



## Grand Lodge of Masons Community Awareness and Open House

Ever wonder if you could take a look inside a Masonic Lodge Room? Want to find out more about the organization that was the inspiration for our nation's ideals? Curious how you can make a difference in your community? Come for a tour of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts, and maybe even make some new friends.

**What:** Square and Compasses Day  
**Where:** Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts  
186 Tremont Street, Boston  
*Corner of Boylston and Tremont Streets,  
across from Boylston T Station*  
**When:** Saturday October 19th  
**Time:** 9am to 3pm

Freemasonry was brought to the United States by our early settlers and the craft became very popular in colonial America. Henry Price, a Boston merchant and tailor, received a deputation from the Grand Lodge of England to form the first Provincial Grand Lodge in the Western Hemisphere in 1733. Boston is home of the oldest duly constituted Lodge in the United States, which is still in existence today.

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Freemasonry is the world's oldest and largest fraternity. It is comprised of adult men (18+) of good character from every country, religion, race, age, income, education, and opinion, who believe in a Supreme Being. Its body of knowledge and system of ethics is based on the belief that each man has a responsibility to improve himself while being devoted to his family, faith, country, and fraternity. Freemasonry (often simplified to "Masonry") enhances and strengthens the character of the individual man by providing opportunities for fellowship, charity, education, and leadership based on the three ancient Masonic tenets: Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. Massachusetts Freemasonry is a crowning legacy of this venerable heritage as we strive to "make good men better."

For more information, go to [www.massfreemasonry.org](http://www.massfreemasonry.org) or [askafreemason.org](http://askafreemason.org)

