



at University of California, Irvine

KIT (Keep in Touch) Mail from OLLI at UCI

Monday, March 14, 2022

Happy National pi (π) Day!

We sure do love celebrating the history of food and science here at OLLI at UCI! It's a "constant value" that so many of our members enjoy with all the amazing "well rounded"



STEM and SS classes our volunteer developers have created for us this spring semester with their "radius of influence" throughout all of our OLLI courses!

If you missed, "The History and World Effect of Mexican Cuisine" (SS307) or "Incidences in the Life of Coffee" (SS305), make sure you check out the recordings through your OLLI Remote Learning Center account, [here](#).

OLLI volunteer developers also work hard to enhance our learning experience with Special Events, like our sold out Mexican Cuisine Lunch that has been rescheduled for April 7th. If you are looking for other events that celebrate farm to table cooking, then you'll love the Tanaka Farms event on May 10th; register [here](#). This event correlates with the class lecture on March 31, by owner and farmer Glen Tanaka with the course titled: SS311 History of the Tanaka Family & Farms. For more information or to register, click [here](#). If you just want to celebrate Nation pi (π) Day with local recipes, try the Broccoli and Cheese Hand Pies from Tanaka Farms, [here](#)!

Finally... did you know that OLLI is starting its Gastronomer's Club again! For more information visit their website [here](#). And, for a fun final read, here's an article to celebrate the possible vegetarian preferences of Albert Einstein, who's birthday is today, March 14! "[Gastronomy of Genius: History's Great Minds and the Foods That Fueled Them.](#)"

Stay Curious!

OLLI at UCI

FANTASTIC FEEDBACK FROM OLLI MEMBERS!

- "An excellent presenter - brings knowledge and clarity to issue."
 - OLLI Member in response to: *The Biden Administration*
- "Fascinating! Delightful!"

- *OLLI Member in response to: Incidences in the Life of Coffee*
- **"Excellent presenter, very knowledgeable. A good review of what we have experienced with COVID."**
 - *OLLI Member in response to: Are we Ready for the Next One?*
- **"One of the most passionate speakers we've had. His love for his subject pulls the class in and creates an intimacy that's rare in such sessions. How could one not want to run right out and eat Mexican food?"**
 - *OLLI Member in response to: History and World Effect of Mexican Cuisine*



OLLI at UCI INFORMATION

OLLI MEMBER CASTING CALL

OLLI is looking for members who want to be the "many faces of OLLI" to unlock this hidden gem.

Let's show the community who we are, how diverse we are, and how much fun we have.



Your Marketing Committee wants to use "actual – real – live" members to create the banners and testimonials that will be part of the branding in our marketing communications.

We also need photographers & videographers to take the pictures and videos needed to advertise on the OLLI website, our Facebook ads, and OLLI Flyers.

- **When: March 22nd**
- **Time: 10:00 AM**
- **Location: OLLI classroom**

Show up and be ready to Rock & Roll!

RSVP and contact Linda Robinson if you want to participate:
robinson.linda@ymail.com

OLLI SPECIAL EVENTS

OLLI SPECIAL EVENTS for Spring 2022 are open to both members and non-members, so **INVITE FRIENDS!**

To register, go to your UCI student account [here](#). Non-members and members can also register by phone at: 949-824-5414 (press #1 to speak to a Student Services staff member M-Th, 9:00am-4:00pm).

TANAKA FARMS Farm to Table Cookout SE 408

Friday, May 10
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Cost: \$45.00
Register [here](#)
(53 tickets remaining)
Deadline: April 25

For more information, click [here](#)



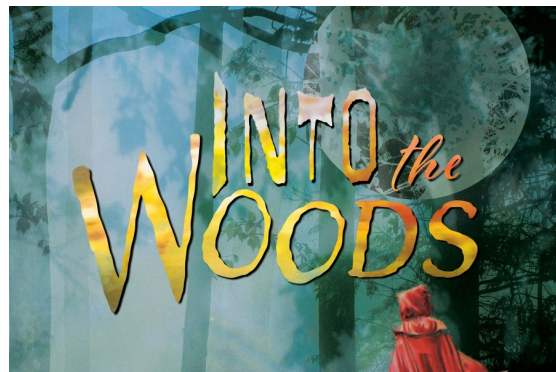
GETTY CENTER An Unforgettable Experience SE 409

Friday, May 20
8:15 AM - 4:00 PM
Cost: \$55.00
Register [here](#)
(19 tickets remaining)
For more information, click [here](#)

DIRECTOR'S VOICE III Into the Woods SE 410

Sunday, June 5
1:00 PM - 4:45 PM
Cost: \$20.00
Register [here](#)
(27 tickets remaining)

For more information, click [here](#)



OLLI REMOTE LEARNING CENTER (ORLC)

New Spring Members

To view online classes, you will need to create an account for the [ORLC](#). If you have not received your OLLI Membership ID, please email: olli@uci.edu.

Returning Members

If you already created an account for the [ORLC](#), you can use the same log in and video password that you created. If you have forgotten your (Video) password, the office can reset it, by emailing: olli@uci.edu.

Need Assistance?

Click [here](#) for links to helpful videos and instructions on how to create an account for the ORLC and How to Use the ORLC.



Upcoming Classes

CLASS FORMAT LEGEND:

A: Classroom ONLY (Presenter and Audience attend in person)

B: Hybrid with Presenter in person (Audience attend in person or via Zoom)

C: Hybrid with Presenter remote (Audience attend in person or via Zoom)

D: Zoom ONLY (Presenter and Audience attend via Zoom)

Calendar at a Glance

| Monday 3/14 | Tuesday 3/15 | Wednesday 3/16 | Thursday 3/17 | Friday 3/18 |
|---|--|--|--|---|
| <u>10:00 AM</u> | <u>10:00 AM</u> AH 107 Format A (Closed) | <u>10:00 AM</u> SS 310 Format C | <u>10:00 AM</u> AH 110 Format B | <u>10:00 AM</u> |
| <u>1:00 PM</u> AH 101 Format A (Closed) | <u>1:00 PM</u> AH 108 Format B (Closed) | <u>1:00 PM</u> AH 109 Format B | <u>1:00 PM</u> SS 302 Format A | <u>1:30 PM</u> SC 202 Format B&C |

Class Descriptions

AH 101
Format A
INTENTIONAL SHORT STORIES
(Closed)
Monday, March 14
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

This six-session class is an interactive adventure in reading and discussing works by acclaimed short story writers from around the world. Class volunteers select a story from the text or PDF from the internet, develop questions and lead the discussion.”

Note: Enrollment limited to 20.

Discussion Leader/ Developer: Gail Rothman, experienced book group leader

AH 107
WORLD'S RELIGIONS STUDY
(Closed)
Tuesday, March 15
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

This four-session class is an interactive study in exploring the essential elements and teachings of the world's predominant faiths. This semester we study Islam and will continue in future classes with Christianity and Primal religions. Participants should read the text before class and we share our understanding in class with the help of questions developed from the text book.

Note: Enrollment limited to 20.

Discussion Leader/ Developer: Elfie Glaubitt, an experienced short story presenter with OLLI.

AH 108
BRUSH UP YOUR SHAKESPEARE
(Closed)
Format B
Tuesday, March 15
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Almost 400 years from publication of Shakespeare's First Folio in 1623, Shakespeare's plays remain a staple in education curriculum and theatre productions. Join this interactive group in reading aloud a play of our choosing,

discussing the characters, plot and major themes. Woven within this interactive reading will be a discussion of the political and social environment of the period. Our discussion will enlighten Shakespeare's intent.

Note: Enrollment limited to 20.

Presenters/ Developers: Beth Mersch and Mitchell Samuelson have participated in this class over several years.

SS 310
Format C
GATES TO DESTINY AND HUMAN CIVILIZATION
Tuesday, March 16
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
[Presentation link available here.](#)

An eternal question is: Where did humans come from and how? Biomedical research finds the human race originated in Africa. The spread of humanity, its civilizations, and cultures have been possible thru waterways. Rivers, maritime straits, bays, and man-made canals have been the major conduits. We will review the ways humans conquered the world and learn about the history, geography, societal development, economies, cultures and inevitably, politics.

- March 16: Rivers: Amazon, Nile, Mississippi, Danube; Suez and Panama Canals

Presenter: Edgar M Moran, M.D., Professor Emeritus of Medicine, a popular OLLI speaker

AH 109
Format B
INTRODUCTION TO CONTEMPORARY ART
Wednesday, March 16
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

This class explores contemporary art in the following mediums: painting, sculpture, photography, street art, installation and computer-generated art. The most successful contemporary artists, such as Yayoi Kusama, Jeff Koons, Cindy Sherman, Banksy and Martin Puryear will be discussed.

Presenter: Jackie Powell, M.A. in Art History, former Community College and Cal State Fullerton History Professor.

AH 110
Format B
MUSICAL GIFTS THAT KEEP ON GIVING
Thursday, March 17

Sometimes musical compositions are so significant that other composers quote them in their own works or write variations on them. Such is the case with the Requiem Mass sequence Dies Irae (Day of Wrath) and Caprice #24 for solo violin by Niccolò Paganini. Versions have shown up in dozens of pieces over hundreds of years and will probably continue to do so as long as composers find inspiration in them. This course examines how the Dies Irae and Caprice #24 have transcended their beginnings to become launching pads for the exploration of new ideas.

Here is a summary of the material that will be covered in each session. For a printer friendly version, click [here](#).

Session 1:

- Musical quotations
- Origins of Dies Irae
- Dies Irae in Baroque, Classical, Romantic and Twentieth-Century classical music

Presenter/ Developer: Steve Weinstein, B.A. in English with a minor in music, University of Pittsburgh.

SS 302
Format A
CURRENT ISSUES FORUM
Thursday, March 17
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

This course is a lively participatory group discussion of issues that are of current interest and will sometimes be controversial. It meets once a month to discuss current political, economic, and social developments taking place locally, nationally and around the world. Attendees are expected to engage in the discussion and share different perspectives. Registered students will receive notice of the current topic one week before the meeting. Classes will be in classroom only with no recording.

Hour 1 - The Supply Chain, why it matters and what should be done?

Hour 2 - Potpourri - open discussion without a presenter

1. Russia and Ukraine
2. How do you feel about the trucker protest in Canada?
3. What should we do about the cost of prescription drugs?

Presenters/ Discussion Moderators/ Developers: Bob Greenberg, Mel Roth, Katherine Jones, Jaime Schvartsman, Yasmin Vali, and Mike Schlesinger.

Format B&C
WOMEN IN SCIENCE
Friday, March 18
1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

The month of March honors women. March 8 is officially recognized as International Women's Day. To launch our recognition of women in science we present three talks:

March 18: Exploring the Universe, Astronomy's Badass Women in Science - Part 1 (Peri)

Presenters: Yves Newmen, Ph.D., Clinical Psychology; Michal Peri, Ph.D., NASA Solar System Ambassador; Jessie Tromberg

IMPORTANT CLASS NOTICES



Third Session Added

AH 110

Format B

MUSICAL GIFTS THAT KEEP ON GIVING:

Dies Irae & Paganini's Caprice #24

Thursday, March 17, 31 & **April 14**

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

The three sessions are as follows:

Thursday, March 17 (10:00 AM - 12:00 PM)

Thursday, March 31 (10:00 AM - 12:00 PM)

Thursday, April 14 (10:00 AM - 12:00 PM)

If you are enrolled in the first two sessions, you are automatically enrolled in the third session.

POP UP COURSE ADDED

AH 114

Format B

THE LEGACY OF STEPHEN SONDHEIM

Thursday, May 12, 26
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
[To register, click here.](#)

May 12:(A) In conjunction with SE 410, Don Hill, the Director of UCI's production of "Into the Woods" (SE 410) will entertain us by bringing his actors who will be singing songs from the upcoming musical at UCI. In addition, Professor Hill will be enlightening us on the themes and main elements of the musical.

Presenter: Don Hill, Chair of UCI Drama Department

Developer: Meredith Cheston

May 26: (B) This entertaining class will feature the life and works of the late great American musical theater writer, Stephen Sondheim, who is best known for his "Company", "A Little Night Music", "Into the Woods", "Sweeney Todd", "A Funny Thing Happened On the Way to the Forum", and "Sunday in the Park with George". The presentation will be enhanced by showing film clips of Sondheim's musicals and discussing their themes.

Presenter/Developer: Meredith Cheston, an experienced presenter with OLLI.

Thursdays, May 12, 26; 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Facilitators: Beth Dorin 949-582-7742, beth.dorin@gmail.com

Carolyn Brothers 714-731-3652, cbdancer@aol.com

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. *Email the appropriate committee person to join the Zoom meeting.*

March 2022 Committee Meeting Schedule:

Arts & Humanities Committee

Email Beth Mersch at

beth.mersch@gmail.com

Tuesday, March 8 (4 PM)

Finance Committee

Email Sherri Nussbaum at

sherrilynn@audiblerush.com

Monday, March 21 (12 PM)

Click [here](#) to join Zoom meeting.

Meeting ID: 936 3476 7503

Password: *finance*

Special Events Committee

Email Linda Vine at

vines1219@gmail.com

Monday, March 21 (1 PM)

Location: OLLI Classroom

Social Science Committee

Email Mel Roth at

melroth721@gmail.com

Training: Tuesday, March 15 (12:00 PM)

Meeting: Thursday, March 17 (3:15)

Marketing Committee

Email Linda Robinson at

robinson.linda@ymail.com

Thursday, March 17 (3:15 PM)

PM)

STEM Committee

Email Marj Besemer at

mlbesemer@cox.net

Wednesday, March 2 (10 AM)

Monday, March 14 (10 AM)

Tuesday, March 29 (10 AM)

UCI COVID-19 FACE COVERING COMPLIANCE & VACCINATION POLICY



UCI FACE COVERING GUIDANCE

"UCI's [executive directive on face coverings](#) will continue to remain in place beyond February 15th. **This means that universal masking is required in all indoor settings while on UCI property, for all students, staff, faculty and visitors.**

To read full letter, click [here](#).

David M. Souleles

Director, COVID-19 Response Team

OLLI at UCI COVID-19 VACCINATION REQUIREMENT

In the presence of continuing COVID-19 infection risks to its members (and guests), and in accordance with the policies of UCI, **OLLI will be asking members to provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination at the first class meeting a member attends as well as cover their face with a mask.** Click [here](#) to read Chancellor Howard Gillman's Executive Directive regarding face covering. To view UCI's Vaccination Policy, click [here](#).



If a member (or guest) is not vaccinated, OLLI will request they attend class online.

To add your digital State of California COVID-19 vaccination record to your phone, fill out the following form: <https://myvaccinerecord.cdph.ca.gov>

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