

The Somerville Historic Preservation Commission

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Present the

# Launching of Milk Row Cemetery Public Openings

Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 6:00 – 8:00 pm; rain or shine



Come inside Somerville's oldest cemetery, dating back to 1804, and usually closed to the public. Explore this rare and endangered gem, where British soldiers and Revolutionary citizens are buried.

Barbara Mangum, an Object Conservator and President of Historic Somerville, will give a **talk from 6:30-7:30pm** to share her excitement about the Cemetery's history and the significance of the restored Civil War Monument, the first in the nation to be erected by civilians. Brandon Wilson will highlight the City's upcoming work to enhance this fragile site with the benefit of two recent grants, as well as the Docent Program that will open the grounds periodically during the seasonal months.

**Light refreshments! Donations to further enhance the Cemetery always welcome!**

Meet at the Cemetery on Somerville Avenue, next to Market Basket, at the edge of Union Square.

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