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This Summer, Historic Riverside Cemetery & Conservancy to Host 5K in anticipation of the upcoming opening of the connector between Historic Riverside Cemetery to the Ocmulgee Heritage Trail.

History has run its course, now it's your turn.

This summer, experience 2025's most spine-chilling 5K through the grounds of Historic Riverside Cemetery, one of Georgia's most exclusive underground clubs, located in the heart of downtown Macon. The Running Dead 5K is a (3.1 mile) bare bones race for serious runners through an awe-inspiring route that highlights the Ocmulgee River and Riverside Cemetery & Conservancy's 125-acre, meticulously landscaped property that is historically significant and beautifully maintained all season. Run or walk Riverside's 133-year old sprawling Victorian-era cemetery, on a paved course throughout the cemetery that offers some great views of Macon.

Historic Riverside Cemetery & Conservancy's The Running Dead 5K is a family friendly event and a perfect way to support your community while having fun. Historic Riverside Cemetery & Conservancy aims to include runners, walkers, spectators and the general public in the importance of its preservation with all race proceeds going to the restoration and preservation of Historic Riverside Cemetery. The Running Dead 5K features race timing while runners, joggers, and walkers of all levels are welcome. Leashed dogs and strollers are also welcome.

Join us for the first 5K offered by Historic Riverside Cemetery as we anticipate the upcoming opening of the connector between Historic Riverside Cemetery to the Ocmulgee Heritage Trail. Every runner, every donor, every sponsor, and every volunteer is very directly helping to support one of Central Georgia's most beautiful and unique spaces. Historic Riverside Cemetery is a National Historic Monument, full of history, culture, art, architecture, and horticulture. Proceeds benefit the mission of supporting preservation, conservation and enhancement of the cemetery's landscape, buildings, monuments and future for all to enjoy.

Race Registration opens April 2025

\$30 Entry fee. Race Time: 8:30am. Cost includes a complimentary T-shirt. Day-of registration for adults is \$35 if space remains. Walkups are welcome, but T-shirt sizes cannot be guaranteed.

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Riverside Cemetery in Macon, Georgia was established in 1887 as a private cemetery located above the Ocmulgee River and has operated as a not-for-profit entity since the 1940's. The cemetery is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is the final resting place for more than 19,000 people representing many ages, faiths, races, and national creeds.