

THE OUTLOOK

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Spring Semester Enrollment Now Open Spring Classes Start February 15th.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



February brings us the start of our Spring Semester on the 15th. If you have not done so, look through the Spring catalog and register now.

February also means that the Curriculum committees are ramping up the planning for the Fall 2021 Semester, and plans for the Summer Session are proceeding. We are planning to be back in the classroom by Fall but have asked Presenters to be prepared for the possibility that we may still be remote. The University has not made any decisions at this time.

On Wednesday, February 10, the New Member Orientation will provide some background and history of the Osher Foundation and OLLI at UCI. The Board of Directors will be introduced and Committee Chairs will explain their functions and activities. All the "moving parts" of OLLI will

be explained.

Please stay healthy and connected!

Lonnie Horn

President, OLLI at UCI

To find all the OLLI information, scroll through the seven orange headers, from President's Message to Legacy Giving.

If you are a **Mac** user, you may need to click "view entire message" to view this entire newsletter. The message will be found at the bottom left corner of this page. If you see this message, then you know there is more to read

BOARD'S CORNER



OFFICIAL INFORMATION

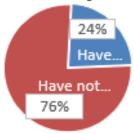
2020-2021 Fundraising Campaign



Join other OLLI donors.

OLLI at UCI is weathering the financial impact brought on by the pandemic. Our new online classes require more resources than ever, including technical support staff, programmers, and

75 Members have Donated Goal – Everyone



Thank you to our donors!!

Click here to view the Donations posted July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. Donations can take up to 2-3 months to process. If your donation does not appear here, check next

trainers to ensure the level of quality that you expect from us. Despite these challenges, our commitment to our members has not wavered to continue to provide you with intellectually stimulating courses. Your contribution or planned gift, is now more vital than ever. to help us reach our goal of \$30,000.

month's newsletter.

We recognize all our donors!

All donor names are listed in our Fall and Spring catalogs and on our university website, unless you choose to be anonymous. Butterfly donors are also recognized with either a Gold, Silver, or Bronze butterfly plaque in your name on our Shared Flight to Learning Butterfly Wall of Recognition.

Donate to match your financial needs.

Include OLLI at UCI in my estate planning.

Transfer stock on behalf of OLLI to the UCI Foundation.

Become a Butterfly Level pledge donor:

- Gold Pledge Level (\$2,500+)/year for 3 years
- Silver Pledge Level (\$1,000 \$2,499)/year for 3 years
- Bronze Pledge Level (\$500 \$999)/year for 3 years

Make a one-time Annual Gift.

- Angel Donor Level (\$300+)
- Friend Donor Level (\$15 \$299)

How to Donate

Online: Donate online with your credit card using the secure UC Irvine server. Click to open and complete this **form** on-line.

By Mail: Print and complete this <u>form</u>, Make your check payable to The UCI Foundation, and mail to: Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, UCI Division of Continuing Education, P.O. Box 6050, Irvine, CA 92616-6050.

Board Meeting Minutes

The **Minutes** of the January, 2021 Board Meeting, to be approved at the February Board Meeting, will be posted on the <u>OLLI Blog</u> along with past Board Meeting minutes. The Board did not meet in November.

OLLI INFO

New Member Orientation (for new OLLI members)

Wednesday, February 10, 2021 10:00-11:30 AM

Welcome to OLLI at UCI! Learn all you need to know about OLLI. Meet our Board of Directors and other new OLLI members. Learn of the many benefits of membership and how to enhance your OLLI experience. This is the time to have your questions in hand!

This event will be held online via Zoom. RSVP to **olli@uci.edu** or 949-451-1403

Zoom Training SessionsFor OLLI members only.

Never used Zoom, but all your friends are talking about it? Have you *Zoomed* but still wish you knew a little more about how it works? Then you should attend one of our upcomig Zoom training sessions.

TRAINING TOPICS

Each training session will cover the same Zoom imformation.
All sessions will last 1 hour.

Video Options

How to mute and un-mute cameras Virtual Backgrounds

Audio Options

How to select and test audio devices

Why it is important to have have mute on during presentations

How to raise hands for questions

How to give "Thumbs-Up" or "Applause" emojis

How to Chat

How to leave feedback on presentation

TRAINING SESSION SCHEDULE

Tuesday, February 9th @ 8:00 AM
Thursday, February 11th @ 2:00 PM
Tuesday, February 16th @ 8:00 AM
Friday, February 19th @ 2:00 PM
Monday, February 23 @ 8:00 AM
Thursday, February 25th @ 2:00 PM

HOW TO REGISTER FOR A TRAINING SESSION?

- 1. You must be a current OLLI at UCI member to attend
- 2. Select the date you wish to attend
- 3. RSVP to OLLI@uci.edu
- 4. We will email you the Zoom invitation to attend

Order a Free Spring 2021 Catalog

Not a current OLLI member? Click <u>here</u> to order your free catalog. Click <u>here</u> to view our Spring catalog.

Spring Semester Enrollment

Registration for the Spring term is now open. Classes start February 15. This Spring semester we're offering 30 exciting courses in the areas of Arts & Humanities, Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, and Social Sciences that are sure to pique your interest.

Spring semester membership is \$160. Special offer! When you purchase a Spring 2021 membership, we will include our Summer session at no additional charge. Summer session includes the months of July and August. Spring memberships are available for purchase up through May 31, 2021. Click here to view our Spring courses.

Register online: ce.uci.edu/olli

Register by Phone: 949-824-5414, ext. 0; 9 AM - 4 PM; Mon-Thu

Virtual Volunteers Needed

Enrich your member experience by developing and strengthening social ties!

Volunteer from home while classes are online. Join our community of volunteers and connect with like-minded individuals who love to learn. We offer a range of volunteer opportunities; one of these might just be a perfect fit for you! Interested or just want to learn more about our volunteer opportunities? Call 949-451-1403 or email us at olli@uci.edu.

Curriculum Committee Meeting Schedule

You're invited to meet our curriculum chairs and course developers to audit how OLLI members like yourselves develop the courses you love. We have four committees: Arts and Humanities; Social Science; STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math); Special Events If you would like to audit a meeting, please respond to this email; state which committee meeting you wish to attend; we will send you the Zoom meeting link.

February 2021 Committee Meeting Schedule:

STEM Committee

Monday, February 8 @ 10:00 AM Monday, February 22 @ 10:00 AM

Social Science Committee

Thursday, February 11 @ 12:00 Noon

Arts & Humanities Committee

Tuesday, February 9 @ 2:00 PM

Finance Committee

Monday, February 22 @ 12:00 Noon

Special Events Committee

Monday, February 22 @ 1:00 PM

Trips from Good Times Travel - OLLI's long-time partner

Good Times Travel is open again and offering single day outdoor based tours in October and November with implementation of all the virus safety measures. In the past Good Times Travel has been a popular and valued provider for OLLI trips. OLLI will not be offering Special Events this fall or spring, but if you are ready for a trip, view the link too Good Times Travel offerings: info@goodtimestravel.com

OLLI COURSES

Spring Courses

Click here to view our list of current

OLLI Remote Learning Center Access

Selected classes are being live streamed and recorded for all current OLLI members. NOTE: Due to COVID-19 no classes are meeting in person. A schedule of upcoming live streamed and over 400 pre-recorded classes is available through the new Remote Learning Center. Members, check your inbox on Mondays for your KIT Mail, which will give you the schedule and instructions for signing up for the Remote Learning Center. If you have already created an account for the OLLI Remote Learning Center, just go to olli.ce.uci.edu. Under Returning User, click the blue Login button, and log in with your e-mail address and the password you created. Note, you must be a current member to access the Remote Learning Center.

OLLI Remote Learning Center Class Etiquette Guidelines Click here-to-view-our-guidelines.

OLLI EXTRAS

(Open to members and non members)

ZOOM some Spanish Conversation GO ONLINE with Bridge, Movie Talk & Mah Jongg

Spanish Club - VIA ZOOM

For answers to questions about our Spanish group, or to request to join the group, contact Kristien Evans at **kristien5@gmail.com**.

Bridge with OLLI - ONLINE

For answers to questions on bridge, now is a perfect time to learn/play bridge online for free, at home any time. Click here to learn how to play bridge online. Or, click here to check out the fabulous BBO (Bridgebase Online) website.

There is a very good reason to learn this game – bridge players are never bored during a pandemic. For more Information contact OLLI member Janie Matlaf at **jmatlaf@gmail.com**

Mah Jongg - ONLINE

Mah Jongg is a popular Chinese game played with sets of tiles similar to the Western card game Rummy Cube. For more information to meet playing online at **Realmahjongg.com**, contact Carolyn Brothers at **cbdancer@aol.com** or May Fong at **mayfong4@gmail.com**.

Photography – Book Lovers – Clever Cooks. What's your thing? Let us know, e-mail jessietromberg@icloud.com. Let's create a new OLLI Extra.

ON HOLD - Some OLLI Extras are on hold until we meet again in person

INQUIRING MINDS

MOVIE TALK: Critical Eye:

BRIDGERTON

Looking for a painless addiction? My suggestion, try Netflix's BRIDGERTON. Adapted from a series of novels about upper class British families in the early 19th century, it has been surgically, skillfully altered to include a class of black titled gentry. Shonda Rhymes has taken what could be a sappy tale of match marriages, love torn triangles and rigid rules of white conduct and managed to heighten the drama, spiff up the dialogue and make you care about these people.

Much of our societal angst is recognizable in this series adding to its

very modern feel. The construct is flawless from episode to episode leaving you wanting more.

ONE NIGHT IN MIAMI

This film based on a play s definitely worth a look- characters depicted are Muhammed Ali, Jim Brown (football star) Malcolm X, and singer/songwriter Sam Cook, all friends from another era. The dialogue describes the Black dilemma, even more relevant today than in 1964 when Ali beat Sonny Liston.

Jessie Tromberg jessietromberg@icloud.com

Library News

The shelves will be waiting for you when we return; and remember, we will be happy to accept your book donations to share with other OLLI members. Thank you.



Lynne Pendleton

OLLI Librarian lgpendl@gmail.com

A BIT OF HUMOR

A few Covid-19 specific puns:

- So many coronavirus jokes out there, it's a pundemic.
- Now is **not** the right time to surround yourself with positive people.
- The World Health Organization has announced that dogs cannot contract Covid-19. Dogs previously held in quarantine can now be released. To be clear, WHO let the dogs out.
- Due to the quarantine, I'll only be telling inside jokes..

Click <u>here</u> to view more of this relevant humor :)

Road Scholar 2021 Videos

For those who have canceled travel plans or just want to see new sights, **Road Scholar** has multiple videos online that are free to all. Click **Road Scholar 2021 - Video Results** and travel from home.

UCI CAMPUS EVENTS

UCI Medical Center Irvine-Newport

University of California board of regents <u>approved</u> the construction of a state-of-the-art medical complex on the northern edge of our campus, along Jamboree Road near Campus Drive. The complex includes a 144-bed acute-care hospital, an ambulatory care center and a cancer center. Construction of the first element, the UCI Health Center for Advanced Care, will begin later this year, with the first patients expected in late 2022, pending legal and regulatory approval.

Click here to read more details.

Newly formed Claire Trevor Society -Click here to visit our website

Claire Trevor Society webpage arts.uci.edu/claire-trevor-society



You are invited to join the Claire Trevor Society, which offers exclusive behind-the-scenes arts experiences and networking with fellow art-enthusiasts. Members receive special recognition and opportunities to engage in the growth of the UCI Claire Trevor School of the Arts.

Contributions to the Claire Trevor Society provide essential support to the departments of Art, Dance, Drama, and Music for:

- Student scholarships and fellowships
- Cutting-edge arts research
- Innovative exhibitions and production labs

The artistic excellence at the Claire Trevor School of the Arts starts with you! To learn more about the Claire Trevor Society please visit: Claire Trevor Society | Claire Trevor School of the Arts | UC Irvine

For further information about this exciting endeavor, contact:

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Claire Trevor School of the Arts - Click here to

visit our website and view events.

Claire Trevor School of the Arts Website arts.uci.edu

(click on the events tab to see all upcoming events)

We recommended that you register in advance for the virtual event you wish to attend.



Drama Events - Click <u>here</u> to view and register for upcoming events.



Dance Events - Click <u>here</u> to view and register for upcoming events.



Art Events - Click <u>here</u> to view and register for upcoming events.



Music Events - Click <u>here</u> to view and register for upcoming events.

The State of California, during this crisis, is cutting the UC Budget by 10%. If you are able to help make up for the budget shortfall for the UCI Drama Department, please consider joining or making a contribution to the UCI Theatre Guild. Click here for information. Bobi keenan - OLLI Liaison to the UCI Drama Department

UCI DRAMA RETURNS TO OLLI

Although UCI buildings still remain closed, the Drama Department is going ahead with Virtual online Productions. It is recommended that you register in



advance for each event.

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UCI TODAY

Click **here** to view upcoming UCI events.

The **Illuminations** Series is **NOW** open **online to OLLI** members! Click <u>here</u> for more information about fascinating activities and events at UCI even during our "social distancing."

LEGACY GIVING - OLLI at UCI



Spread the joy

Individuals 70 1/2 or older can now fulfill their required distributions through charitable rollovers.

For more information on how to reduce your taxable income while supporting OLLI at UCI, click here>>.



Click **here** for more details on giving.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board of Directors, Curriculum Chairs and **Program Committees**

Click **here** to view a list.

CONTACT INFORMATION

At the direction of UCI administration, OLLI staff will be working remotely until further notice. You can still reach us at olli@uci.edu or 949-451-1403, Monday - Friday, 9 AM - 4 PM. Please do not come in to the OLLI office; it will be closed.

Phone: 949-451-1403 Email: olli@uci.edu Website: ce.uci.edu/olli

Donate Online

OLLI depends on the generous donations from our members to help support our programs.



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