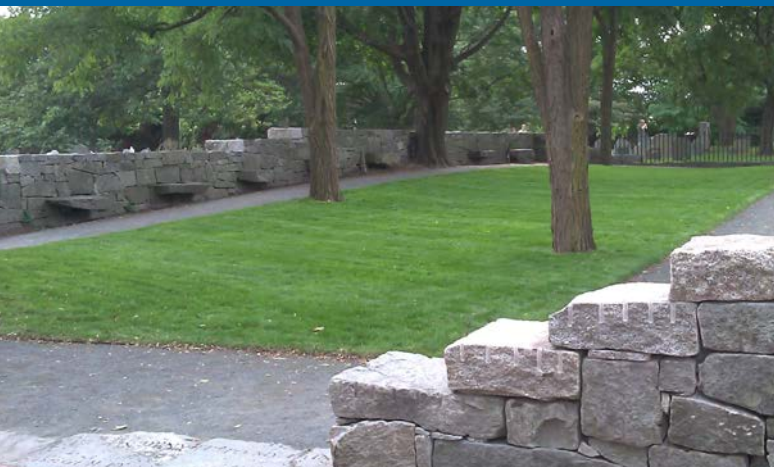


The Salem Witch Trials Memorial

Salem, Massachusetts



When you visit Salem, we invite you to visit the Memorial where you will:

- Learn:** About the 20 individuals who were put to death in 1692 because they were accused of witchcraft.
- Discover:** The effects of ignorance, intolerance and a faulty justice system that led to 20 deaths and the imprisonment of many more.
- Experience:** The Memorial as a quiet place of reflection and contemplation.
- Consider:** How do the lessons of 1692 pertain to present-day events?

The Memorial is handicapped accessible and is appropriate for all ages.

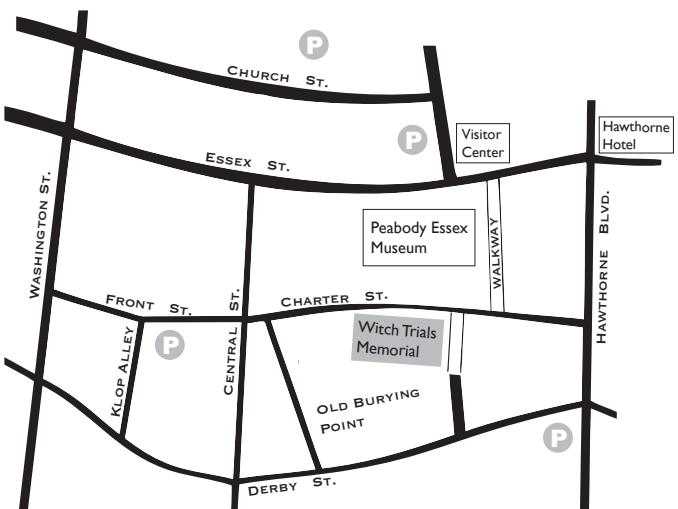


Translating stone into lessons for today

Striking in its simplicity, the Memorial is surrounded on three sides by a handcrafted granite wall. Inscribed in the stone threshold entering the Memorial are the victims' protests of innocence. These protests are interrupted mid-sentence by the wall, symbolizing society's indifference to oppressions. Six locust trees, the last to flower and the first to lose their leaves, represent the injustice of the trials.



Benches within the Memorial perimeter bear the names and the execution dates of each of the 20 victims, creating a quiet, contemplative environment in which to evoke the spirit and strength of those people who chose to die rather than compromise their personal truths.



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