

Monday, May 15, 2023

Greetings OLLI Members!

We would like to wish all our OLLI mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers, foster



mothers, step mothers, pet mothers, and aunts a Happy belated Mother's Day!

In honor of Mother's Day, today, May 15th, is national Bring

Flowers to Someone Day! So get creative and spread some OLLI joy to those around you: a spouse or partner, your children or siblings, friends or neighbors, cleaning staff, doctors office staff, retirement home staff, teachers, grocery store cashier or bank teller, etc.

What a great opportunity to introduce yourself to neighbor's you haven't met or just show appreciation with a random token of thanks! "A colorful bouquet, potted plant, or handmade wreath is sure to put a smile on anyone's face, and everyone deserves a bit of joy in their day" (Serena Manickam, "Backyard Garden Lover" 2023).

We look forward to seeing you in the classroom or online!

Stay Curious!

Warmly,

OLLI at UCI

FANTASTIC FEEDBACK FROM OLLI MEMBERS

- "Could not believe how much thought, planning and engineering goes into getting rid of our garbage. With the construction of a massive new landfill being prepared as the existing one was in full operation made this an extraordinary learning opportunity. Highly recommend (AND it was totally smell free!!)"
 - OLLI member in response to: SE 405: Orange County Landfill

UPCOMING CLASSES & EVENTS

(Click on image to register for class or event)

2023 New Swan Festival Preview - A Celebratory Season

AH 116

Wednesday, May 31 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Presenters: Eli Simon and Julie Reinhard Lupton, Ph.D.



A perennial favorite, preview of The New Swan Shakespeare Festival summer productions, is back for 2023. Because this year is the 400th anniversary of publication of Shakespeare's First Folio, this season will be especially festive, with several additional events, including THREE plays - Julius Caesar, As You Like It, and The Complete Works for William Shakespeare (Abridged) (Revised).

New Swan, presented in partnership with The UCI Department of Drama, features students and professional actors working to produce these scintillating Shakespeare productions, in a purpose built 130 seat portable mini-Elizabethan theater on the UCI campus.











OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE

at University of California, Irvine

SoFi: The Game Changer – Home of the LA Rams and Chargers

SE 411 Friday, June 23rd 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM Cost: \$80

Forget the game! The Stadium is the star. It's a glittering display of avant-garde design on a monumental scale.

Picture a vast video screen suspended like a spaceship over the field and a roof that can air live TV to passing planes on final approach to LAX. Walk down the players' tunnel, visit a luxury private suite, a press box and a locker room.

Learn the workings of this technological marvel featuring the largest video scoreboard in sports history. Not a sports fan? You will be.



To view online classes, you will need to create an account for the <u>ORLC</u>. If you have not received your OLLI Membership ID, please email: <u>olli@uci.edu</u>.

If you already created an account for the <u>ORLC</u>, 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: <u>olli@uci.edu</u>.

NOTE: Please allow 5-10 business days for a video recording to become available after a classes has concluded due to the editing process. Thank you.



Calendar at a Glance

Monday 5/15	Tuesday 5/16	Wednesday 5/17	Thursday 5/18	Friday 5/19	
<u>10:00 AM</u>	10:00 AM SS 312 Format B/C	10:00 AM AH 101 Format D FULL	<u>10:00 AM</u>	<u>10:00 AM</u>	
<u>1:30 PM</u>	1:30 PM AH 109 Format A FULL	<u>1:30 PM</u>	1:30 PM SS 301 Format B/C	<u>1:30 PM</u>	

Upcoming Classes

CLASS FORMAT LEGEND:

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

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

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

Upcoming Class Descriptions

Monday, May 15th

No courses scheduled

Tuesday, May 16th

SS 312
Format B/C
NOTE CANCELLED
SESSIONS IN RED

EUROPEAN
HISTORY SERIES:
The Medieval Age
(Session 2 of 4)

Tuesday, May 16 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Presenter:
Rainer Feldt, a favorite OLLI
presenter of multiple
historical time periods, taught
European History at
Saddleback College for 16
years

The European History Series has traced the development of Western civilization from early 3500 BCE to the present.

This course will explore the period known as the Middle Ages—the era between the fall of Rome (476 AD) to the rise of Renaissance Italy in 1400 AD. The medieval period is the link between the ancient and the modern world.

May 16: The Growth of the Christian Church and Byzantium

May 23: CANCELLED

May 30: The Catholic and Eastern Orthodox Churches, the Crusades, Viking raids

June 6: The decline of feudalism, the fall of Constantinople, the Renaissance

June 13: CANCELLED

AH 109 Format A FULL

BORROWED FROM THE BARD: Inspired

In this "limited edition" book discussion group, we will discuss three novels which give a new twist to three of Shakespeare's bestknown plays, allowing us to see their timeless themes in a new light.

Participants should read the books

by Shakespeare's Plays

Tuesday, May 16 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Discussion Leader: Susan Fouts in advance of the meetings; all titles are available on Amazon.

Fool by Christopher Moore

Vinegar Girl by Anne Tyler

Speak Easy, Speak Love by McKelle George

Wednesday, May 17th

AH 101
Format D
FULL: enrolled members
please use existing Zoom link

WRITING LIFE STORIES

Wednesday, May 17 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Discussion Leader: Tim Boyd This friendly class is where you will write down the stories of your life. Share your stories and listen to those of others in the group.

The workshop provides prompts, ideas, and writing craft resources. For those with the goal of creating books to share, you will have an opportunity to learn about design and printing.

This workshop involves a commitment to attend regularly and to write a two-page story every two weeks.

Thursday, May 18th

AH SS 301 Format B/C Online members are observation only

CURRENT ISSUES FORM

Thursday, May 18 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Discussion Leaders:
Bob Greenberg,
Katharine Jones,
Mel Roth,
Mike Schlesinger,

Current Issues class is a discussion group where we explore timely topics with multiple perspectives and ideas. A committee of members chooses the topics and presents issues on a rotating basis, giving background on an impartial basis.

Our first hour will discuss Artificial Intelligence (AI), which is being heavily featured in the media today. Bob Greenberg will present an explanation of AI, run a demonstration where ChatGPT will answer audience questions, and provide info on what experts say are the pros and cons. This should be an interesting hour!

Yasmin Vali, Jamie Schvartzman, Scott Greenspan, and Bradly Gilbert

The second hour will be what we call "Potpourri" where there is no presentation, just open discussion. The committee has suggested the following topics:

- 1. What are your thoughts about the ethics of Supreme Court justices?
- 2. Given that most people do not want a repeat of Trump vs.
 Biden in the presidential election and they both appear to be the likely candidates, what prevents us from having more popular candidates to chose from?
- 3. With only 1.4% of teenagers identifying as transgender per a UCLA study, why has this become such a hot topic?

We look forward to your ideas and participation!

Friday, May 19th

No courses scheduled



SS 312 2 CLASS SESSIONS CANCELLED

EUROPEAN HISTORY SERIES:The Medieval Age

Two of the six sessions for presenter, Rainer Feldt's class have been cancelled

and will be rescheduled for FALL 2023. Please note the following class schedule and cancelled sessions:

- May 9: The Dark Ages—The Early Medieval Period
- May 16: The Growth of the Christian Church and Byzantium
- May 23: CANCELLED
- May 30: The Catholic and Eastern Orthodox Churches, the Crusades, Viking raids
- June 6: The decline of feudalism, the fall of Constantinople, the Renaissance
- June 13: CANCELLED



No additional resources for this weeks courses. Please check back in the next KIT Mail for next weeks enhancements!



UCI COVID-19 VACCINATION POLICY



OLLI at UCI COVID-19 VACCINATION REQUIREMENT

- OLLI will continue to ask members to provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination at the first class meeting or special event a member attends.
- To view UCI's Vaccination Policy, click <u>here</u>.
- If a member (or guest) is not vaccinated, OLLI requests that 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

UCI COVID-19 MASK POLICY

From the UCI Campus Public Health Response Team:

Face coverings will continue to be recommended indoors, but not required, regardless of vaccination status consistent with current California Department of



<u>Public Health (CDPH)</u> guidance on the use of face masks in California. Therefore, individuals should feel free to continue to wear face coverings if they desire.

 OLLI at UCI will continue to provide face coverings to those that request one.

For the latest COVID-19 information, please continue to visit the <u>UCI Forward</u> <u>website</u>. Thank you for your ongoing compliance with COVID-19 protocols to help with campus health and well-being.

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