

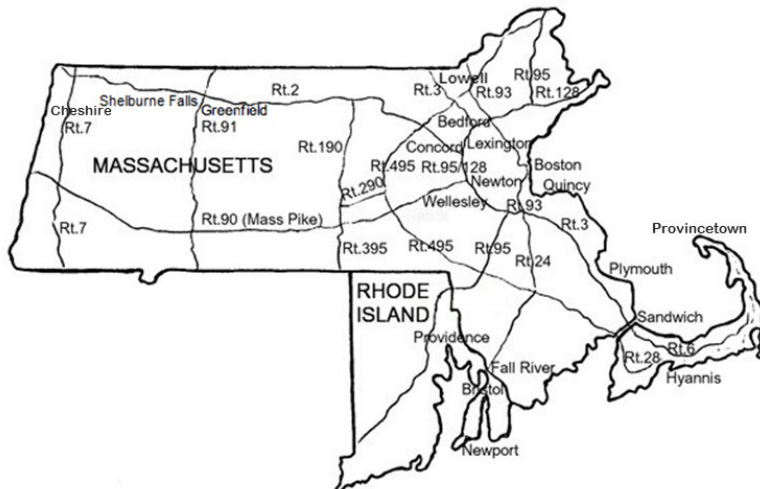
## Hidden Gems/Special Places Capital City Walk in Boston, Massachusetts 11km & 5km routes

**EVENT ID:** 2026 / Y3782

**OPEN:** January 1 to December 31, 2026

**TRAIL DESCRIPTION:** Boston, known as “America’s Walking City,” is steeped in history and tradition. The trails follow downtown city streets and walkways, exploring a plethora of historic sites, monuments, museums, and landmarks.

The Hidden Gems/Special Places walk routes visit some of Boston’s hidden gems (places not part of our YRE Back Bay or Freedom Trail routes) in this visually rich and walkable city.



The 11km & 5km routes explore such highlights as the Esplanade along the Charles River, including the Hatch Memorial Shell famous for its summer concerts; Bay Village consisting of small brick 19th century homes, which were bought and restored when houses on Beacon Hill became more expensive; the Armory, a four-story granite structure with a six-story tower designed by William G. Peterson; and the New Old South Church built in 1875.

Some of the additional sights to be seen on the 11km route include the Church of the Advent built in 1879; the elegant Harrison Gray Otis House; Custom House Tower; Liberty Square with its statue honoring the 1956 Hungarian Revolution; the site where Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone; and Chinatown.

The AVA rating for both routes is 1A and would be doable for strollers, but not wheelchairs. There is one set of stairs along with occasionally uneven sidewalks or missing curb cuts.

**TRAIL RATING:** Both walk routes have an AVA rating of 1A, suitable for strollers but difficult for wheelchairs.

### AVA SPECIAL PROGRAMS:

- Anniversaries Hurrah
- Par-For-The-Course
- State Capital: Massachusetts
- Step to the Beat
- Walking the USA A – Z: B for Boston
- Walking with America’s Veterans (statue of Patton)
- Walking with the Wild Things (11km only)
- Washington-Rochambeau National Historic Trail

**REGISTRATION:** IVV Credit is available with online registration only (<https://my.ava.org>). All walkers must pay the nominal participant fee through OSB, whether getting IVV Credit or not.

**AWARD:** The award is a fully embroidered patch featuring the iconic Old State House, built in 1713, and the newer, gold-domed State House, built in 1798. **To purchase an award, please send a SASE with check payable to Walk 'n Mass Volkssport Club for \$4.00 to Carol Giesecke, 4 Upton St., Cambridge, MA 02139.**



**START ADDRESS:** The walk routes begin from **Prudential Center, 800 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02199**. See their website for open dates/hours: <https://www.prudentialcenter.com/>.

**RESTROOMS:** Public restrooms may be found in the Prudential Center. Other public restroom options along the route may be limited.

**GROUP WALK START POINT:** *See [walknmass.org](http://walknmass.org) for dates of Group Walks.* Inside the Pru at the tables across from the Post Office (Belvidere Arcade). From 800 Boylston Street entrance, proceed up the stairs/escalator and STRAIGHT to Center Court, then RIGHT passing Pru Tower and South Garden. LEFT at Dunkin' keeping South Garden on your left. Restrooms to the right of the Post Office.

**PARKING:** **Expensive and challenging but street parking in downtown Boston is FREE on Sundays!** (Observe stipulations regarding parking noted on signs.) **Best nearby options are generally on Boylston or side streets and then walk to Pru entrance at #800.**

**Public parking garages** convenient to the walk start point are available under the Prudential Center (entrances at 800 Boylston St, 111 Huntington Ave (right at the top of the exit ramp from I-90 East), and 35 Dalton St.); Copley Place Central Garage; Back Bay Garage; and 100 Clarendon St. Garage. Rates may be lower on weekends.

#### **DRIVING DIRECTIONS:**

**From the West:** \*\*Follow I-90 (Mass Turnpike) to the Prudential Center at exit 133. At top of ramp, continue STRAIGHT on Huntington Ave. to first traffic light. First RIGHT onto Belvidere Street. First RIGHT onto Dalton Street to end. RIGHT onto Boylston Street. #800 Boylston is on your right between Gloucester and Fairfield Streets.

**From the North:** Take I-95 South (Route 128) to the Mass Turnpike. Follow from \*\* above.

**From the South:** Take I-95 North (Route 128) to the Mass Turnpike. Follow from \*\* above.

#### **PUBLIC TRANSIT DIRECTIONS:**

Highly recommended! Boston has an excellent subway system with several stations near the start (take Green Line E to Prudential, Commuter Rail or Orange Line to Back Bay Station). For information: [www.mbta.com](http://www.mbta.com)

**From the West (I-95/Rt. 128):** Take Exit 38 (Grove St.). Follow signs for Riverside (Green Line). All day parking is \$6.00. For fare information, see [www.mbta.com](http://www.mbta.com) Hotel Indigo is adjacent to the station.

**From the North:** Park at Wonderland Station (Blue Line) on Rt. 1A in Revere.

**From the South:** Park at Quincy Adams Station (Red Line) at I-93 and Rt. 3 in Quincy. Change to Orange Line at Downtown Crossing.

**From the Northwest:** Park at Alewife Station (Red Line) at the junction of Rts. 2 and 16 in Cambridge. Change to Orange Line at Downtown Crossing.

**By Commuter Rail from the Suburbs:** From North Station, take the Green Line E to Prudential or Orange Line to Back Bay Station. For South Station terminus routes, get off at Back Bay Station & walk to the Pru at 800 Boylston Street.

**REMEMBER:** You must log back into the Online Start Box at <https://my.ava.org> to finish online registration procedure after completing this event. Any checkpoints noted in the walk directions are for your own amusement/education and are not validated in OSB.

### **In case of Emergency Dial 911**

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<https://walknmass.org>



# Boston, Hidden Gems YRE

11km and 5km routes



**NOTE:** If you don't need a restroom (inside the Prudential Center), start on Bolyston Street at Step 4, with Prudential Building at your back.

1. With the Post Office inside the Pru at your back, turn **LEFT** to Dunkin' Donuts.  
**(Restrooms** and a water bottle filling station are to the right of the Post Office, after Tree House Brewing Co.)
2. Turn **RIGHT** in front of Dunkin' Donuts to Center Court.
3. Upon reaching Center Court, turn **LEFT** past stores, down escalator and out to Boylston St.
4. **RIGHT** on Boylston St for a short distance to the first crosswalk.
5. **LEFT** to CROSS Boylston St; turn **RIGHT** on Boylston to Fairfield St.
6. **LEFT** on Fairfield St to the end.
7. At the end of Fairfield St., **GO UP** the ramp ahead of you across the street to use the pedestrian bridge to cross over Storrow Drive towards the Charles River.
8. At the bottom of the bridge, turn **LEFT** and **CONTINUE** toward the river over the small bridge. Bear **RIGHT** and walk with the river on your left for about ¾ of a mile. (*Note 8-Fiedler Head*)
9. (*1st Note 9-Hatch Memorial Shell*) **CROSS** in front of the Hatch Memorial Shell (outdoor concert platform), pass in front of the statues of Generals George S. Patton and Charles Devens (*2nd Note 9-Charles Devens, Jr.*).  
Bear **LEFT** at the statue of Senator David Walsh to enter the Arthur Fiedler Footbridge (*3rd Note 9-Fiedler Footbridge*) and **CROSS OVER** Storrow Dr. 2.4km

**5km and 11km routes split.** 5km route continues in inset directly below; 11km route continues at #10.

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**5km walkers**

- At the bottom of the footbridge ramp, walk **STRAIGHT** ahead to Beacon St.
- **LEFT** on Beacon St (*Note 11-Cheers*) to Charles St.
- **RIGHT** to CROSS Beacon St and **CONTINUE** on Charles St (*Note 12a-Boston Common and Boston Public Garden*) to Stuart St.
- **RIGHT** on Stuart St (*Note 58-Statler Park fountain*) to Columbus Ave.
- **RIGHT** to **CROSS** Columbus Ave; Turn **LEFT**; **CROSS** Arlington St. (*2nd Note 58-The Armory*), **CONTINUE** on Stuart St (*Note 59-330 Stuart St doorway*) to Dartmouth St.
- **CONTINUE** at **#60** by turning **RIGHT** on **Dartmouth St.**

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**11km walkers**

10. At the bottom of the footbridge ramp, make a U-turn to the **LEFT**. **CROSS** Beaver Place and walk parallel to Storrow Drive for one block on David Mugar Way.
11. **RIGHT** on Chestnut St - one block to Brimmer St.
12. **CROSS** Brimmer St. **LEFT** to cross Chestnut St and **CONTINUE** on Brimmer St. (*Note 12-notable neighbors.*)
13. At the end of Brimmer St, **RIGHT** on Pinckney St (no sign). Follow Pinckney St to Charles St.
14. **CROSS** Charles St; turn **LEFT** on *Charles St to the end, curving around the corner* to the right (CVS on your right) under the rapid transit tracks onto Cambridge St.

15. **CONTINUE** on Cambridge St for one block to Grove St. 3.2k
16. Turn **LEFT** and **CROSS** Cambridge St.
17. **RIGHT** to continue on Cambridge St to #141, the Harrison Gray Otis House (*Notes 17-West End Branch Library; Otis House Museum.*)
18. **CONTINUE** on Cambridge St to Staniford St. **CROSS** Staniford St, turn **LEFT** and **CONTINUE** on Staniford St.
19. **CROSS** Merrimack St and **CONTINUE** a short distance on Staniford St to next intersection.
20. Turn **RIGHT** on Causeway St; **CONTINUE** on Causeway St to Prince St (Prince St is the next street after the major intersection with N. Washington St).
21. Turn **RIGHT** on Prince St to Salem St. (*Note 21-North End Bakeries.*) 4.8k
22. Turn **RIGHT** on Salem St (*Note 22-Italian restaurants*); **CONTINUE** to the end at Cross St.
23. **CROSS** Cross St at the pedestrian light; **CONTINUE** straight ahead on the Freedom Trail (single line of red bricks embedded in walkway) to the next set of lights.
24. **CROSS** Surface Rd. Immediately turn **LEFT** and **CROSS** Hanover St to Blackstone St.
25. **CONTINUE** on Blackstone St (*Note 25-butchers, fruits, vegetables*) to end at North St.
26. Turn **RIGHT** on North St a short distance to Clinton St. Turn **LEFT** and **CROSS** North St using crosswalk. Turn **RIGHT** for a very short distance to Merchant's Row.
27. Turn **LEFT** and **CONTINUE** straight on Merchants Row (SEPHORA on the right, Quincy Market on the left) to State St. (**RESTROOMS in the glassed-in area.**)
28. **CROSS** State St (*Notes 28-architectural features of buildings*). Turn **LEFT** on State St to India St.
29. Turn **RIGHT** on India St (*Note 29- The Custom House*) for one block to Central St.
30. Turn **RIGHT** on Central St (*Note 30-Board of Trade building*) for one block to Broad St (no sign).
31. **CROSS** Broad St. Turn **LEFT** on Broad St for a half block to Water St.
32. **RIGHT** on Water St to Liberty Square.
33. Walk in front of the statue (*Note 33- Revolutionary items*); **CROSS & LEFT** on Kilby St.
34. **CONTINUE** on Kilby St one block to Milk St (no sign; corner building is marked 2 Kilby St)
35. **RIGHT** on Milk St to Pearl St. 6.4k
36. (*Note 36-Post Office Square*) **LEFT** to **CROSS** Milk St and immediate **RIGHT** to **CROSS** Pearl St.
37. (*Note 37-Norman B. Leventhal Park*) **LEFT** for a few steps and then **RIGHT** to enter the brick walkway into the park.
38. **FOLLOW** the brick walkway. Keep the fountain on your left and **bear RIGHT on the 3<sup>rd</sup> walkway** (outdoor seating for restaurant in front of you) to Congress St.
39. **LEFT** on Congress St to Franklin St.
40. (*Note 40-Art Deco building*) **RIGHT** to **CROSS** Congress St. **CONTINUE** on Franklin St (*2<sup>nd</sup> Note 40-site of 1788 ratification of US Constitution*) to Devonshire St.
41. **CROSS** Devonshire St; turn **LEFT**; **CROSS** Franklin St.
42. **CONTINUE** on Devonshire St for one block to Winthrop Ln (no sign).
43. Turn **RIGHT** on Winthrop Ln (*Note 43-"Boston Bricks"*), passing the Boston News Café, for one block to Arch St (no sign).
44. **CROSS** Arch St. Turn **LEFT** on Arch St (passing St. Anthony Shrine on left) to Summer St.

45. **CROSS** Summer St and **LEFT** on Summer St to Lincoln St. (at **87 Summer St** note plaque about **Boston Fire of 1872**).
46. **RIGHT** on Lincoln St to Surface Rd/Essex St.
47. **CROSS** Essex St. **CONTINUE** on Lincoln St through the red gateway entrance to the Chinese Arch at Beach St. (*Note 47-Chinatown.*)
48. Turn **RIGHT** through the Chinese Arch on Beach St to Tyler St.
49. **LEFT** on Tyler St to Kneeland St. 8k
50. **RIGHT** on Kneeland St to Washington St.
51. Turn **LEFT** and **CROSS** Kneeland St. **CONTINUE** on Washington St going through Tufts New England Medical Center (*Note 51-Medical Center and FAO Schwarz bear*) to the traffic light at Oak St West.
52. (*Note 52-South Cove*) Turn **RIGHT** and **CROSS** Washington St; **CONTINUE** on Oak St. West to Tremont St.
53. **CROSS** Tremont St; **angle RIGHT** through Elliot Norton Park (*Note 53-intersection of four Boston neighborhoods*) to Charles St. (no sign)
54. CAREFULLY **CROSS** Charles St. **CONTINUE** on Fayette St (*Note 54-“Bay Village”*) to Church St.
55. **RIGHT** on Church St (*Note 55-raising of the village*) to Piedmont St. (No sign –number 2015 on cornerstone of building across the street.)
56. Turn **LEFT** to **CROSS** Church St. **CONTINUE** on Piedmont St to Arlington St (no sign).
57. Turn **RIGHT** to **CROSS** Piedmont St and **CONTINUE** on Arlington St for one block to Stuart St.
58. (*Note 58-Statler Park fountain*) Turn **LEFT** to **CROSS** Arlington St (*2nd Note 58-The Armory of the First Corps of Cadets*). Turn **RIGHT** to **CROSS** Columbus Ave and Stuart St.
59. Turn **LEFT** on Stuart St (*Note 59-doorway at 330 Stuart St*) to Dartmouth St. 10k
60. **RIGHT** on Dartmouth St to Boylston St. (*1st and 2nd Notes 60-Boston Public Library & New Old South Church.*)
61. **LEFT** to **CROSS** Dartmouth St and **CONTINUE** on Boylston St (*Note 61-boston Marathon memorials*) to the entrance to the Prudential Center after Fairfield St.

☺ Thanks for walking with Walk 'N Mass! ☺

#### AVA SPECIAL PROGRAMS

State Capital	Step to the Beat
Par-For-The-Course	Walking the United States - Capitals
Walking with America's Veterans (statue of Patton, step 9)	
Walking with the Wild Things (11 k only- step 43)	
Washington-Rochambeau National Historic Trail	

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## Notes to accompany Boston Hidden Places 5km/11km

### **(8) Note Fiedler Head facing the Hatch Shell -**

Before you reach the Hatch Shell, look to the right to see the Arthur Fiedler Statue. The aluminum sculpture is made of 83 plates and stands approximately 6.5 ft. tall. It rests on a granite base that is approximately 18 in tall. Fiedler died in 1979 at the age of 84. Headgear for each of Boston's sports teams – the Red Sox, the Patriots and the Bruins have been made for Fiedler and placed on his statue during special tournament games.

**(9) Hatch Memorial Shell -** The summer of 1929 was the first year Arthur Fiedler and the Boston Pops performed on the Esplanade. In 1941, the construction of the new music shell took place with a \$300,000 trust, donated by benefactor Maria Hatch, to build a memorial for her late brother, Edward. Classical, local and international, Oldies, Blues, Jazz, and Rock and Roll performances are held from spring through fall.

**(9) Charles Devens, Jr.** (April 4, 1820 – January 7, 1891) was an American lawyer, jurist and statesman. He also served as a general in the Union Army during the American Civil War. Learn more about Gen Devens at the WnM event at Devens on Saturday, May 15, 2021.

**(9) Fiedler Foot Bridge –** Arthur Fiedler, conductor of the Boston Pops for over five decades, was honored on a U.S. postage stamp in 1997. This footbridge was erected and dedicated in 1953 to the well-known conductor Arthur Fiedler, who led the world-famous Boston Pops Orchestra from 1930 to 1979. Fiedler was well-known and loved in Boston. Under him, the Boston Pops became one of the most recorded classical orchestras at that time, totaling over 50 million recordings sold.

**(11) Cheers, 84 Beacon Street -** Founded in 1969 as the Bull & Finch Pub, this is now known as Cheers on Beacon Hill after it became the inspiration for the setting of the TV show Cheers. Cheers ran for

11 seasons (September, 1982, to May, 1993). Also in 1982, Boston Magazine chose this pub as the “Best Neighborhood Bar” in Boston.

### **(12a) Boston Common and Boston Public Garden -**

On your left is Boston Common, which was founded in 1634 and continues to be a gathering place for free speech and public assembly. On your right is the Boston Public Garden, the first public botanical garden in America. It was established in 1837 when philanthropist Horace Gray petitioned for use of the land as a public garden. It was designated a Boston Landmark by Boston Landmarks Commission in 1977; in 1987 it was identified as a national historic landmark. It is home to permanent and seasonal plantings; native and introduced trees; statues and monuments including Nancy Schon's Make Way for Ducklings; and the swan boats for people to get in and be paddled around the pond.

**(12) Brimmer Street -** The church of the Advent was built in 1879. Among its neighbors have been historian Samuel Eliot Morison (#44); Justice Louis Brandeis (across for #44 at 6 Otis Place); former Boston Mayor Kevin White (across from the church at 158 Mt. Vernon); author Henry James (around the corner from the church at 131 Mt. Vernon); and Admiral Richard Byrd, first to fly to both the North and South Poles, (#9 Brimmer).

### **(17) West End Branch Library, 151 Cambridge**

**Street -** Library service in the West End neighborhood began on February 8, 1896, in the Old West Church on the corner of Cambridge and Lynde Streets. In 1960, it moved to the corner of Cambridge and Joy Streets and then in 1968 to this current location.

**(17) Otis House Museum – 141 Cambridge Street -** 1796 federal style mansion built for Harrison Gray Otis, a former Boston Mayor and U. S. Senator.

Open for guided tours discussing post-revolutionary times.

**(21) Prince and Salem Streets** - *Bova's 24-hour bakery, noted for its outstanding bread, is on the corner at 134 Salem Street. Family-owned and operated since 1926, Bova's Bakery is notable, not only for its excellent breads and pastries, but for being open 24 hours a day. The other surviving historic North End bakery is Parziale's at 80 Prince Street. Note kitchen utensils buried in sidewalk on Salem Street.*

**(22) Salem Street** - This area, the North End, is famous for its Italian Food. A reasonably priced favorite is La Famiglia Giorgio's at 112 Salem Street.

**(25) Blackstone Street** - Butchers have been in business on this street since 1656. On Fridays and Saturdays this is the site of popular pushcart fruit and vegetable vendors.

**(28) State Street** - Note that the original State Street side of the Exchange Building, considered one of the finest examples of commercial architecture in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, was left intact when Exchange Place was built. Note the plaque on the corner of the building that marks the site of the house built by Governor John Winthrop upon settling in Boston in 1630. Another plaque identifies the site of the neighboring Bunch of Grapes Tavern, where George Washington gathered his staff for a banquet following a Thanksgiving service in 1776.

**(28) 75 State Street** - Built in 1988 in the Postmodernist Style, the 31-story building boasts an impressive six-story lobby with rare marble and gold leaf. Enter through the revolving doors to see this sight.

**(29) India Street - Custom House** The foundation for the Custom House was started in 1837. Since the land below it was not filled in until 1868, the location required 3600 piles. The Custom House has been refurbished by the Marriott Corporation into time-share condos.

**(30) Central Street - Board of Trade** Note the interesting decoration atop the Board of Trade building that you have just walked around

**(33) Water Street at Liberty-** Here, in 1765, the Sons of Liberty burned the British Stamp Office to protest the Stamp Act. The square was subsequently dedicated to the French Revolution, and, in 1986, the statue to honor the 1956 Hungarian Revolution was added.

**(36) Milk and Pearl - Post Office Square** Note the Langham Hotel on your left which is housed in the former Federal Reserve Bank building. The building is undergoing major renovations at present.

**(37) Norman B. Leventhal Park** - Mr. Leventhal (1917-2015) was an American businessman, the chairman of The Beacon Companies, a developer and manager of office buildings, housing, and hotels. Leventhal was best known for his work in civic improvements to the city of Boston and oversaw this park named after him. Below the park is a full-service parking facility.

**(40) 185 Franklin Street (also 50 Post Office Square)** – Before proceeding on to Franklin Street, notice the building in front of you, facing Post Office Square. This 1947 Art Deco building was owned by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company and later, Verizon, for almost 50 years. It has been titled one of the finest examples of the Art Deco style in Boston.

**(40) Corner of Franklin and Federal Streets (100 Federal Street)** - This marks the place where Massachusetts ratified the U.S. Constitution in 1788. John Hancock presided at the ratification at the Long Lane Meeting House on this site.

**(43) Winthrop Lane to Arch Street** - The "Boston Bricks" that pave Winthrop Lane depict items of local history and trivia. There used to be 100 bricks that contained brass overlays. There are still over 70 remaining (including one Wild Thing!) See how many you can find.

**(47) Beach Street and Chinese Arch** - Chinatown evolved in this area in the last quarter of the nineteenth century. If you savor Chinese food, this is the area for your lunch! Note the Chinese characters embedded in the sidewalks on Beach and Tyler Streets

**(51) Tufts New England Medical Center** - The Tufts University Floating Hospital for Children on your right started out as the Boston Floating Hospital - a ship in the harbor for sickly children who needed fresh air. Since 2004, those coming to the hospital are greeted by the 12-foot, three-ton, three-dimensional FAO Schwarz bronze bear. The bear was formerly in front of the now-bankrupt store on Boylston St. in Boston's Back Bay, where it had stood since 1991. Boston Mayor Thomas Menino decided that the children of Boston should choose its new location, and they voted to place it at the Hospital in 2004.

**(52) Oak Street West** - This area of the city, known as South Cove, was filled in about 1830.

**(53) Elliot Norton Park** - Named after a famous Boston theatre critic, this park is located at the intersection of four distinct Boston neighborhoods—Bay Village, Chinatown, the South End, and the Theatre District. The park has a modern promenade that combines civic-scale gestures with neighborhood details and programs.

**(54) 32 Fayette Street** - As the houses on Beacon Hill became more expensive in the 1950s the small red brick nineteenth century homes in the area, known as "Bay Village", were bought up and restored. Note the plaque at 32 Fayette Street commenting on the area's architecture.

**(55) 34 Church Street** - Note the plaque at 34 Church describing the "raising of the village"

**(58) Statler Park** (to your right before you cross Arlington St - Note the 1930 fountain featuring a bronze statue of a woman. This fountain, designed by Ulysses Anthony Ricci, was surveyed as part of the Smithsonian Institution's "Save Outdoor Sculpture" program in 1933.

**(58) Arlington and Columbus** - This building, originally known as the Armory of the First Corps of Cadets, is a four-story granite structure with a six-story tower designed by William Gibbons Peterson and was built 1891-1897. Due to political unrest during this period, the building was built to withstand mob violence. It is built in the Romanesque Revival style with its building staircases built by the Gustavino System (Mediterranean technique dating to 1382 that uses thin clay tiles and plaster.) The building was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1973 and designated as a Boston Landmark in 1977. It is now used for trade shows and expositions.

**(59) 330 Stuart** - Note the doorway at 330 Stuart Street as you walk by.

**(60) Dartmouth Street – Boston Public Library** - The Library, designed by Charles F. McKim, was built in 1888. The large addition on the Boylston Street side was designed by Philip Johnson in 1969 to harmonize with the original building.

**(60) Dartmouth and Boylston Streets** - The Northern Italian Gothic church on the corner of Dartmouth and Boylston is the New Old South Church, built in 1875. Its roots go back to the Puritan's first church, where sea captain John Alden, son of John and Patricia Alden, was a member. Part of Captain Alden's gravestone is visible, built into the arcade at the Boylston Street entrance.

**(61) As you walk up Boylston toward the Prudential Building**, notice the Boston Marathon memorials across the street opposite the BPL Annex near Exeter Street and the second one opposite Ring Road on Boylston Street. These locations mark where on April 15, 2013, two pressure cooker bombs exploded, killing three people at the Boston Marathon finish line. The memorials were finished in 2019 and were designed by Bolivian-born sculptor Pablo Eduardo. Also at the site are cherry trees to bloom each April and two bronze bricks in the sidewalk to honor the two police officers killed in the bombing's aftermath.

# Boston Hidden Gems

# 5km volkswalk route



# Boston Hidden Gems 11K map

