

# The West End Museum Tour & *Lunch @ Alcove*



The history of the West End of Boston is one of a largely immigrant neighborhood displaced or destroyed by '[Urban Renewal](#)' in a campaign that saw a third of Boston's downtown demolished between 1958 and 1960. We will see and hear about the history of a diverse community that boasted a

unique culture and included many places of historical significance. To many of its Jewish residents it was considered "The Greatest Neighborhood This Side of Heaven." The museum is predominantly known for "The Last Tenement," an exhibit which documents the history of the West End during the [immigrant era](#) from 1850 to 1958. We will learn about its architecture, its nineteenth-century blooming as a desirable residential area. Also, its evolution into a densely populated urban district of working-class immigrants and a small community of middle-class professionals and students with over twenty different ethnic backgrounds.

**Tuesday, February 25 - Sign Up at 4-9218**  
**Bus Departs 10:30 am      Back by 2:30 pm**  
**Guided Tour: \$5 Charge**  
**Lunch Pay on Your Own**  
**Minimum of 7 Required**