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**The Cambridge Historical Society's
2018 History Café Series to Focus on "Where is Cambridge From?"**

*Opening Event "East Cambridge & The Facts" to be held
May 30th, 6:30pm at Atwood's Tavern—*

CAMBRIDGE, MA: The [Cambridge Historical Society](http://www.cambridgehistory.org) (CHS) is hosting its first [History Cafe](#) of the 2018 season on Wednesday, May 30th at Atwood's Tavern at 6:30 PM in East Cambridge. Open to the public, the event will feature guest speakers and lively discussion about where Cambridge is from with a focus on East Cambridge, the first stop for many newcomers to our city:

- Cliff Cook, Cambridge Planning Information Manager will offer a demographic overview of Cambridge and how this has evolved over time
- Michael Delia, President and CEO of East End House, will discuss his organization's role in welcoming newcomers for the past century
- The program will be moderated by Reed Gochberg, a Lecturer in History and Literature at Harvard University

Tickets are modestly priced and can be purchased at the door or at www.cambridgehistory.org.

Each year, CHS programs explore a “big question” facing our community alongside a historical perspective to inspire curiosity and enable better understanding. This year’s theme is “Where Is Cambridge From?” Our 2018 History Café events and other activities will highlight various aspects of people’s experiences of identity and belonging in Cambridge.

Mark your calendar for more History Café events throughout 2018. Dates and times will be announced at www.cambridgehistory.org/

- June: Cambridge, The Welcoming City That Values Diversity
- June: City People and Brattle Brahmins: Types That Tell Us Where Cambridge Is From
- July: On Being From the Caribbean *and* Cambridge
- September: What Is It Like To Grow Up In Cambridge?
- November: Talking About Where You’re From: Storytelling and Oral Histories

About the Speakers:



Cliff Cook

Cliff Cook joined the Cambridge Community development Department in 1995. He is currently Senior Planning Information Manager, responsible for a variety of topics where urban planning and data intersect. He acts as the unofficial city demographer, providing information about the population of Cambridge from a range of sources. He is the president of the Association of Public Data Users and a member of the Census Bureau’s Data products Review Group. He has Master of Regional Planning and undergraduate degrees from Cornell University.



Michael Delia

Michael Delia has over 25 years of experience in management positions within not-for-profit organizations. He has served as the President and CEO of East End House since 1996. During his tenure, East End House has received numerous awards, including the Massachusetts Nonprofit Network's Award for Excellence in Management in 2010 and Family Strengthening Award from the Annie E. Casey Foundation and United Neighborhood Centers of America in 2009 and 2010. Michael received a Masters Degree from the University of Chicago in Social Service Administration and a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo.



Reed Gochberg, Moderator

Dr. Gochberg is a Lecturer in History and Literature at Harvard University. She received her PhD in English in 2016 from Boston University, and she specializes in nineteenth-century American literature and culture, with research interests in the history of science, material culture, and the history of museums. Reed is a member of the Society's Programs Committee.

About The Cambridge Historical Society

From the American Revolution to the biotech revolution, the history of Cambridge, Massachusetts is unlike that of any other city. A city this vibrant and vital must preserve its past and learn from it to make the Cambridge of today the best it can be. Founded in 1905, the Cambridge Historical Society is a membership organization that serves our community through inclusive programming and stewardship of its historic collections and the property entrusted to it. The Society helps those who live and work in Cambridge explore and understand how and why we got here and use that perspective to facilitate the exploration and understanding of contemporary issues. We enable our community to better recognize, understand, and appreciate the threads that connect yesterday, today, and tomorrow and connect us to each other and our community.

About Atwood's Tavern

Located at 877 Cambridge Street, Atwood's is a neighborhood restaurant, bar, and music venue that features local and touring musicians. Atwood's serves a full dinner menu until 11:30 PM nightly and offers an outdoor patio space to enjoy the warm weather.