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The Somerville Arts Council presents a Nibble/ArtsUnion event:  
**Ignite: A Global Street Food, Fire & Light Festival**



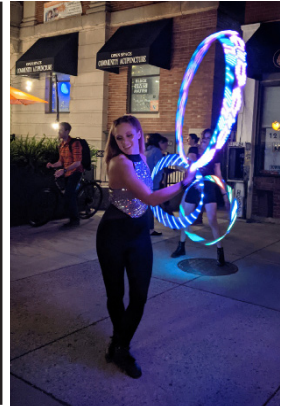
Sat, October 1st

6-10 pm

(Rain date: 10/2)

Union Square,  
Somerville

\$2 donation



### About the Event

To celebrate Union Square's sizzling food landscape, we bring you: the IGNITE Festival! Expect an evening of international eats, fire throwers, roving entertainment, and a raucous celebration of global culture.

In addition to many local food vendors, there will be interactive light installations, numerous illuminated performers and to top it all off, FIRE! Local eateries throughout the Square will be featuring Ignite themed specials.

Beyond the global grazing opportunities, a Korean Drumming performance will kick things off to get the crowd moving with melodic rhythms of the East. The main event in Fire Square will feature performances such as Haitian dance to fire performers; the night will close out with the fabulous Ignite Dance Party led by *A Trike Called Funk!* Throughout the evening, there will be light projections, installations, and many other performers. And of course, there will be numerous activities and our infamous Tiger Head.

### About Nibble:

A Somerville Arts Council initiative that includes Nibble Kitchen restaurant (at Bow Market, Union Square), market tours, food festivals like Ignite, and the Nibble Culinary Entrepreneurship Program (NEP). NEP and Nibble Kitchen provide a space for entrepreneurs who hail from our diverse immigrant communities to test out restaurant concepts in a low-risk environment before launching independent businesses. Nibble supports immigrant communities, celebrates cultural exchange and spurs cultural and economic development.

### About ArtsUnion: A Spotlight on the Culture and Diversity of Union Square

Now in its 17th year, ArtsUnion has been instrumental in reinvigorating the artistic and business landscape of Union Square. ArtsUnion presents numerous events and markets, and leads cultural tours. In addition, ArtsUnion has commissioned temporary art installations, commissioned artisans to fabricate street furniture and has been instrumental in creating zoning incentives for arts-related development in the square. The Somerville Arts Council and the Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development created ArtsUnion, in partnership with numerous other local organizations.



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## Fire Square Performance Area

(in Union Square Plaza parking lot)

6:20 pm Jen Lin Dance  
(Korean Drum Dance Performance)

6:45 pm Flamenco Boston

7:15 pm KS Dance Studio  
(Haitian Dance Performance)

7:45 pm NewYakCity 95  
(Hip-Hop Dancincing)

8:30 pm Boston Circus Guild  
(Fire performance)

9:15 pm A Trike Called Funk  
(DJ Dance Party)

## Throughout the festival

(in Union Square Plaza, throughout the evening)

Ongoing over the course of the evening, there will be dazzling light installations and projections by local artists: Caitlin Canty, Greg Kowalski, Pamela Hersch, Shanna, Maria Servellon, Maura Mendoza, Circe Rowan, and Olivia Moon. Enjoy roaming performances by the Somerville Fairy Troop and hula-hoop artists. In addition, there will be illuminated balloon art, glow-in-the-dark face painting, street activities, and more! Festival lighting design by Todd Sargent.

### Food Vendors Include:

Union Square Pizza, El Mineirao, Siam Ginger, Masala Square, Machu Picchu, Gracie's Ice Cream and the Arts Council's Nibble Culinary NEP Entrepreneurs. Check out the Union Square restaurants for potential Ignite-themed specials in honor of the event.

### Follow festival updates here:

<https://somervilleartscouncil.org/artsunion/2022/ignite>

Facebook Ignite Event Link:

<https://fb.me/e/2Kk7wy12Y>

Instagram [@somervilleartscouncil](https://www.instagram.com/somervilleartscouncil)



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From top to bottom: Jennifer Lin Dance Co,  
Flamenco Boston, KS Dance Studio, NewYakCity  
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