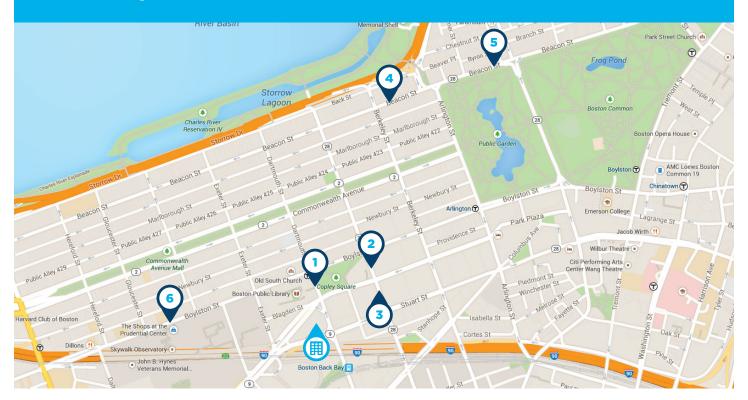
2015 CEB Financial Services Summit

Nearby Attractions and Tours in Boston



Attractions

- **1. Boston Public Library** 700 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116
- **2. Trinity Church** 206 Clarendon Street, Boston, MA 02116
- John Hancock Tower
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- **4. Gibson House Museum** 137 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02116
- 5. Boston Public Garden & Boston Common 69 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02108
- **6.** Skywalk Observatory 800 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02199

Tours

- 1. Urban Adventours urbanadventours.com
- 2. Bites of Boston Food Tours bitesofbostonfoodtours.com
- 3. Boston Brew Tours
 bostonbrewtours.com
- **4.** Boston Duck Tours bostonducktours.com



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Attractions

Boston Public Garden & Boston Common

0.9 Miles

69 Beacon Street

Two centuries separate the creation of the Boston Common and the Public Garden, and what a difference that period made.

In 1634 the Common was created as America's first public park; it was practical and pastoral with walkways built for crosstown travel. In contrast, the Public Garden was the first public botanical garden in America. It was decorative and flowery from its inception, featuring meandering pathways for strolling.

The Victorians ushered in the style of park which featured the gardener's art. They designed vibrant floral patterns in the Garden which utilized new techniques of collecting, hybridizing, and propagating plants. With access to showy annuals and greenhouse-grown plants, they bedded the Garden with colorful displays and planted exotic imported trees. George Meacham used these new techniques to win the public design competition held for the Garden, for which he received a \$100 prize.

In the early days, some complained that the unnatural combinations of colorful plants were garish beyond the bounds of good taste. Now Boston calls the Public Garden one of its greatest attractions.

Boston Public Library

0.2 Miles

700 Boylston Street

The Boston Public Library (est.1848) is a municipal public library system in Boston, MA. It was the first publicly supported municipal library in the United States, the first large library open to the public in the United States, and the first public library to allow people to borrow books and other materials and take them home to read and use.

Gibson House Museum

0.6 Miles

137 Beacon Street

Completed in 1860, the Gibson House stands virtually untouched as a historic house museum in Back Bay. In 2001, the National Park Service designated Gibson House as a National Historic Landmark. A unique and unspoiled single-family residence, it retains its kitchen, scullery, butler's pantry, and water closets, as well as formal rooms and private quarters. Designed in the Italian Renaissance style by noted Boston architect Edward Clarke Cabot, the house is built of brownstone and red brick. The interiors are filled with the Gibsons' original furnishings—elegant wallpapers, imported carpets, an abundance of furniture, paintings, sculpture, photographs, silver, porcelain, curios, and other nineteenth-century family heirlooms. Visitors enjoy a glimpse into the lives of a well-to-do Boston family and its domestic staff.

John Hancock Tower

0.2 Miles

200 Clarendon Street

The John Hancock Tower, officially named Hancock Place and colloquially known as The Hancock, is a 60-story, 790-foot (241 m) skyscraper in Boston. The tower was designed by Henry N. Cobb of the firm I. M. Pei & Partners and was completed in 1976. [1] In 1977, the American Institute of Architects presented the firm with a National Honor Award for the building and in 2011 conferred on it the AIA Twenty-Five Year Award. It has been the tallest building in Boston for more than 30 years, and is the tallest building in New England.

Skywalk Observatory

0.4 Miles

800 Boylston Street

Visit the Skywalk Observatory, Boston's only sky-high vantage point for sweeping 360-degree views of Greater Boston and beyond. Let your eyes and ears do the walking as you experience the exclusive state-of-the-art Acoustiguide audio tour detailing the city's many points of historic and cultural interest.

Trinity Church

0.2 Miles

206 Clarendon Street

Trinity Church in the City of Boston, located in the Back Bay of Boston, MA, is a parish of the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts. The congregation, currently standing at approximately 3,000 households, was founded in 1733.

Tours

Bites of Boston Food Tours

(800) 656-0713

bitesofbostonfoodtours.com

A walking tour that lets you experience local flavors while gaining insight into the historical, architectural, and cultural components of the city.

Boston Brew Tours

(617) 453-8687

bostonbrewtours.com

Daily beer adventures to the region's top breweries, brewpubs, and eateries. Each tour includes 12 different beers, a lunch, entrance fees to 3-4 breweries, and round-trip transportation.

Boston Duck Tours

(617) 267-DUCK

bostonducktours.com

Climb aboard an authentic WWII amphibious-style vehicle for a fully narrated historic tour through the streets of Boston and into the Charles River.

Urban Adventours

(617) 670-0637

urbanadventours.com

This eco-friendly tour is the greenest way to explore the city. It features Art and Architecture Tours, and Paul Revere's Ride to Freedom.

