

IAM BOSTON CONFERENCE OPTIONAL TOURS

(PLEASE NOTE: Details and times are approximate right now!)

Wednesday, May 27, 11 am – 4 pm: Boston Walking Tour

The Fairmont is in the Copley section of Boston, where the Boston Marathon Finish line is located. There is rich history, beautiful architecture, and wonderful stories and scenery in this area. From here, you'll walk through this European style neighborhood and into the Boston Public Garden, where there are statues, memorials, and gardens, as well as vendors selling cold drinks, ice cream etc. You'll then cross over to Boston Commons and hear about the history of common gardening and the famous troops buried here (The Robert Gould Shaw Memorial is a tribute to the 54th Regiment which was the first all African American Army Regiment which was written about in the movie "Glory".)

From there, a walk through the Granary Burying Ground and then on to the Old State House where the U.S. Declaration of Independence was written and, from the balcony here, read for the first time. This is also the site of the Boston Massacre. Next comes a walk through Faneuil Hall Marketplace to learn about its history and enjoy its many street performers. Just beyond this area is the Old North Church where the lanterns were hung to signal our troops "One if by land, two if by sea".

Beyond this and in the same neighborhood, which is known as the "North End" (Boston's version of Little Italy) is Paul Revere's house. Too small for any size group to fit, you'll listen to a narrative outside the home about his life and legacy. Smart walking shoes and comfortable clothing are recommended! *Please note that the price does not include lunch but there will be a lunch stop somewhere along the way!*