







even bigger selection of cosmetics than its other locations in the area, which is why we head here for tried-and-trues (Nars, Lancôme, Makeup For Ever, Tarte) and new obsessions (Hourglass, Temptu, Buxom).

>> PRUDENTIAL CENTER, BOSTON, 617-262-4200, SEPHORA.COM.

MUSIC * NEW

NEWBURY COMICS

The Newbury Street flagship of this legendary local chain is stocking less music (and more knickknacks and novelty books) these days, and the fact that it constantly repositions its racks can make for a genuine hunting expedition. Yet it still manages to best other record stores with a roster of indie rock, imports, world music, and 20th-century classical that's unparalleled both here and in many other cities.

>> 392 NEWBURY ST., BOSTON, 617-236-4930, NEWBURYCOMICS.COM.

MUSIC * USED

LOONEY TUNES

This beloved store serves bargain hunters and obsessive collectors alike. What would be a rare find elsewhere is commonplace at Looney Tunes, especially when it comes to the Jazz, soul, and classical vinyl offerings. And if you want vintage punk singles, bios of Miles Davis or Madonna, or just some cheap CDs, they're all here, too—and commendably organized.

9+ 1106 BOYLSTON ST., BOSTON, 617-247-2238.

OPTICAL SHOP * CASUAL

SEE EYEWEAR

Hip and affordable eyewear, thy name is See. Frames here come in all manner of colorful, mod styles, with new designs rolling in regularly. Throw in the occasional half-off sale and a respectable smattering of sunglasses and kids' frames, and you'll see why this is the place to beat.

2> 1276 MASSACHUSETTS AVE., CAMBRIDGE, 617-868-1500; 125 NEWBURY ST., BOSTON, 617-236-0105; SEEEYEWEAR.COM.

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