



OLD SOUTH
MEETING
HOUSE

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OLD SOUTH MEETING HOUSE INFORMATION

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Museum Open Daily. Summer

(April 1 to October 31)
9:30 am to 5 pm.

Winter

(November 1 to March 31)
10 am to 4 pm.

Closed Thanksgiving,
Christmas Eve Day,
Christmas Day and
New Year's Day.

Looking for Great Souvenirs?

The Old South Meeting House Museum Shop is chock full of wonderful educational resources, unique souvenirs, candies, and, of course, teas! Exclusive items include Boston Tea Party merchandise and the historic Old South leaflets. All teachers receive a 10% discount with an AFT, BTU, MTA, or NEA card.

Directions

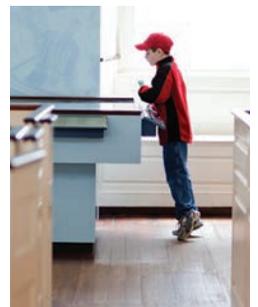
Old South Meeting House is located at 310 Washington Street, in the heart of downtown Boston at the corner of Washington and Milk streets. Close to all MBTA (subway) lines. Bus and van parking is located nearby.

Information about bus parking is available on the City of Boston website at www.cityofboston.gov/transportation.

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From outraged protests over the Boston Massacre, to the night Samuel Adams gave the secret signal that began the Boston Tea Party... From the heroic effort to save a grand historic landmark from demolition, to a free speech policy enacted amidst the height of censorship... Experience the dramatic stories and inspiring history of Old South Meeting House.

Built in 1729 as a Puritan meeting house, Old South Meeting House is today one of the nation's most significant colonial landmarks and an important stop on Boston's *Freedom Trail*. This museum and National Historic Landmark is a resource for more than 75,000 children, parents, teachers and other visitors each year. With a full spectrum of thought-provoking and engaging programs, Old South Meeting House is a vital education center in downtown Boston.

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Group programs at Old South Meeting House bring the dramatic stories of this National Historic Landmark to life. All programs meet the Massachusetts frameworks for History and Social Studies, and English Language Arts.

Tea is Brewing – Our Most Popular Program!



Experience the meeting that protested a tax ... and sparked a Revolution with the Boston Tea Party! Students bring this pivotal moment in history to life

by taking on the roles of Patriots and Loyalists and recreating the fiery tea tax debates of 1773 in the very hall where they took place. *Pre-visit materials provided.*

Available to all groups.

10 to 40 participants; larger groups can be accommodated with additional preparation
Time: 1 hour

Tea is Brewing – Two-site visit includes Faneuil Hall and Old South Meeting House

Experience the meeting that protested a tax... and sparked a Revolution with the Boston Tea Party! At historic Faneuil Hall, students are introduced to the tradition of New England town meetings. At Old South Meeting House, students bring this pivotal moment in history to life by taking on the roles of Patriots and Loyalists and recreating the fiery tea tax debates of 1773 in the very hall where they took place.

Pre-visit materials provided.

Available to school groups only.

10 to 40 participants; larger groups can be accommodated with additional preparation
Time: 2 hours

The Revolution Starts Here! Short Stop on the Freedom Trail

Start or end your group visit to Boston at Old South Meeting House, where the Boston Tea Party began! After a brief, 15-minute introduction to the dramatic history of this 1729 landmark, including its beginnings as a Puritan meeting house, the meetings that led to the Boston Tea Party, and its last-minute rescue from demolition, your group can explore the museum at its own pace. Talks can be tailored to your group's interests at time of reservation. Optional scavenger hunt is available for additional fee.

Available to all groups.

10 to 60 participants
Time: 30 minutes

Phillis Wheatley



Kidnapped from Africa as a child and sold as a slave in Boston, Phillis Wheatley was the first African American to publish a book of poems. In

this interactive program, students will discover the remarkable life and writing of Phillis Wheatley, who was a full member of Old South Meeting House. Hands-on activities include exploration of primary documents and artifacts, and writing with a quill pen just as Phillis did!

Available to school groups only.

10 to 30 participants
Time: 1.5 hours

From Meeting Place to Resting Place

If 18th century Bostonians were to visit to see the city today they would see many changes, but they would recognize both Old South Meeting House and the Granary Burying Ground. Explore these two important colonial places in the heart of downtown Boston. Follow a set of clues to learn about people who attended Puritan church meetings at the Meeting House in the 1700s, then visit the Granary Burying Ground to search for gravestone symbols and see the final resting place of famous Bostonians.

Available to school groups only.

10 to 30 participants
Time: 1.5 hours

Self-Guided Visit to Old South Meeting House

Discover the history and beauty of Old South Meeting House with a self-guided visit. Explore the largest building in Colonial Boston and view the exhibit "Voices of Protest" at your own pace.

Available to all groups.

10 to 60 participants
Time: 15-30 minutes

FOR TEACHERS

For Boston Public Schools

Sign up for our [teacher email list](#) to learn about grant funding and other opportunities for *Boston Public Schools* as they become available.

Teacher Workshops

Often offered in partnership with other museums and historic sites, teacher workshops at the Meeting House provide resources for teaching American history in fun, experiential formats. Many workshops offer professional development points to Massachusetts teachers, as well as the opportunity to earn graduate credit. Please sign up for our [teacher email list](#) to learn about upcoming opportunities.

To sign up for a [teacher email list](#), please send an email to education@osmh.org from your preferred email address. Include your name, school name and address (city and state), the grade(s) you teach, and a daytime phone number.

PROGRAMS WITH THE BOSTON TEA PARTY SHIPS & MUSEUM

Please contact the Education Department to learn about available group programs in partnership with the Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum.

RESERVE YOUR PLACE IN HISTORY

Reserve a special participatory program, introductory talk or self-guided visit for your group of 10 or more and enjoy special group rates. To make a reservation, contact us at education@osmh.org or (617) 482-6439. **Confirmed reservations are required for all groups and must be made at least three weeks in advance. Reserve early for April-June. Space is limited.** K-12 school groups receive up to 2 free adult chaperones for every 10 students.

Programs for Groups with Special Needs

Our building is fully accessible and the Education Staff is trained to work with groups of varying abilities. Assistive Listening Devices are available. Please let us know of your group's needs when scheduling.