

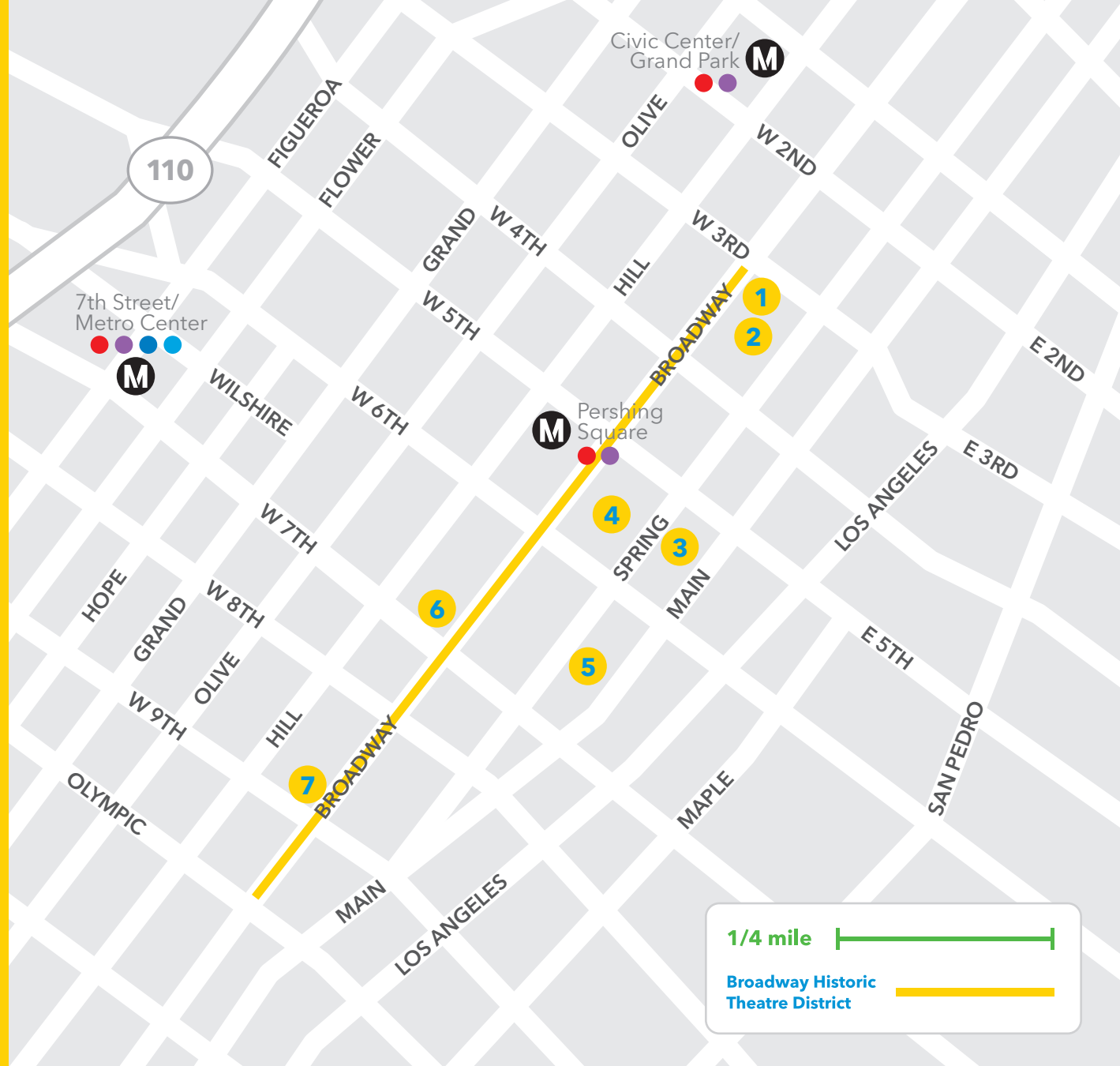


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Historic Core

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1 Bradbury Building

304 S. Broadway

One of LA's most unique architectural treasures, the Bradbury Building is a bit like the city itself: modest to the outside world, but full of light and beauty should you travel inside. Built in 1893 and inspired by the utopian Socialist sci-fi novel *Looking Backward*, it is the oldest commercial building in the central city. Its wrought-iron railings and open-cage elevators are instantly recognizable to Blade Runner fans.



2 Biddy Mason Park

331 S. Spring St.

Born a slave in Georgia, Biddy Mason worked as a midwife in Los Angeles after earning emancipation in 1860. One of the first African Americans to purchase land in the city, she co-founded LA's first black church on this site. Today, two artworks here honor her life, a timeline wall by Sheila Levant de Bretteville and a piece by Betye Saar.



3 Los Angeles Theatre Center

514 S. Spring St.

It's almost impossible to miss the massive Greek Revival-style Ionic columns that front this 1916 building designed by John Parkinson. Inside, the beautiful lobby with a stained-glass ceiling has been preserved. This former bank now serves as the home of the Latino Theatre Company.



4 Broadway-Spring Arcade

541 S. Spring St.

A gem built in 1924, this shopping arcade (now full of a diverse array of restaurants including the downtown branch of Boyle Heights' Guisados) connects two 12-story office towers, one on Broadway, one on Spring—be sure to walk the full length so you pop out onto the bustling street. Modeled after London's Burlington Arcade, the glass-roofed skylight is especially beautiful.



5 Los Angeles Stock Exchange Building

618 S. Spring St.

Opened in 1931 during the height of the Depression, this building's granite façade and imposing architecture suggest great financial stability. The Classical Moderne-style building features relief sculptures by Salvatore Cartaino Scarpitta above its massive bronze doors, portraying elements of capitalism, for which Scarpitta won an award from the American Institute of Architects. After the Stock Exchange moved out in the 1980s, the building became a nightclub.



6 St. Vincent Court

Alley off 7th St. between Broadway & Hill

This small, picturesque alley runs through the center of what used to be the 1906 Bullock's department store, which closed in 1983 to become today's St. Vincent Jewelry Center. A popular lunch spot, the restaurants here reflect the district's diversity. The alley itself dates back to the 1860s, when the site was occupied by St. Vincent's College (now Loyola Marymount University) and the alley was the main entrance into campus.



7 Eastern Columbia Lofts

849 S. Broadway

A general rule: anytime you pass over a chevron terrazzo sidewalk, look up. This spectacular landmark with its turquoise terra cotta, impressive clock tower, and signature neon sign can't be missed. Built in 1930 as the lavish headquarters for the Eastern Outfitting Company and the Columbia Outfitting Company, the 13-story structure was one of the largest buildings constructed Downtown until after WWII. In 2006, it was converted into luxury condominiums, many of which were sold to celebrities.



MILLION DOLLAR THEATRE
307 S. Broadway



ROXIE THEATRE
518 S. Broadway



LOS ANGELES THEATRE
615 S. Broadway



DOWNTOWN PALACE THEATRE
630 S. Broadway



STATE THEATRE
703 S. Broadway



TOWER THEATRE
802 S. Broadway



RIALTO THEATRE
810 S. Broadway



ORPHEUM THEATRE
842 S. Broadway



UNITED ARTISTS (ACE HOTEL)
929 S. Broadway

Broadway Historic Theatre District

The Broadway Historic Theatre District in Downtown Los Angeles is the first and largest historic theatre district listed on the National Register of Historic Places. With 12 movie palaces located along a seven-block stretch of Broadway, it is the only large concentration of movie palaces left in the United States. Visit lahtf.org to learn more.

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