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Random Things to do Close to Downtown and the Convention Center

Mother Foucault’s Book Store

523 Southeast Morrison Street

It’s like the bookstore of your postmodern dreams. You might want to pull out a cot and stay for 6 months or a year.

Facebook https://www.facebook.com/MotherFoucaults

Map https://goo.gl/maps/iN0G2

5 minutes from the Convention Center. Take the #6 Bus south 4 stops to Morrison St, or take the CL Street Car south (toward OMSI) 2 stops to Morrison.

5 minutes from Downtown. Take the #15 Bus (toward Gateway TC) just over the river. Get off on the first stop, SE Grand. Walk one block north to Morrison.

Independent Publishing Resource Center (IPRC)

1001 SE Division St

“The IPRC's Mission is to facilitate creative expression, identity and community by providing individual access to tools and resources for creating independently published media and artwork.

We've helped community members find their artistic voices, especially disenfranchised youth (including GLBT, minority, at-risk, and homeless youth) whose lifestyles and experiences tend to be marginalized in the major media. We've helped countless individuals to discover themselves through art, and to reach and inspire others in the community by publishing and sharing their work.” – From their webpage

Webpage http://www.iprc.org/

Map https://goo.gl/maps/iDNMd

10 minutes from Downtown. Take the #4 Bus (towards Gresham TC) to SE Division and SE 12St. Cross over Division St and walk one block back to the IPRC.

Buy a Streetroots Newspaper
“Street Roots creates income opportunities for people experiencing homelessness and poverty by producing a newspaper and other media that are catalysts for individual and social change.” – From their website

Website http://streetroots.org/

Copies can be purchased for $1.00 all around town from vendors. Get another take on local and national news from “those who cannot afford free speech.”

Free Geek Thrift Store

1731 SE 10 Ave.

“We transform used technology into opportunity, education, & community!” – From their website.

FreeGeek recycles used computers, trains people to fix them, and gives them away to people who need them.

Webpage http://www.freegeek.org

Map https://goo.gl/maps/MjNMj

5 minutes from Downtown. Take the #14 Bus over the river to the Hawthorne and 9th St. stop. Walk 2 blocks south to Market, then one block east to 10th St.

10 minutes from the Convention Center. Take the CL Street Car south (towards OMSI) and get off at the SE MLK and Mill St. stop. Take Mill St. east 6th blocks to 10th St.

Ice Skating at Lloyd Center

Webpage http://www.lloydcenterice.com/

Map https://goo.gl/maps/MRHAO

5 MInutes from the Convention Center. Take the Red, Green, or BlueMax (east) 2 stops to the Lloyd Center/NE 11th St stop. Walk one block north to the Lloyd Center Mall.

10 minutes from Downtown. Take the Red or Blue Max (east) past the Convention Center, 2 stops. Get off at the Lloyd Center/NE 11th St stop. Walk one block north to the Lloyd Center Mall.

Floating World Comics

Webpage: http://floatingworldcomics.com/
“Floating World Comics is a store for people who still like going to stores. We’re a bookstore that just happens to carry the coolest books of all – comics. But also art books, international art magazines, graphic design, illustration, animation, music and movie related items, anything that might serve as inspiration for creative people looking for something new.”

**Hoyt Arboretum**


Map: [https://goo.gl/maps/gzSlE](https://goo.gl/maps/gzSlE)

Easy to access from the red or the blue westbound lines (Beaverton/Hillsboro). The stop is Washington Park. Simply take the elevator up and follow the signs to the Arboretum.

“At Hoyt Arboretum, every tree has a story to tell. Founded in 1928 to conserve endangered species and educate the community, Hoyt Arboretum encompasses 189 ridge-top acres, accessible by 12 miles of hiking trails. A place of beauty and serenity in all seasons, Hoyt Arboretum is easily accessible from anywhere in the Portland metropolitan area by car, bus or the MAX light rail. You will also find parking, restroom facilities, ADA accessible trails and ADA parking at or near the Visitor Center.”

**Bailey’s Tap Room**


Map: [https://goo.gl/maps/xyE6D](https://goo.gl/maps/xyE6D)

“Bailey’s Taproom offers 24 constantly rotating taps encompassing the entire range of beer styles with an emphasis on Oregon breweries.

Located in downtown Portland, Oregon, we’re convenient to most hotels, mass transit, nightlife and restaurants and welcome to both craft beer fanatics and the uninitiated. Our goal is to constantly offer one of the most eclectic selections of beer around.”