

GREAT CRASHES OF WALL STREET WALKING TOUR

Sponsored by the Museum of American Finance

October 25, 2025, 1pm

(No tour in inclement weather. Rain date: November 1, 2025, 1pm)

ITINERARY

Tour meets at Alexander Hamilton US Custom House, One Bowling Green, NYC

1) INTRODUCTION (In front of Old Custom House)

37th tour anniversary – RMW/JSK

2) OLD CUSTOM HOUSE (in front of building at Bowling Green)

Henry Hudson and Dutch East and West India Companies – JSK

Custom House Architecture and History – RMW

Chester Arthur: Customs Collector and President – JSK

171ST Anniversary of Elizabeth Jennings, America's First Freedom Rider – RMW

Sad Story of Audrey Munson – RMW

(Walk north on Broadway, then east on Beaver Street)

3) BEAVER STREET (across from 26 Broadway, Beaver St. entrance)

Standard Oil and John D. Rockefeller – JSK

Billionaires-John D. Rockefeller vs. Elon Musk, Jeff Bezos, Mark Zuckerberg– RMW

"Charging Bull" sculpture – JSK

(Walk east on Beaver Street to Broad Street)

4) 60 BROAD STREET (in front of 55 Broad)

Rise and fall of Drexel – JSK

38 years after 1987: What have we learned? – RMW

Where are they now? Ivan Boesky, Michael Milken, Carl Icahn – RMW

(Walk south on Broad Street)

5) 85 BROAD STREET (sit in park east of 85 Broad; Pearl and William Streets)

Goldman Sachs: Note shavers to largest Wall Street Partnership; Treasury Secretaries; now strongest firm on the Street – JSK

Goldman Sachs and New York real estate – RMW

150th Anniversary of the 1875 Specie Resumption Act, Panic of 1873 and other panics – RMW

(Walk east on South William Street to Mill Lane)

6) MILL LANE

371st Anniversary of the first Jews in New York and street name change – JSK

7) 1 WILLIAM STREET (corner South William Street)

Lehman Brothers and other Jewish Investment Bankers – JSK

Delmonico's – RMW

(Walk south on William Street to Hanover Square)

8) HANOVER SQUARE (in front of park; Pearl and William Streets)

British Memorial Garden – RMW

Many parallels between history and today; the fall of Kidder, Peabody and subsequent frauds – RMW

Robert Fulton; American innovation; building/impact of the Erie Canal – JSK

Mayor DePeyster's statues – RMW

(Walk north on Pearl Street to 80 Wall Street)

9) The First New York Stock Exchange (80 Wall; NE corner of Wall and Pearl)

Tontine Coffee House and the beginning of the NYSE – JSK

50th Anniversary of "The Big Bang"-RMW

Bank of NY vs. Bank of Manhattan Company: Hamilton vs. Burr – JSK

More Wall Street residential – RMW

72 Wall Street: New conference center planned – RMW

(Walk north on Wall Street to 23 Wall Street)

10) THE 1920 EXPLOSION (in front of 23 Wall; SE corner of Broad St.)

105th anniversary of 1920 explosion – RMW

(Walk north on Nassau Street, east on Pine Street to 28 Liberty Street Plaza/Chase Manhattan Plaza)

11) THE GREAT CRASH OF 1929 (in front of Chase Manhattan Plaza)

Bull market of the 1920s; Main Street meets Wall Street – JSK

Joe Kennedy's shoeshine man – RMW

96th Anniversary of 1929 Great Crash – JSK

12) WALL STREET SKYSCRAPERS

NYC banks, Chase Manhattan Plaza and The Great Zeckendorf bank shuffle – RMW

Sale of Chase Manhattan Plaza and 60 Wall Street; International investors in NYC real estate – RMW

40 Wall Street (Trump Building); World's tallest building to Depression failure: Ohrstrom, Zeckendorf, Marcos (Bernstein), Resnick, Trump – RMW/JSK

70 Pine Street: Henry Doherty's dream building; rise and fall of AIG – RMW

FDR's bear raid on the dollar – JSK

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