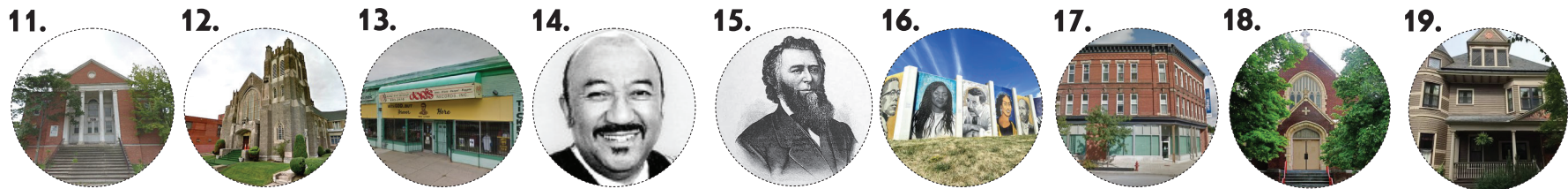
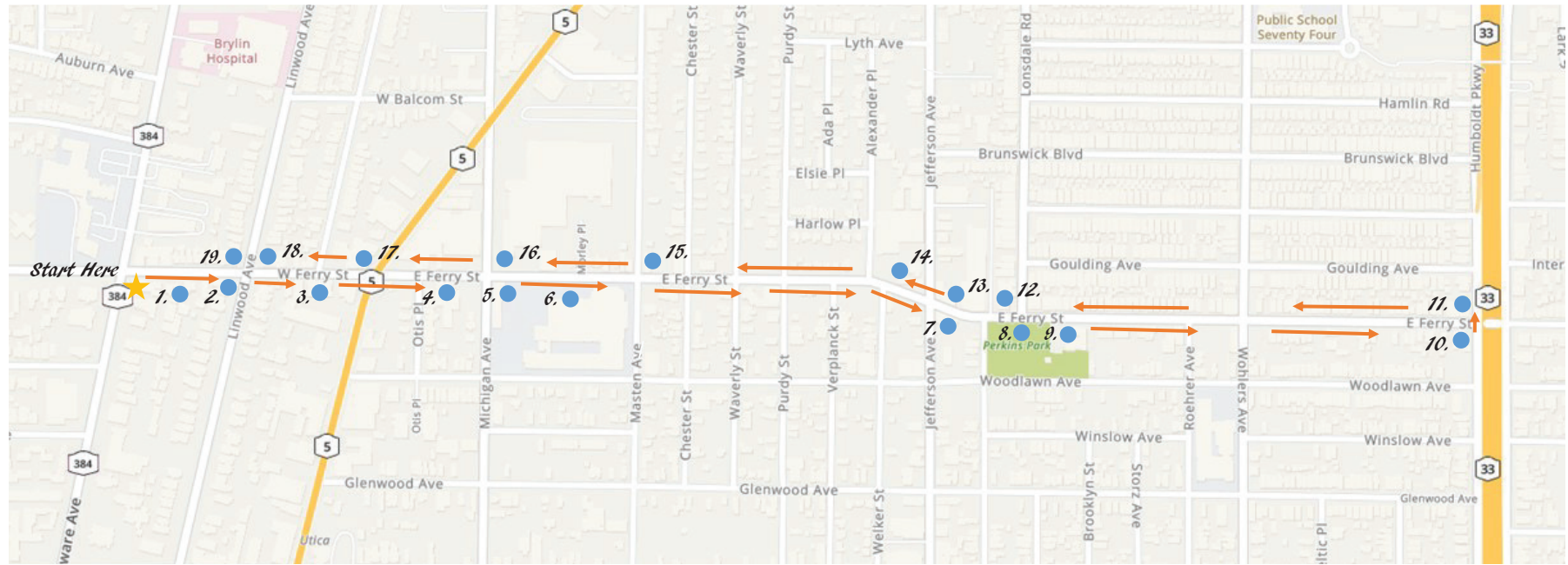


Ferry Street Walking Route

Delaware Avenue—Humboldt Parkway | 2.6 miles | 5,400 steps



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Starting Location - Corner of W. Ferry St. & Delaware Ave.

- Delaware Avenue was one of Joseph Ellicott's original radial streets.
- Following the Erie Canal construction, Buffalo's wealth grew, and this street became one of the city's most fashionable addresses.

Stop 1 - 873 W. Ferry St.

- Excellent examples of the residential Bungalow style, introduced in the 1890s.
- Traditional Bungalows are 1 1/2 story homes with widely overhanging eaves low to the ground, earthy tones, exposed brackets and organic materials.

Stop 2 - Corner of W. Ferry St. & Linwood Ave.

- Originally called Miller Street after Jacob S. Miller, who established Buffalo's first livery.[livery stable: a stable where horses are kept for hire and where stabling is provided]

Stop 3 - Fenton Village Apartments (393 W. Ferry St.)

- Built in 1896 as The Fenton Hotel in anticipation of Pan American Exposition attendees.
- Originally could accommodate around 400 guests.

Stop 4 - Kiddy Skateland (33 E. Ferry St.)

- Large exterior mural painted in 2015 by local artist, Chuck Tingley.
- The project was designed to bring together East Side and West Side communities and schools through educational and public art projects.

Stop 5 - Bethel African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church (1525 Michigan Ave.)

- Founded in 1831—The oldest congregation of African descent in the City of Buffalo & WNY.
- AME was the first independent African-American church in the country (1790s).

Stop 6 - Buffalo Academy for Visual and Performing Arts

- Site of the former Offermann Stadium, home of the Buffalo Bisons (1880s-1960).
- Named in 1935 after former team owner, Frank Offermann.

Stop 7— Corner of E. Ferry & Jefferson Ave. - Hamlin Park Sign

- Jefferson Ave. is the western bound-ary of The Hamlin Park Historic District, a prominent East Side residential neighborhood.
- Named after Cicero Jabez Hamlin, President of the Buffalo Grape Sugar Company, and a prominent landowner in Buffalo & East Aurora.

Stop 8 - Perkins Park

- Perkins Park is named after Charles T. Perkins, the long-time Deputy Director of the Erie County Community Action Organization.
- Perkins lived in the Hamlin Park District and was active in his community and other East Side districts.

Stop 9 - Patriot Height Apartments/ Resource Council of WNY (347 E. Ferry St.)

- Former Humboldt YMCA Building now home to 16 affordable housing units and a community center.
- This affordable housing project is focused on helping female veterans in-need, find an affordable place to live.

Stop 10 - Humboldt Parkway

- Original Humboldt Parkway was designed by Frederick Law Olmsted and Calvert Vaux as part of their 1870 master plan for Buffalo's Park and Parkway System.
- Humboldt Parkway was destroyed in the 1960s with the construction of The Kensington Expressway (Route 33) and entire neighborhoods bisected.

Stop 11 - 725 Humboldt Pkwy. - Former Second United Presbyterian Church of Buffalo

- The Second United Presbyterian Church of Buffalo from c.1920-1957.
- The congregation was once part of the historic First Presbyterian Church in Downtown Buffalo (Now on Symphony Circle).

Stop 12 - St. Luke AME Zion Church (314 E. Ferry St.)

- Built c. 1920 in a Gothic Revival Style with features such as pointed arches, sharp points of the front façade, and castle-like battlement at the top.

Stop 13 - Doris Record Shop & Mack Luchey (1935-2018)

- Mack Luchey and wife, Doris, opened Doris Record Shop in 1962, the oldest record shop in Buffalo. Luchey was one of the June-teenth Festival founders and inducted into the Buffalo Music Hall of Fame in 2008.

Stop 14 - Route Designation: Dr. Robert E. Baines Way Sign (E. Ferry & Welker Streets)

- Reverend Baines (1947-2011) served his community and the Zion Missionary Baptist Church from 1972-2011.

Stop 15 - Corner of E. Ferry St. & Masten Ave. - Masten Street Name

- Named after the 13th and 15th City of Buffalo Mayor, Joseph Masten (1843-1844, 1845-1846).
- Masten purchased former army barracks on Delaware Ave and converted them to a home, which became the Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural Site.

Stop 16 - The Freedom Wall

- Completed in 2017, the Freedom Wall includes 28 portraits of individuals part of America's story of civil and human rights work.
- Local artists: John Baker, Julia Bottoms, Chuck Tingley, Edreys Wajed
- Marks the beginning of the Michigan Avenue African American Heritage District

Stop 17 - H.O.M.E. (1542 Main St. Corner of Ferry & Main Streets)

- Founded in 1963, Housing Opportunities Made Equal (H.O.M.E) provides comprehensive services for housing discrimination victims, and affordable housing units, dubbed "Oxford Commons Apartments."

Stop 18 - 475 Linwood Ave.

- Gothic Revival Style Church c. 1914
- The former church has been on the market for a few years., pitched as a potential mixed-use commercial/ residential space.

Stop 19 - 482 Linwood Ave.

- Victorian sub-style "Queen Anne," which references the reign of Queen Anne of England 1702-1714 and the Romanticism of the age.
- Features include asymmetrical façade, presence of a tower, a porch that covers most of the front façade, decorated Tympanum, and differing wall textures (see fish-scales on the tower)