

TAKE A TOUR OF BOSTON

Make the most of your time in Boston while attending the DIA 2013 49th Annual Meeting.

BOOK A TOUR

To reserve a Best of Boston tour, visit <http://tours.bestboston.com/DIA>. Reservations and prepayment must be received by June 6. All registrations received after this date will be subject to availability.

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CAMBRIDGE ACADEMIA TOUR: MIT CAMPUS/MIT MUSEUM AND HARVARD UNIVERSITY



Have an experience of a lifetime visiting the prestigious universities of MIT and Harvard.

The MIT Museum is the place to begin exploring MIT's more than 150 years of education and research at the forefront of science, engineering, and technology.

The museum engages, entertains, and educates visitors with unique exhibits, from a feature on Artificial Intelligence to the country's largest display of Arthur Ganson's much-loved gestural sculptures, and the cutting edge Emerging Technologies Gallery.

Its galleries present an exciting array of ongoing and changing exhibitions on science and technology, architecture and design, oceanography, and ship design. You will find high-tech artifacts, intriguing scientific instruments, historic photographs, amazing holograms, even ingenious kinetic sculptures.

This tour will also allow you to explore the MIT campus and check out the interesting (sometimes even controversial) architecture.

Plus, visit the world famous Harvard University area where the young John F. Kennedy lived and studied. Walk among the many historic buildings and rub the bronze shoe of John Harvard for good luck at the "Statue of Three Lies". Your group will stroll through Harvard Yard, the original campus of the oldest university in the country, and you will have time to browse in Harvard Square with its shops, boutiques, and more than 25 bookstores.

Approximate timing: 3 hours

Approximate cost: \$45* per person, based on 40 guests

Included features: professional guide service, admission to MIT Museum galleries, Best of Boston staff, all taxes and gratuities

*Based on availability when decisions are made. Pricing is subject to change between date of publishing of the Preliminary Program and date of the event.

BOSTON DUCK TOURS: THE RIDE OF YOUR LIFE



Ride a "duck", an amphibious landing vehicle, for a special historical tour of Boston that finishes with a splashdown right into the Charles River for a breathtaking waterside view of the city.

The tour starts at your hotel where your chartered "duck" and "conDUCKtor" will pick you up. You'll see the highlights of Boston's Freedom

Trail and other famous landmarks, then you'll cross over the Charles River and, once on the Cambridge side, your tour vehicle becomes waterborne.

Approximate timing: 1 ½ hours

Approximate cost: \$75* per person, based on 40 guests

Included features: private duck rental, professional guide service, and taxes

*Based on availability when decisions are made. Price is based on a guarantee of 36 passengers per duck. Additional ducks may be added in increments of 31 or 35. Pricing is subject to change between date of publishing of the Preliminary Program and date of the event.

A DAY AT FENWAY PARK



Visit the home of the 2004 and 2007 World Champion Red Sox. This is the park where the Babe pitched, the Kid hit, and Yaz dazzled.

Your tour will give a behind the scenes look at the oldest ballpark in Major League Baseball.

Soak up the rich history and hear the echoes of the past. Imagine being one of the Knights of the Keyboard as you see the view from the press box, visit the new Red Sox Hall of Fame presented by Volvo, and take a seat in the new EMC Club before strolling around Fenway Park.

Your tour will also take you to the new Legends Suite presented by W.B. Mason, the Dugout Seats, and Pesky's Pole. Plus, when the field is available you may have the opportunity to walk along the warning track and come face-to-face with the fabled Green Monster.

Approximate timing: 2 hours

June 23

Approximate cost: \$110* per person, based on 40 guests

Included features: professional guide service, Fenway Park guided tour, batting cages, all taxes and gratuities

June 26

Approximate cost: \$45* per person, based on 40 guests

Included features: professional guide service, Fenway Park guided tour, all taxes and gratuities

*Please note: if there is a Red Sox game on the day of the tour, all afternoon events MUST end by 2:00 PM; all areas are subject to availability. Legends pricing is not included above; all are based on availability when decisions are made. A luncheon can be added to this tour for an additional cost, based on availability when decisions are made.

CULINARY TOUR OF THE NORTH END



Explore the “Little Italy” of Boston and the crooked alleys of the North End in search of robust cheeses, breads, fruity olive oils, salumerie (imports), liquor marts and cafes.

The meats, savory spices, and desserts are the essentials of remarkable Italian culinary art. The streets of the North End are filled with a fascinating mix of ethnic shops and food. Your

guided tour will be hosted by a Boston “native” who will give the history

of the city’s Italian immigrants and introduce you to shops, bakeries, candy stores, imports, and cafes. Experience the colorful sites and aromas of this neighborhood with an expert.

Approximate time: 3 hours

Approximate cost: \$88* per person, based on 40 guests

Included features: services of a professional tour guide, admission, tastings, and all taxes

*Based on availability when decisions are made. This tour is not available selected weekends. Tour participants will be split into two groups.

SCENIC NORTH SHORE EXCURSION: MARBLEHEAD/SALEM/GLOUCESTER/ROCKPORT



Start this scenic tour by visiting Marblehead, a coastal community 18 miles north of Boston, which since its founding in 1629 is famed for unsurpassed contributions to the American Revolution and Civil War. Enjoy the town’s quaint, narrow streets and historic 17th and 18th-century buildings. Next visit the Town Hall and then finish at the landing area, where you

will have the chance to go shopping in the quaint shops.

On the trip to Salem your guide will discuss the significance of the Witch Trials. Upon arrival in the town you will visit The House of the Seven Gables, built by a Salem sea captain and merchant named John Turner in 1668 and occupied by three generations of the Turner family before being sold to Captain Samuel Ingersoll in 1782. An active captain during the Great Age of Sail, Ingersoll died at sea leaving the property to his daughter Susanna, a cousin of famed author Nathaniel Hawthorne. Hawthorne’s visits to his

cousin’s home are credited with inspiring the setting and title of his 1851 novel The House of the Seven Gables.

In Gloucester you will visit Beauport House, otherwise known as the Sleeper-McCann House. The house was designed by Henry Davis Sleeper and architect Halfdan M. Hanson, and was constructed between 1907 and 1934. Sleeper became well known for his unique designs and subsequently designed homes for several celebrities, including Joan Crawford and Henry Francis du Pont. Charles and Helena McCann bought Beauport and added their Chinese porcelain objects to its amazing collections from the colonial era. The McCann family later donated Beauport to Historic New England as a museum.

Approximate time: 8 hours

Approximate cost: \$75* per person, based on 40 guests

Included features: services of a professional tour guide, admission, and all taxes

*Based on availability when decisions are made.

A TOUR OF NEWPORT AND ITS MANSIONS



See how the city of Newport on Rhode Island is rich in both history and culture. Established in the colonial era, the city made a name for itself during America’s Gilded Age and since has become the yachting capital of the world. Today, the city thrives as a hub of American culture and visitors are faced with an abundance of activities, quaint B&Bs,

museums, shops, beaches, and outstanding restaurants.

You will be whisked to Newport, located 70 miles south of Boston, for an opportunity to explore the city and experience the lifestyles of the rich and famous while touring the infamous mansions. Visit the spectacular Breakers mansion, the summer “cottage” of Cornelius Vanderbilt, Chairman and President of the New York Central Railroad system. In 1893, Cornelius Vanderbilt II commissioned architect Richard Morris Hunt to design and create this 70 room Italian Renaissance-style palazzo inspired by the 16th-century palaces of Genoa and Turin.

Next stop will be the Marble House, the summerhouse of Mr. and Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt. Built between 1888 and 1892, the architect Richard Morris Hunt was inspired by the Petit Trianon at Versailles. The cost of the house was

reported in contemporary press accounts to be \$11 million, of which \$7 million was spent on 500,000 cubic feet of marble.

After a morning spent touring these homes, guests will have the opportunity to explore Newport Harbor and enjoy a lunch on your own at one of the town’s most charming restaurants. Then enjoy free time walking around quaint wharves and cobblestone streets lined with unique shops, and explore nearby historic homes, churches, and synagogues.

Finally your group will take pleasure in a tour of the famed 10 mile Ocean Drive for a view of the estates and gardens that dot this beautiful shoreline.

Approximate timing: 8 hours

Approximate cost: \$103 per person, based on 40 guests

Included features: roundtrip transportation, professional tour guide, Best of Boston staff, all admissions and taxes

*Tours of the Marble House and Breakers are based on availability. Should they be closed to the public, the Best of Boston will secure tours at alternative mansions. Pricing is subject to change between date of publishing of the Preliminary Program and date of the event.

HARRY PARKER BOAT HOUSE CORPORATE ROWING



Experience rowing — the ultimate team sport. In the hands of Community Rowing Inc.’s experienced coaches your team will learn the skills necessary to achieve a common goal and experience the thrill of an eight-oared shell racing across the water.

Start by learning technique and power on the Ergometer, an indoor rowing machine. Then

your group will be split into teams and you’ll head to the docks to load into boats and hit the water. The focus of the experience is learning to move the boat as one unit, not as individuals. You will face backwards towards the stern of the boat and must trust your team leader to steer a good course and give you real-time, constructive feedback.

Each team will compete in a series of races for the chance to be in the grand final. Finally a team photo will help you remember the experience and you’ll receive a rowing backpack and t-shirt.

Approximate timing: 3 hour activity

Approximate cost: \$300* per person, based on 40 guests

Included features: rowing training by professional coaches, use of rowing equipment, team photo, rowing backpacks and t-shirts, Best of Boston staff on site, all taxes and gratuities

*Semi-finals and petite-finals will be included so that everyone is able to race twice. The number of races (heats, semi-finals, finals) depends on the size of the rowing program. The Harry Parker Rowing Activity is based on availability when decisions are made.

COMPLETE TOUR OF BOSTON AT NIGHT



Discover the charm of one of America’s oldest and most historic cities. With almost 400 years of history, you’ll experience Boston’s old and new. Visit neighborhoods such as:

Beacon Hill

Boston’s most prestigious address and home to the gold-domed State House, overlooking Boston Common and the Public Garden, where

you can also view the famous Swan Boats. Beacon Hill has been home to many notable Americans.

Back Bay

The area gained its name because it was, before extensive land filling in the 19th-century, literally the “Back Bay” for Boston. Now the area is known as an upscale residential, retail, and commercial office district.

Downtown

Boston’s center of business and government and home to one of Boston’s most historic sites, Faneuil Hall. Downtown also offers shoppers everything from large department stores to cozy boutiques.

North End

Home to American patriot Paul Revere, the North End is one of Boston’s most historic neighborhoods. Traditionally a first stop for immigrants arriving in Boston, the North End is most well known as an enclave of Italian immigrants.

Charlestown

As the home of such significant landmarks as the U.S.S. Constitution, the Bunker Hill Monument, and the Navy Yard, Charlestown’s allure has enticed a new generation of immigrants and young professionals to join its traditionally Irish-American population.

Fenway/Kenmore

Perhaps most recognized as the home of Fenway Park and the Boston Red Sox, Fenway/Kenmore also boasts many of the city’s top cultural institutions, including the Museum of Fine Arts and Symphony Hall. Fenway/Kenmore also has a strong academic presence.

Approximate timing: 4 hours

Approximate cost: \$40* per person, based on 40 guests

Included features: roundtrip transportation, professional tour guide, Best of Boston staff, all admissions and taxes

*Based on availability when decisions are made. Pricing is subject to change between date of publishing of the Preliminary Program and date of the event. This tour involves a considerable amount of walking on hills and cobblestones, though it can be customized to fit your group’s requests. Participants should be aware of these conditions and are advised to wear walking shoes.

TOUR SCHEDULE

	SUNDAY June 23	MONDAY June 24	TUESDAY June 25	WEDNESDAY June 26
Full-day Tours	Newport and its Mansions 9:00 AM-5:00 PM		North Shore Tour 8:00 AM-4:00 PM	
Half-day Tours	Duck Tour 9:00-10:30 AM Duck Tour 11:00 AM-12:30 PM			A Day At Fenway 9:00-11:00 AM
Afternoon	A Day at Fenway Park 12:30-4:30 PM	Academia Tour 1:00-4:00 PM	Culinary Tour 1:00-4:00 PM	CRI Rowing 1:00-4:00 PM
Night			Complete Tour of Boston at Night 6:00-9:00 PM	Duck Tour 6:00-7:30 PM Duck Tour 7:00-8:30 PM