

Agassiz Neighborhood Map

A WALK THROUGH HISTORY, CULTURE, AND THE ARTS

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1. Agassiz Baldwin Community - 20 Sacramento Street

Agassiz Baldwin Community (ABC) is a private, non-profit, tax-exempt corporation providing services and programs for Cambridge residents.

2. Maud Morgan Arts - 20 Sacramento Street (to the rear of ABC)

Named for artist and community resident Maud Morgan (1903-1999), the art center brings people together to make and share art, and support visual arts.

3. Maria L Baldwin School - Oxford and Sacramento Streets

The original school was completed in 1875 and named for Professor Louis Agassiz, a Swiss-American naturalist who taught at Harvard University.

4. Oxford Street Laundry and The Oxford Spa - 102-104 Oxford Street

Constructed in 1929 by the Macklin family, this building housed both the conservatory and a candy store that later became a grocery.

5. William Dean Howells House - 41 Sacramento Street

William Dean Howells (1837-1920), author and editor of *The Atlantic Monthly*, lived here from 1866 to 1870.

6. American Academy of Arts and Sciences - Carver and Irving Streets

Founded in 1780 by a group that included John Adams and John Hancock, the Academy's 4,000 elected members conduct independent scholarly research on the challenges facing American society.

7. E. E. Cummings house - 104 Irving Street

Edward Estlin Cummings (1894-1962) was an influential poet whose experiments with form, punctuation, spelling, and syntax led him to create idiosyncratic poetry.

8. Josiah Royce/ Julia Child house - 103 Irving Street

Josiah Royce (1855-1916) was a prolific writer on ethics, Christian faith, and philosophy of community. Julia Child (1912-2004) and her husband, Paul, moved here in 1961 after years of living in Europe.

9. William James House - 95 Irving Street

William James (1842-1910) impacted both psychology and philosophy. Through research, he challenged academic theories about thoughts, actions, and choices.

10. J. K. Galbraith House - 30 Francis Avenue

Built in 1905 on "Professor's Row" this colonial was home to Harvard economist John Kenneth Galbraith (1908-2006).

11. Center for the Study of World Religions - 42 Francis Avenue

Constructed in 1960, the building was designed by Catalanian architect Josep Lluís Sert, then dean of Harvard's Graduate School of Design.

12. Andover-Harvard Theological Library - 45 Francis Avenue

Andover Hall, an affiliated project of the Andover Theological Seminary and Harvard Divinity School, was completed in 1911.

13. Labyrinth at Harvard Divinity School - Museum St. behind Andover Hall

The pattern is modeled after one made in the 13th century in Chartres Cathedral in France.

14. Whales, Northwest Laboratory Building - 52 Oxford Street

Skeletons of the killer whale and the northern bottlenose whale diving and breaching enliven the lobby and lower level of this building.

15. Harvard Museum of Natural History - 26 Oxford Street

The Museum of Comparative Zoology at Harvard University is a center for research and education concerning the comparative relationships of animal life.

16. Peabody Museum - 11 Divinity Avenue

Founded in 1866 by George Peabody, the Peabody Museum of Archaeology & Ethnology is one of the oldest museums in the world devoted to anthropology.

17. Semitic Museum - 6 Divinity Avenue

The Semitic Museum, founded in 1889, houses over 40,000 Near Eastern artifacts, most deriving from museum-sponsored excavations.

18. Rhinoceros Sculptures / Harvard Biological Laboratories 16 Divinity Ave.

The rhinos guarding the entrance to the Harvard Biological Laboratories building were sculpted by Katharine Lane (later Katharine Lane Weems, 1899-1989).

19. Harvard Cyclotron Laboratory (HCL) - NE of NW building on Oxford Street

HCL was built with Office of Naval Research funds to replace an earlier cyclotron that was sent to Los Alamos for use in the Manhattan Project.

20. Maxwell Dworkin Building - 33 Oxford Street

A dramatic example of the uses of illusion in architecture, Harvard's Maxwell Dworkin is a 100,000 sq. ft. building with a one-inch-wide front wall.

21. Engineering Sciences Lab (ESL) - 58-60 Oxford Street

The ESL is one of a pair of designs commissioned by Harvard in 1964-65 from architect Minoru Yamasaki.

22. Palfrey House - 18 Hammond Street

Rev. John Gorham Palfrey (1796-1881) was the first dean of the Harvard Divinity School, and built a family home near this site in 1831.

23. Mellen Street

Though just one short block, this street is an outstanding outdoor museum of Victorian house styles, mostly from the 1870s and 1880s.

24. North Hall - 1563 Massachusetts Avenue

This Harvard Law School dorm was formerly a Holiday Inn built in the 1960s.

25. Sacramento Field and Bleachery Reservoir - Sacramento Street

Sacramento Field was once the site of a reservoir that supplied water for a facility operated by the Middlesex Bleach, Dye, and Print Works at 550 Somerville Avenue.

26. Mansard Houses - 9-19 Sacramento Street

The two brick 1879 Mansard-roofed buildings originally comprised six townhouses.

27. Sacramento Street Community Garden - 21 Sacramento Street

Occupying the site of the M. A. Crosby house, the Community Garden was begun in 1974.

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REGION A

European Weeping Birch - *100 Oxford / corner of Crescent*

Sweetgum & Ginkgo - *100 Oxford*

REGION B

Pagoda - *86 Oxford & corner of Sacramento*

Little Leaf Linden - *39 Sacramento*

REGION C

Scotch Pine - *Between 48 & 50 Sacramento*

Eastern White Pine - *53 Sacramento*

Sycamore - *54 Sacramento*

REGION D

Black Locust - *60½ Sacramento*

Crimson King Norway Maple - *61 Sacramento*

REGION E

White Ash - *48 Carver*

Norway Spruce - *28 Carver*

Red Maple - *20 Carver*

Silver Maple - *111 Hammond*

REGION F

Eastern Hemlock - *Across from 89 Museum Street*

Dawn Redwood - *63 Francis*

Red Pine & American Elm - *65 Francis*

Yew - *Corner of Francis & Irving*

River Birch - *133 Irving*

REGION G

Copper Beech - *5 Bryant*

REGION H

Honey Locust, White Mulberry, White Fir - *Divinity School*

Plum - *4 Gorham*

REGION I

Fragrant Sumac, Sweet Fern, Tulip Poplar - *N/W Building*

REGION J

Pin Oak & European Beech - *33 Oxford*

REGION K

Red Bud - *60 Oxford*