonstrates itself as storefront bays (and sometimes, entire facades) project randomly onto the sidewalk, eroding the harmony of the streetscape.

In the interests of mitigating this inconsistency, a master plan for the re-pavement of Boylston's sidewalks was adopted in 1991, proposing a uniform granite material in several specified modules to be introduced from Arlington Street to the Fenway. As the thinking went at the time, this scheme would draw attention away from the staggered street wall by imposing a measure of aesthetic coherence on the foreground condition. This was then a patchwork of concrete, brick and asphalt hardly appropriate to a major urban boulevard.

Hopes were high. Unfortunately, because the master plan was not implemented comprehensively but in scattered increments corresponding to the frontages of individual properties coming under renovation, the anticipated visual benefit never materialized. Worse, the varying dimensions of the pavers and discrepancies in their methods of installation from building to building have led to irregularities of grade and alignment that sometimes compromise pedestrian comfort and safety.

Recognizing the necessity of addressing these issues, city agencies and civic advocates came together last year to revisit the 1991 plan and agreed to a program of modifications. As a consequence, a pilot project is now under construction which may point the way forward. If the challenges of public-realm improvements excite you, please join us as we conduct a mobile workshop exploring the opportunities and obstacles along Boylston Street.

Tour led by **William Young**, Assistant Director for Historic Districts and **Jill Ochs Zick**, Landscape Architect, Boston Redevelopment Authority.

Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.

Free and open to the public.

As no more than 30 participants may be accommodated, pre-registration is required.

Co-sponsoring organizations may, at their discretion, accord their members priority reservations.

Presented by: Back Bay Architectural Commission | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/backbay.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/backbay.asp)

Co-Sponsored by: Back Bay Association | [www.bostonbackbay.com](http://www.bostonbackbay.com)

Contact [megmc@bostonbackbay.com](mailto:megmc@bostonbackbay.com) before 13 May to reserve a place.

Contact [william.young@boston.gov](mailto:william.young@boston.gov) for more information.

**12 | MON | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

### **The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**12 | MON | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**MAY 13**

**13 | TUES | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**13 | TUES | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

**The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**13 | TUES | 12:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Tour de Grounds: South End**

Special midday tour of the South End led by **Meghan Hanrahan-Richard**, South End Landmark District Commission staff. See entry on page 2 for more information about this unique tour series.



Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.

Free and open to the public.

As no more than 30 participants may be accommodated, pre-registration is required.

Presented by: Boston Landmarks Commission & local historic district commissions staff |

[www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks)

Contact [meghan.hanrahan@boston.gov](mailto:meghan.hanrahan@boston.gov) before May 9 to reserve a place.

**13 | TUES | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**13 | TUES | 7:00 to 8:30 PM | PRESENTATION**

**Digging in Charlestown's Training Field, Background and Recent Findings: Archaeological Investigation and Preservation**

City Archaeologist **Joe Bagley** will present the most recent findings and answer questions about last summer's dig. Snacks and coffee will be served.



Bunker Hill Museum, 43 Monument Square, Charlestown.  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: The Charlestown Preservation Society | [www.charlestownpreservation.org](http://www.charlestownpreservation.org)  
Co-Sponsors: The City of Boston Archaeology Program | [www.cityofboston.gov/archaeology](http://www.cityofboston.gov/archaeology)  
The Charlestown Historical Society | [www.charlestownhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.charlestownhistoricalsociety.org)  
The Friends of the Training Field | [info@friendsofthetrainingfield.org](mailto:info@friendsofthetrainingfield.org)  
Contact: David H. | [info@charlestownpreservation.org](mailto:info@charlestownpreservation.org) | (617) 241-7500

*Image courtesy of: City of Boston Archaeology Program*

## MAY 14

**14 | WED | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**14 | WED | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

**The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**14 | WED | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

## 14 | WED | 6:00 PM | GALA AND SILENT AUCTION

### Boston Preservation Alliance Gala and Silent Auction

The Alliance's annual Spring Auction is coming up! Join us at the Liberty Hotel for a wonderful evening in one of Boston's most unique historic spaces- the restored Charles Street Jail! Bid on our silent auction items and support the ongoing work of Boston's leading advocate for historic preservation.

The Liberty Hotel, 215 Charles St.  
\$150 per ticket, \$75 for young professionals under 40.

Presented by: Boston Preservation Alliance | [www.bostonpreservation.org](http://www.bostonpreservation.org)  
Contact: Alison Frazee | [afrazee@bostonpreservation.org](mailto:afrazee@bostonpreservation.org) | (617) 367-2458



Image courtesy of: Boston Preservation Alliance

## 14 | WED | 6:30 to 8:00 PM | PANEL DISCUSSION

### Urban Planning in Boston Today

A group of Boston Urban Planners comes to the West End Museum to discuss the current theories surrounding the state of Urban planning in Boston. Topics covered will include: Panel Member include: **Reed Brockman** (a civil engineer with Aecom and the Future City Competitions), and **Christopher Hart** (from the Institute for Human Centered design and chair of the National Steering Committee for Easter Seals Project ACTION).

West End Museum, 150 Staniford St.  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: West End Museum | [www.thewestendmuseum.org](http://www.thewestendmuseum.org)

14 | WED | 7:00 to 8:30 PM | LECTURE

### Jane Franklin's Spectacles: Or, the Education of Benjamin Franklin's Sister

Benjamin Franklin's sister Jane, who lived the last years of her life in a house just behind the Old North Church, never went to school but, all her life, she thirsted for knowledge. In an illustrated lecture, **Jill Lepore** tells the story of Jane Franklin's life and of how, although married at the age of fifteen and the mother of twelve children, she became an astute political observer and even a philosopher of history. Jill Lepore is the David Woods Kemper '41 Professor of American History at Harvard. She is also a staff writer at *The New Yorker*. Her biography of Jane Franklin, *Book of Ages*, was a finalist for the National Book Award.

Old North Foundation, Old North Church, 193 Salem St.  
Free and open to the public, Pre-registration is required.

Presented by: Old North Foundation | [www.oldnorth.com](http://www.oldnorth.com)  
Contact: Erin Wederbrook Yuskaitis | [education@oldnorth.com](mailto:education@oldnorth.com) | (617) 523-6676



*Image courtesy of: Dari Michele*

**MAY 15**

15 | THURS | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour

See entry on page 4 for more information.

15 | THURS | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR

### The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours

See entry on page 4 for more information.

### Christian Science Church Complex: In and Out of the City

Growing over the twentieth century from the original Romanesque Mother Church through the neoclassical Publishing House and the Mid-Century Modern buildings, the Christian Science Church campus in Boston's Back Bay neighborhood features one of the most remarkable designed complexes of buildings and plazas in the city. In 2010 the Complex was designated a City of Boston Landmark.

The campus is remarkable for the way that many different styles of building and spaces have all been designed to fit together and into the city. The later additions reach out to the earlier buildings just increasing the richness of the outdoor space. Privately held, the campus is a remarkable civic space with many visual and physical openings to the city that invite the public in. It is a place where Bostonians go for a peaceful respite from the city or to enjoy the splash fountain in the heat of summer. The development of the Church campus made a place out of an unplanned area of reclaimed ground at the same time freeing the Mother Church building from its tight site constraints to allow it to feature as a remarkable element in the city.



This walking tour will look at the development of the campus, its buildings and open spaces as they relate to each other and to the city at large. Tour will be led by Boston Landmarks Commission staff architect, **Elizabeth Stifel**.

Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.

Free and open to the public. As space is limited, pre-registration is required.

Presented by: Boston Landmarks Commission | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks)

Contact [elizabeth.stifel@boston.gov](mailto:elizabeth.stifel@boston.gov) (indicate "5/15/2014" in the subject line) before May 5 to reserve a place.

*Image courtesy of: Gary Russell*

**15 | THURS | 5:00 to 6:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Flat of Beacon Hill**

The Flat of Beacon Hill is built on 19th century made-land along the Charles River. This intimate patch of real estate soon acquired carriage houses and horse stables owned by the wealthy families living on Beacon Hill. Today, many of these edifices have been converted into charming residences and seamlessly blend among the notable landmarks such as the Charles Street Meeting House, the Church of the Advent, and the Sunflower Castle.

Meet your guide outside the entrance to the Charles/MGH MBTA station on the Red Line. \$15 per person, \$5 for Boston By Foot members.

Presented by: Boston By Foot | [www.bostonbyfoot.org](http://www.bostonbyfoot.org)  
Contact: [info@bostonbyfoot.org](mailto:info@bostonbyfoot.org) | (617) 367-2345

**15 | THURS | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**15 | THURS | 6:00 PM | FUNDRAISER**

**Taste of West Roxbury**

Annual fundraiser for West Roxbury Main Streets featuring tasty treats from local businesses.

The Irish Social Club, 119 Park Street, West Roxbury.  
\$25 in advance, \$30 at the door.

Presented by: West Roxbury Main Streets | [www.wrms.org](http://www.wrms.org)  
Contact: Michael Iceland | [events@wrms.org](mailto:events@wrms.org) | (617) 325-6400



*Image courtesy of: West Roxbury Main Streets*

**15 | THURS | 6:30 to 8:00 PM | TALK**

**Museum Talk: “Dead End: Suburban Sprawl and the Rebirth of American Urbanism”**

The destruction of the West End and its replacement by the sterile towers of Charles River Park was a key turning point in how America thinks about its cities. The old neighborhoods were so much more livable than what replaced them. The public saw it first, and planners and professors soon followed. Today urban living has gained appeal. Yet the supply of good places to live falls far short of the demand. Decay and gentrification eat away at what escaped the wrecking balls, while newly built city neighborhoods rarely match those built a century and more ago. What holds back the revival of urbanism? In the new book *Dead End: Suburban Sprawl and the Rebirth of American Urbanism*, **Benjamin Ross** shows that it is much more than bad architecture and sloppy planning. The obstacles are historical, sociological, and economic.

West End Museum, 150 Staniford St.  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: West End Museum | [www.thewestendmuseum.org](http://www.thewestendmuseum.org)

## MAY 16

**16 | FRI | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**16 | FRI | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

**The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**16 | FRI | 1:00 to 2:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's North End Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**16 | FRI | 1:00 to 3:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's The Road to Revolution Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**16 | FRI | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Victorian Back Bay Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

16 | FRI | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

16 | FRI | 6:00 to 7:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

**Boston By Foot's The Dark Side of Boston Tour**

See entry on page 8 for more information.

## MAY 17

17 | SAT | 10:00 to 11:00 AM | WALKING TOUR

**Boston By Foot's Boston By Little Feet Tour**

See entry on page 9 for more information.

17 | SAT | 10:00 to 11:30 AM | WALKING TOUR

**Boston By Foot's Literary Landmarks Tour**

See entry on page 10 for more information.

17 | SAT | 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM | WALKING TOUR

**Boston By Foot's The Road to Revolution Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

17 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

**Aberdeen from the Ground Up**

Alongside Brighton's broad streetcar routes of Beacon Street and Commonwealth Ave lies a neighborhood of narrow winding roads nestled between rock outcroppings and lush landscapes. With the area's undulating topography and its distance from the city center, one might wonder why it was such a desirable place to settle in the late-nineteenth century. Come take a closer look at how early suburban development in Aberdeen embraced the challenges of rugged terrain and set a pattern of growth for the twentieth century. This walking tour will be led by City of Boston Preservation Planner **Erin Doherty** and Aberdeen Architectural Conservation District commissioners **Sharon Cayley** and **Helen Pillsbury**.

Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.  
Free and open to the public, pre-registration is requested.

Presented by: City of Boston Preservation Planner Erin Doherty, Aberdeen Architectural Conservation District Commission | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/aberdeen.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/aberdeen.asp)  
Contact [erin.doherty@boston.gov](mailto:erin.doherty@boston.gov) before May 13 to reserve a place.

**17 | SAT | 11:00 AM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Sumner Hill, Jamaica Plain**

This National Historic District includes one of the finest collections of Victorian houses in the area. The district includes the ancestral home of the Dole Pineapple Company founder and the homes of progressives who were active as abolitionists and woman suffragists. Tours last between 60-90 minutes and are cancelled in case of heavy rain.

Meet your guide outside the Loring-Greenough House, 12 South St., Jamaica Plain. Free and open to the public.

Presented by: Jamaica Plain Historical Society | [www.jpshs.org](http://www.jpshs.org)

**17 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's North End Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.



*Image courtesy of: Boston By Foot*

**17 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Historic New England's Beacon Hill Walking Tour**

See entry on page 12 for more information.

**17 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

### **The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**17 | SAT | 12:00 to 3:00 PM, continuously | PROGRAM**

### **Treasure or Trouble Gallery Program**

See entry on page 13 for more information.

**17 | SAT | 12:00, 1:30 and 3:30 PM | HOUSE TOURS**

**Boston House Museum Alliance Tours: Servant Life in Downtown Boston**

The Boston House Museum Alliance announces its spring 2014 tour series, Servant Life in Downtown Boston. For these special tours, Otis House, Gibson House Museum, and Nichols House Museum draw on their rich collections and stories to illuminate the history of domestic service over three centuries. The Otis House tour focuses on the countless hours it took servants to prepare for an elegant entertainment and attend to the day-to-day operations of a large household. The tour includes a visit to the third floor, a space not currently open to the public. Tickets are sold separately at each site.

Otis House, 141 Cambridge St.  
\$5 per person.

Presented by: Historic New England | [www.historicnewengland.org](http://www.historicnewengland.org)  
Co-Sponsors: The Gibson House Museum | [www.thegibsonhouse.org](http://www.thegibsonhouse.org)  
The Nichols House Museum | [www.nicholshousemuseum.org](http://www.nicholshousemuseum.org)  
Contact: Melinda Huff | [otishouse@historicnewengland.org](mailto:otishouse@historicnewengland.org) | (617) 994-5920



*Image courtesy of: Historic New England*

**17 | SAT | 1:00 to 2:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**17 | SAT | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**17 | SAT | 3:00 PM | TOUR**

**Old State House Preservation Tour**

See entry on page 14 for more information.

**17 | SAT | 4:00 to 5:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Victorian Back Bay Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**17 | SAT | 6:00 to 7:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's The Dark Side of Boston Tour**

See entry on page 8 for more information.

**17 | SAT | 6:00 to 9:00 PM | FUNDRAISER**

**Rooted in Rozzie**

Kick off summer in local style. On the evening of May 17th, Roslindale Village Main Street will be hosting its first "Rooted in Rozzie" fundraiser featuring locally sourced food prepared by Rozzie chefs **Odessa Piper** and **Lester Esser**, live music, and local beer and wine tastings. Held under the stars at beautiful Allandale Farm, this will be a night to celebrate what we love about community.

Both chefs Odessa and Lester are well known in their own rights in the Boston food scene and in Roslindale. Lester is a personal chef who counts among his clients some of our favorite Patriots players. Odessa is famous for her contributions to the Farm to Table movement. A recent transplant from Madison, Wisconsin where she won a James Beard award for her restaurant L'Etoile. Odessa continues to make waves here in her new home in Roslindale.

Allandale Farm, 282 Newton Street, Brookline.

Admission is \$75, only 100 tickets available. All proceeds go to funding Roslindale Village Main Street and the many free programs we offer to the community throughout the year.

Presented by: Roslindale Village Main Street | [www.roslindale.net](http://www.roslindale.net)

Contact: Roslindale Village Main Street | (617) 327-4065

## MAY 18

**18 | SUN | 10:00 to 11:30 AM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**18 | SUN | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Historic Gems of the Back Bay Fens**

From once-foul mud flats to a recreated salt marsh to today's gardens and parkland, the Fens has undergone many transformations in the last 130 years. Join Emerald Necklace docents as they talk and walk the landscape, uncovering the layers of history from Olmsted's 19th-Century sanitary improvement and H.H. Richardson structures to the 20th-Century transformations that



brought gardens, memorials and ball fields to the Fens. What do a 17th-Century Japanese Temple Bell, a historic bridge made of Roxbury puddingstone, the oldest continually operating World War II Victory Garden in the country and a tree once thought extinct have in common? They all reside in the Back Bay Fens. Learn about these and other historic gems on a guided walking tour of the Back Bay Fens that is sure to bring out the history detective in you!

*Image courtesy of: Dan Tobyne*

Meet your guide at the Shattuck Visitor Center, 125 The Fenway.  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: The Emerald Necklace Conservancy | [www.emeraldnecklace.org](http://www.emeraldnecklace.org)  
Contact: Jeanie Knox | [jeanine@emeraldnecklace.org](mailto:jeanine@emeraldnecklace.org) | (617) 522-2700

**18 | SUN | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Victorian Back Bay Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**18 | SUN | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM | TOUR**

### **Behind the Scenes at the Dorchester Historical Society**

From attics to outhouses, visitors will be able to explore parts of the Society's historic properties (the 1767 Lemuel Clap House, 1806 William Clapp House, and c. 1850 Clapp Family Barn) not usually on view. Also featured: a new exhibit of the Society's extensive fan collection; kids will be able to create their own fans to take home.

195 Boston Street, Dorchester.  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: The Dorchester Historical Society | [www.dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org)  
Contact: Earl Taylor | [ermmwat@aol.com](mailto:ermmwat@aol.com)

**18 | SUN | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

**The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**18 | SUN | 12:00 to 2:00 PM | WORKSHOP**

**Family Workshop presented with the Vilna Shul: Sights of the West End**

A workshop designed for children in the second through fourth grades - Join us for a day of history fun just for kids! The West End Museum and the Vilna Shul present a special children's program connecting past generations of the West End to children living in the West End today. Start your own stamp collections, take a tour of the old neighborhood (including a stop at the West End House), and even make a vintage-inspired toy. Children will also be able to record their own oral histories of their experiences living in the West End.

West End Museum, 150 Staniford St.

Free and open to the public, registration required.

Presented by: West End Museum | [www.thewestendmuseum.org](http://www.thewestendmuseum.org)

**18 | SUN | 1:00 to 2:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Boston By Little Feet Tour**

See entry on page 9 for more information.

**18 | SUN | 1:00 to 3:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's The Road to Revolution Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**18 | SUN | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**18 | SUN | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Reinventing Boston: A City Engineered**

See entry on page 16 for more information.

**18 | SUN | 6:00 to 7:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's The Dark Side of Boston Tour**

See entry on page 8 for more information.

## MAY 19

**19 | MON | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**19 | MON | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

### **The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.



*Image courtesy of: The Freedom Trail*

**19 | MON | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

### When Charlesgate Was in Flower

If proximity to the Public Garden is now more highly coveted, the best addresses in the Back Bay a hundred years ago lay a mile west, at Commonwealth Avenue and Charlesgate. Back when Kenmore Square was barely a crossroad, these two blocks bisected by the Muddy River enjoyed their heyday as the seat of fashion. Profusely detailed and princely in scale, the buildings erected here by Boston's wealthy and well-born endure today as a tangible record of the era's optimism and opulence.



These were some of the most extravagant houses the city had ever seen, designed by such celebrated firms as McKim, Mead & White, Peabody & Stearns and Little & Browne. Behind façades limned in cool restraint, interiors were splendidly decorated, equipped with every modern convenience and staffed by a legion of servants. The most exceptional—the most exotic—of all was the work of a New Yorker more commonly associated with art glass than with architecture, Louis Comfort Tiffany; his extraordinary house for sarsaparilla tycoon Frederick Ayer has been recognized as a National Historic Landmark.

As these lavish private homes were going up, the area was also gaining luster from a dazzling constellation of new hotels. Large and luxurious, their exteriors reflected the revival styles then in vogue—Moorish, French Renaissance, Neo-Georgian. Catering to both transient and residential clientele, these establishments offered a range of accommodations, from single bedrooms for overnight guests to commodious suites that people of means might occupy as the functional and social equivalent of a single-family dwelling. In addition, these hostelries' sumptuous dining rooms were among the city's smartest restaurants of the period, while their resplendent ballrooms set the scene for many a debutante cotillion.

Join us as we explore this often-overlooked but highly significant stretch of Commonwealth Avenue, which may fairly be regarded as the culmination of the Back Bay development. Tour will be led by **William Young**, Assistant Director for Historic Preservation, who has staffed the Back Bay Architectural Commission since 1991, and **Jeanne Pelletier**, Preservation Advisor, Campaign for the Ayer Mansion

Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.

Free and open to the public.

As no more than 30 participants may be accommodated, pre-registration is required.

Co-sponsoring organizations may, at their discretion, accord their members priority reservations.

Presented by: Back Bay Architectural Commission | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/backbay.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/backbay.asp)

Bay State Road/Back Bay West Architectural Conservation District Commission | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/baystate.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/baystate.asp)

Co-Sponsored by: Campaign for the Ayer Mansion | [www.ayermansion.org](http://www.ayermansion.org)

Bayridge Residence & Cultural Center | [www.bayridgeresidence.org](http://www.bayridgeresidence.org)

Contact [ayermansion@gmail.com](mailto:ayermansion@gmail.com) (indicate "Charlesgate Tour" in the subject line) before May 12 to reserve a place.

Contact [william.young@boston.gov](mailto:william.young@boston.gov) for more information.

*Image courtesy of: Friends of the Charlesgate*

19 | MON | 7:00 to 8:30 PM | PRESENTATION

### Mariana Griswold van Rensselaer: A Landscape Critic in the Gilded Age

Mariana Griswold Van Rensselaer (1851-1934) was one of the premier figures in landscape writing and design at the turn of the twentieth century, at a moment when the amateur pursuit of gardening and the increasingly professionalized landscape design field were beginning to diverge. Her close relationship with Frederick Law Olmsted influenced her ideas on landscape gardening, and her interest in botany and geology shaped the ideas upon which her philosophy and art criticism were based. **Judith Major** presents the first in-depth study of the versatile critic and author, revealing Van Rensselaer's vital role in this moment in the history of landscape architecture.

Arnold Arboretum, Hunnewell Building, 125 Arborway.

\$10 for members, \$15 nonmembers, registration is required through The Arnold Arboretum website.

Presented by: The Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University | [www.arboretum.harvard.edu](http://www.arboretum.harvard.edu)

Co-Sponsored by: Friends of Fairsted | [www.friendsoffairsted.org](http://www.friendsoffairsted.org)

## MAY 20

20 | TUES | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour

See entry on page 4 for more information.

20 | TUES | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR

### The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours

See entry on page 4 for more information.

20 | TUES | 12:00 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Tour de Grounds: Individual Downtown Landmarks

Special midday tour of select individual downtown landmarks led by **Elizabeth Stifel**, Boston Landmarks Commission staff architect. See entry on page 2 for more information about this unique tour series.

Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.

Free and open to the public.

As no more than 30 participants may be accommodated, pre-registration is required.

Presented by: Boston Landmarks Commission & local historic district commissions staff |

[www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks)

Contact [elizabeth.stifel@boston.gov](mailto:elizabeth.stifel@boston.gov) before May 16 to reserve a place.



**20 | TUES | 5:00 to 6:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **What's So Special about Newbury Street?**

You're hardly a stranger to Newbury Street. You seem to live your life in and out of its many restaurants and sidewalk cafés, not to mention its countless shops, galleries, salons, and spas catering to every taste, trend and mood. You've noticed that the street has taken on an international flavor in recent years, as a host of European retailers have opened branches here. And you appreciate the charm of its gardens and trees. So, sure: you know Newbury Street. —But do you really? Unless you understand what made it such an attractive spot for shopping, dining and people-watching in the first place, you might not know Newbury Street as well as you may think. On this ever-popular tour we'll explore the historic origins and visual qualities that have led to its present vitality, and which will continue to shape its vibrant future.

Tour will be led by **William Young**, Assistant Director for Historic Districts.

Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.

Free and open to the public.

As no more than 30 participants may be accommodated, pre-registration is required.

Co-sponsoring organizations may, at their discretion, accord their members priority reservations.

Presented by: Back Bay Architectural Commission | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/backbay.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/backbay.asp)

Co-Sponsored by: Back Bay Association | [www.bostonbackbay.com](http://www.bostonbackbay.com)

Newbury Street League | [www.newburystreetleague.org](http://www.newburystreetleague.org)

Contact [megmc@bostonbackbay.com](mailto:megmc@bostonbackbay.com) before 13 May to reserve a place.

Contact [william.young@boston.gov](mailto:william.young@boston.gov) for more information.

**20 | TUES | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

## **MAY 21**

**21 | WED | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**21 | WED | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

### **The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**21 | WED | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**21 | WED | 7:00 PM | PRESENTATION**

**Using Laser Technology as a Preservation Tool**

**Michael Feldman**, president of Feldman Land Surveyors, will give a presentation on his company's use of three-dimensional laser scans of historic sites. Feldman will share his company's techniques while showing examples of recent work. He will discuss how these renderings play a crucial role in modern renovations of historic sites.

The Metropolitan Waterworks Museum, 2450 Beacon St., Chestnut Hill.  
\$5 per person.

Presented by: The Metropolitan Waterworks Museum | [www.waterworksmuseum.org](http://www.waterworksmuseum.org)  
Contact: Lauren Kaufmann | [info@waterworksmuseum.org](mailto:info@waterworksmuseum.org) | (617) 277-0065

**22 | THURS | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

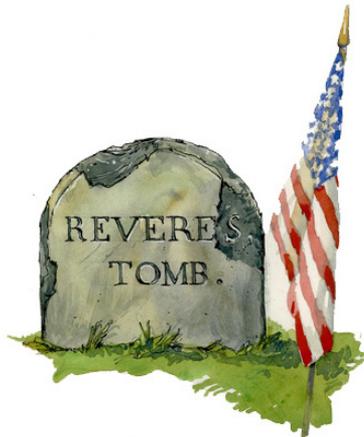
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**MAY 22**

**22 | THURS | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

**The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 3 for more information.



*Image courtesy of: The Freedom Trail*

## 22 | THURS | 5:00 to 6:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Filling the Flat: Beacon Hill's Western Expansion

You may have heard that Bostonians of years past enthusiastically embarked on landmaking ventures, expanding the City's coastlines to make way for development. But do you know that Charles Street lies on land that was once beyond the shoreline? The western expansion of Beacon Hill onto the tidal flats of the Charles River provided a foundation for residential and commercial expansion, and later for portions of the Esplanade and Storrow Drive. The Flat of the Hill now contains an eclectic array of buildings, early examples of adaptive reuse, and a vibrant commercial district. From tidal flat to historic district, the Flat of the Hill continues its evolution to the current day. Join City of Boston Preservation Planner **Erin Doherty** to investigate the history of this transformation.

Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.  
Free and open to the public, pre-registration is requested.

Presented by: City of Boston Preservation Planner Erin Doherty | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/beaconhill.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/beaconhill.asp)

Contact [erin.doherty@boston.gov](mailto:erin.doherty@boston.gov) before May 19 to reserve a place.

## 22 | THURS | 5:00 to 6:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### South by Southwest: A View from the Park

Think every brick row house is the same? Think again. This tour will explore the similarities and differences between one of Boston's largest landmark districts, the South End Landmark District, and one of its smallest, the Saint Botolph Architectural Conservation District, all from the vantage point of the Southwest Corridor Park and St. Botolph Street. In addition to the high-stooped bow-fronted row house that typifies much of the area, there are abundant examples of other styles and types throughout. These include



flat-fronted Italianates that would be at home in Brooklyn, and Second Empire houses whose faceted bays seem to have wandered over from Beacon Street. Fanciful Queen Anne and chaste Classical Revival houses are to be found as well, enriching the mix. Tour will be led by **Meghan Hanrahan Richard**, Preservation Planner, South End Landmark District and Saint Botolph Architectural Conservation District.

Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.  
Free and open to the public, pre-registration is required as group size is limited.

Presented by: City of Boston Preservation Planner Meghan Hanrahan Richard | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/southend.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/southend.asp) | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/botolph.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/botolph.asp)  
Contact [meghan.hanrahan@boston.gov](mailto:meghan.hanrahan@boston.gov) by May 19 to reserve a place or for more information.

**22 | THURS | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**22 | THURS | 7:00 PM | ANNUAL MEETING AND PRESENTATION**

**Brighton-Allston Historical Society Annual Meeting**

The Brighton-Allston Historical Society will hold its annual meeting, featuring the presentation, "A Revisit to Women's Heritage in Brighton & Allston."

Brighton Allston Congregational Church, 404 Washington Street, Brighton Center.  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: Brighton-Allston Historical Society | [www.bahistory.org](http://www.bahistory.org)

## MAY 23

**23 | FRI | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**23 | FRI | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

**The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**23 | FRI | 1:00 to 2:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's North End Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**23 | FRI | 1:00 to 3:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

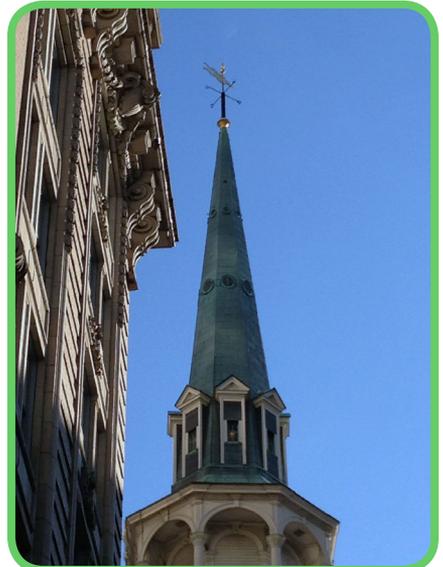
**Boston By Foot's The Road to Revolution Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**23 | FRI | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Victorian Back Bay Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.



**23 | FRI | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**23 | FRI | 6:00 to 7:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's The Dark Side of Boston Tour**

See entry on page 8 for more information.

## MAY 24

**24 | SAT | 10:00 to 11:00 AM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Boston By Little Feet Tour**

See entry on page 9 for more information.

**24 | SAT | 10:00 to 11:30 AM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Literary Landmarks Tour**

See entry on page 10 for more information.

**24 | SAT | 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's The Road to Revolution Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**24 | SAT | 11:00 AM | WALKING TOUR**

**Stony Brook, Jamaica Plain**

A fascinating former industrial area that includes 19th-century factory and brewery buildings, the homes of early German settlers and today's Boston Beer Company. In the 1970s a coalition of community groups blocked construction of the Southwest Expressway through this area. Tours last between 60-90 minutes and are cancelled in case of heavy rain.

Meet your guide outside the Stony Brook Orange Line stop, Boylston St., Jamaica Plain. Free and open to the public.

Presented by: Jamaica Plain Historical Society | [www.jpshs.org](http://www.jpshs.org)

**24 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's North End Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**24 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Historic New England's Beacon Hill Walking Tour**

See entry on page 12 for more information.

**24 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

**The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**24 | SAT | 12:00 to 3:00 PM, continuously | PROGRAM**

**Treasure or Trouble Gallery Program**

See entry on page 13 for more information.

**24 | SAT | 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**24 | SAT | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**24 | SAT | 3:00 PM | TOUR**

**Old State House Preservation Tour**

See entry on page 14 for more information.

**24 | SAT | 4:00 to 5:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Victorian Back Bay Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**24 | SAT | 6:00 to 7:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's The Dark Side of Boston Tour**

See entry on page 8 for more information.



## MAY 25

**25 | SUN | 10:00 to 11:30 AM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**25 | SUN | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Victorian Back Bay Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**25 | SUN | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

### **The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**25 | SUN | 1:00 to 2:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Boston By Little Feet Tour**

See entry on page 9 for more information.

**25 | SUN | 1:00 to 3:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's The Road to Revolution Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**25 | SUN | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**25 | SUN | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Commonwealth Avenue – Boston's Grand Boulevard**

Boston's grand boulevard, Commonwealth Avenue, provides one of the city's most enduringly popular strolls. The tour parallels the 19th-century filling and development of the Back Bay from its origin at Arlington Street. The Avenue and its Promenade were planned to elegantly complement the transformation of the newly filled Back Bay into an upscale neighborhood.

Meet your guide at the George Washington Statue in the Public Garden at the corner of Arlington and Commonwealth Avenues.

\$15 per person, \$5 for Boston By Foot members.

Presented by: Boston By Foot | [www.bostonbyfoot.org](http://www.bostonbyfoot.org)

Contact: [info@bostonbyfoot.org](mailto:info@bostonbyfoot.org) | (617) 367-2345

**25 | SUN | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Reinventing Boston: A City Engineered**

See entry on page 16 for more information.

**25 | SUN | 6:00 to 7:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's The Dark Side of Boston Tour**

See entry on page 8 for more information.

## MAY 26

**26 | MON | 9:00 AM | COMMEMORATION**

**Paying Tribute to Local Veterans**

Join the William E. Carter American Legion Post No. 16 in honoring our local veterans by distributing flags and visiting the graves at the historic Mt. Hope Cemetery in Mattapan.

Mt. Hope Cemetery, Mattapan.  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: William E. Carter American Legion Post No. 16  
Contact: Bob Workman | [nomobills@aol.com](mailto:nomobills@aol.com) | (617) 510-9197



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**26 | MON | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**26 | MON | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

**The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**26 | MON | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**MAY 27**

**27 | TUES | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**27 | TUES | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

**The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**27 | TUES | 12:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Tour de Grounds: Beacon Hill**

Special midday tour of Beacon Hill led by **Erin Doherty**, Beacon Hill Architectural Commission staff. See entry on page 2 for more information about this unique tour series.

Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.

Free and open to the public.

As no more than 30 participants may be accommodated, pre-registration is required.

Presented by: Boston Landmarks Commission & local historic district commissions staff |

[www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks)

Contact [erin.doherty@boston.gov](mailto:erin.doherty@boston.gov) before May 23rd to reserve a place.



**27 | TUES | 5:00 to 6:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Circling the Squares: Open Space in the South End**

Situated among the Victorian row house architecture of the South End Landmark District, lie some of Boston's most interesting parks and open space. From the neighborhood's beginnings, a passion for the landscape within the South End was evident, as planners carefully considered proximity of open park space or the presence of a fenced-in "English" park found on some of the short residential blocks. In true Boston fashion, few of these squares actually resemble their geometric form. From the Charles Bulfinch conceived Blackstone and Franklin Squares, to Union Park, Rutland, and Worcester Squares, and finally to some of the more recent, smaller open spaces nestled among brick row houses, this tour will explore the unity of landscape and architecture in this large historic district. Tour will be led by **Meghan Hanrahan Richard**, Preservation Planner, South End Landmark District.

Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.

Free and open to the public, pre-registration is required as group size is limited.

Presented by: City of Boston Preservation Planner Meghan Hanrahan Richard | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/southend.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/southend.asp)

Co-Sponsored by: The South End Historical Society | [www.southendhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.southendhistoricalsociety.org)

Contact [meghan.hanrahan@boston.gov](mailto:meghan.hanrahan@boston.gov) before May 23 to reserve a place or for more information.

**27 | TUES | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

## MAY 28

**28 | WED | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**28 | WED | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

**The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**28 | WED | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**28 | WED | 6:00 to 8:00 PM | LECTURE**

### **The Landscape Legacy of Chestnut Hill Reservoir**

In addition to its significant role in early Boston water supply, the Chestnut Hill Reservoir was a popular public park since its inception. Designed landscapes of formal grassed banks, picturesque rock outcroppings, meadows, and woodlands and rich architectural features attracted city dwellers for leisurely walks and carriage rides. Today the Chestnut Hill Reservoir Historic District is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and it is a designated City of Boston Landmark. Discover the fascinating design history of the Chestnut Hill Reservoir, constructed at the height of Boston's "Golden Age." In celebration of Massachusetts Preservation Month, join the Waterworks Museum and Department of Conservation and Recreation in a one hour lecture in the Overlook Gallery of the Waterworks Museum, followed by a one hour leisurely stroll along the banks of the reservoir to look at historic restoration efforts in progress.

Meet at Waterworks Museum at 2450 Beacon Street in Boston. Parking is limited. There are only 30 parking spaces in the Waterworks complex allocated for exclusive use by the Museum. Please park in spaces labeled "Museum Visitor." Public transportation encouraged.

Presented by: The Metropolitan Waterworks Museum | [www.waterworksmuseum.org](http://www.waterworksmuseum.org)  
MA Department of Conservation and Recreation | [www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr](http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr)  
Contact: Lauren Kaufmann | [info@waterworksmuseum.org](mailto:info@waterworksmuseum.org) | (617) 277-0065



*Image courtesy of: Metropolitan Waterworks Museum*

## **MAY 29**

**29 | THURS | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**29 | THURS | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

### **The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**29 | THURS | 5:00 to 6:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

### **A Green Colonnade: The Commonwealth Avenue Mall**

Conceived as the centerpiece of a grand boulevard meant to rival those of Second Empire Paris, the Commonwealth Avenue Mall was an integral feature of the original Back Bay plan of 1858. Extending ten blocks, from Arlington Street to Kenmore Square, this linear park is today both the verdant heart of the neighborhood and a vital link in the Emerald Necklace, connecting the Public Garden and Common to the east with the Fens and Franklin Park to the west. One hundred feet wide and studded with distinguished memorial statuary beneath a canopy of ornamental trees, the Mall we know and cherish may, in fact, owe as much to the twentieth and twenty-first centuries as of the nineteenth. Continuously evolving to reflect the changing city around it, the Mall has been prudently husbanded to absorb the addition of new monuments, the introduction of accessibility and the incorporation of lighting, to say nothing of the vigilant management of its plant materials. As a result of such tireless efforts, this much-loved place seems only to grow in beauty and meaning from year to year. Join us as we explore the many ways in which the Mall has become not a facsimile of itself but the ongoing fulfillment of a farsighted vision.



Tour will be led by **William Young**, Assistant Director for Historic Districts, who has staffed the Back Bay Architectural Commission since 1991, and **Margaret Pokorny**, Chair of the Commonwealth Avenue Mall Committee of the Friends of the Public Garden.

Meeting place confirmed at time of reservation.

Free and open to the public.

As no more than 30 participants may be accommodated, pre-registration is required.

Co-sponsoring organizations may, at their discretion, accord their members priority reservations.

Presented by: Back Bay Architectural Commission | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/backbay.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/backbay.asp)

Co-Sponsored by: The Friends of the Public Garden | [www.friendsofthepublicgarden.org](http://www.friendsofthepublicgarden.org)

The Garden Club of the Back Bay | [www.gardenclubbackbay.org](http://www.gardenclubbackbay.org)

The Neighborhood Association of the Back Bay | [www.nabbonline.com](http://www.nabbonline.com)

Contact [info@nabbonline.org](mailto:info@nabbonline.org) before May 22 to reserve a place.

Contact [william.young@boston.gov](mailto:william.young@boston.gov) for more information.

*Image courtesy of: Boston Public Library*

**29 | THURS | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

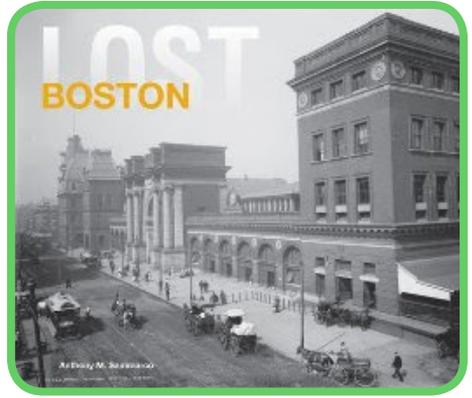
### **Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

### Lost Boston – A New Book Talk with Anthony Sammarco

In 1876 the Old South Meeting House was auctioned off for the value of its parts and was being dismantled when people rallied to save it! But other historic structures in Boston have not fared so well. The original Museum of Fine Arts in Copley Square, John Hancock's Beacon Hill mansion, the Huntington Avenue Grounds and the original Boston Opera House are just a few of the places that have been lost to decline or the wrecker's ball in Boston. Discover just how much we have lost when historian Anthony Sammarco takes us on a nostalgic and eye-opening journey to a wide range of Boston places that can no longer be seen. Book sales and signing will follow the lecture. This program is co-sponsored by the Boston Preservation Alliance and made possible with support from the Lowell Institute. Light refreshments will be served.

Old South Meeting House, 310 Washington St.  
at the intersection of Milk St.  
Free and open to the public.



*Image courtesy of: Old South Meeting House*

Presented by: Old South Meeting House | [www.osmh.org](http://www.osmh.org)  
Co-Sponsor: Boston Preservation Alliance | [www.bostonpreservation.org](http://www.bostonpreservation.org)  
Contact: Erica Lindamood | [elindamood@osmh.org](mailto:elindamood@osmh.org) | (617) 482-6439

## MAY 30

30 | FRI | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour

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30 | FRI | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR

### The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours

See entry on page 4 for more information.

30 | FRI | 1:00 to 2:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's North End Tour

See entry on page 7 for more information.

30 | FRI | 1:00 to 3:00 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's The Road to Revolution Tour

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**30 | FRI | 2:00 to 3:00 PM | TOUR**

**Restoring the Fort Hill Standpipe (Rapunzel's Tower)**

Tour and informative session regarding recent renovations to the Fort Hill Standpipe, led by City of Boston Property and Construction Management Department Project Manager **Leo Murphy**.

Fort Hill Standpipe, Highland Park.  
Free and open to the public.

Presented by: City of Boston Property and Construction Management Department | [www.cityofboston.gov/propertymanagement](http://www.cityofboston.gov/propertymanagement)  
Contact: Alistair Lucks | [alistair.lucks@boston.gov](mailto:alistair.lucks@boston.gov) | (617) 635-3400

**30 | FRI | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Victorian Back Bay Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**30 | FRI | 5:30 to 7:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

**30 | FRI | 6:00 to 7:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's The Dark Side of Boston Tour**

See entry on page 8 for more information.

## MAY 31

**31 | SAT | 10:00 to 11:00 AM | WALKING TOUR**

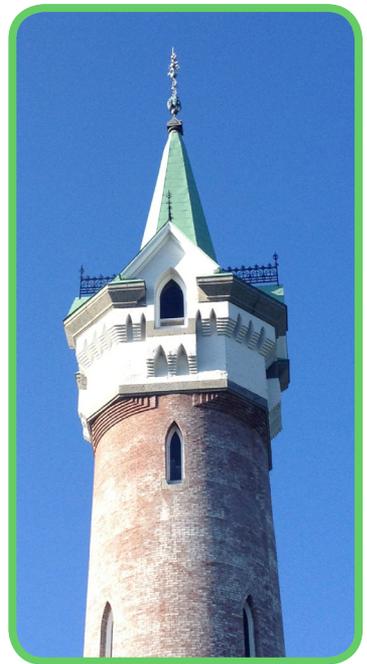
**Boston By Foot's Boston By Little Feet Tour**

See entry on page 9 for more information.

**31 | SAT | 10:00 to 11:30 AM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Literary Landmarks Tour**

See entry on page 10 for more information.



*Image courtesy of: City of Boston Property and Construction Management Department*

**31 | SAT | 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's The Road to Revolution Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**31 | SAT | 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM | SUMMIT**

**Greenovate Boston Community Summit**

The Summit will include world-class speakers, interactive workshops and trainings, and a Marketplace of Ideas to showcase local innovations products, and services. This day-long event will help gather input and ideas from the community for the 2014 Climate Action Plan Update, which is due for completion by the end of the year.

Location TBD, please check our website for updates:

[www.summit.greenovateboston.org](http://www.summit.greenovateboston.org)

Free and open to the public.

Presented by: City of Boston | [www.cityofboston.gov](http://www.cityofboston.gov)

Contact: Leah Bamberger | [leah.bamberger@boston.gov](mailto:leah.bamberger@boston.gov) | (617) 635-3425



**31 | SAT | 11:00 AM | WALKING TOUR**

**Hyde Square, Jamaica Plain**

This tour includes a worker's utopia project and discusses the evolution of this neighborhood from farms to a German immigrant enclave to the current "Latin Quarter" of Boston. Tours last between 60-90 minutes and are cancelled in case of heavy rain.

Meet your guide outside Sorellas, 388 Centre Street, Jamaica Plain.

Free and open to the public.

Presented by: Jamaica Plain Historical Society | [www.jpshs.org](http://www.jpshs.org)

**31 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's North End Tour**

See entry on page 7 for more information.

**31 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Historic New England's Beacon Hill Walking Tour**

See entry on page 12 for more information.

**31 | SAT | 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, every hour on the hour | WALKING TOUR**

**The Freedom Trail's Walk Into History Tours**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**31 | SAT | 12:00 to 3:00 PM, continuously | PROGRAM**

**Treasure or Trouble Gallery Program**

See entry on page 13 for more information.

**31 | SAT | 1:00 to 2:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Heart of the Freedom Trail Tour**

See entry on page 4 for more information.

**31 | SAT | 1:30 to 4:00 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Charlestown Navy Yard Walking Tour**

**Jack Glassman** again leads architecture, history and preservation enthusiasts through the captivating stronghold offering expert insight to the many historically significant and charming spaces of the Charlestown Navy Yard. Additional details and a rain date will be announced on The Charlestown Preservation Society's website prior to the event.

Meet your guide in the courtyard at 1 First Avenue, Charlestown.

Presented by: The Charlestown Preservation Society | [www.charlestownpreservation.org](http://www.charlestownpreservation.org)  
Contact: Nick K. | [info@charlestownpreservation.org](mailto:info@charlestownpreservation.org) | (617) 241-7500



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**31 | SAT | 2:00 to 3:30 PM | WALKING TOUR**

**Boston By Foot's Beacon Hill Tour**

See entry on page 5 for more information.

31 | SAT | 3:00 PM | TOUR

### Old State House Preservation Tour

See entry on page 14 for more information.

31 | SAT | 3:00 to 4:30 PM | LECTURE

### The Triple-Decker: New England's Iconic Multi-Family Housing

A dominant presence in neighborhoods across New England, the triple-decker is the region's iconic multiple-family housing type. But where did they come from and why did we stop building them? In this illustrated lecture, Historic New England Senior Preservation Services Manager **Sally Zimmerman** explores the origins and design of triple-deckers, the push to ban them in the early twentieth century, and their place in the social and architectural history of New England's urban landscape. Light reception to follow at Historic New England's nearby Pierce House.

Adams Street Branch Library, 690 Adams St., Dorchester.  
Free and open to the public, registration is required.

Presented by: Historic New England | [www.historicnewengland.org](http://www.historicnewengland.org)

Boston Public Library | [www.bpl.org](http://www.bpl.org)

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31 | SAT | 4:00 to 5:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's Victorian Back Bay Tour

See entry on page 7 for more information.

31 | SAT | 6:00 to 7:30 PM | WALKING TOUR

### Boston By Foot's The Dark Side of Boston Tour

See entry on page 8 for more information.

# The City of Boston and the Built and Natural Environment

## Environment Department

The Environment Department aims to protect our built and natural environments and provide information on environmental issues affecting Boston. Sound management and environmental practices will help ensure the future of our livable City. The Department maintains Boston's wealth of historic sites, buildings, landscapes, and waterways through protective designation and review processes. The Department is led by Commissioner **Nancy Girard**.

The Environment Department Oversees:

- **Air Pollution Control Commission** - Protects air quality through air pollution, noise, and parking freeze regulations
- **Boston Landmarks Commission** - Preserves historic properties through planning regulatory review and providing information on best practices
- **Historic District Commissions** - Reviews exterior design changes in nine local Historic Districts
- **Boston Conservation Commission** - Protects and preserves wetlands and Boston's natural areas
- **City Archaeology Program** - Manages the City's archaeological resources and provides outreach on the City's below-ground history
- **Environmental Review / Impact Assessment** - Analyzes development projects for potential environmental impacts

For more information please visit:

[www.cityofboston.gov/environment](http://www.cityofboston.gov/environment)

## Environment, Energy and Open Space Cabinet

The mission of the Environment, Energy and Open Space Cabinet is to preserve and enhance the resources of our built and natural environment, to promote affordable, efficient, reliable and safe energy systems, and to provide clean, green, safe and accessible open space for residents and visitors. The Cabinet is led by **Brian Swett**, Chief of Environment and Energy.

The Cabinet Oversees:

- **The Inspectional Services Department**
- **The Environment Department**
- **The Parks and Recreation Department**
- Programs and policies on energy efficiency, sustainability, green buildings, groundwater, park planning, recycling, renewable energy, and certain transportation issues

For more information please visit:

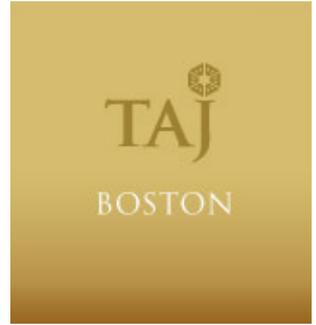
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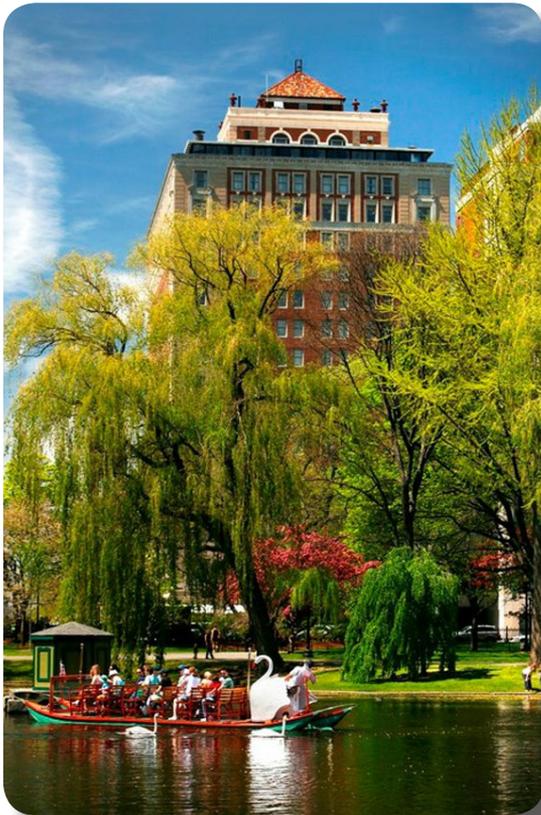
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# About Our Keynote Event Venue

Overlooking the splendors of the Public Garden and discreetly splendid in its own right, the hotel at 15 Arlington Street has been offering legendary hospitality to locals and travelers for more than eighty-five years. Designed by the firm of Strickland, Blodget and Law, the exterior is a study in the delicate Late Georgian or Regency Revival style popular at the time, here cloaked in the favored materials of the New England metropolis. The very symmetry of each ruddy brick elevation and the refined, low-relief carving of the limestone detail identify the architecture's time and place. It is an echo of the Jazz Age, to be sure, but the tune is a graceful foxtrot played by a society orchestra.



Two hundred feet (18 stories) tall, with more than 300 rooms, it was then the largest building the Back Bay had seen and an immediate triumph when it opened, as the original Ritz-Carlton, in the spring of 1927. Although the stock market crash soon threatened its early promise, the hotel succeeded in keeping the lights on throughout the Great Depression. In so doing, it earned the affection of Bostonians who had always understood the importance of keeping up appearances.



After operating for seven decades under its original name, the time-honored hotel opened an exciting new chapter in 2006 with its acquisition by Taj Hotels, Resorts and Palaces. This celebrated international chain, founded in India in 1903, now numbers among its large portfolio some of the most luxurious and exotic establishments in the world. Readily appealing to the company's affinity for distinguished historic properties, the hotel re-launched as the Taj Boston continues to attract Bostonians and visitors who appreciate the best in accommodation and service.

We are grateful to general manager **Karambir Singh Kang** and his attentive staff for their generosity in hosting our Preservation Month 2014 Keynote Event. Please join us as we wish them many years of continued success here at the edge of the Public Garden, in the heart of Boston.

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# Special Thanks To Our Participating Organizations!

Aberdeen Architectural Conservation District Commission | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/aberdeem.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/aberdeem.asp)

The Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University | [www.arboretum.harvard.edu](http://www.arboretum.harvard.edu)

Back Bay Architectural Commission | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/backbay.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/backbay.asp)

Back Bay Association | [www.bostonbackbay.com](http://www.bostonbackbay.com)

Bayridge Residence & Cultural Center | [www.bayridgeresidence.org](http://www.bayridgeresidence.org)

Bay Village Historic District Commission | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/bayvillage.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/bayvillage.asp)

Bay Village Neighborhood Association | [www.bayvillage.net](http://www.bayvillage.net)

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Boston Landmarks Commission | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks)

Boston Preservation Alliance | [www.bostonpreservation.org](http://www.bostonpreservation.org)

The Bostonian Society | [www.bostonhistory.org](http://www.bostonhistory.org)

Boston Public Library | [www.bpl.org](http://www.bpl.org)

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Campaign for the Ayer Mansion | [www.ayermansion.org](http://www.ayermansion.org)

The Charlestown Historical Society | [www.charlestownhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.charlestownhistoricalsociety.org)

The Charlestown Preservation Society | [www.charlestownpreservation.org](http://www.charlestownpreservation.org)

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The City of Boston Archaeology Program | [www.cityofboston.gov/archaeology](http://www.cityofboston.gov/archaeology)

The City of Boston Department of Parks & Recreation | [www.cityofboston.gov/parks](http://www.cityofboston.gov/parks)

The City of Boston Property and Construction Management Department | [www.cityofboston.gov/propertymanagement](http://www.cityofboston.gov/propertymanagement)

DOCOMOMO-US / New England Chapter | [www.docomomo-us.org/new\\_england](http://www.docomomo-us.org/new_england)

The Dorchester Historical Society | [www.dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org)

The Emerald Necklace Conservancy | [www.emeraldnecklace.org](http://www.emeraldnecklace.org)

The Freedom Trail Foundation | [www.thefreedomtrail.org](http://www.thefreedomtrail.org)

Fort Point Arts Community | [www.fortpointarts.org](http://www.fortpointarts.org)

Friends of City Square Park | [www.citysquarepark.org](http://www.citysquarepark.org)

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The Garden Club of the Back Bay | [www.gardenclubbackbay.org](http://www.gardenclubbackbay.org)

The Gibson House Museum | [www.thegibsonhouse.org](http://www.thegibsonhouse.org)

Historic New England | [www.historicnewengland.org](http://www.historicnewengland.org)

Jamaica Plain Historical Society | [www.jphs.org](http://www.jphs.org)

The Jamaica Plain Tuesday Club | [www.loring-greenough.org](http://www.loring-greenough.org)

Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation | [www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr](http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr)

The Metropolitan Waterworks Museum | [www.waterworksmuseum.org](http://www.waterworksmuseum.org)

National Park Service | [www.bostonharborislands.org](http://www.bostonharborislands.org)

The Neighborhood Association of the Back Bay | [www.nabbonline.com](http://www.nabbonline.com)

Newbury Street League | [www.newburystreetleague.org](http://www.newburystreetleague.org)

The Nichols House Museum | [www.nicholshousemuseum.org](http://www.nicholshousemuseum.org)

The North Bennet Street School | [www.nbss.edu](http://www.nbss.edu)

Old North Foundation | [www.oldnorth.com](http://www.oldnorth.com)

Old South Meeting House | [www.osmh.org](http://www.osmh.org)

Old State House | [www.revolutionaryboston.org](http://www.revolutionaryboston.org)

The Parish of All Saints | [www.allsaints.net](http://www.allsaints.net)

Preservation Massachusetts | [www.preservationmass.org](http://www.preservationmass.org)

Roslindale Village Main Street | [www.roslindale.net](http://www.roslindale.net)

Saint Botolph Architectural Conservation District | [www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/botolph.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/landmarks/historic/botolph.asp)

Saint Mark's Area Main Streets | [www.smams.org](http://www.smams.org)

The South End Historical Society | [www.southendhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.southendhistoricalsociety.org)

The Swan Boats of Boston | [www.swanboats.com](http://www.swanboats.com)

Taj Boston | [www.tajhotels.com/boston](http://www.tajhotels.com/boston)

UMass Amherst | [www.umass.edu](http://www.umass.edu)

UMass Boston | [www.umb.edu](http://www.umb.edu)

United States Coast Guard | [www.uscg.mil](http://www.uscg.mil)

The Victorian Society in America / New England Chapter | [www.victoriansocietynewengland.org](http://www.victoriansocietynewengland.org)

West End Museum | [www.thewestendmuseum.org](http://www.thewestendmuseum.org)

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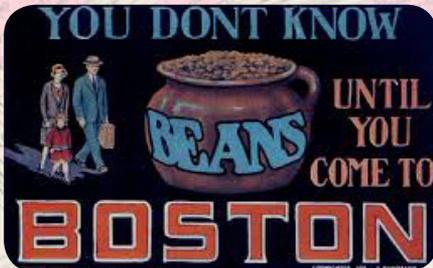
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***Thank You for your Service to  
the City of Boston!***

Having led the City of Boston's preservation planning team from 1992 to 2014, Ellen has announced her intention to retire later this year. Under her tenure the Boston Landmarks Commission has enacted thirty designations, including two local districts; spearheaded the adoption of Article 85, the City-wide Demolition Delay policy; protected countless significant properties from destruction or inappropriate alteration; and expanded the scope and influence of historic preservation into every corner of Boston.

A native of Illinois and graduate of Indiana University, Ellen came to Boston to pursue her Master's Degree in Historic Preservation at Boston University. After working as a consultant for the Landmarks Commission in its early years, she began her official career with the City as a planner for the Department of Parks and Recreation. There she headed the Historic Burying Grounds Initiative prior to rejoining the Boston Landmarks Commission as its Executive Director in 1992. Her efforts on behalf of the City were recognized in 2012 by the Boston Municipal Research Bureau with a Henry L. Shattuck Public Service Award.



As Ellen prepares to leave City Hall, we thank her for her many years of tireless leadership, which will be of lasting benefit to Boston and its residents, present and future. We are honored to dedicate our Preservation Month 2014 programs to Ellen Lipsey, who personifies dedication.

# Boston Landmarks Commission and Environment Department Events

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