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Walk with the Spirits to celebrate 10th Anniversary
on October 15 and 16, 2016 in historic Summerville Cemetery

“Walk with the Spirits” through historic Summerville Cemetery and learn about the history of some of Augusta’s most notable citizens. Join Historic Augusta, Inc. for this very special trip through Augusta’s past on Saturday, October 15 or Sunday, October 16, 2015. Guided tours will begin every twenty minutes from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm each day.

During a 45-minute walking tour led by a spirit guide in period costume, participants will hear about the history of the cemetery and the residents that are buried there. Along the route, participants will be introduced to additional spirits who will enlighten the group with details of their lives and accomplishments.

Summerville Cemetery is located at the corner of Cumming and Johns Roads. The cost is $15 for adults and $10 for students age 5-18. The cost for groups of ten or more is $10 per person. The tour is not recommended for children under age 5. Reservations are recommended. Light refreshments will be provided.

To purchase tickets, or for more information about this program please contact Historic Augusta, Inc. by telephone at 706-724-0436 or visit www.historicaugusta.org. “Walk with the Spirits” will take place rain or shine.

Featured spirits this year include:

- Job A. A. W. Clark (1850-1919) President of the Globe Mills located between 12th and 13th Streets in the falls between the second and third levels. One of the most successful textile mills in Augusta.
- Sarah Whatley Hickman (1825-1900): Wife of Hamilton Hilliard Hickman, president of the Graniteville Manufacturing Company, one of the first large-scale mill villages in the South.
- Charles Colcock Jones, Jr. (1831-1893): One of the most notable attorneys and historians in all of Georgia. The Jones family made their home at Montrose, a Greek Revival home that boasted a collection of leather-bound books including illustrated copies of Jones’ own writings, Civil War era letters, and autographs from the signers of the Declaration of Independence.
• Rev. Samuel Stanhope Davis (1793-1877): Minister to numerous congregations across the South including the first Presbyterian Church in Augusta. Overseer of the Springfield Baptist Church, one of the oldest African American congregations in the United States.
• Rev. William T. Brantly (1787-1845): Organizational leader of the First Baptist Church in Augusta who raised $20,000 to establish a home base for Augusta’s first Baptist congregation.

Spirit Guides:

• Maisie Chrystie Chafee (1873-1941): Native New Yorker who summered in Augusta before making her home in Summerville. Chafee Cottage showcased Maisie’s gardening expertise while she traveled to show off her golf skills.
• Proper Jules Alphonse Berckmans (1830-1910): Belgian horticulturist known for Fruitland Nurseries, now the site of the Augusta National Golf Club. Species cultivated on the land still prosper today.
• Elizabeth McKinne Gardner (1784-1872): Wife of James Gardner, Sr., a prominent Augusta merchant and mother to James Gardner, Jr., the editor of the Augusta Constitutionalist. At the time of her death, Eliza was considered the oldest resident of Augusta at the age of 89.
• James D. Mackie, M.D. (1818-1854): Noted physician who succumbed to Augusta’s Yellow Fever epidemic of 1854, the very disease he was fighting to prevent and eradicate.