- 1. **"Poe Returning to Boston" sculpture** (unveiled October 5, 2014), corner of Charles and Boylston Streets.
- 2. *The Colored American Magazine*, 5 Park Square (address no longer exists but would be just where the The Trolley Shop and Leather World are situated). First monthly publication targeting an exclusively African American readership,
- 3. **Grave of Charles Sprague**, the banker-poet of Boston in the 1800s, Central Burying Ground on Boston Common off Boylston Street.
- 4. *Ploughshares* at Emerson College 120 Boylston Street. Influential literary magazine.
- 5. **Emerson College's Colonial Theatre,** 106 Boylston Street. Rodgers and Hammerstein literally wrote the title song to *Oklahoma!* in the lobby there and later won a special Pulitzer for the play.
- 6. **The Long Path**, stretching through the Common from the corner of Boylston and Tremont Streets to Joy Street, immortalized by Oliver Wendell Holmes in his *Autocrat of the Breakfast Table.* (Boston Common, the country's oldest public park, is also a spot that Ralph Waldo Emerson grazed cows as a child. And Poe, who had a distaste for the transcendentalists, dismissed them as frogpondians, for the Common's Frog Pond on which people ice skate during the winter.)
- 7. *Fannie Farmer Cookbook,* 174 Tremont Street (exact address no longer exists). Began as the *Boston Cooking-School Cook Book.* The Boston Cooking School stood at 174 Tremont.
- 8. **Jacob Wirth Restaurant**, 31 Stuart Street. Written about by poet Jack Kerouac. Patrons have also included *Spencer for Hire* writer Robert Parker.
- 9. **Brattle Book Shop**, 9 West Street. Specializes in used and rare books.
- 10. **Elizabeth Peabody**, 15 West Street. One of Boston's early (and powerful) female publishers,
- 11. Margaret Fuller residence, 486 Washington Street.
- 12. **Bronson Alcott's Temple School**, 140 Tremont Street.

- 13. Edward Bellamy, in his celebrated 1888 novel *Looking Backward*, described a utopian Boston in the year 2000 with it's **"Stores! Stores! Stores! Miles of stores!"** on Washington Street. Washington Street from Temple Place to State Street.
- 14. **Benjamin Franklin** birthplace, 1 Milk Street.
- 15. **Commonwealth Books**, specializing in "used~old~scarce" texts, 2 Milk Street. (A larger Commonwealth Books branch can be found on brick-paved Spring Lane, just up Washington Street a ways on the right. Commonwealth is also a publisher that goes under the name of Black Widow Press, publishing poetry and works translated from other languages.)
- 16. The Boston Evening Transcript.
- 17. **The Old South Meeting House,** 310 Washington Street. Church not only of Ben Franklin (who was baptized there) but also Phillis Wheatley,
- 18. **Old Corner Bookstore**, 3 School Street.
- 19. **Newspaper Row,** largely on Washington Street but also on some of the surrounding streets, once had the offices of the *Boston Globe*, the *Boston Herald*, the *Boston Advertiser*, the Boston Post, the *Boston Journal*, the *Boston Traveler*, and the Associated Press.
- 20. **Peter L Stern & Company**, 15 Court Square. Antiquarian bookseller.
- 21. **Old City Hall,** 45 School Street. Legend has it that that's the setting for Edwin O'Connor's novel *The Last Hurrah*.
- 22. **Site of Boston Latin School,** founded in 1635, plaque at 45 School Street. Alumni included Ben Franklin, Cotton Mather, Ralph Waldo Emerson, John Hancock, and many other notables.
- 23. **Omni Parker House Hotel,** 60 School Street. Many literati met here regularly and some twentieth-century literary giants worked here on staff.
- 24. **King's Chapel Burial Ground,** Tremont Street off School Street. Site of burial for *The Scarlet Letter's* fictional Hester Prynne and the Reverend Arthur Dimmesdale.
- 25. **Tremont Temple,** 88 Tremont Street. Hosted speakers that included Emerson, Frederick Douglass, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Dickens (for his first *public* reading of A Christmas Carol), and Lincoln.

- 26. **Oliver Wendell Holmes residence,** 3 Bosworth Street (exact address no longer exists).
- 27. **Rosalie Stahl Center at Suffolk University,** 73 Tremont Street. Home of the acclaimed literary journal *Salamander* and The Clark Collection of African American literature.
- 28. "Mary Had a Little Lamb" coauthor and publisher Sarah Josepha Hale's burial space at the Granary Burial Ground, Tremont Street between School and Park Streets.
- 29. Offices of the popular illustrated weekly *Gleason's Pictorial* and the weekly story paper *The Flag of Our Union*, 101 Tremont Street.
- 30. **Park Street Church,** corner of Tremont and Park Streets. New England Society for the Suppression of Vice was founded here in 1878. Later, editor H.L. Mencken was arrested for selling "certain obscene, indecent, and impure printing...manifestly tending to corrupt the morals of youth."
- 31. **George Ticknor,** 9 Park Street. Lawyer and writer known for his scholarly work on Spanish literature.
- 32. **Boston Athenaeum,** 10 ½ Beacon Street.
- 33. **State House**, Beacon Street. Small bookstore on the lobby level.
- 34. **Robert Gould Shaw and the 54**<sup>th</sup> **Massachusetts Regiment Memorial,**Beacon Street opposite State House. Large bronze relief that inspired both Robert Lowell's poem "To the Union Dead" and Paul Lawrence Dunbar's "Robert Gould Shaw."
- 35. **Henry Wadsworth Longfellow wedding place**, 39 Beacon Street.
- 36. **Henry Adams** birthplace, Mount Vernon Place (exact address no longer exists).
- 37. **New England Watch and Ward Society,** 41 Mount Vernon Street. The society sponsored censorship that promoted the phrase "Banned in Boston." The building until recently housed **Beacon Press,** a department of the Unitarian Universalist Association and an independent publisher of serious fiction and non-fiction by James Baldwin, Marian Wright Edelman, Cornel West, Michael Patrick MacDonald, Rashid Khalidi, Mary Oliver and others.
- 38. **Maria Stewart** and **David Walker**, 81 Joy Street. Stewart was a black abolitionist whose speeches were the first publically delivered talks by an

- American woman on politics and women's rights. Walker, in 1829, published "Appeal to the Colored Citizens of the World," which decried slavery and racial hatred.
- 39. **William Cooper Nell,** 3 Smith Court. National historic site commemorating the African-American writer and abolitionist.
- 40. **Museum of African American History**, 46 Joy Street.
- 41. **Henry David Thoreau**, 4 Pinckney Street.
- 42. **Louise Imogen Guiney**, 16 Pinckney Street.
- 43. **Louisa May Alcott**, 20 Pinckney Street.
- 44. Nathaniel Hawthorne, 54 Pinckney Street.
- 45. **Francis Otto Matthiesson**, 87 Pinckney Street.
- 46. **John Phillips Marquand**, 43 West Cedar Street. Wrote *The Late George Apley*, a satiric novel about Boston's upper class.
- 47. **Robert Lowell,** 91 Revere Street. As an adult, Lowell wrote a prose piece entitled "91 Revere Street" that was published in *The Partisan Review*. (Later on in his life, Lowell also lived at #s 170 and 239 Marlborough Street, located with the Literary Cultural District in the Back Bay section of Boston.)
- 48. **Josephine St. Pierre Ruffin**, 103 Charles Street. Publisher of the *Women's Era Journal*, the first newspaper by and for black women.
- 49. **Susan Paul,** 36 West Cedar Street. Wrote the first biography of an African American published in the U.S.
- 50. **Robin Cook,** 16 Louisburg Square.
- 51. **Louisa May Alcott**, 10 Louisburg Square.
- 52. William Dean Howells, 4 Louisburg Square.
- 53. **Khalil Gibran,** 108 Mount Vernon Street (formerly called 18 West Cedar Street).
- 54. **Henry James**, 102 Mount Vernon Street.
- 55. **Robert Frost**, 88 Mount Vernon Street.

- 56. **Sylvia Plath and Ted Hughes,** 9 Willow Street.
- 57. **Richard Henry Dana, Sr.**, 43 Chestnut Street.
- 58. **Francis Parkman**, 50 Chestnut Street.
- 59. *Infinite Jest* storefront, 66 Charles Street.
- 60. **Charles Street Meeting House**, 121 Mount Vernon Street.
- 61. **Samuel Eliot Morison,** 44 Brimmer Street.
- 62. *Make Way for Ducklings* sculpture, Public garden near Charles and Beacon Streets.
- 63. **Edward Everett Hale statue**, near Charles Street entrance of Public Garden.
- 64. *The Trumpet of the Swan* bridge in the Public Garden.
- 65. **The Atlantic Monthly** offices, 8 Arlington Street.
- 66. Harry Crosby, 95 Beacon Street.
- 67. **Al Capp**, 122 Beacon Street. *Li'l Abner* cartoonist.
- 68. **John Updike**, 151 Beacon Street.
- 69. **Julia Ward Howe,** 241 Beacon Street. Wrote the words to "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."
- 70. **William Lloyd Garrison** sculpture, Commonwealth Avenue Mall at Dartmouth Street.
- 71. **Boston Woman's Memorial,** Commonwealth Avenue Mall between Fairfield and Gloucester Streets.
- 72. **Dartmouth Bookstall site**, Dartmouth Street between Commonwealth Avenue and Newbury Street. Made a landmark anti-censorship legal defense of Erskine Caldwell's novel *Tragic Ground* in 1944.
- 73. **Boston Public Library**, 700 Boylston Street.
- 74. **Bromer Booksellers**, 607 Boylston Street. Rare books.
- 75. *Woman's Journal* site, 585 Boylston Street.

- 76. **Khalil Gibran Memorial,** Copley Square.
- 77. *Tortoise and Hare* sculpture, Copley Square. "Slow and steady wins the race..."
- 78. **Trinity Church,** Copley Square. Contains a stained glass window designed by Boston artist **Sarah Wyman Whitman,** who also designed book covers for Houghton Mifflin Publishers for authors Holmes, Jewett, Longfellow, and others.
- 79. **Houghton Mifflin Harcourt**, 222 Berkeley Street.
- 80. **Ritz-Carlton Hotel** (now the Taj), corner of Arlington and Newbury Streets. Guests (including bar guests) included Eugene O'Neill, Sylvia Plath, and Anne Sexton.

## **Event/Programming Sites**

- A. Grub Street, 162 Boylston Street
- B. First Literacy, 160 Boylston Street
- C. Emerson Colonial Theatre, 106 Boylston Street
- D. Cutler Majestic Theatre at Emerson College, 219 Tremont Street
- E. Hostelling International Hotel (can hold events for up to 40 for free),
- F. Paramount Center at Emerson College, 559 Washington Street
- G. Boston Opera House, 539 Washington Street
- H. Modern Theatre at Suffolk University, 525 Washington Street
- I. Marliave Restaurant, 10 Bosworth Street
- J. Omni Parker House Hotel, 60 School Street
- K. Suffolk University Poetry Center (venue for poetry readings) at Rosalie Stahl Center, 73 Tremont Street
- L. Boston Athenaeum, 10 ½ Beacon Street
- M. C Walsh Theatre at Suffolk University, 55 Temple Street
- N. Ford Hall Forum at Suffolk University 41 Temple Street
- O. Galleria Atrium, 10 St. James Avenue
- P. Boston Book Festival, Copley Square
- Q. Boston Public Library, 700 Boylston Street