

Circumnavigating Lake Union: Tues. Dec. 29, 2015 (6.5 miles)

Meeting 8:00AM at Starbucks: 1211 Dexter Ave N

After leaving Starbucks, turn left on Dexter Ave. Walk north 2 blocks till you come to Galer St. Use the crosswalk to cross Dexter Ave. Use ramp that will take you to the Dexter Hill Climb(stairway). Continue walking over the pedestrian bridge at the base of the stairway.

Heading north, we will walk as close to the shore of Lake Union as possible passing Westlake Marina, Channel 13, Electric Boat Company, China Harbor, NW Outdoor Center, Boatworld Marina, Blue Water Yachts, House Boat Community #1(HBCom#1), remnants of railroad ties, Lake Union Crew, Seattle Auction, HBCom.#2(West Lake Cove), & Aurora Bridge. Next we will climb the stairs leading to Fremont Bridge.

After crossing the bridge, take the stairs down to the Burke Gilman Trail (BGT) & Adobe Campus along the ship canal. Continue east along the BGT to the statue of Sri Chinmoy. Follow the trail under the Aurora Bridge passing HBCom#3. You will pass the Lake Wash. Rowing Club. Continue to follow the BGT/Northlake Way through Fremont (passing Lydig Construction-N Transfer Station Rebuild) till we make our way to Gas Works Park. Go to the main entrance of the park. This will be a restroom stop. HBCom. #4 is adjacent to Gas Works Park.

Leaving the park, we walk close to Lake Union shoreline by following Northlake Way E. We will pass: Emerald Landing, Sky Launch boat racks, Westward Restaurant and Ivars Restaurant. When we reach 7thAve and Northlake Way, turn left. At the dead end we turn left and take the stairs passing Ben Hall for Interdisciplinary Research (part of University of Wash. Campus). We turn right & continue walking on the BGT. We use the crosswalk and follow stairs & signs to the Peace Park. Turning right, we head south across the University Bridge. At the end of the bridge, turn right and walk toward the private road. Follow the bricks to South Passage Pt.Park. As we head along the eastern shore of Lake Union, we will pass: HBCom. #5, Good Turn Park, Ross Laboratories, Fairview Park, Neighborhood Eastlake P-Patch, Public Square, HBCom#6, Roanoke StPark, Blue Ribbon Cooking, HBCom#6, Lynn St Park, Fordes Foundation, Terry Pettus Park, Islander, Lake Union Dry Dock Co., Zymogenetics, Seattle Seaplanes, Silver Cloud Inn, Irish Pub, Moss Bay, Ocean Alexander Marina, Chandler's Cove, Center for Wooden Boats, Mohai, & Spray Park.

Mohai is our second restroom stop. Finally we turn right & head north along the western shore of Lake Union. We pass Kenmore Air, McCormick & Schmick's Restaurant on a short walk to the pedestrian bridge. Cross the bridge to the Dexter Hill Climb and climb the stairs. At the top of the stairs, cross Dexter Ave using the crosswalk. Turn left and head south on Dexter Ave back to the coffee shop.