



LAUREL HILL CEMETERY'S SPEAKERS SERIES

What

Laurel Hill Cemetery was founded in 1836 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania as the first landscape-designed garden cemetery in the United States. We now hold title as the first cemetery to be designated a National Historic Landmark. Today, the site is managed by the Friends of Laurel Hill, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to its interpretation and preservation. Proceeds raised through the Friends' Speakers Series support these charitable missions.

Through the Speakers Series, a knowledgeable Friends of Laurel Hill Cemetery guide will visit your host site and present a lecture on a cemetery-related topic of your choosing. Lectures will last up to 1.5 hours and include a slideshow presentation and Q&A session.

Terms

The host site must supply a laptop, projector and screen (or blank, white wall) for the PowerPoint presentation, a working electrical source and extension cord (if necessary). As needed in larger spaces, or with larger audiences, the host site will also be responsible for providing a microphone and amplification.

Fee

The fee for the Speakers Series is \$250, with a \$75 deposit. This rate covers transportation and speaker fees for lectures within a 25 mile radius of Laurel Hill Cemetery, located at 3822 Ridge Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19132. Rates may vary depending on audience size and distance.

Scheduling Information

All lectures must be booked **two months** in advance on a mutually agreed upon date and time. To schedule a lecture, **a reservation form must be completed and returned to the Friends of Laurel Hill Cemetery, along with a \$75 deposit**, payable via cash, check or any major form of credit card. Once a date has been established, and deposit received, an e-mail confirmation will be sent.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellations must be made **two weeks prior** to the lecture date. For lectures cancelled less than two weeks in advance, the deposit is non-refundable. **A \$20 processing fee will apply to all cancellations.**

Our Audience

Laurel Hill Cemetery's Speaker Series is appropriate for all audiences including students, senior groups, cultural organizations, history buffs and social clubs.

Lecture Topics:

All lectures will include general information and history of Laurel Hill, with an emphasis on one of the following topics: **General History, Civil War/Military, Ladies of Laurel Hill, Victorian Symbolism, or Art and Architecture.** Additional topics are available upon request.

