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# OLLI FEST

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# Welcome to our Spring 2025 Catalog

We are excited to be able to present our Spring Catalog - covering all our classes from February through June.

**Registration for  
Spring Classes Opens  
Wednesday, January 15th, at 10:00AM**

**A link to the registration site can be found at  
the bottom of every page - just click Register  
Now to be taken to the Sign-In Page**

*A paper registration form is available from the  
office.*

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## Shared Interest Groups (SIGs)

There are currently 25 SIGs meeting regularly throughout the month, from Board Games to Writing Memoir. All these are free to join as a benefit of membership.

Check our [online calendar](#) to see when they meet and visit [OLLI COMM](#) to join or view updates and other information.

## Parking

Registration for parking tags for River's Crossing are available online at [olli.uga.edu](#) (under Membership). Parking tags will be available for pickup from the OLLI office on or after the third business day following submittal of your order.

Each tag costs \$20, and may be used by others in your household. The tag will enable you to park ONLY in the River's Crossing parking lot through 7/31/2025. If you purchased a tag for the Fall semester, it will be valid for this semester

The River's Crossing parking lot is monitored daily until 4:00 PM by UGA Parking Services. Please ensure that your parking tag is displayed properly in your vehicle when you park in this lot. Failure to do so may result in the issuance of a parking ticket with a fine of \$50. Parking after 4:00PM is free.

If you do not wish to purchase a parking tag, a parking permit may be purchased through the ParkMobile app for \$5 a day. Information on the ParkMobile app is available on our website.

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## New Member Orientations

New to OLLI@UGA and want to know how to get the most out of your membership? Why not join us for one of our FREE New Member Orientations to discover everything OLLI@UGA has to offer.

Registration for the New Member Orientations can be found under "Membership".

**January 21- 5:30PM**

**January 31 - 10:00AM**

**February 18 - 5:30PM**

**March 7 -10:00AM**

**April 4 - 10:00AM**

# Local Travel Opportunities

Want to know more about our travel programs?  
Visit us at our OLLI Fest on January 6 at the Oconee Civic Center  
Attend our Travel Fair on January 23, at 4:30PM at River's Crossing.

Non-Member Guest spots are available - please [contact the office](#)

## **Freedom Riders and Civil Rights - Anniston, AL**

*Thursday, February 20*

Enjoy a day trip to Anniston, Alabama, which includes three notable sites featuring Civil Rights, prehistoric and military history.

Discover the story behind the Anniston Freedom Rides, which succeeded in forcing the federal government to ban segregation in interstate bus travel during the Civil Rights Movement. The Anniston Freedom Rider National Monument comprises the original bus station and a mural and interpretive signage that commemorates the first attack on the 1961 Freedom Rides. This site will be specially opened for our visit.

At the Anniston Museum of Natural History, come face-to-face with prehistoric predators, go spelunking in a replica Alabama cave, stroll the African savanna, and visit Ptolemaic-era mummies. The Berman Museum invites you to take a walk through history, honor our veterans, admire the arts of Asia, and discover the dangers of espionage.

Fee: \$135 per person

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## **Hindu Temple, Atlanta, GA**

*Wednesday, April 2*

The guided tour will introduce OLLI members to the history of the Mandir and to the Marti Darshan (sacred deities) and Nilkanth Verna Abhishek (the sacred part of the Mandir). Time permitting, members can also attend the Arti ceremony, an ancient Hindu offering before sacred images to the accompaniment of a musical prayer. The group will enjoy a traditional vegetarian Indian buffet at the onsite Shaoyna Cafe, followed by an opportunity to visit the gift and book shop and to tour the extensive landscaped grounds around the Mandir.

Fee: \$100 per person

# International Travel Opportunities

## **Mexico: Mexcal, Mole, and More**

March 10-19, 2025

Mexico is a country rich in culture, art, and history dating back thousands of years, before the arrival of the Spanish. The country retains many colonial era structures and pre-colonial sites whose mysteries are continually explored today by archaeologists, anthropologists, and historians.

Cost: \$2,750 per person (not including airfare). *Last few spots remaining*

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## **England Gardens and Gardening**

May 13-25, 2025

Explore the beautiful gardens of England in spring! The trip begins with a guided bus tour of London's main landmarks, including Westminster Abbey and Buckingham Palace. While in London, we'll also visit the famous Kew Gardens and 17th Century Physic Garden. Next, take a private bus to Kent and the town of Royal Turnbridge Wells, which will be used as a base for visiting several of England's best estate gardens, such as Sissinghurst and Great Dixter.

Cost: \$3,995 per person (not including airfare, lunch, and dinner). *Last few spots remaining*

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## **Montreal & Quebec City Christmas**

December 10-15 2025

Montreal City Tour · Underground City · Notre Dame Cathedral · Via Rail Train – Montreal to Quebec · Quebec City Tour · Montmorency Falls · Old Quebec Christmas Market · Gilles Copper Museum · St. Anne de Beaupre Shrine · Sugar Shack Demonstration · Leisure time in Quebec City

Cost: \$3,399 per person (including airfare, and 7 meals)

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## **Iceland's Midnight Sun: Glaciers, Geysers, and the Golden Circle**

May 13 – 22, 2026

Reykjavík, Golden Circle, Thingvellir National Park, Gullfoss, Geysir, Akranes, Breidafjörður Bay Cruise, Lava Exhibition Center, Vík, Skógar Museum, Skógafoss, Sólheimajökull Glacier, Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon, Seljalandsfoss, Sky Lagoon.

Cost: \$5,799 per person (Double) (including airfare, and 15 meals)



# OLLI@UGA Spring Schedule 2025 (Weeks 1-3)

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	FEBRUARY 3	FEBRUARY 4	FEBRUARY 5	FEBRUARY 6	FEBRUARY 7
Week 1	<a href="#">10:00AM: Darwin and Darwinism (Session 1)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: ..Timing is everything in Senior Living (Session 1)</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: Porcelain and Decorative Arts Museum Tour (Session A)</a>	<a href="#">9:00AM: March to Victory: Allied Actions After D-Day (Session 1)</a>  <a href="#">10:00AM: Darwin and Darwinism (Session 2)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Watching Woody Allen Today: Comedy and Gender</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: Evidence and Arguments for the Existence of God (Sess 1)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: OLLI in Depth</a>  <a href="#">12:00PM: Together We Thrive: ...</a>
	<a href="#">2:00PM: William Billings: Our First American-Born Composer</a>	<a href="#">12:00PM: Botanicals to Bathtubs: The Art and Science of Gin</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Hands-On Interactive Fire Extinguisher Training</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: Tips to Help Your Senior Pet Thrive</a>	<a href="#">10:30AM: Beginning Bridge II (Session 1)</a>  <a href="#">2:00PM: Intro to Square Dancing (Session 1)</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: OLLI Artisans Unique Talents: ... (Session 1)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: The Desegregation of UGA Athletics (Session 1)</a>
	FEBRUARY 10	FEBRUARY 11	FEBRUARY 12	FEBRUARY 13	FEBRUARY 14
Week 2	<a href="#">10:00AM: Firefly Trail Updates for 2024</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Timing..(Sess. 2)</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: Writing Craft Workshop: ... (Session 1)</a> <a href="#">11:30AM: Georgia's Rivers: ...LUNCH &amp; LEARN</a>	<a href="#">9:00AM: March to Victory: Allied Actions After D-Day (Session 2)</a>  <a href="#">10:00AM: Great Conversations (Session 1)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Evidence and Arguments...(Sess 2)</a>  <a href="#">10:00AM: Emotional Planning for Retirement</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: The Power of Deep Listening</a>  <a href="#">2:00PM: Pompeii: New Discoveries</a>
	<a href="#">2:00PM: The Amazing Machu Picchu</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: Warrior Women</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: George Cukor, ... (Session 1)</a> <a href="#">6:15PM: Italian Cooking Class</a>	<a href="#">1:30PM: Our Delight in Being Right; the Value of Being Wrong (Session 1)</a>	<a href="#">10:30AM: Bridge II (Sess. 2)</a>  <a href="#">2:00PM: Square D (Sess. 2)</a>	<a href="#">3:00PM: Great Decisions 2025 (Session 1)</a>  <a href="#">2:00PM: The Desegregation of UGA Athletics (Session 2)</a>
	FEBRUARY 17	FEBRUARY 18	FEBRUARY 19	FEBRUARY 20	FEBRUARY 21
Week 3	<a href="#">10:00AM: Medicare Deep Dive</a>  <a href="#">10:00AM: Repair is a Radical Act: ...</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Gospel Pilgrim Cemetery: A History</a>  <a href="#">10:00AM: Writing Craft Workshop: ... (Session 2)</a>	<a href="#">9:00AM: March to Victory: Allied Actions After D-Day (Session 3)</a> <a href="#">12:00PM: Slime Molds! The coolest Plant/Animal/Fungus on Earth</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Evidence for the Divinity of Jesus (Session 1)</a>  <a href="#">10:30AM: Bridge II (Sess. 3)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Can We Stop Climate Change? (Session 1)</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: Athens' First Antebellum Botanical Garden</a>
		<a href="#">2:00PM: Warrior Women: The Sculptures of Alice Woodruff - A</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: George Cukor, "A Woman's Director" (Session 2)</a>	<a href="#">1:30PM: Our Delight in Being Right; the Value of Being Wrong (Session 2)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Native Wine Grapes of Italy With Tasting (Session 1)</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: Villains and Scalwags in Our National Park System</a>  <a href="#">2:00PM: Intro to Square Dancing (Session 3)</a>	<a href="#">12:00PM: OLLI Artisans Unique Talents: ... (Sess 1)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: The Desegregation of UGA Athletics (Session 3)</a>



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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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Week 4	<a href="#">10:00AM: Artificial Intelligence: ...</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Akins Ford Arena Behind the Scenes Tour</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: Writing Craft Workshop: ... (Session 3)</a>	<a href="#">9:00AM: March to Victory: Allied Actions After D-Day (Session 4)</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: Great Conversations (Session 2)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Evidence for the Divinity of Jesus (Session 2)</a> <a href="#">10:30AM: Bridge II (Sess. 4)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: ... Climate Change? (Session 2)</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: A Guided Tour of Winterville Cultural Center Gallery</a>
		<a href="#">2:00PM: George Cukor, "A Woman's Director" (Session 3)</a> <a href="#">3:00PM: UGA's Meat Science Technology Center Tour</a>	<a href="#">1:30PM: Our Delight in Being Right; the Value of Being Wrong (Session 3)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Native Wine Grapes of Italy With Tasting (Session 2)</a>		<a href="#">10:00AM: Exercise and You:...</a> <a href="#">12:00PM: Great American Songbook: George and Ira Gershwin</a>
	MARCH 3	MARCH 4	MARCH 5	MARCH 6	MARCH 7
Week 5	<a href="#">10:00AM: Social Security, Medicare, Long -Term Care (Session 1)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Making Sense of War in Ukraine</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: I Have a Stamp Collection: What is it Worth?</a>	<a href="#">9:00AM: March to Victory: Allied Actions After D-Day (Session 5)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Two-Team Parlay:...</a> <a href="#">10:30AM: Bridge II (Sess. 5)</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: 1960's/1970's Music Roundtable (Session 1)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: ... Climate Change? (Session 3)</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: Get to Know UGA's Ramsey Center for Physical Activity</a>
	<a href="#">12:30PM: Introduction to the FamilySearch.org Website</a> <a href="#">5:30PM: Iconic Cocktails of New Orleans: A Cultural Journey</a>		<a href="#">1:30PM: Our Delight in Being Right; the Value of Being Wrong (Session 4)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Explore the Georgia Music Collections</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: Tour of Oconee Hill Cemetery</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Partners in the Search for Truth: ... (Session 1)</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: OLLI Artisans Unique Talents: ... (Session 2)</a>
	MARCH 10	MARCH 11	MARCH 12	MARCH 13	MARCH 14
Week 6	<a href="#">10:00AM: Social Security, Medicare, Long -Term Care (Session 2)</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: Lifestyle Strategies to Prevent and Delay Type 2 Diabetes</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Disaster Preparedness For Your Personal Keepsakes...</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Beyond the Frame: ... (Session 1)</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: Conserving and Restoring Georgia's Threatened Trees</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: Great Conversations (Session 3)</a>	<a href="#">12:00PM: On Meeting Norman Maclean, Author of A River Runs Through It</a> <a href="#">10:30AM: Bridge II (Sess. 6)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: ... Climate Change? (Session 4)</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: The Great American Baritones from Tibbett to Milnes</a>
	<a href="#">2:00PM: A Visit to Shetland and the Coast of Norway</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: Moonlight's Alright: Memories of a Million Seller</a> <a href="#">5:30PM: American Mahjong for Beginners</a>	<a href="#">1:30PM: Our Delight in Being Right; the Value of Being Wrong (Session 5)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Attacked?!? Protecting Yourself in the Age of AI ...</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: Partners in the Search for Truth: ... (Session 2)</a> <a href="#">5:00PM: Tour the UGA Performing Arts Center</a>	<a href="#">12:30PM: Maps, Gazetteers, Atlases and Other Essential Tools...</a> <a href="#">3:00PM: Great Decisions 2025 (Session 2)</a>

# OLLI@UGA Spring Schedule 2025 (Weeks 7-9)

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	MARCH 17	MARCH 18	MARCH 19	MARCH 20	MARCH 21
Week 7	<a href="#">10:00AM: Social Security, Medicare, Long - Term Care (Session 3)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Is My Jewelry Real?</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: The Ten Commandments of Wealth Planning</a> <a href="#">11:30AM: How Conservation Horticulture Helps... LUNCH &amp; LEARN</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: A Brief History of the Supreme Court and its Current Practices.</a>	<a href="#">1:30PM: Our Delight in Being Right; the Value of Being Wrong (Session 6)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Cotton: Its Fascinating World-Wide History</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Leader of the Cherokee Nation: ...(Session 1)</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: The Aging Driver: Six and a Half Tips to Survive the Drive</a> <a href="#">10:30AM: Bridge II (Sess. 7)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Partners in the Search for Truth: ... (Session 3)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: ... Climate Change? (Session 5)</a> <a href="#">12:00PM: OLLI Artisans Unique Talents: ... (Sess 2)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Preparing for the Other Side of Retirement (Session 1)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Global Shakespeare ..</a>
	MARCH 24	MARCH 25	MARCH 26	MARCH 27	MARCH 28
Week 8	<a href="#">9:30AM: Using Newspapers for Family History Research</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: The Meaning is in the Waiting: Faith and Doubt in the Poetry of R. S. Thomas</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Can I Hear You Now? ...</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: Purpose &amp; Profit: New Capitalism</a> <a href="#">12:00PM: Heart's Journey: The Human-Animal Bond ... (session 1)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Why We Watch: ...</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: A Tour and History of Smithonia Farm</a>	<a href="#">10:30AM: Jittery Joe's Coffee Roasting Company Tour</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: Great Conversations (Session 4)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: American Civics 101: A Crash Course! (Session 1)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Mini Mount Class: Creating an Indoor Plant Display</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: ...Transformation of Galagina "Buck" Oowatie to Elias Boudinot (Session 2)</a> <a href="#">10:30AM: Bridge II (Sess. 8)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Partners in the Search for Truth: ... (Session 4)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Practical Mapping for Everyday Uses</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Multidisciplinary Approaches to Stroke Prevention, Treatment, and Rehabilitation</a> <a href="#">12:00PM: Great American Songbook: Rodgers and Hart</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Writing About Georgia for Writers and Non-Writers</a>
	MARCH 31	APRIL 1	APRIL 2	APRIL 3	APRIL 4
Week 9	<a href="#">10:00AM: Garden Bugs and How to Deal With Them</a> <a href="#">1:30PM: Our Contemporary Thoreau, Wendell Berry: ... (Session 1)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Drawing: Fundamentals (Session 1)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Caravaggio and Artemisia Gentileschi: Biography Versus Career (Session 1)</a> <a href="#">11:30AM: The Story of Linnentown:... LUNCH &amp; LEARN</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Try Silk Painting! A Demonstration and Hands-on Class</a>	<a href="#">11:00AM: Behind The Scenes at Athens Area Humane Society</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: American Civics 101: A Crash Course! (Session 2)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: 1960's/1970's Music Roundtable (Beach Boys)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Partners in the Search for Truth: ... (Session 5)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Disruptive Technologies...</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: Simple Fitness For Longevity ...(Sess 1)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Preparing (S 2)</a> <a href="#">2:00PM: Artisans...(Sess.3)</a>
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					<a href="#">2:00PM: Exploring early industrial Athens: A talk and walk</a>

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	APRIL 7	APRIL 8	APRIL 9	APRIL 10	APRIL 11
Week 10	<p><b>10:00AM:</b> Medicare Deep Dive</p> <p><b>10:00AM:</b> In Thomas Hardy's Poetic Workshop (Session 1)</p> <p><b>1:30PM:</b> Our Contemporary Thoreau, Wendell Berry: ... (Session 2)</p> <p><b>2:00PM:</b> Drawing: Fundamentals (Session 2)</p>	<p><b>10:00AM:</b> Caravaggio and Artemisia Gentileschi: ... (Session 2)</p> <p><b>2:00PM:</b> Beyond the Frame: (Session 2)</p> <p><b>2:00PM:</b> Fun with Online Newspaper Archives</p> <p><b>2:00PM:</b> Porcelain and Decorative Arts Museum Tour (Section B)</p>	<p><b>10:00AM:</b> WUGA Radio Studio Tour</p> <p><b>10:00AM:</b> Great Conversations (Session 3)</p> <p><b>2:00PM:</b> American Civics 101: A Crash Course! (Session 2)</p>	<p><b>10:00AM:</b> Walking Tour of Milledge Avenue from Broad Street to Henderson Avenue</p> <p><b>10:00AM:</b> School of Travel ...</p> <p><b>2:00PM:</b> The Sermon on the Mount: ... (Session 1)</p> <p><b>3:00PM:</b> Cataract Surgery: What You Need To Know</p>	<p><b>10:00AM:</b> Simple Fitness For Longevity and Vitality (Session 2)</p> <p><b>12:00PM:</b> The 'Green Awakening': A History of the Environmental Movement...</p> <p><b>3:00PM:</b> Great Decisions 2025 (Session 3)</p>
		APRIL 14	APRIL 15	APRIL 16	APRIL 17
Week 11	<p><b>10:00AM:</b> Greek Life at UGA: Changes Since Animal House</p> <p><b>10:00AM:</b> In Thomas Hardy's Poetic Workshop (Session 1)</p> <p><b>1:30PM:</b> Our Contemporary Thoreau, Wendell Berry: ... (Session 3)</p> <p><b>2:00PM:</b> Drawing: Fundamentals (Session 3)</p>	<p><b>11:30AM:</b> John Singer Sargent: Painter of the Fashionably Rich and the Culturally Acclaimed LUNCH &amp; LEARN</p> <p><b>2:00PM:</b> Mini Mount Class: Creating an Indoor Plant Display (Section B)</p>	<p><b>10:00AM:</b> Historic Athens Welcome Center and Church-Waddell-Brumby House Museum</p> <p><b>12:00PM:</b> Introduction to Islam (Session 1)</p> <p><b>2:00PM:</b> American Civics 101: ... (Session 4)</p> <p><b>5:30PM:</b> Geocaching - A Worldwide Game</p>	<p><b>10:00AM:</b> Downtown Athens: A Work of Art</p> <p><b>2:00PM:</b> The Sermon on the Mount: ... (Session 2)</p>	<p><b>10:00AM:</b> Simple Fitness For Longevity and Vitality (Session 3)</p> <p><b>2:00PM:</b> Preparing for the Other Side of Retirement (Session 3)</p>
		APRIL 21	APRIL 22	APRIL 23	APRIL 24
Week 12	<p><b>12:00PM:</b> Cooking for a Lifetime of Cancer Prevention</p> <p><b>1:30PM:</b> Our Contemporary Thoreau, Wendell Berry: ... (Session 4)</p> <p><b>2:00PM:</b> Drawing: Fundamentals (Session 4)</p>	<p><b>11:00AM:</b> Athens-Ben Epps Airport Tour and Talk</p> <p><b>11:30AM:</b> The Origin of U.S. National Parks</p> <p><b>12:00PM:</b> Earth Day 2025! ...: Can One Person Make an Impact?</p> <p><b>2:00PM:</b> Apple Intelligence and ... That New Stuff on Your iPhone</p>	<p><b>10:00AM:</b> Great Conversations (Session 6)</p> <p><b>12:00PM:</b> Introduction to Islam (Session 2)</p> <p><b>2:00PM:</b> American Civics 101: A Crash Course! (Session 5)</p>	<p><b>2:00PM:</b> The History of Popular Music in 1968</p> <p><b>2:00PM:</b> The Sermon on the Mount: ... (Session 3)</p>	<p><b>10:00AM:</b> Stellar Explorations: ... (Session 1)</p> <p><b>11:00AM:</b> The Psychology of How Do I Get Happier: ...</p> <p><b>12:00PM:</b> Great American Songbook: Cole Porter</p>

# OLLI@UGA Spring Schedule 2025 (Weeks 13-15)

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	APRIL 28	APRIL 29	APRIL 30	MAY 1	MAY 2
Week 13	<a href="#">10:00AM: India Rising (Session 1)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: India Rising (Session 2)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: India Rising (Session 3)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: 1960's/1970's Music Roundtable (Section 3)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Stellar Explorations: ... (Session 2)</a>
	<a href="#">1:30PM: Our Contemporary Thoreau, Wendell Berry: ... (Session 5)</a>	<a href="#">11:30AM: Free Trade: Engine of Growth or Destroyer of Economies? LUNCH &amp; LEARN</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Accessing E-Books and Audiobooks Through Your Library</a>		
		<a href="#">2:00PM: A Tasting of Wines from Chile and Argentina</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: The Historic Morton Theatre: ...</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: The Sermon on the Mount: ... (Session 4)</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: Preparing for the Other Side of Retirement (Session 4)</a>
	MAY 5	MAY 6	MAY 7	MAY 8	MAY 9
Week 14	<a href="#">10:00AM: Petanque: The Greatest Game You've Never Heard of</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Discover Your Community's Archive and Special Collections</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Great Conversations (Session 7)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Strawberry Hill: Horace Walpole's House and Garden</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Stellar Explorations: ... (Session 3)</a>
	<a href="#">1:30PM: Our Contemporary Thoreau, Wendell Berry: ... (Session 6)</a>		<a href="#">1:00PM: OLLI@UGA Annual Meeting</a>	<a href="#">12:00PM: Impress Others with Your Bluetooth Know-How (and Hearing Aids)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Georgia Museum of Natural History Public Gallery Tour</a>
				<a href="#">2:00PM: The Sermon on the Mount: ... (Session 5)</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: Jaws: "The Relatable Fishermen"</a>
					<a href="#">3:00PM: Great Decisions 2025 (Session 3)</a>
	MAY 12	MAY 13	MAY 14	MAY 15	MAY 16
Week 15	<a href="#">10:00AM: Mastering Your Investments in Retirement (Session 1)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Mastering Your Investments in Retirement (Session 2)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Mastering Your Investments in Retirement (Session 3)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Mastering Your Investments in Retirement (Session 4)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Stellar Explorations: ... (Session 4)</a>
	<a href="#">2:00PM: Finding Their Names: Transcribing Documents Related to Enslavement in Georgia</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: History of Campmeetings</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Jimmy Carter and Our National Park System</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: CBD for Better Health</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: Writing for Liberation</a>
		<a href="#">2:00PM: Protecting and Encouraging Native Bee Pollinators</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: How Swede It Is: The Gentle Art of Swedish Death Cleaning</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: Walking Tour of Historic UGA North Campus</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: Preparing for the Other Side of Retirement (Session 5)</a>
			<a href="#">1:00PM: How Restaurants Use Consumer Insights...</a>		



# OLLI@UGA Spring Schedule 2025 (Weeks 16-18)

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	MAY 19	MAY 20	MAY 21	MAY 22	MAY 23
Week 16	<a href="#">10:00AM: Opportunities and Resources at Athens Technical College</a>	<a href="#">11:30AM: The Musical Mind: How Music Shapes Our Brain, Culture, and Life LUNCH &amp; LEARN</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Great Conversations (Session 8)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: 7 Common Estate Planning Mistakes and How to Avoid Them</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Stellar Explorations: ... (Session 5)</a> <a href="#">10:00AM: UGA Trial Garden and Greenhouse Walking Tour</a>
		<a href="#">2:00PM: Beyond Typhoid Mary: Typhoid Fever's Long Trail Through History</a>	<a href="#">1:30PM: Wisdom We Especially Need Now in Our Time of Existential Threats: Some of My Favorite Quotes and Some of Yours (Session 1)</a>		
	MAY 26	MAY 27	MAY 28	MAY 29	MAY 30
Week 17		<a href="#">10:00AM: The Enlightenment and Romanticism (Session 1)</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Kent Haruf's Benediction Trilogy: Novels of Hope and Grace in an Unforgiving World</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: The Enlightenment and Romanticism (Session 2)</a>	
		<a href="#">2:00PM: What's Up at the Supreme Court: A Wrap-Up of Cases Argued in the Current Term</a>	<a href="#">1:30PM: Wisdom We Especially Need Now in Our Time of Existential Threats: ... (Session 2)</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: AI and Chatbots: What's New and Newer, Delightful and Scary</a>	<a href="#">2:00PM: Preparing for the Other Side of Retirement (Session 6)</a>
	JUNE 2	JUNE 3	JUNE 4	JUNE 5	JUNE 6
Week 18		<a href="#">10:00AM: Voices of Experience: Caring for Your Vocal Health...</a> <a href="#">11:30AM: Lloyd McNeil's Last Ride: A Discussion of Noted Author Will Leitch's Latest Novel LUNCH &amp; LEARN</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: Supporting Local Bats in Our Landscapes</a>	<a href="#">10:00AM: 1960's/1970's Music Roundtable: Sgt Pepper</a>	
	<a href="#">2:00PM: OLLI's Icelandic Adventure: Info Session</a>		<a href="#">1:30PM: Wisdom We Especially Need Now in Our Time of Existential Threats: ... (Session 3)</a>		<a href="#">2:00PM: Georgia's Historical Recipes</a>

# Lunch & Learns at Trumps

All Lunch & Learns are held at Trumps Catering from 11:30AM-1:30PM.  
 Cost \$33 per person (Guest spots are available - please contact the office)  
 The deadline for registration for Lunch & Learns is the week before the event

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times
Georgia's Rivers: A Voyage Through Georgia's Cultural and Natural History	Cook	1	\$33	Feb 11 (Tu)	11:30AM - 1:30PM
How Conservation Horticulture Helps to Preserve Imperiled Species in the Southeastern U. S.	Cruse-Sanders	1	\$33	Mar 18 (Tu)	11:30AM - 1:30PM

*This Lunch & Learn is sponsored by Chuck Murphy and by Larry Dendy*

The Story of Linnentown: Giving Voice to an Erased Community	Thomas Whitehead	1	\$33	April 1 (Tu)	11:30AM - 1:30PM
John Singer Sargent: Painter of the Fashionably Rich and the Culturally Acclaimed	Simon	1	\$33	Apr 15 (Tu)	11:30AM - 1:30PM
Free Trade: Engine of Growth or Destroyer of Economies?	Grafstein	1	\$33	Apr 29 (Tu)	11:30AM - 1:30PM
The Musical Mind: How Music Shapes Our Brain, Culture, and Life	Farley	1	\$33	May 20 (Tu)	11:30AM - 1:30PM
Lloyd McNeil's Last Ride: A Discussion of Noted Author Will Leitch's Latest Novel	Leitch	1	\$33	Jun 3 (Tu)	11:30AM - 1:30PM

**Georgia's Rivers: A Voyage Through Georgia's Cultural and Natural History** TC  
 Number of Sessions: 1 \$33  
 Feb 11 (Tu)  
 11:30AM-1:30PM

Dig into the mud and sand of Georgia's rivers and you will uncover our story, for Georgia's history is rooted in its rivers. Drawing on research conducted in the writing of seven guides to Georgia's rivers, author Joe Cook will take students on a voyage through Georgia's cultural and natural history as told through stories connected to the state's rivers. The voyage will span the rice plantations of the Altamaha River delta to the moonshiners' auto races along the Etowah River in North Georgia. At the end, students will understand how rivers have shaped our culture.

## Joe Cook

Joe Cook serves as Paddle Georgia Coordinator and guidebook author for Georgia Rivers, a statewide river advocacy organization. He has traveled thousands of miles on Georgia's rivers and studied and reported extensively on water resource issues in Georgia since 1994. A photographer and writer, Joe is the author of Georgia Rivers' River User's Guide series, including guidebooks covering the Etowah, Chattahoochee, Broad, Flint, Oconee, Ocmulgee and Altamaha rivers. He lives in Rome, Georgia.

**How Conservation Horticulture Helps to Preserve Imperiled Species in the Southeastern U. S.** TC  
\$33

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 18 (Tu)

11:30AM-1:30PM

The State Botanical Garden of Georgia is a university garden with signature collections, cultivated spaces, and abundant natural areas attracting more than 370,000 visitors per year. Engaging educational programs served more than 9,000 participants over the past year. Experts at the garden have also developed programs to help conserve plant species across the state. This presentation will provide an update on programs at the State Botanical Garden and discuss how horticulture is helping to address critical needs for plant conservation in Georgia.

This Lunch & Learn is sponsored by Chuck Murphy and by Larry Dendy

**Jennifer Cruse-Sanders**

Jennifer Cruse-Sanders, Ph.D., is the Director of the State Botanical Garden of Georgia. The garden is a 323 acre university garden with 33 acres of cultivated gardens and more than five miles of trails through significant natural areas. As part of Public Service and Outreach at the University of Georgia in Athens, the garden serves the communities of Georgia and beyond through educational programming, horticultural expertise, display gardens, and conservation programs.

**The Story of Linnentown: Giving Voice to an Erased Community** TC

Number of Sessions: 1

\$33

Apr 1 (Tu)

11:30AM-1:30PM

Giving Voice to Linnentown is the true story of a young Black girl's family in the thriving Black community of Linnentown. Author Hattie Thomas Whitehead recounts how, in the 1960s, the City of Athens and the University of Georgia's Urban Renewal contract displaced Linnentown families, taking their homes for university expansion. Families were forced to move and separated. Decades later, Hattie chronicles her role in seeking justice for Linnentown and its descendants, aiming to give voice to a once vibrant community that was erased.

**Hattie Thomas Whitehead**

Hattie Thomas Whitehead became an activist during the desegregation of Athens, Georgia, later working 27 years in corporate operations management. She developed the Athens StepUp Scholarship Program that has awarded 85 scholarships since 2011. As a first descendant of Linnentown, she is president of the Linnentown Project and co-authored a resolution for recognition adopted in 2021. She wrote Giving Voice to Linnentown and is the playwright of the musical Linnentown. Hattie is a mother and grandmother.

## **John Singer Sargent: Painter of the Fashionably Rich and the Culturally Acclaimed**

TC  
\$33

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 15 (Tu)

11:30AM-1:30PM

John Singer Sargent (1856-1925) is widely considered America's greatest portrait painter of the late 19th century's high society – whether in America, France, or England. With a vigorous brush, daring compositions, admiration of Old Masters Velazquez and Van Dyke, and a recognition of the power of contemporary fashion, Sargent created dazzling portraits of the most important society, business, and cultural figures of his age. This lecture will focus on Sargent's most celebrated and reviled portraits including Madame X, Dr. Pozzi at Home, and Ellen Terry as Lady Macbeth with attention to his creative use of art surfaces to convey human character.

## **Janice Simon**

Dr. Janice Simon is Josiah Meigs Distinguished Teaching Professor Emerita of the University of Georgia where she taught Art History for thirty-five years. In addition to teaching American art, she taught Spirituality in Modern Art and Modern Artists in Film, where she engaged with the life and art of Frida Kahlo.

## **Free Trade: Engine of Growth or Destroyer of Economies?**

TC  
\$33

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 29 (Tu) - *Please note new date*

11:30AM-1:30PM

Because of international trade, the U. S. has been able to access the world's talent, resources, and products. Recently, however, a growing bipartisan consensus holds that trade has hollowed out our manufacturing sector, crushed jobs, destroyed communities, and deepened inequality. This consensus favors protectionism. We will explore the arguments for and against free trade. Does it kill jobs? Benefit consumers? Threaten national security? Are trade deficits bad? We will consider the economic and political implications of protectionism, paying particular attention to tariffs and our trade relations with China.

## **Bob Grafstein**

Robert Grafstein is the Georgia Athletic Association Distinguished Professor Emeritus at the University of Georgia. He also was the associate dean and interim dean of the School of Public and International Affairs. He received his BA from the University of Pennsylvania and his MA and PhD from the University of Chicago. Specializing in political economy, he is the author of two books, co-editor of one, and author of numerous articles in leading political science journals.



## The Musical Mind: How Music Shapes Our Brain, Culture, and Life

TC  
\$33

Number of Sessions: 1

May 20 (Tu)

11:30AM-1:30PM

Humans are inherently musical, so it is no surprise that musical experiences can significantly impact individuals. This seminar will explore how music affects humans socially, developmentally, cognitively, and culturally. We will investigate how our brains respond to music, how musical content can trick our brains into hearing things that are not present, how music can shape us as individuals from birth to death, and how cultural exposure affects our preference and understanding of musical information. Whether you enjoy music as a classically-trained musician, a pop-music fanatic, or a casual listener, you are likely never to consume music in the same way again.

### Alison Farley

Dr. Alison Farley is an Assistant Professor of Music Education at the University of Georgia, where she teaches courses in instrumental music education, psychology of music, curriculum and supervision, and world music pedagogy, and she advises undergraduate and graduate students. Her research interests include the mental health and well-being of college music students, student-directed learning, teacher education, and cognition and perception of performance from written notation.

## Lloyd McNeil's Last Ride: A Discussion of Noted Author Will Leitch's Latest Novel

TC  
\$33

Number of Sessions: 1

Jun 3 (Tu)













11:30AM-1:30PM

Athens based author (and OLLI favorite) Will Leitch will discuss his latest novel, Lloyd McNeil's Last Ride. Leitch's previous two novels, *The Time Has Come* and *How Lucky* were set in Athens. This time, the action moves to Atlanta, and Leitch thinks this is his best novel yet.

### Will Leitch

Leitch is the author of the novels *How Lucky* and *The Time Has Come*, a contributing editor at *New York* magazine, and the founder of the late sports website *Deadspin*. He writes regularly for the *New York Times*, the *Washington Post*, *The Atlantic*, *NBC News*, *CNN*, and *MLB.com*. He lives in Athens, Georgia, with his wife and two sons.

## Catalog Legend: Color Guide

	RC = In Person only class at River's Crossing	
	RC / Z = In Person and Online Class (register by your attendance preference)	
	Z = Online only class via Zoom	
	G = In Person only class at UGA Gwinnett	
	G / Z = In Person and Online Class (register by your attendance preference)	
	OS = Off Site In Person class	

# Week 1 (Feb 3-7)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">Darwin and Darwinism</a>	Keene	2	\$21	Feb 3 (Mo) Feb 5 (We)	10:00AM - 12:00PM 10:00AM - 12:00PM	RC
<a href="#">William Billings: Our First American-Born Composer</a>	Kelly	1	\$12	Feb 3 (Mo)	2:00PM - 3:15PM	RC
<a href="#">Putting the Pieces together - Timing is Everything in Senior Living</a>	Gibson	1	\$21	Feb 4 (Tu) Feb 11 (Tu)	10:00AM-11:00AM 10:00AM-11:00AM	RC
<a href="#">Porcelain and Decorative Arts Museum Tour (A)</a>	Moorman	1	\$17	Feb 4 (Tu)	10:00AM - 11:15AM	OS
<i>This class is sponsored by Chuck Murphy</i>						
<a href="#">Botanicals to Bathtubs: The Art and Science of Gin</a>	Woods	1	\$37	Feb 4 (Tu)	12:00PM - 1:30PM	OS
<a href="#">Hands-on Interactive Fire Extinguisher Training</a>	Alger	1	\$12	Feb 4 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:15PM	RC
<a href="#">March to Victory: Allied Actions After D-Day</a>	Saul	5	\$48	Feb 5 (We) Feb 12 (We) Feb 19 (We) Feb 26 (We) Mar 5 (We)	9:00AM - 12:00PM 9:00AM - 12:00PM 9:00AM - 12:00PM 9:00AM - 12:00PM 9:00AM - 12:00PM	RC
<a href="#">Tips to Help Your Senior Pet Thrive</a>	Bedenbaugh	1	\$12	Feb 5 (We)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	RC / Z
<a href="#">Watching Woody Allen Today: Comedy and Gender</a>	Neupert	1	\$12	Feb 6 (Th)	10:00AM - 11:15AM	RC
<a href="#">Evidence and Arguments for the Existence of God</a>	Spencer	2	\$21	Feb 6 (Th) Feb 13 (Th)	10:00AM-12:00PM 10:00AM-12:00PM	RC
<a href="#">Beginning Bridge II</a>	Cone / Wagner	8	\$75	Feb 6 (Th) Feb 13 (Th) Feb 20 (Th) Feb 27 (Th) Mar 6 (Th) Mar 13 (Th) Mar 20 (Th) Mar 27 (Th)	10:30AM - 12:30PM 10:30AM - 12:30PM 10:30AM - 12:30PM 10:30AM - 12:30PM 10:30AM - 12:30PM 10:30AM - 12:30PM 10:30AM - 12:30PM 10:30AM - 12:30PM	OS
<a href="#">Introduction to Square Dancing</a>	Larson	3	\$42	Feb 6 (Th) Feb 13 (Th) Feb 20 (Th)	2:00PM - 3:30PM 2:00PM - 3:30PM 2:00PM - 3:30PM	OS
<a href="#">OLLI in Depth</a>	Coman / Meehan / Mitsoff	1	Free	Feb 7 (Fr)	10:00AM-11:30AM	RC
<i>This Class is Sponsored by the Executive Committee</i>						

<a href="#">Together We Thrive: The Power of Intergenerational Relationships</a>	Bower	1	\$12	Feb 7 (Fr)	12:00PM - 1:30PM	RC
<a href="#">OLLI Artisans Unique Talents: A Hands-On Workshop</a>	Horton Caricofe	43	\$45	Feb 7 (Fr) Mar 7 (Fr) Apr 4 (Fr) May 3 (Fr)	2:00PM - 3:00PM 2:00PM - 3:00PM 2:00PM - 3:00PM 2:00PM - 3:00PM	RC
<a href="#">The Desegregation of UGA Athletics</a>	Hasty	3	\$30	Feb 7 (Fr) Feb 14 (Fr) Feb 21(Fr)	2:00PM - 3:00PM 2:00PM - 3:00PM 2:00PM - 3:00PM	OS

### **Darwin and Darwinism**

RC

Number of Sessions: 2

\$21

Feb 3 (Mo), Feb 5 (We)

10:00AM-12:00PM

Charles Darwin's ideas on biological evolution are among the most impactful in modern science... and the most controversial. Even as fights over teaching biological evolution continue in our own time, Darwinian thinking is increasingly applied to new areas of science, the social sciences and even the humanities. This course we will review biological thinking before Darwin, then his life and core ideas, and the wildly varied reception of those ideas. Finally, the discussion will consider how, in recent decades, evolutionary thinking has been applied with astonishing success to new areas of scholarship and modern life.

### **Tom Keene**

Tom Keene is Emeritus Professor of History at Kennesaw State University, where he taught for 42 years, doing mostly undergraduate teaching of World History, the History of Science and South Asian History. He served for 15 years as Director of the KSU International Center, organizing study abroad and faculty exchange programs. He is an avid cyclist. He and Jane Keene moved to Athens in 2015 to be near their grandchildren.

### **William Billings: Our First American-Born Composer**

RC

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

Feb 3 (Mo)

2:00PM-3:15PM

William Billings exerted a profound influence on American music during the Revolutionary War and the two decades thereafter. Attendees will study and listen to selected works to understand why Billings is significant in the history of American music. The ability to read music is helpful but not necessary.

### **Kevin Kelly**

Dr. Kevin Kelly retired from the Music Library at the UGA Hodgson School of Music, where he taught music theory and history of American music. He is currently director of music at Friendship Presbyterian Church, the Athens Chamber Singers, and the Athens Recorder Ensemble.

## Putting the Pieces Together...Timing is everything in Senior Living

RC  
\$21

Number of Sessions: 2

Feb 4 (Tu), Feb 11 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:00AM

Learn about your senior living options and the FREE resources available to you! Join Landis Gibson with Serving Seniors LLC for an educational presentation and learn how timing is everything in senior living.

### Landis Gibson

Landis has a passion for people and a desire to help others. She was the pioneer graduate from Georgia Southwestern State University with a Bachelor of Science in Long-Term Care Management. In her time at GSW, she was actively involved in the Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving. This specialized educational background and experience in Senior Living allows her to help place seniors in the best living setting in Athens, GA, and nationwide.

## Porcelain and Decorative Arts Museum Tour

OS  
\$17

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 4 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:15AM

Offered by the curator of the museum, this tour will be a comprehensive exploration of the State Botanical Garden's Porcelain and Decorative Arts Museum. Visitors will learn about the history and craftsmanship of porcelain and how the museum celebrates the connection between art and nature.

This Class is sponsored by Chuck Murphy.

Please note that a second session will be offered on April 8th. See receipt for location details

### Grace Moorman

Grace Moorman joined the State Botanical Garden as the Curator of Porcelain and Decorative Arts in January 2024. She received her master's degree in art history at the University of Georgia in 2024 and her bachelor's degree in art history from the University of Mississippi in 2020. Previously, Grace worked at the University of Mississippi Museum and Historic Houses, where she helped digitize the collection, curate exhibitions, and manage a collection of 20,000 objects.



## **Botanicals to Bathtubs: The Art and Science of Gin**

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 4 (Tu)

OS

\$37

12:00PM-1:30PM

The class will introduce the techniques related to the distillation of alcohol from ancient times to modern day with a particular focus on the production of gin. Pot still operation (used in the production of moonshine, whiskey, rum and brandy) will be compared to that for a column still (used in making vodka and gin). The botanicals that are essential for imparting flavors to gin will be discussed and sampled. The class includes a tasting of Oak House Distillery products, as well as a tour of the Distillery and the historic Old Bishop home located adjacent to the distillery.

### **Rob Woods**

Dr. Woods is a Distinguished Research Professor at the Complex Carbohydrate Research Center in the Department of Biochemistry at the University of Georgia. His academic research group uses a range of approaches to study carbohydrate-protein interactions in human diseases. The Woods group maintains and develops an extensive set of carbohydrate modeling tools on the GLYCAM-Web site ([www.glycam.org](http://www.glycam.org)). Additionally, he is President of Lectenz Bio, LLC, and is the co-founder of Oak House Distillery ([www.oakhousedistillery.com](http://www.oakhousedistillery.com)).

## **Hands-On Interactive Fire Extinguisher Training**

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 4 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:15PM

RC

\$12

We will go beyond basic fire extinguisher training in this engaging, hands-on class! Using our new Digital Fire Extinguisher Training System, OLLI participants will practice with a laser-driven fire extinguisher prop in a safe, realistic setting. Whether you're learning for the first time or refreshing your skills, this versatile training prepares you to handle on-the-scene fire emergencies confidently. Join us and prepare for anything!

### **Emily Alger**

Wanting to help prevent accidents, Emily Alger pursued a career in fire service. In 2010, she joined Athens-Clarke County Fire & Emergency Services, working her way from firefighter recruit to Fire Sergeant. Now, as the Community Risk Reduction Educator, she fulfills her passion for Fire and Life Safety Education while serving the community in which she grew up.

## **March to Victory: Allied Actions After D-Day**

RC  
\$48

Number of Sessions: 5

Feb 5 (We), Feb 12 (We), Feb 19 (We), Feb 26 (We), Mar 5 (We)

9:00AM-12:00PM

Following the success of D-day and the Campaign in Normandy, the Allies still had to liberate France before they could concentrate on the Low Countries. This class will take an intensive look at many of the actions of this pivotal timeframe for the battlefields of Europe during the Second World War. The course focuses on the ill-advised and tragic "Operation Market-Garden" - an Allied attempt to drive through the Netherlands and into Germany, as well as the Battles of Aachen, the Hurtgen Forest, and the Bulge, followed by the need to seize bridges over the Rhine, including the Bridge at Remagen.

### **Lawrence Saul**

Military historian and Colonel (retired) Lawrence Saul served for 34 years in the U. S. Army, including tours in Germany, Holland, Belgium, England, Kosovo and other locations. He was one of the last veterans of the Vietnam War still serving on active duty when he retired in 2008. A Battlefield Tour Guide, he has a BA in History from Georgia State University as well as two master's degrees.

## **Tips to Help Your Senior Pet Thrive**

RC / Z  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 5 (We)

2:00PM-3:30PM

This class will discuss various topics related to helping your senior pet thrive. Topics will include home/environmental modifications, appropriate levels of exercise, supplements for joint health, when and what to discuss with your veterinarian, and adjunct therapies such as acupuncture, chiropractic, laser therapy and rehabilitation therapy to keep your pets mobile as they age.

### **Lisa Bedenbaugh**

Lisa Bedenbaugh is a licensed physical therapist and certified canine rehabilitation practitioner with over 20 years' experience providing rehabilitation services to canines. She works with a mixed population of post-injury, senior, and sporting dogs and has a special interest in helping owners of dogs with hip dysplasia manage their symptoms.

## **Watching Woody Allen Today: Comedy and Gender**

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 6 (Th)

10:00AM-11:15AM

Can we still watch and appreciate Woody Allen movies? Allen has been celebrated as one of the great American directors, but controversy has driven many to attack him and his films. This class will review key films, including *Annie Hall*, *Manhattan*, and *Midnight in Paris* for their comic storytelling, cinematic tactics, and gender satires. The class will also watch several trailers in advance, from “the early funny ones” to *Radio Days*, *Match Point*, *Blue Jasmine*, and *Rifkin’s Festival*. We will conclude with a discussion of how to assess Woody Allen today.

### **Richard Neupert**

Richard Neupert recently retired from the Film Studies Department at UGA, where he was a Josiah Meigs Distinguished Teaching Professor and the Wheatley Professor of the Arts. He is co-president of the Ciné movie theater.

## **Evidence and Arguments for the Existence of God**

RC  
\$21

Number of Sessions: 2

Feb 6 (Th), Feb 13 (Th)

10:00AM-12:00PM

Is there any evidence that God exists? This course examines the historical and scientific evidence, and the philosophical arguments in support of God’s existence. Topics include Near-Death Experiences; the Cosmological Argument; Fine-Tuning Argument; Moral Argument; Argument from Contingency; Ontological Argument; and the Mathematical Argument. This course is not doctrinal. It examines this question from historical, scientific, and philosophical viewpoints and is intended for both religious and non-religious people who have an intellectual curiosity about the basis for belief in God.

### **Tom Spencer**

Tom Spencer retired after a 30-year sales/marketing career with Ford Motor Company and 12 years with Carrier Transicold. Since retiring, Tom has become the Athens Chapter Director for Reasonable Faith, a Christian Apologetics organization founded by William Lane Craig, one of the world’s leading philosophers and theologians.

## **Beginning Bridge II**

OS  
\$75

Number of Sessions: 8

Feb 6 (Th), Feb 13 (Th), Feb 20 (Th), Feb 27 (Th), Mar 6 (Th), Mar 13 (Th), Mar 20 (Th), Mar 27 (Th)

10:30AM-12:30PM

This course is for the advancing beginner who wants to learn to take more tricks at the bridge table. Modern bridge conventions will be introduced, and there will be play time at the table offered each week. This eight-week course will meet each Thursday from 10:30am to 12:30pm.

See receipt for location details

## **Debbie Wagner**

Debbie is a Michigander who has taught high school in Pennsylvania and Missouri. She earned her Master's in reading at UGA shortly after moving to Athens with her husband, John, and two sons. Bridge is Debbie's passion, but she also loves travel, golf, and reading.

## **Cynthia Cone**

Cynthia is also a Michigander and an accredited Bridge teacher and Club Director. Previous teaching experience, in addition to Bridge, includes Adjunct Teacher of CADD at the University of Arkansas, Ft. Smith, and adult Special Education.

## **Introduction to Square Dancing**

OS  
\$42

Number of Sessions: 3:

Feb 6 (Th), Feb 13 (Th), Feb 20 (Th)

2:00PM-3:30PM

Experts say, as we get older we need more exercise, more mental stimulation and more socializing with other people. Square dancing has significant health benefits by including all three needs. You get exercise because you have to keep moving with other folks in your square. You get mental stimulation by memorizing calls. You get socialization by dancing with other people of all ages. And you have lots of fun. This class is an introduction to basic square dance moves. If you enjoy it, more lessons are available after the course ends. Come join the fun!

See receipt for location details

## **Katherine Larson**

Kathy is a Double Dawg who returned to Athens with her husband after retirement. She loves to give back to her community and volunteers with her church; several organizations that serve food insecure individuals in our community; the Performing Arts Center; and also St. Mary's Auxiliary. For eight years, she has loved the social and physical activity that is square dancing.

## **OLLI in Depth**

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 7 (Fr)

10:00AM-12:00PM

RC  
Free

Want to know what makes OLLI@UGA so amazing? Want to know how you can get more involved? Find out how all the individual parts of the organization fit together and how members and volunteers like you make all the difference.

Refreshments will be provided.

This class is sponsored by the Executive Committee

**Carol Coman**

**Greg Mitsoff**

**Timothy Meehan**

**Carolyn Schneider**

## **Together We Thrive: The Power of Intergenerational Relationships**

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 7 (Fr)

12:00PM-1:30PM

RC  
\$12

Join this engaging workshop designed for older adults, where we will explore the importance of generativity and intergenerational connections. We will discuss the potential for generative mismatches – when the wisdom of older generations doesn't resonate with younger ones – and how to bridge these gaps. Together, we will focus on how older generations can share their valuable insights and foster meaningful conversations with younger individuals, ultimately promoting thriving communities.

### **Kyle Bower**

Kyle L. Bower, PhD, specializes in gerontological research, particularly examining the life course and intergenerational family systems through qualitative methodologies enhanced by digital technologies. Bower's work emphasizes the experiences of socially minoritized older adults and their social networks, contributing valuable insights into their unique challenges and strengths.



## **OLLI Artisans Unique Talents: A Hands-On Workshop**

RC  
\$45

Number of Sessions: 3

Feb 7 (Fr), Mar 7 (Fr), Apr 4 (Fr)

2:00PM-3:00PM

The first session will be discussing, viewing, and making beaded jewelry and accessories using simple techniques that can be easily made in 30-60 minutes! The guest artist will be another OLLI Member who is always adorned with beautiful jewelry she has made herself. Members can bring beads from their own selections or some they may have bought in hobby shops to create an OLLI lanyard. The instructor will provide the necessary tools. Members can bring a piece(s) of jewelry that needs to be repaired (not soldered) to learn how to re-string or re-purpose it into another piece of jewelry. During the second session, members will learn simple sewing, knitting, and crocheting from an OLLI Member with over 40 years of experience making bulldog stuffed animals, clothes, furniture coverings, and many other things. Members will also learn simple repair methods to save a favorite jacket, pants or quilt and are encouraged to bring a damaged clothing item in need of repair to use as an example or repair themselves during class. The third class will feature a surprise guest artist as well as allow time to finish up any projects from the first 2 sessions.

### **Michelle Horton Caricofe**

Michelle Caricofe has worked alongside artisans and crafters from all over the world for 45 years. She has a talented family of educators, artists, engineers and designers. Michelle can help you design a home floor plan, paint a mural, or design jewelry while making three-dimensional art in between.

## **The Desegregation of UGA Athletics**

OS  
\$30

Number of Sessions: 3

Feb 7 (Fr), Feb 14 (Fr), Feb 21 (Fr)

2:00PM-3:00PM

This class will explore the desegregation of UGA's athletics program through the lens of its football program. It will use photographs and artifacts from the UGA Athletic Association archive to explore the on- and off-the-field issues surrounding the desegregation of athletics.

see receipt for location notes

### **Jason Hasty**

Jason Hasty is the Athletics History Specialist for the University of Georgia Libraries. Jason manages the archives of the UGA Athletic Association, a collection of over 400 boxes of the physical history of the University of Georgia's athletics program that is housed in the Hargrett Rare Book & Manuscript Library.

# Week 2 (Feb 10-14)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">Firefly Trail Updates for 2024</a>	Cook	1	\$12	Feb 10 (Mo)	10:00AM - 11:00AM	RC
<a href="#">The Amazing Machu Picchu</a>	Hardin	1	\$12	Feb 10 (Mo)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	RC
<a href="#">Writing Craft Workshop: How to Write a Story That Unfolds Like a Movie</a>	Craig / Coley	3	\$30	Feb 11 (Tu) Feb 18 (Tu) Feb 25 (Tu)	10:00AM - 12:00PM 10:00AM - 12:00PM 10:00AM - 12:00PM	RC
<a href="#">Georgia's Rivers: A Voyage Through Georgia's Cultural and Natural History</a>	Cook	1	\$33	Feb 11 (Tu)	11:30AM - 1:30PM	TC
<a href="#">Warrior Women: The Sculptures of Alice Woodruff</a>	Woodruff	1	\$327	Feb 11 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:00PM	OS
<a href="#">George Cukor, "A Woman's Director"</a>	Kraft	3	\$30	Feb 11 (Tu) Feb 18 (Tu) Feb 25 (Tu)	2:00PM - 4:30PM 2:00PM - 4:30PM 2:00PM - 4:30PM	RC
<i>This class is sponsored by Suzanne Sperling</i>						
<a href="#">Italian Cooking Class</a>	Payne	1	\$56	Feb 11 (Tu)	6:15PM - 7:45PM	OS
<a href="#">Great Conversations</a>	Kyker	8	\$75	Feb 12 (We) Feb 26 (We) Mar 12 (We) Mar 26 (We) Apr 9 (We) Apr 23 (We) May 7 (We) May 21 (We)	10:00AM - 11:30AM 10:00AM - 11:30AM 10:00AM - 11:30AM 10:00AM - 11:30AM 10:00AM - 11:30AM 10:00AM - 11:30AM 10:00AM - 11:30AM 10:00AM - 11:30AM	RC / Z
<a href="#">Our Delight in Being Right; the Value of Being Wrong</a>	Zins	6	\$57	Feb 12 (We) Feb 19 (We) Feb 26 (We) Mar 5 (We) Mar 12 (We) Mar 19 (We)	1:30PM - 3:00PM 1:30PM - 3:00PM 1:30PM - 3:00PM 1:30PM - 3:00PM 1:30PM - 3:00PM 1:30PM - 3:00PM	RC / Z
<a href="#">Emotional Planning for Retirement</a>	Nayer	1	\$12	Feb 13 (Th)	10:00AM - 11:15AM	Z
<a href="#">The Power of Deep Listening</a>	Pandit	1	\$12	Feb 14 (Fr)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	RC
<a href="#">Pompeii: New Discoveries</a>	Stephenson	1	\$12	Feb 14 (Fr)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	RC
<a href="#">Great Decisions 2025</a>	Alworth / Rice	4	\$39	Feb 14 (Fr) Mar 14 (Fr) Apr 11 (Fr) May 9 (Fr)	3:00PM - 4:30PM 3:00PM - 4:30PM 3:00PM - 4:30PM 3:00PM - 4:30PM	RC

## **Firefly Trail Updates for 2024**

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 10 (Mo)

10:00AM-11:00AM

RC

\$12

When completed, the Firefly Trail will be a 39-mile multi-purpose trail from Union Point to Athens following on or near the historic corridor of the Georgia Railroad Athens Branch. The trail will provide a safe, flat, public resource for health, economic development, alternate transportation, tourism, conservation, historic preservation, and fun! Much progress has been made in recent years on building the trail. This course is both an introduction to the Firefly Trail and an update on the latest funding, construction, grants, and ribbon-cuttings all along its 39-mile route. Visit the website [www.fireflytrail.com](http://www.fireflytrail.com) to learn more about this exciting project.

### **Mary Cook**

Mary Cook, a native Athenian, grew up on a farm in northern Clarke County. While a planner with Oglethorpe County, she became excited about the Firefly Trail and has been a board member since the organization's inception in 2010. Now retired, she is a member of several Oglethorpe County organizations and has served on the ACC Historic Preservation Commission and the Bike/Ped Master Plan Committee. Cook and her husband Hardy are avid walkers and occasional cyclists.

## **The Amazing Machu Picchu**

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 10 (Mo)

2:00PM-3:30PM

RC

\$12

Machu Picchu was built in the late 1400's and then abandoned by the Inca. The Spanish did not know about it. It was "discovered" by Yale professor Hiram Bingham in 1911, and the National Geographic Society sponsored his return in 1912 and devoted an entire issue of the magazine to Bingham's second expedition. This amazing story combined with images of the presenters' tour from Lima to the small Inca town of Urubamba and then Machu Picchu will be shared.

### **Ian Hardin**

Ian Hardin was inspired by a trip that he and his wife took to Machu Picchu. It inspired him to undertake research into the place, the Inca empire and its demise, and Hiram Bingham's discovery of it in 1911.

## Writing Craft Workshop: How to Write a Story That Unfolds Like a Movie

RC  
\$30

Number of Sessions: 3:

Feb 11 (Tu), Feb 18 (Tu), Feb 25 (Tu)

10:00AM-12:00PM

You've got a good story to tell, but how do you make it great? Taking examples from master storytellers such as Pat Conroy, John Grisham and Ernest Hemingway, whose page-turning novels grip readers until the very end, local writers Tracy Coley and Bowen Craig invite you to turn your fiction or nonfiction writing into a story that unfolds like scenes from a movie. Session I: What Do You See? (Writing scene and setting from observations). Session II: Build It and They Will Come (Story structure and narrative arc). Session III: Whose View Is It Anyway? (Points-of-view for character and story development).

### Bowen Craig

Bowen Craig has been writing since he could hold a pen with his stubby little child fingers. He co-founded Bilbo Books Publishing in 2006 and has helped local authors with memoirs, novels, children's books, and other genres. He has written for and been fired from many newspapers and magazines, including Lake Oconee Living. His books include *Keeping Away from the Joneses* and *Hitchhiking with Salmon*. He works on maintaining his sanity in an insane world- through writing.

### Tracy Coley

Tracy N. Coley worked for nearly 30 years in communications at the University of Georgia where she earned an MFA in narrative nonfiction writing. She is owner of a boutique book publishing agency for local writers, won national awards for magazine feature writing, and was semi-finalist for the 2021 Alex Albright Creative Nonfiction Prize Competition. Tracy teaches journalism at UGA and is working on a memoir about inherited trauma and impacts of family grief.

## Georgia's Rivers: A Voyage Through Georgia's Cultural and Natural History

TC  
\$33

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 11 (Tu)

11:30AM-1:30PM

Dig into the mud and sand of Georgia's rivers and you will uncover our story, for Georgia's history is rooted in its rivers. Drawing on research conducted in the writing of seven guides to Georgia's rivers, author Joe Cook will take students on a voyage through Georgia's cultural and natural history as told through stories connected to the state's rivers. The voyage will span the rice plantations of the Altamaha River delta to the moonshiners' auto races along the Etowah River in North Georgia. At the end, students will understand how rivers have shaped our culture.

### Joe Cook

Joe Cook serves as Paddle Georgia Coordinator and guidebook author for Georgia Rivers, a statewide river advocacy organization. He has traveled thousands of miles on Georgia's rivers and studied and reported extensively on water resource issues in Georgia since 1994. A photographer and writer, Joe is the author of Georgia Rivers' River User's Guide series, including guidebooks covering the Etowah, Chattahoochee, Broad, Flint, Oconee, Ocmulgee and Altamaha rivers. He lives in Rome, Georgia.

## **Warrior Women: The Sculptures of Alice Woodruff**

OS  
\$37

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 11 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:00PM

Alice Woodruff will share her journey to finding these 60 clay torsos as the right pallet for her messages about Warrior Women. A class of 20 will visit Taylor-Grady House for a presentation by the author, a guided tour, and a catalog explaining each sculpture and its message.

Please note, there will be a second session offered on Tuesday February 18th. See receipt for location details.

### **Alice Woodruff**

Alice Woodruff is a sculptor whose strong messages are shared through dramatic clay torsos of Warrior Women. Each sculpture speaks as a shero from the past or a shared understanding of the female experience. OLLI has featured her before. Now this exhibit of 60 sculptures impacts our knowledge of the beauty, drama, trauma, hope and opportunity felt by women through the ages and today.

## **George Cukor, “A Woman’s Director”**

RC  
\$30

Number of Sessions: 3

Feb 11 (Tu), Feb 18 (Tu), Feb 25 (Tu)

2:00PM-4:30PM

Hollywood film director George Cukor had the reputation of being particularly effective as a director of actresses. Katharine Hepburn worked with him throughout her career, and many others made notable films under his direction. In this three-session class, we will view and discuss three of Cukor’s films with special attention to the performances of the actresses and the treatment of “women’s issues” in the movies. The films are: *The Women* (1939), *Gaslight* (1944) and *Adam’s Rib* (1949).

This Class is Sponsored by Suzanne Sperling

### **Elizabeth Kraft**

Elizabeth Kraft is Professor Emerita of English from UGA where she taught for 33 years, retiring in 2020. Her area of specialization is Restoration and 18th-Century British literature, but she developed sub-specialties in Classical Hollywood films and in the works of poet/singer/songwriter Leonard Cohen and has published in all three areas.



## Italian Cooking Class

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 11 (Tu)

6:15PM-7:45PM

OS

\$56

No culinary tour of Europe would be complete without enjoying the cuisine of Italy. Northern Italian cuisine is known for its simplicity, fresh ingredients, and the use of the herbs rosemary and sage. During this meal, chef Lindsey Payne will demonstrate how to prepare risotto. The meal will include: Italian chopped salad, chicken Milanese, risotto, caponata (the flavorful sweet, sour and salty dish of fried eggplant and squash in an agrodolce sauce) and limoncello tiramisu. Un pasto perfetto! BYOB. This will truly be a memorable meal, one fitting to say farewell to Europe with a simple arrivederci!

See receipt for location details.

## Lindsey Payne

Lindsey Payne is a 2003 graduate of Johnson-Wales University in Charleston, South Carolina, with an AS Culinary degree and a BS in Restaurant Management. Lindsey moved to Athens in 2006 to fulfill her dream of opening her own restaurant. In June 2007, she opened her small shop on Prince Avenue. In 2018, she moved to North Thomas Street to a bigger and better facility for her catering and restaurant business.

## Great Conversations

Number of Sessions: 8

Feb 12 (We), Feb 26 (We), Mar 12 (We), Mar 26 (We), Apr 9 (We), Apr 23 (We),  
May 7 (We), May 21 (We)

10:00AM-11:30AM

RC / Z

\$75

We read short selections from some of the world's best fiction and nonfiction. Through conversation with each other, attendees achieve greater appreciation for the material, gain interesting insights, and enjoy social engagement. Class members determine the reading selections, which vary each semester. Each selection is independent of others, so missing a session or more is no problem.

## Kathryn Kyker

Kathryn Kyker has been a member of OLLI since 2018. She worked as a social work manager in the ER at Piedmont Athens for over twenty-nine years and now enjoys writing (screenplays, poems, essays, and, most recently, a memoir), biking on trails with her husband, and traveling in their converted campervan.

## Our Delight in Being Right; the Value of Being Wrong

RC / Z

Number of Sessions: 6

\$57

Feb 12 (We), Feb 19 (We), Feb 26 (We), Mar 5 (We), Mar 12 (We), Mar 19 (We)

1:30PM-3:00PM

A discussion course on critical and empathic thinking based on the best-selling book by Kathryn Schultz, *Being Wrong*. Schultz writes: "Far from being a sign of intellectual inferiority, the capacity to err is crucial to human cognition. Far from being a moral flaw, it is inextricable from some of our most humane and honorable qualities: empathy, optimism, imagination, conviction and courage... Thanks to error, we can revise our understanding of ourselves and amend our ideas about the world."

Please obtain a copy of *Being Wrong* and begin reading. You will really like this book (I hope I'm right about that). More information on Schultz at [https://www.ted.com/talks/kathryn\\_schulz\\_on\\_being\\_wrong?subtitle=en](https://www.ted.com/talks/kathryn_schulz_on_being_wrong?subtitle=en).

Required reading: *Being Wrong* by Kathryn Schultz (ISBN-10: 0061176052)

### Dan Zins

Daniel Zins has an M.A. in English from the University of Windsor (Ontario), where he studied with novelist Joyce Carol Oates for two years, and a Ph.D. in American Studies from Emory University. His teaching and research interests include: American literature/history, militarism, national security, nuclear weapons, the Cold War, McCarthyism, Vietnam, terrorism, human rights, democracy/fascism, critical media literacy, critical discourse literacy, critical environmental literacy, critical/empathetic thinking, cynicism, social justice, nonviolence/nonviolent political activists.

## Emotional Planning for Retirement

Z

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

Feb 13 (Th)

10:00AM-11:15AM

Louise Nayer, author of *Poised for Retirement: Moving from Anxiety to Zen*, will delve into anxieties that often surface both before and after retirement: How will it feel to lose my community? Who will I be without my work identity? Will I be healthy? How can I soothe myself through it all? Louise will offer practical techniques, articles by experts on topics such as how to reach out to others, ways to find new communities, and simple self-hypnosis and meditation techniques, as well as plenty of time for sharing and questions.

### Louise Nayer

Louise Nayer is the author of six books. *Burned: A Memoir* was an Oprah Great read and winner of the Wisconsin Library Association Award for memoir. *Poised for Retirement* was written up in Forbes Magazine. Her latest memoir, *Narrow Escapes* was first runner up in the Los Angeles Book Festival. She has been an educator for over 40 years and is a member of the San Francisco Writer's Grotto. [www.louisenayer.com](http://www.louisenayer.com)

## **The Power of Deep Listening**

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 14 (Fr)

10:00AM-11:30AM

RC

\$12

Deep listening is critical for developing a respectful and caring community, yet it is often an underdeveloped skill. As older adults, we have opportunities to serve as mentors to friends and family members but often default to “giving advice.” In contrast, the act of listening with our full attention allows us to probe issues raised by the speaker, surfacing frames of reference and assumptions and helping open new possibilities. In this presentation/workshop, participants will learn the basics of deep listening and practice these skills interactively.

### **Kavita Pandit**

Kavita Pandit is Georgia State University Professor Emerita of Geosciences and a leadership and executive coach. She has a long career in academia as a faculty member and a university administrator at GSU, UGA, and SUNY.

## **Pompeii: New Discoveries**

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 14 (Fr)

2:00PM-3:30PM

RC

\$12

The city of Pompeii was both totally ‘destroyed’ and uniquely preserved by the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in A.D. 79. As a result, this small city on the Bay of Naples is now one of the most important archaeological sites in the world. Since its first, tentative explorations, researchers have developed ever more sophisticated techniques and approaches to the study of its remains, and today an explosion of new discoveries rewards the visitor with a unique window into the past. This presentation will discuss the life, death and rebirth of the famous, ancient site, with a focus on its art.

### **John Stephenson**

John Stephenson received a doctorate in ancient art history from Emory University, with specialties in Roman architecture and Egyptian art. He has worked at the archaeological site of ancient Carthage in Tunisia and in the program in Roman archaeology at the American Academy in Rome. He taught art history as a tenured professor at Appalachian State University in Boone, NC. He has traveled and researched in 23 countries in Asia, Europe, Africa and Central America.

## Great Decisions 2025

Number of Sessions: 4

Feb 14 (Fr), Mar 14 (Fr), Apr 11 (Fr), May 9 (Fr)

3:00PM-4:30PM

RC  
\$39

Each year the Foreign Policy Association publishes a booklet analyzing eight topics related to foreign policy it believes offer opportunities and/or risks to the United States. This discussion course expects participants to buy the “2025 Great Decisions” booklet (\$35), read the assigned material, and come to class prepared to offer individual insights and opinions. The booklet is available from the Foreign Policy Association via its website ([https://www.fpa.org/great\\_decisions/](https://www.fpa.org/great_decisions/)). Topics include: American Foreign Policy at a Crossroads; U. S. Changing Leadership of the World Economy; U.S.-China Relations; and India: Between China, the West, and the Global South.

Members should purchase the Great Decisions 2025 Briefing Book (~\$35) available on the Foreign Policy Association website: <https://www.fpa.org/> (ISBN #: 978-0-87124-292-1)

### Bill Alworth / Peter Rice

William (“Bill”) Alworth is a retired chemistry professor, and Peter Rice is a retired math professor and consultant. Peter Rice was educated at St. John’s College, The Great Books School, and has experience leading discussions on matters of ancient and current concern. William Alworth received his BA from Harvard College and his PhD from the University of California Berkeley. These instructors have led Great Decision Discussions for OLLI for several years.











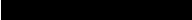
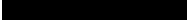
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## Week 3 (Feb 17-21)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">Medicare Deep Dive</a>	Haines	1	\$12	Feb 17 (Mo)	10:00AM - 11:00AM	RC
<a href="#">Repair is a Radical Act: What to Know About Window and Door Repair</a>	Eppling	1	\$12	Feb 17 (Mo)	10:00AM - 11:00AM	RC / Z
<a href="#">Gospel Pilgrim Cemetery: A History</a>	Knapper / Smith	1	\$12	Feb 18 (Tu)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	RC / Z
<a href="#">Warrior Women: The Sculptures of Alice Woodruff</a>	Woodruff	1	\$37	Feb 18 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:00PM	OS
<a href="#">Slime Molds! The coolest Plant/Animal/Fungus on Earth</a>	Guillebeau	1	\$12	Feb 19 (We)	12:00PM - 1:00PM	RC
<a href="#">Native Wine Grapes of Italy With Tasting</a>	Frank	2	\$56	Feb 19 (We) Feb 26 (We)	2:00PM - 4:00PM	RC
<a href="#">Evidence for the Divinity of Jesus</a>	Spencer	2	\$21	Feb 20 (Th) Feb 27 (Th)	10:00AM-12:00PM 10:00AM-12:00PM	RC
<a href="#">Villains and Scalawags in Our National Park System</a>	Kroese	1	\$12	Feb 20 (Th)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	RC
<a href="#">Can We Stop Climate Change?</a>	Lee	5	\$48	Feb 21 (Fr) Feb 28 (Fr) Mar 14 (Fr) Mar 21 (Fr) Mar 28 (Fr)	10:00AM - 11:30AM 10:00AM - 11:30AM 10:00AM - 11:30AM 10:00AM - 11:30AM 10:00AM - 11:30AM	Z
<a href="#">Athens' First Antebellum Botanical Garden</a>	Mann	1	\$12	Feb 21 (Fr)	10:00AM - 11:15AM	RC
<a href="#">OLLI Artisans Unique Talents: A Hands-On Workshop</a>	Horton Caricofe	2	\$31	Feb 21 (Fr) Mar 21 (Fr)	12:00PM - 1:00PM 12:00PM - 1:00PM	G

## Catalog Legend: Color Guide

	RC = In Person only class at River's Crossing	
	RC / Z = In Person and Online Class (register by your attendance preference)	
	Z = Online only class via Zoom	
	G = In Person only class at UGA Gwinnett	
	G / Z = In Person and Online Class (register by your attendance preference)	
	OS = Off Site In Person class	



## Medicare Deep Dive

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 17 (Mo)

10:00AM-11:00AM

RC

\$12

This Medicare deep dive will help you understand your Medicare rights and options, including: What does Medicare pay for and not pay for when it comes to Long Term Care? What is your Guarantee Window? What is the difference between Medicare Advantage Plans vs. Medicare Supplements? How do you maintain your current health coverage through the years?

### Shantel Haines

Shantel's understanding of the complexity of Medicare and government agencies came early in life when her husband was injured during his deployment in Iraq and earned a Purple Heart medal in his early 20s. Shantel was forced to navigate the VA (Veterans Affairs), Social Security disability, and Medicare, often ending with confusion and frustration. The keen awareness she gained has led to her becoming passionate about educating others to understand their rights and options.

## Repair is a Radical Act: What to Know About Window and Door Repair

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 17 (Mo)

10:00AM-11:00AM

RC / Z

\$12

Preservan is a wood rot repair franchise that uses wood epoxy technology to repair windows and doors, offering a sustainable and affordable alternative to replacement. Learn how the company identified a gap in the home services market after using this technology on historic home restoration projects and also learn the skills needed to implement the technology.

### Stephen Epling

Stephen Epling is the owner of Preservan Athens, a wood rot repair company specializing in the repair of windows and doors. He has 10+ years of marketing experience and received his MBA from UGA. He briefly pursued a post-graduate career with UPS in their corporate marketing department before making the decision to open Preservan.

## **Gospel Pilgrim Cemetery: A History**

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 18 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:30AM

African-American cemetery preservation is a crucial aspect of cultural history. Many African-American cemeteries have been neglected, often reflecting broader societal issues related to racial discrimination and erasure. Established shortly after the Civil War, The Gospel Pilgrim Cemetery is a once-prominent burial site for local Black community leaders located in Athens. Despite many efforts to preserve Gospel Pilgrim over the years, it has fallen into a state of disrepair. This course will discuss the history of the Gospel Pilgrim Cemetery, highlighting a few of the fascinating local Black Athenians buried there, and renewed interest in reestablishing trustee ownership.

RC / Z

\$12

### **Cole Knapper**

Chaplain Cole Knapper is an Ivy League-educated, Post 9/11 Afghanistan War Veteran who deployed on four tours of duty to the Middle East and was awarded two Bronze Star Medals years before women were officially allowed to serve in combat.

### **Fred O. Smith**

Fred O. Smith Sr., a retired district director for the Georgia Department of Labor, now serves as the Executive Director of the East Athens Development Corporation (EADC). Under his leadership, EADC has launched several initiatives aimed at improving economic mobility for low-income youth and families in East Athens. These initiatives include a youth economic development program, a youth tennis club, a job coaching project, and free income tax assistance.

## **Warrior Women: The Sculptures of Alice Woodruff**

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 18 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:00PM

Alice Woodruff will share her journey to finding these 60 clay torsos as the right pallet for her messages about Warrior Women. A class of 20 will visit Taylor-Grady House for a presentation by the author, a guided tour, and a catalog explaining each sculpture and its message.

OS

\$37

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### **Alice Woodruff**

Alice Woodruff is a sculptor whose strong messages are shared through dramatic clay torsos of Warrior Women. Each sculpture speaks as a shero from the past or a shared understanding of the female experience. OLLI has featured her before. Now this exhibit of 60 sculptures impacts our knowledge of the beauty, drama, trauma, hope and opportunity felt by women through the ages and today.

## **Slime Molds! The coolest Plant/Animal/Fungus on Earth**

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 19 (We)

12:00PM-1:00PM

Slime molds have an unfortunate name. However, some of them transform from an individual cell to a “thing” that can move about and ultimately grow into a fruiting body. Is it a plant and fungus, or is it an animal and fungus?

### **Paul Guillebeau**

Dr. Guillebeau is a retired UGA entomology professor. He has lived in Athens for 30+ years, has two children, and two grandchildren. Mostly, he spends time in the yard or garden and continues some fire-ant research. He has previously presented on insects and led a tour with OLLI.

## **Native Wine Grapes of Italy With Tasting**

RC  
\$56

Number of Sessions: 2

Feb 19 (We), Feb 26 (We)

2:00PM-4:00PM

Participants will learn about the origin of native Italian wine grapes, the environments in which they evolved, why they offer unique enjoyment to today’s consumers, and tips for purchasing. The course includes two sessions and each will provide a tasting of four wines selected to represent the major Italian wine regions.

### **Joe Frank**

Dr. Joseph Frank is Professor Emeritus of Food Science and Microbiology at UGA. He taught wine science as a Maymester study abroad course in Cortona, Italy, for 11 years. He and his wife also led the Athens Chapter of the American Wine Society for 10 years. Dr. Frank has traveled to many wine regions throughout Europe.

## **Evidence for the Divinity of Jesus**

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\$21

Number of Sessions: 2

Feb 20 (Th), Feb 27 (Th)

10:00AM-12:00PM

Is there any evidence that Jesus rose from the dead and is the divine Son of God? Or is Christian belief just a matter of having faith? This course is not doctrinal and is intended for both religious and non-religious people who have an intellectual curiosity about the basis for Christian beliefs. Using tools historians use in studying ancient history, this course examines the historical evidence in support of the divinity of Jesus. Topics include evidence from non-biblical sources that supports biblical accounts; the reliability of Gospel accounts; the timeline of New Testament sources; authorship of the Gospels; motivations of Gospel authors; evidence of the burial and resurrection of Jesus; and how ancient documents referenced the Messiah.

### **Tom Spencer**

Tom Spencer retired after a 30-year sales/marketing career with Ford Motor Company and 12 years with Carrier Transicold. Since retiring, Tom has become the Athens Chapter Director for Reasonable Faith, a Christian Apologetics organization founded by William Lane Craig, one of the world’s leading philosophers and theologians.

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## Villains and Scalawags in Our National Park System

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 20 (Th)

2:00PM-3:30PM

This class will explore unforgettable and notorious characters featured across our national park system, highlighting stories from dark chapters in our country's past. These parks tell stories of historical figures remembered for infamy and wrongdoing.

### David Kroese

David Kroese is one of fewer than a hundred people known to have visited all 400+ National Park Service units in December 2017. Over the past decade, David has logged over 1,400 visits and four thousand trail miles exploring NPS sites across the country. David wrote of his experiences in the first published narrative through all the NPS sites, *The Centennial: A Journey through America's National Park System*.

## Can We Stop Climate Change?

Z  
\$48

Number of Sessions: 5

Feb 21 (Fr), Feb 28 (Fr), Mar 14 (Fr), Mar 21 (Fr), Mar 28 (Fr)

10:00AM-11:30AM

Will we believe the science? Equally important, will we act on the science? The course will progress through the following topics: The science behind climate change An understanding of the role that renewable energy sources can play Climate modeling to understand the impacts of various solutions Understanding our audience and learning how to start conversations Becoming active in addressing climate change The course is designed to reach those who are already concerned, want to learn more, and employ that learning to become more vocal/active at any level. This final session will cover effective communication with others about climate change.

Please note, this class will not meet Friday March 7th.

### Tony Lee

Tony Lee has been involved with climate change for over 30 years. He has led courses, given talks and advocated for change. Together with a small team, he developed the "Can We Stop Climate Change?", course which has reached over 400 people. Now retired from CPA and construction claims consulting, Tony is focused on providing a livable world for his three grandsons. His educational background includes a BA from Yale University and MBA from Rutgers.

## **Athens' First Antebellum Botanical Garden**

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 21 (Fr)

10:00AM-11:15AM

RC

\$12

This presentation examines Athens' first Botanical Garden. It was Antebellum Athens' most admired amenity and flourished from 1832 to 1856. The eight-acre garden was developed along Tanyard Creek by Dr. Malthus Ward, M.D., UGA's Professor of Natural History. Visitors remembered it as "a Garden of Eden, a paradise." The creek was transformed in the "natural style" into "a splashing waterfall, with a placid little lake, winding walks, shady dells, boats, bridges, a small greenhouse, and plant beds of exquisite beauty." When the garden was closed and the property sold, the proceeds funded the University's cast-iron fence and The Arch.

## **William Mann**

William Mann, FASLA, Professor Emeritus at UGA, taught landscape architecture in the College of Environment and Design for 38 years. He also taught at the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology in Australia and at Michigan State University. He has been a lecturer at many universities and conferences in the United States, Canada, Europe, and Australia. William is the author of *Landscape Architecture: An Illustrated History* and *Space and Time in Landscape Architectural History*.

## **OLLI Artisans Unique Talents: A Hands-On Workshop**

Number of Sessions: 2

Feb 21 (Fr), Mar 21 (Fr)

12:00PM-1:00PM

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\$31

This class will showcase unique talent through various mediums of art. As time permits, we will design three-dimensional art; paint glass; make colorful, beaded OLLI Lanyards; explore upcycling art ideas; and create one-of-a-kind purses or belt bags. Bring your old and/or broken jewelry to make it into an art piece. Everyone will be sure to create at least one interesting piece to wear, gift or display with pride!

## **Michelle Horton Caricofe**

Michelle Caricofe has worked alongside artisans and crafters from all over the world for 45 years. She has a talented family of educators, artists, engineers and designers. Michelle can help you design a home floor plan, paint a mural, or design jewelry while making three-dimensional art in between.



# Week 4 (Feb 24-28)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">Artificial Intelligence: History, Accomplishments, and Philosophical and Moral Questions</a>	Hansen / Simmons	1	\$12	Feb 24 (Mo)	10:00AM - 12:00PM	RC / Z
<a href="#">Akins Ford Arena Behind the Scenes Tour</a>	Mallory	1	\$12	Feb 25 (Tu)	10:00AM - 11:00AM	OS
<a href="#">UGA's Meat Science Technology Center Tour</a>	Crowe	1	\$12	Feb 25 (Tu)	3:00PM - 4:00PM	OS
<a href="#">A Guided Tour of Winterville Cultural Center Gallery</a>	Hartle	1	\$12	Feb 28 (Fr)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	OS
<a href="#">Exercise and You: A Big Picture Look at Fitness Across Your Lifespan</a>	Kittur	1	\$12	Feb 28 (Fr)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	RC
<a href="#">Great American Songbook: George and Ira Gershwin</a>	Kraft	1	\$12	Feb 28 (Fr)	12:00PM - 1:30PM	G

## Artificial Intelligence: History, Accomplishments, and Philosophical and Moral Questions

RC / Z  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 24 (Mo)

10:00AM-12:00PM

This session will provide an overview of Artificial Intelligence and explore some of the key philosophical and moral questions posed by the development and applications of the field. We shall: (1) Review the approaches to AI that dominated the first 50 years of this 75-year-old field. (2) Examine the more recent development of “artificial neural networks” that enable “deep learning” and Generative A. I. (e.g., Chat GPT). (3) Identify some of the most pressing philosophical and moral questions that are raised by the applications of this field.

### Jack Hansen

Jack Hansen participates in the OLLI program at Furman University. He had leadership roles in research organizations in academia and in the Federal Government. He has also served as a consultant to NASA Ames on a range of topics, including Artificial Intelligence.

### Aaron Simmons

Aaron Simmons is a Professor of Philosophy at Furman University. He is the author of numerous books and journal publications on Philosophy. Much of his recent efforts have been devoted to making philosophical concepts applicable to and accessible to society more broadly. A very good example is his recently published book “Camping with Kierkegaard”.

### **Akins Ford Arena Behind the Scenes Tour**

OS  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 25 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:00AM

Akins Ford Arena is the newest addition to Athens for live sports and entertainment. The arena, with a seating capacity of 8500, is home to the Athens Rock Lobsters hockey team, UGA Ice Dawgs, and hosts concerts and family shows. Guests of this tour will not only get a peek at the seating and hospitality areas but also the team locker rooms, event-crew green room, and Georgia Music Collection (which is on display throughout the main concourse). The collection includes themed cases with artifacts from Georgia music artists as well as interactive displays.

See receipt for location details

### **Jenni Mallory**

Jenni Mallory is Premium Seating Manger at the Akins Ford Arena located behind The Classic Center in Downtown, Athens.

### **UGA's Meat Science Technology Center Tour**

OS  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Feb 25 (Tu)

3:00PM-4:00PM

The, MSTC, housed in the Animal & Dairy Science Department of the College of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences at UGA, is a fully functional, meat animal processing facility that is federally (USDA) inspected to ensure that all animals are treated with their welfare in mind and to ensure the wholesomeness of the meat products produced. The main purpose of the MSTC is to facilitate teaching, outreach, and research education in the areas of meat animal production, meat science, and muscle biology. This tour of the MSTC will show participants how the facility functions and how community members can purchase its meat products.

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### **Ryan Crowe**

Ryan Crowe started learning to cut meat at age 18. He studied Animal Science/Meat Science at the University of Florida and has managed the UGA Meat Science Technology Center since 2002.

## **A Guided Tour of Winterville Cultural Center Gallery**

OS  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1:

Feb 28 (Fr)

10:00AM-11:30AM

Visitors will start with hearing the history of the building that now houses the Cultural Center and the Gallery. The Center's unique history and how it evolved into what it is today will be shared. Visitors will then be given a tour of the Winterville Cultural Center Gallery on the second floor. The Gallery opened in June of 2024.

See receipt for location details

### **Diana Hartle**

Diana Hartle is a retired UGA librarian. She lives in Winterville with her husband and fur-family. She currently works part-time for the Winterville Cultural Center Campus.

## **Exercise and You: A Big Picture Look at Fitness Across Your Lifespan**

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1:

Feb 28 (Fr)

10:00AM-11:30AM

The instructor will provide an engaging and comprehensive overview of the world of fitness. Attendees will explore the science, psychology, and categories of exercise to gain insight into: 1) Why is exercise needed for humans? 2) What is all this equipment in the gym and what is strength training all about? 3) How much exercise should I be getting; how do personal trainers design effective workouts; and how do I establish an exercise habit? This presentation will highlight the transformative power of fitness, particularly for seniors, leaving attendees inspired and confident to integrate exercise into their lives.

### **Nupur Kittur**

Nupur Kittur has a doctorate in the biomedical sciences, a masters' degree in public health, and holds a personal trainer certification from the National Academy of Sports Medicine. In the last dozen years, she went from being a non-exerciser to being a fitness enthusiast and proponent and wants to share everything she has learned along the way. Nupur works as a staff scientist at UGA and has been a happy resident of Athens since 2012.

## Great American Songbook: George and Ira Gershwin

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\$12

Number of Sessions: 1:

Feb 28 (Fr)

12:00PM-1:30PM

This 90-minute class presents the life story of George and Ira Gershwin through spoken words plus live musical performance and recordings. Attendees will hear about the childhood and family life of the songwriters as well as their professional careers and relationships.

### Susan Kraft

Susan Kraft has worked as a trombonist, pianist and vocalist in the Atlanta area for more than 40 years. She has played for many years in Atlanta area big bands and salsa bands, as well as classical music groups and pit orchestras for musicals. Currently she plays with jazz combos, Orquesta Taboga salsa band, Atlanta Blue Notes big band, and the Callanwolde Concert Band.

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# Week 5 (Mar 3-7)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">Social Security, Medicare, Long-Term Care</a>	Haines	3	\$30	Mar 3 (Mo) Mar 10 (Mo) Mar 17 (Mo)	10:00AM - 11:00AM 10:00AM - 11:00AM 10:00AM - 11:00AM	RC
<a href="#">Introduction to the FamilySearch.org Website</a>	Carter	1	\$12	Mar 3 (Mo)	12:30PM - 3:30PM	RC / Z
<a href="#">Iconic Cocktails of New Orleans: A Cultural Journey</a>	Carley / Smith	1	\$52	Mar 3 (Mo)	5:30PM - 7:30PM	OS
<a href="#">Making Sense of War in Ukraine</a>	Kellner	1	\$12	Mar 4 (Tu)	10:00AM - 11:15AM	RC
<a href="#">I Have a Stamp Collection: What is it Worth?</a>	Snook	1	\$12	Mar 4 (Tu)	10:00AM - 11:15AM	RC
<a href="#">Mardi Gras Social</a>		1	\$37	Mar 4 (Tu)	11:00AM-1:30PM	TC
<a href="#">Explore the Georgia Collections</a>	Lewis	1	\$12	Mar 5 (We)	2:00PM-3:00PM	OS
<a href="#">Two-Team Parlay: How Legalized Sports Betting is Changing the Sports Media Industry</a>	Finlay	1	\$12	Mar 6 (Th)	10:00AM - 11:15AM	RC
1960's/1970's Music Roundtable (All 4 sessions)	Guinn	4	\$39	Mar 6 (Th) Apr 3 (Th) May 1 (Th) June 5 (Th)	10:00AM - 12:00PM 10:00AM - 12:00PM 10:00AM - 12:00PM 10:00AM - 12:00PM	G
<a href="#">1960's/1970's Music Roundtable: Elvis Presley - the 1960's Decade</a>	Guinn	1	\$12	Mar 6 (Th)	10:00AM - 12:00PM	G
<a href="#">Tour of Oconee Hill Cemetery</a>	Smith / Vicente-Vazquez	1	\$12	Mar 6 (Th)	2:00PM - 4:00PM	OS
<a href="#">Partners in the Search for Truth: New Conversations Between Science and Religion</a>	Buchanan	5	\$48	Mar 6 (Th) Mar 13 (Th) Mar 20 (Th) Mar 27 (Th) Apr 3 (Th)	2:00PM - 3:30PM 2:00PM - 3:30PM 2:00PM - 3:30PM 2:00PM - 3:30PM 2:00PM - 3:30PM	RC
<a href="#">Get to Know UGA's Ramsey Center for Physical Activity</a>	Kellogg	1	\$12	Mar 7 (Fr)	10:00AM - 11:15AM	OS



## **Social Security, Medicare, Long -Term Care**

RC  
\$30

Number of Sessions: 3

Mar 3 (Mo), Mar 10 (Mo), Mar 17 (Mo)

10:00AM-11:00AM

Each week of this course will focus on one of the three main classes of benefit and will include: Social Security Election and Maximization; Understanding Medicare Rights and Options and also VA Benefits; Long Term Care and What Medicare Covers; New Ways to Plan for a Long-Term Care Event; Current Policy Reviews.

### **Shantel Haines**

Shantel's understanding of the complexity of Medicare and government agencies came early in life when her husband was injured during his deployment in Iraq and earned a Purple Heart medal in his early 20s. Shantel was forced to navigate the VA (Veterans Affairs), Social Security disability, and Medicare, often ending with confusion and frustration. The keen awareness she gained has led to her becoming passionate about educating others to understand their rights and options.

## **Introduction to the FamilySearch.org Website**

RC / Z  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 3 (Mo)

12:30PM-3:30PM

FamilySearch.org is the online gateway to the resources of the largest genealogical organization in the world. International in scope, FamilySearch.org includes digital images of records, a research wiki, more than 500 classes and lessons, 500,000 digitized genealogy and family history publications, a catalog for resources on the website, the FamilySearch Library in Salt Lake City, and more. This class briefly reviews this FREE website. Before class, please plan to spend at least eight (8) hours to read the handout and to complete the Advance Homework. The second half of this three-hour class will be spent working online in FamilySearch.

### **Laura Carter**

Laura Carter spent 40-plus years working in libraries and helping people find information. As she ended her career, she was the Heritage Room Librarian at the Athens-Clarke County Library. Laura attends IGHR (Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research) annually to help her keep up with the ongoing learning needed for family history research. She is a member of Clarke-Oconee Genealogical Society and other local history-related organizations. Laura loves learning and teaching.

## Iconic Cocktails of New Orleans: A Cultural Journey

OS  
\$52

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 3 (Mo)

5:30PM-7:30PM

From the 1830's Sazerac to the Hurricane, Pimms Cup to Ramos Gin Fizz, many of America's best-known cocktails originated in the city of New Orleans. Join spirit specialist Charles Smith and New Orleans native Susan Carley in this exploration of the Crescent City's quintessential concoctions. The class includes cocktail tastings and homemade jambalaya!

See Receipt for location and parking details.

### Susan Carley

Susan Carley is a sociologist and New Orleans native with a passion for history and archaeology. After retiring from Kennesaw State University, she has taken up horseback riding, ballroom dance and creative writing. Susan is in the process of completing her first novel in the genre of magical realism. She currently chairs OLL-UGA'S Travel Study Committee and is a member of the OLLI Curriculum Committee.

### Charles Smith

Charles Smith is a specialist in distilled spirits. His wheelhouse is single malt whiskies from around the world, but that is by no means the extent of his curiosity. He is a veteran, musician, outdoorsman, and husband. Through his business, he works to foster a certain respect and appreciation of the craft spirits industry, showcasing real products made by real people, and in so doing, enriching the lives of those with whom he interacts.

## Making Sense of War in Ukraine

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 4 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:15AM

This lecture and Q&A will introduce the contested history of Ukraine, especially in its Soviet and post-Soviet forms, and consider how Soviet history and the Soviet collapse shaped today's conflict. It will also address the role of NATO and the West in the conflict's origins.

### Joseph Kellner

Joseph Kellner teaches Russian and Soviet history and was previously a lecturer in Russian and global history at the University of California, Berkeley. His forthcoming book, *The Spirit of Socialism: Culture and Belief at the Soviet Collapse*, is a cultural history of the collapse of the USSR.

## I Have a Stamp Collection: What is it Worth?

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 4 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:15AM

RC

\$12

Do you want to know if the stamp collection you inherited is worth anything? Then this talk is for you. Dr. Maurice Snook will explain the history of postage stamps and especially those issued by the United States from 1847 to the present. The different kinds of postage stamps will be discussed and which ones have real value. As with all collectables, condition is most important, especially if the stamps are unused and issued before 1900. Catalog value versus the actual amount dealers will pay you for your stamps will be discussed.

### Maurice Snook,

Dr. Snook is currently vice president, secretary, and treasurer of the Athens Philatelic Society. He has collected stamps for over 60 years. He has evaluated numerous collections brought to the Society by area residents and taught three previous OLLI sessions on evaluating your stamp collection.

## Mardi Gras Social



**Tuesday, March 4, 11:00AM-1:30PM**  
**Trumps Catering**

Carnival Season begins January 6th every year and ends on Mardi Gras Day. We will celebrate the end of carnival, and “Laissez les bons temps rouler”, Let the Good Times Roll. Don’t miss out on all the fun. Join us for one of Trump’s delicious lunches with king cake for dessert.

Dress in purple, green and gold. Disguise yourself in a Mardi Gras mask. Don a costume and dazzle us all. Drape yourself with beads. You choose. There will be music, a second line dance, and we’ll crown this year’s king and queen. Enjoy plenty of time to mingle with everyone. Go home knowing a bit more about Fat Tuesday.

\$37 per person - Guests welcome - please contact the office.

## Explore the Georgia Music Collections

OS  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 5 (We)

2:00PM-3:00PM

Join UGA Special Collections Libraries' Georgia Music Curator Ryan Lewis on a journey through Georgia music history. Experience hands on history by interacting with actual artifacts from the growing Georgia Music Collections. Performance costumes, instruments, documents, and other ephemera will be presented to the class, providing an in-depth and nuanced examination of the ongoing history of music made in Georgia.

See receipt for location details

### Ryan Lewis

Ryan Lewis is the Georgia Music Curator at the UGA Special Collections Libraries. Ryan has lived in Athens for over 30 years. He co-founded Kindercore Records in 1996 and the Kindercore Vinyl record pressing plant in 2017. He has spent time touring the U. S. and UK as a guitarist and drummer, worked as a graphic designer and a non-profit communications professional, collects comic books and action figures, and builds miniature dioramas.

## Two-Team Parlay: How Legalized Sports Betting is Changing the Sports Media Industry

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 6 (Th)

10:00AM-11:15AM

Since the United States Supreme Court struck down the Professional and Amateur Sports Protection Act (PASPA) in 2018, sports betting has become a multi-billion dollar industry throughout much of the United States. This class will discuss the evolution of media coverage of sports in response to the legalization of sports betting throughout many parts of the United States. Topics we will discuss include: basic terminology used in sports betting, ethics for sports reporters, scandals and match-fixing, and responsible gambling and addiction.

### Carlo Finlay

Carlo Finlay is the assistant director of the Carmical Sports Media Institute at the University of Georgia. Courses he has taught at UGA include: Sports, Media & Society, Introduction to Sports Reporting & Writing, Social & Digital Media Production for Sports, Sports Media Relations, and Sports Betting & Media. He holds undergraduate and law degrees from UGA and a master's degree in Sport Management from the University of San Francisco.

## 1960's/1970's Music Roundtable

Number of Sessions: 4

Mar 6 (Th), Apr 3 (Th), Mar 1 (Th), Jun 5 (Th)

10:00AM-12:00PM

G

\$39

This course consists of four, two-hour seminars/discussions, each held once a month. Each session covers a specific music artist or group, album, or event from the era through a combination of audio and video presentation concerning each topic. Classes are standalone presentations and not connected, and no student preparation or materials are required; however, it is recommended that you have at least a general knowledge of each topic.

This sessions for this class can be registered for separately (\$12 per session)

Session One (March 6):

ELVIS PRESLEY: THE 1960'S DECADE: Covers the amazing 10-year career transition from his Army release to Las Vegas icon

### Keith Guinn

Keith Guinn has held various senior-level positions in sales and quality for a major, Fortune 50 organization. He holds a Digital Six Sigma Green Belt Certification for Quality/Process Improvement. Keith has enjoyed a lifelong passion for popular music and associated collection/archival study. He conducts regional music roundtable seminars on milestone pop artists and is actively involved in music documentary production.

### Tour of Oconee Hill Cemetery

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 6 (Th)

2:00PM-4:00PM

OS

\$12

Tour Oconee Hill Cemetery and some of its more interesting graves, perhaps including those of governors, UGA presidents, and other famous people such as Crawford W. Long, Ben Epps, and Ricky Wilson of the B-52s. Oconee Hill is significant for its landscape architecture, decorative funerary markers, distinctive cast-iron fencing, a rare through-truss bridge, and a Sexton's House of architectural significance.

See receipt for location details

### Donald Smith

Don Smith is a graduate of UGA with a degree in Mass Communications. His career, before becoming general manager of Oconee Hill Cemetery, was in document management with Lanier Business Products. He is married to Margaret McPherson Smith, who is a native Athenian. In his six years with the cemetery, he has converted its 19th-century bookkeeping practices into a high tech, digital system for grave research and cemetery management.

### Luis Vicente-Vazquez

Luis is a history major at UGA and a tour guide for Oconee Hill. Cemetery.



**Partners in the Search for Truth: New Conversations Between Science and Religion** RC  
\$48

Number of Sessions: 5

Mar 6 (Th), Mar 13 (Th), Mar 20 (Th), Mar 27 (Th), Apr 3 (Th)

2:00PM-3:30PM

Science and religion, especially in this country, have had an inconsistent and uneasy relationship with each other for a while. While some see no conflict between the two at all, others – both believers and non-believers alike – a zero-sum match to the death. Even among those who desire to embrace science and religion, it is often unclear how the two might best relate to each another. Join us as we explore the frontiers of science and religion and consider ways of framing their relationship that may lead to more fruitful paths of dialogue and mutual enrichment.

**Tom Buchanan**

Rev. Tom Buchanan is Pastor and Head of Staff at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Athens. A veteran OLLI presenter, Tom’s teaching interests span the background and interpretation of Biblical literature, historical and constructive theology, and the challenges facing religion in the 21st century.

**Get to Know UGA’s Ramsey Center for Physical Activity** OS  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 7 (Fr)

10:00AM-11:15AM

Tour of the Ramsey Student Center. It is the 440,000 square foot student recreational and athletic facility located on the University of Georgia’s East Campus. Known by students as “Ramsey,” the facility is one of the largest student athletic recreation facilities in the United States. It was built and named in honor of Bernard and Eugenia Ramsey in 1995.

See receipt for location and parking details

**Anna Kellogg**

Anna Kellogg is the Member Services Coordinator at the Ramsey Student Center in Recreational Sports, which is a part of Student Affairs. She deals with all of the membership questions that patrons and visitors have about the facility.

## Week 6 (Mar 10 - 14)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">Lifestyle Strategies to Prevent and Delay Type 2 Diabetes</a>	Kindamo	1	\$12	Mar 10 (Mo)	10:00AM - 11:15AM	Z
<a href="#">A Visit to Shetland and the Coast of Norway</a>	Hardin	1	\$12	Mar 10 (Mo)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	RC
<a href="#">Disaster Preparedness For Your Personal Keepsakes and Papers</a>	Shull	1	\$12	Mar 11 (Tu)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	OS
<a href="#">Moonlight's Alright: Memories of a Million Seller</a>	Blackman / Jones	1	\$12	Mar 11 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:15PM	G
<a href="#">Beyond the Frame: Discovering the Georgia Museum of Art</a>	Damiano / Kirin / Miller	3	\$30	Mar 11 (Tu) Apr 8 (Tu) May 13 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:00PM 2:00PM - 3:00PM 2:00PM - 3:00PM	OS
<a href="#">A Tasting of Wines from the Italian Piedmont</a>	Hurt	1	\$12	Mar 11 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	OS
<a href="#">American Mahjong for Beginners</a>	Depalma	1	\$12	Mar 11 (Tu)	5:30PM-7:00PM	RC
<a href="#">Conserving and Restoring Georgia's Threatened Trees</a>	Merkle	1	\$12	Mar 12 (We)	2:00PM - 3:15PM	RC
<a href="#">Attacked?!? Protecting Yourself in the Age of AI, Robo-Hackers, and Super-Scams</a>	Murphy	1	\$12	Mar 12 (We)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	RC
<a href="#">On Meeting Norman Maclean, Author of A River Runs Through It</a>	McCarthy	1	\$12	Mar 13 (Th)	12:00PM - 1:15PM	RC
<a href="#">Tour the UGA Performing Arts Center</a>	Mobley / Schneider	1	\$12	Mar 13 (Th)	5:00PM - 6:15PM	OS
<a href="#">The Great American Baritones from Lawrence Tibbett to Sherrill Milnes</a>	Richardson	1	\$12	Mar 14 (Fr)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	RC
<a href="#">Maps, Gazetteers, Atlases and Other Essential Tools for Family History</a>	Carter	1	\$12	Mar 14 (Fr)	12:30PM - 3:30PM	RC / Z

## Lifestyle Strategies to Prevent and Delay Type 2 Diabetes

Z  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 10 (Mo)

10:00AM-11:15AM

More than one in three Americans have pre-diabetes. Making lifestyle changes can cut the likelihood of developing type 2 diabetes in half. In this class, we'll talk about the prevalence of pre-diabetes and type 2 diabetes, and the steps you can take to reduce your risk.

### Beth Kindamo

Beth Kindamo is the program coordinator for the UGA Extension Diabetes Prevention Program. She is a registered dietitian nutritionist, certified intuitive eating counselor, trained mindfulness facilitator, and wellness coach. In past positions, she has worked in clinical nutrition and nutrition support at Piedmont Athens Regional as well as serving as the nutrition counseling program manager at the UGA Health Center.

## A Visit to Shetland and the Coast of Norway

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 10 (Mo)

2:00PM-3:30PM

This session is a vicarious journey from Aberdeen by ship to Orkney, Shetland, then overnight to Bergen. Our small ship goes up the coast. Stops include Geiranger fjord, Trondheim, Vega archipelago, Lofoten Islands, Troll fjord, and Tromso, above the Arctic Circle. From there, we spend three days in amazing Oslo. The class will discuss how Norway became an independent country in 1905 and the German occupation in WW II. Norway is now the richest country in the world thanks to oil and gas reserves in the North Sea and wise decisions by its government. Norway is also well on its way to having only all-electric automobiles.

### Ian Hardin

Ian Hardin was born in Scotland of a Scottish Land Girl mother and a U. S. GI dad. Hardin's father returned to the U. S. in August, 1945, on the Queen Elizabeth, and Ian followed at age 18 months on the Queen Mary with his mother. He was raised in Birmingham, Alabama. Half of his family is still in Scotland, and he visits them every year.

## Disaster Preparedness For Your Personal Keepsakes and Papers

OS

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

Mar 11 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:30AM

Whether downsizing or preparing for weather events, most people have a multitude of precious objects in our homes, and we aren't sure if we should keep or donate them or how best to store them for longevity. This class is a hands-on and informative presentation on how best to save and preserve your family heirlooms from time and disaster. While there is no guarantee everything will last forever, this session will review how best to take on an organizing project to safely store family heirlooms for future generations and mitigate damage from outside risks.

See receipt for location details

### Ashley Shull

Ashley Shull, the Archives & Special Collections Coordinator for the Athens Regional Library System, manages the Athens-Clarke County Library Heritage Room collections focused on local and southeastern United States history and genealogy methodology. She also assists regional staff with historical collections. Ashley holds a Master of Library and Information Science, an MA in Teaching Secondary Education, and a BA in English. She finds value in helping others to deeply connect to history through archival objects.

## *Moonlight's Alright: Memories of a Million Seller*

G

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

Mar 11 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:15PM

Fifty years ago this year, Bruce Blackman penned a song the he thought had promise. His new band recorded the 45 RPM and it was released in September 1975 and went nowhere. By March 1976, his car had been repossessed, and the rent was due. Then the phone rang. Blackman, a singer/songwriter, founded the Atlanta band Starbuck whose song *Moonlight Feels Right* became a top ten smash and remains one of the defining tunes of the 1970s. He joins OLLI's Chris Jones for a discussion of his story and his latest projects.

### Bruce Blackman

Bruce Blackman began writing songs in the fourth grade. He founded the rock band Eternity's Children in 1966 and Starbuck in 1970. His million seller *Moonlight Feels Right* became a hit and remains one of the defining tunes of the 1970s. He was inducted into Mississippi Writer's and Musicians Garden, the state's highest artistic recognition, in 2014. Bruce and his wife Peggy live in the Atlanta area where he remains active in the music industry.

### Chris Jones

Chris Jones is a retired Vice President of Government Affairs for Verizon Wireless. A graduate of the University of Georgia, he worked in radio news/sports in Athens and Atlanta before joining Verizon. In retirement, Jones is an avid music collector and researcher. He is an alumnus of the 1985 Leadership Georgia class.

## **Beyond the Frame: Discovering the Georgia Museum of Art**

OS  
\$30

Number of Sessions: 3

Mar 11 (Tu), Apr 8 (Tu), May 13 (Tu)

2:00PM–3:00PM

Join us for an exclusive, behind-the-scenes journey into the Georgia Museum of Art with three unique sessions that bring the museum's hidden treasures and remarkable exhibitions into focus. In the first session, registrar Tricia Miller, will lead a tour of the museum's vaults, revealing seldom-seen works and secrets of collection care. In the second session, participants explore the exhibition, "The Awe of Ordinary Labors: 20th-Century Paintings from Ukraine" alongside curator Asen Kirin. In the final session, participants will uncover the beauty and history of Renaissance art with curator Nelda Damiano, in her exhibition, "Beyond the Medici: The Haukohl Family Collection."

See receipt for location details

### **Asen Kirin**

Kirin trained in Slavic languages in Sofia and at Moscow University before earning his M.A. from Vanderbilt and Ph.D. from Princeton in art history. Upon graduating, he received two fellowships from Dumbarton Oaks/Harvard University. Kirin is now an Art History professor at UGA's Lamar Dodd School of Art, where he teaches late antique, Byzantine, and Russian art, and serves as Parker Curator of Russian Art at the Georgia Museum of Art.

### **Nelda Damiano**

Nelda Damiano holds a Ph.D. in art history from McGill University, specializing in Italian Renaissance and Baroque art. Since 2018, she has been the Pierre Daura Curator of European Art at the Georgia Museum of Art. Previously, she served as associate curator at the Cummer Museum of Art and Gardens and senior exhibitions manager at the National Gallery of Canada. Damiano has curated, organized, and published exhibitions on many prominent Italian masters throughout her career.

### **Tricia Miller**

Tricia Miller is the Deputy Director of Collections and Exhibitions and Head Registrar at the Georgia Museum of Art, where she oversees the storage, exhibition, and preservation of a permanent collection of over 19,000 works of art and oversees the logistics and management of 10–15 temporary exhibitions per year. She is the current chair of the Southeastern Registrars Association.



## **A Tasting of Wines from the Italian Piedmont**

OS  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 11 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:30PM

Come explore the wines of the Italian Piedmont. The tasting (with paired nibbles) will start with a Gavi (white wine) followed by a Barbera, a Dolcetto, a Barbaresco, and an amazing Barolo (all of which are medium bodied reds). Barolo wines are made with the Nebbiolo grape and are the most sought after red wines in Italy. Nebbiolo has been produced for over 750 years in the Barolo region that consists of only 11 cities in northwest Italy. While Barolo often commands a \$60+ price tag, some mighty fine, less expensive reds from this region will be tasted as well.

Members who register for this course will pay \$40 directly to Tapped Athens the day of the class. This fee of \$40/person includes wine and charcuterie. See receipt for location notes

### **Todd Hurt**

Dr. Hurt has a PhD. in Higher Education Leadership and is a Certified Specialist of Wine with the Wine Educators Society. He and his wife Angela own Tapped Athens Wine Tasting Market located in Bottleworks on Prince Ave near Sea Bear restaurant.

## **American Mahjong for Beginners**

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 11 (Tu)

5:30PM-7:00PM

Learning to play Mahjong seems daunting, but it really isn't. Designed for the total beginner, this class will introduce participants to the American version of the game and provide some background on the history of Mahjong. Included are the basics of the game and National Mahjong League rules. Attendees will gain the confidence to join a group and play regularly.

### **Caly Depalma**

Caly moved to Athens in March of 2023 with her partner Kirche and brought with her a passion for Mahjong. She enjoys teaching the game and playing often. She also loves pickleball, geocaching, and walking her dachshund Annie.

## Conserving and Restoring Georgia's Threatened Trees

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 12 (We)

2:00PM-3:15PM

As is the case throughout the U. S., Georgia's trees are under increasing threat from multiple factors, including attack by exotic insect pests and pathogens. Various approaches are being tested or applied to conserve and restore native species, including some using biotechnology approaches such as tissue culture and genetic engineering. This class will discuss three forest species native to Georgia: American chestnut, eastern hemlock and green ash, that are under threat from exotic insect pests or pathogens and research at UGA and elsewhere aimed at conserving their germplasm and restoring them to the forest.

### Scott Merkle

Scott Merkle is a Professor in the Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources at the University of Georgia. He received his B.S. in Biology from William and Mary and his M.S. and Ph.D. in Forestry from Virginia Tech. Merkle's lab has developed tissue culture propagation systems for over 20 forest tree species and hybrids. His lab does research on applying forest biotechnology for tree conservation and restoration.

## Attacked?!? Protecting Yourself in the Age of AI, Robo-Hackers, and Super-Scams

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 12 (We)

2:00PM-3:30PM

Are you prepared to deal with new-age threats like AI-driven scams, robo-hackers, and digital deceptions? This fun, interactive course is your shield against cybercriminals and online scams. Discover the latest tactics used by hackers and how to stay one step ahead of them. Together, we'll uncover how to spot scams, understand AI's role in protecting (or attacking!) your privacy, and recognize the sneaky tactics cyber-crooks use to hijack your personal information. You'll head home with a checklist of tips to lock down your wealth and privacy.

### Chuck Murphy

Chuck Murphy is a retired software professional and a veteran OLLI@UGA presenter. He spent the last 15 years of his career developing secure and robust e-commerce systems on the web. In his retirement, he has continued to focus on ways to protect his own information privacy and data security, and he enjoys sharing these practices and tips with friends and colleagues. He has never been hacked.

## **On Meeting Norman Maclean, Author of *A River Runs Through It***

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 13 (Th)

12:00PM-1:15PM

Rebecca grew up in Aiken, SC, the fifth child and only daughter of relieved parents. As an older child, she was sent to Montana to stay with her oldest brother and his wife, a move that engendered in her a love of the West and Westerners, who are rather forthright. She holds a BA in English from the University of Chicago and writes for a living, such as it is.

### **Rebecca McCarthy**

Rebecca grew up in Aiken, SC, the fifth child and only daughter of relieved parents. As an older child, she was sent to Montana to stay with her oldest brother and his wife, a move that engendered in her a love of the West and Westerners, who are rather forthright. She holds a BA in English from the University of Chicago and writes for a living, such as it is.

## **Tour the UGA Performing Arts Center**

OS  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 13 (Th)

5:00PM-6:15PM

Tour the Performing Arts Center and discover how world-class artists get to audiences. Hear behind-the-scenes tales about Athens's most distinctive entertainment venue, and learn what makes Hodgson Concert Hall and Ramsey Concert Hall such superior destinations for all kinds of performances.

See receipt for location and parking details

### **Mark Mobley**

Mark Mobley became director of marketing and communications for the UGA Performing Arts Center after teaching for three years in the Hugh Hodgson School of Music. He is a journalist and producer who worked for NPR in various capacities for over 20 years. He won the Peabody Award as musical head of Performance Today, and the ASCAP/Deems Taylor Award for distinguished music journalism while serving as music critic of the *Virginian-Pilot* and *Ledger-Star* newspapers in Norfolk, Virginia.

## **The Great American Baritones from Lawrence Tibbett to Sherrill Milnes**

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 14 (Fr)

10:00AM-11:30AM

From the 1920s to the 1970s, American operatic baritones were the tops in opera and sometimes pop music. This presentation traces this line of great singers through vintage videos and recordings, including Robert Merrill opening a NY Yankees game. Hear great music from Verdi to Gershwin and great voices like you don't hear anymore!

### **Malcolm Richardson**

Malcolm Richardson is a retired English professor who taught at LSU for 33 years. He has been a lifelong opera fan with an interest in historic recorded performances. For a decade, he team-taught with an LSU musicologist on a course in Shakespeare and Verdi, and he was also active with support groups for the LSU Opera for a number of years.

## Maps, Gazetteers, Atlases and Other Essential Tools for Family History

RC / Z

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

Mar 14 (Fr)

12:30PM-3:30PM

Family history research requires putting people in a place at a time. Geography and related resources are helpful tools in finding ancestors. Clues as to why people moved, where they came from, how they moved, and where they went can often be determined by looking at the terrain, climate, and geography. Maps, charts, gazetteers, and online geography-related resources are abundant and indispensable. This three-hour overview of resources will be lecture and hands-on in the class. Please plan on at least 12 hours for the Advance Assignments before class to maximize benefit.

### Laura Carter

Laura Carter spent 40-plus years working in libraries and helping people find information. As she ended her career, she was the Heritage Room Librarian at the Athens-Clarke County Library. Laura attends IGHR (Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research) annually to help her keep up with the ongoing learning needed for family history research. She is a member of Clarke-Oconee Genealogical Society and other local history-related organizations. Laura loves learning and teaching.

## Sponsors















## Week 7 (Mar 17-21)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">Is My Jewelry Real?</a>	Loss	1	\$12	Mar 18 (Tu)	10:00AM - 12:00PM	RC
<a href="#">The Ten Commandments of Wealth Planning</a>	Weber	1	\$12	Mar 18 (Tu)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	Z
<a href="#">How Conservation Horticulture Helps to Preserve Imperiled Species in the Southeastern U. S.</a>	Cruse-Sanders	1	\$33	Mar 18 (Tu)	11:30AM - 1:30PM	TC

*This Lunch & Learn is sponsored by Chuck Murphy and by Larry Dendy*

<a href="#">A Brief History of the Supreme Court and its Current Practices.</a>	Eaton	1	\$12	Mar 18 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:15PM	RC / Z
<a href="#">Cotton: Its Fascinating World-Wide History</a>	Hardin	1	\$12	Mar 19 (We)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	RC
<a href="#">Leader of the Cherokee Nation: The Remarkable Transformation of Galagina "Buck" Oowatie to Elias Boudinot</a>	Bishop	1	\$21	Mar 20 (Th) Mar 27 (Th)	10:00AM - 11:00AM 10:00AM - 11:00AM	RC
<a href="#">The Aging Driver: Six and a Half Tips to Survive the Drive</a>	Kelly	1	\$12	Mar 20 (Th)	10:00AM - 11:15AM	G / Z
<a href="#">Preparing for the Other Side of Retirement</a>	Casey	6	\$57	Mar 21 (Fr) Apr 4 (Fr) Apr 18 (Fr) May 2 (Fr) May 16 (Fr) May 30 (Fr)	2:00PM - 3:00PM 2:00PM - 3:00PM 2:00PM - 3:00PM 2:00PM - 3:00PM 2:00PM - 3:00PM 2:00PM - 3:00PM	Z
<a href="#">Global Shakespeare (Not What You Learned in High School or College)</a>	Bishoff	1	\$12	Mar 21 (Fr)	2:00PM - 4:00PM	RC

## Catalog Legend: Color Guide

	RC = In Person only class at River's Crossing	
	RC / Z = In Person and Online Class (register by your attendance preference)	
	Z = Online only class via Zoom	
	G = In Person only class at UGA Gwinnett	
	G / Z = In Person and Online Class (register by your attendance preference)	
	OS = Off Site In Person class	



## Is My Jewelry Real?

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 18 (Tu)

10:00AM-12:00PM

This class will teach how to tell fine jewelry from costume. It will cover different marks on gold, silver and platinum; how to identify precious stones, pearls and amber; and how to identify jewelry when there are no marks present. The goal is to make people more knowledgeable about their jewelry so they can make informed decisions on whether to insure it, leave it to descendants, remake it, or sell it for its true value. Attendees can bring up to three pieces of their jewelry to be identified and should also bring a magnet and a magnifying glass.

Members need to bring a magnifier, and a magnet to class, and up to 3 pieces of jewelry they want to identify.

### Jorma Loss

Jorma Loss has been a vintage jewelry seller for over 20 years. She owned her own shop and has run vintage jewelry booths in various antique malls in Georgia. Jorma currently has a shop on Etsy, jormabell, and sells on Ebay. She is also married to a jeweler, Dennis Loss, and they collaborate on identifying the jewelry she finds to sell. Jorma is an artist who lives in the country in Farmington, Georgia.

## The Ten Commandments of Wealth Planning

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 18 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:30AM

Topics to be discussed in this class include: Do's and don'ts to improve the likelihood of achieving your lifetime goals; establishing a gameplan; risk; your behavior as it relates to your money; and more. This learning experience will end with the discovery of the one thing that matters most to your wealth planning. The class is offered exclusively to OLLI programs in Georgia.

### Joshua Weber

Joshua Weber is an Emory University graduate with 30 years wealth management experience. He obtained Certified Financial Planner designation in 2002 and Chartered Financial Consultant certification in 2006. He became a Certified Investment Management Analyst in 2008, a designation offered through the Executive Program at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. In 2019, he earned the Certified Private Wealth Advisor designation, one of the premier credentials in wealth management, through the University of Chicago Booth School of Business.

RC  
\$12

Z  
\$12

**How Conservation Horticulture Helps to Preserve Imperiled Species in the Southeastern U. S.**

TC  
\$33

Number of Sessions: 1  
Mar 18 (Tu)

11:30AM-1:30PM

The State Botanical Garden of Georgia is a university garden with signature collections, cultivated spaces, and abundant natural areas attracting more than 370,000 visitors per year. Engaging educational programs served more than 9,000 participants over the past year. Experts at the garden have also developed programs to help conserve plant species across the state. This presentation will provide an update on programs at the State Botanical Garden and discuss how horticulture is helping to address critical needs for plant conservation in Georgia.

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**Jennifer Cruse-Sanders**

Jennifer Cruse-Sanders, Ph.D., is the Director of the State Botanical Garden of Georgia. The garden is a 323 acre university garden with 33 acres of cultivated gardens and more than five miles of trails through significant natural areas. As part of Public Service and Outreach at the University of Georgia in Athens, the garden serves the communities of Georgia and beyond through educational programming, horticultural expertise, display gardens, and conservation programs.

**A Brief History of the Supreme Court and its Current Practices.**

RC / Z  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1  
Mar 18 (Tu)  
2:00PM-3:15PM

This talk will address the evolution of the United States Supreme Court from its earliest beginnings to its current status. Also included is a description of how the court selects the cases it will hear and the procedures used in that litigation.

**Tom Eaton**

Tom Eaton is the J. Alton Hosch Professor Emeritus at the University of Georgia School of Law, where he taught for 40 years. Among the courses he taught was a class on constitutional litigation.

## **Cotton: Its Fascinating World-Wide History**

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 19 (We)

2:00PM-3:30PM

Cotton is a fiber we all know, but few understand how it came to be so dominant and why its history is intertwined with so many aspects of civilization, particularly the first and subsequent industrial revolutions. We will explore what the fiber is, what the various species are, how it came to Europe from Asia, why it became the dominant crop in the South after 1800, and why the overreliance on growing cotton was a disaster for many small and tenant farmers in the South. The world perspective of cotton growing and the political implications will be discussed. If time permits, we will also take a look at how such an almost microscopic single fiber becomes a yarn and then a fabric.

### **Ian Hardin**

Ian Hardin worked in a cotton mill to pay his way through Auburn University. He taught survey courses about fibers and textiles for over 43 years at Auburn and UGA. He was given the “Love of Learning” award by Phi Kappa Phi at UGA about the time he “mostly” retired. He believes that education never stops for those, like OLLI members, who stay young this way.

## **Leader of the Cherokee Nation: The Remarkable Transformation of Galagina “Buck” Oowatie to Elias Boudinot**

RC  
\$21

Number of Sessions: 2

Mar 20 (Th), Mar 27 (Th)

10:00AM-11:00AM

This class will cover the fascinating story of a less-well-known historical figure. In 1802, Buck Oowatie was born into a prominent European-Cherokee family. Buck’s father believed his children should receive the best education possible, so young Buck was first sent to the Moravian Mission School at Spring Place and then to the Foreign Mission School (known as the “Heathen School”) in Cornwall, Connecticut. On his way to Cornwall, Buck stopped in Virginia where he met Thomas Jefferson and James Monroe. Once at Cornwall, Buck met Elias Boudinot. Boudinot played an important role in the founding of the United States. Buck was so impressed with Boudinot he asked if he could adopt his name.

### **Linda Bishop**

After working at UGA for 20 plus years, native Athenian Linda Bishop and her husband opened a mobile petting zoo. She has many diverse interests, among them archaeology, history, writing, photography, and genealogy. She has published several articles in the Oconee Enterprise on the history of Oconee County and in a now-defunct regional magazine. Linda is currently assisting with research for the Digital Atlas of Historic Oglethorpe County.

## **The Aging Driver: Six and a Half Tips to Survive the Drive**

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 20 (Th)

10:00AM-11:15AM

G / Z

\$12

To most of us, driving means freedom, independence, and the ability to go where and when you want. Aging may change how and when we drive. By observing our personal changes, we have the opportunity to adapt our driving skills, our driving choices, and our safety. Sometimes the right decision is to retire from driving. But if we maintain our physical health, drive a safe car, and learn to compensate for aging, we are likely to remain in the driver's seat longer. Learn how aging impacts our driving and tips on keeping safe while driving, and discuss options when we retire from driving.

### **Jim Kelly**

While Jim works for the Georgia Department of Public Health, he's not a doctor. However, he's played one on TV's *The Resident* (and stand-in for Christopher Walken). In the real world, Jim manages the 55+ Driver Safety Program. He's worked with: National Safety Council, AAA, Honda, Yamaha, Harley-Davidson, the Universities of Illinois, Connecticut, and Georgia, held motorcycle safety-instructor-trainer national certification, and worked as a corporate driving instructor and precision driver for TV and movies.

## **Preparing for the Other Side of Retirement**

Number of Sessions: 6

Mar 21 (Fr), Apr 4 (Fr), Apr 18 (Fr), May 2 (Fr), May 16 (Fr), May 30 (Fr)

2:00PM-3:00PM

Z

\$57

Is your retirement planning lopsided? You'll need to prepare for both sides of retirement, yet most planning is done on the financial side. This highly interactive course will cover the essential non-financial building blocks of a satisfying retirement from the "Core Courses" (Wellness, Relationships, Learning and Fun) to the "Electives" of Service, Creative Pursuits, Work/Projects and Personal Growth). The course will cover the research behind these building blocks and help each participant design a vision and a practical roadmap toward his/her life in retirement through exercises, experiments and discussions with other participants.

### **Joe Casey**

Joe Casey is the Managing Partner of Retirement Wisdom, hosts *The Retirement Wisdom* podcast and is the author of *Win the Retirement Game*. Joe worked for 26 years at Merrill Lynch, where he was Senior Vice President, Head of HR for Global Markets and Investment Banking. He has Masters degrees from the University of Southern California in Gerontology, the University of Pennsylvania and Middlesex University, and a BA in Psychology from the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

## Global Shakespeare (Not What You Learned in High School or College)

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 21 (Fr)

2:00PM-4:00PM

What makes Shakespeare timeless and borderless? How does Global Shakespeare highlight our shared humanity and foster cross-cultural empathy? This class will explore how universal themes like betrayal, power, family, and remorse in Shakespeare resonate globally through transnational adaptations. For instance, we'll examine how *Romeo and Juliet* is adapted in the South Korean drama *Crash Landing on You*, which tells the love story between a South Korean woman and her North Korean boyfriend. This course will deepen our understanding of Shakespeare while enhancing our appreciation of diverse cultures and their unique expressions of universal human emotions and values.

### Nayoung Bishoff

Nayoung Bishoff is a PhD student in English at George Washington University. Her research focuses on global adaptations of Shakespeare. She has presented on gender, cultural globalization, and film and theater studies at the American Comparative Literature Association, Shakespeare Association of America, Renaissance Society of America, and other venues. Her recent publications appear in *The Journal of Shakespeare and Appropriation* and *The Palgrave Encyclopedia of Global Shakespeare*, among others.

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# Week 8 (Mar 24 - 28)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">Using Newspapers for Family History Research</a>	Carter	1	\$12	Mar 24 (Mo)	9:30AM - 12:30PM	RC / Z
<a href="#">The Meaning is in the Waiting: Faith and Doubt in the Poetry of R. S. Thomas</a>	Buchanan	1	\$12	Mar 24 (Mo)	2:00PM - 4:00PM	RC
<a href="#">Can I Hear You Now? What You Should Know About Hearing Loss</a>	Penning	1	\$12	Mar 25 (Tu)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	RC
<a href="#">Purpose &amp; Profit: The New Capitalism</a>	Stuck	1	\$12	Mar 25 (Tu)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	RC / Z
<a href="#">Heart's Journey: The Human-Animal Bond and Caring for the Caregiver</a>	Browning / Lane	2	\$21	Mar 25 (Tu) Apr 15 (Tu)	12:00PM - 1:00PM 12:00PM - 1:00PM	RC / Z
<a href="#">Why We Watch: Great Historical Finishes in College Athletics</a>	Brown	1	\$12	Mar 25 (Tu)	2:00PM - 4:00PM	G
<a href="#">A Tour and History of Smithonia Farm</a>	Robertson	1	\$12	Mar 25 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	OS
<a href="#">Jittery Joe's Coffee Roasting Company Tour</a>	Mustard	1	\$12	Mar 26 (We)	10:30AM - 11:45AM	OS
<a href="#">American Civics 101: A Crash Course!</a>	Perper	5	\$48	Mar 26 (We) Apr 2 (We) Apr 9 (We) Apr 16 (We) Apr 23 (We)	2:00PM - 4:00PM 2:00PM - 4:00PM 2:00PM - 4:00PM 2:00PM - 4:00PM 2:00PM - 4:00PM	Z
<a href="#">Mini Mount Class: Creating an Indoor Plant Display</a>	Pedraza	1	\$37	Mar 26 (We)	2:00PM - 3:00PM	OS
<a href="#">Practical Mapping for Everyday Uses</a>	Richardson	1	\$12	Mar 27 (Th)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	RC
<a href="#">Multidisciplinary Approaches to Stroke Prevention, Treatment, and Rehabilitation</a>	Anjum / Bushra / Dalton / Xu	1	\$12	Mar 28 (Fr)	10:00AM - 11:15AM	RC
<a href="#">Great American Songbook: Rodgers and Hart</a>	Kraft	1	\$12	Mar 28 (Fr)	12:00PM - 1:30PM	G
<a href="#">Writing About Georgia for Writers and Non-Writers</a>	Bishoff	1	\$12	Mar 28 (Fr)	2:00PM - 4:00PM	RC



## Using Newspapers for Family History Research

RC / Z

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

Mar 24 (Mo)

9:30AM-12:30PM

Newspapers are key to understanding the time and place in which an ancestor lived since they provide a contemporaneous record. Every major genealogical database contains newspaper information, and libraries provide access to current and historical newspapers online. Since 1690 (the first record of a newspaper published in the United States), news, human interest stories, obituaries, legal notices, advertisements, society columns, and other content have provided a diary of a community. This three-hour long class consists of one and a half hours of lecture, then a break, then one hour of computer exercises. Before class, please allow at least 12 hours to complete Advance Homework.

### Laura Carter

Laura Carter spent 40-plus years working in libraries and helping people find information. As she ended her career, she was the Heritage Room Librarian at the Athens-Clarke County Library. Laura attends IGHR (Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research) annually to help her keep up with the ongoing learning needed for family history research. She is a member of Clarke-Oconee Genealogical Society and other local history-related organizations. Laura loves learning and teaching.

## The Meaning is in the Waiting: Faith and Doubt in the Poetry of R. S. Thomas

RC

Number of Sessions: 1:

\$12

Mar 24 (Mo)

2:00PM-4:00PM

The 20th century Welsh poet and Anglican priest R. S. Thomas (1913-2000) left us a rich body of work that grapples with the silence of God and the dance of faith and doubt. Through stark imagery, raw honesty, and a sense of divine absence, Thomas' work offers profound meditations on the complexities of the life of faith, with doubt as a deep, necessary part of authentic spiritual experience.

### Tom Buchanan

Rev. Tom Buchanan is Pastor and Head of Staff at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Athens. A veteran OLLI presenter, Tom's teaching interests span the background and interpretation of Biblical literature, historical and constructive theology, and the challenges facing religion in the 21st century.

## **Can I Hear You Now? What You Should Know About Hearing Loss**

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 25 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:30AM

Hearing loss affects everyone and is considered a disability according to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Hearing loss impacts our ability to understand speech and can lead to isolation, depression and even dementia. This discussion class will focus on the issues facing people with hearing loss and ways to advocate for effective solutions. (Attendees who have hearing aids equipped with telecoils are encouraged to have their telecoils activated for the class.)

### **Tim Penning**

Tim Penning is not an audiology professional but does have severe hearing loss and has utilized hearing aids/assistive technology for the last 30 years. He is an advocate for hearing assistive technology in public and private venues in the greater Athens community.

## **Purpose & Profit: The New Capitalism**

RC / Z  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 25 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:30AM

Attendees will learn about stakeholder capitalism and the emergence of certified B Corporations--for profit companies that are using business as a force for good. The presentation will start with a history of shareholder driven capitalism and then dive into the shift that has businesses making more and more decisions with all of their stakeholders in mind. Participants will also learn what a B Corp is, what is evaluated during the certification process, and the generational shift that drives the ROI for companies to prioritize more than just short-term profit.

### **Nathan Stuck**

Nathan Stuck is an entrepreneur, nonprofit leader, lecturer, author, and speaker who is passionate about reimagining capitalism. He's spent the past six years in the B Corp community, where businesses merge at the intersection of profit and purpose. He founded his nonprofit, B Local Georgia, in 2018, and his for-profit, Profitable Purpose Consulting, in 2021. Nathan's TEDx Talk was released in 2023 and his first book, *Happy Monday*, was published in 2022.

## Heart's Journey: The Human-Animal Bond and Caring for the Caregiver

RC / Z

Number of Sessions: 2

\$21

Mar 25 (Tu), Apr 15 (Tu)

12:00PM-1:00PM

The journey to owning a pet comes with great love and great responsibility. We will talk about how, as pet caregivers, we are affected by the journey including the ups and downs as the animal declines and dies. What are our hopes as a new pet comes into our lives? What role do pets have in our family systems? How do I cope with my loved companion animal's changing health? Does grief happen before an actual death? What does grief for my animal look like, and how can I cope? How can I honor my pet?

### Noelle Browning

C. Noelle Browning, MSW, LCSW, is the Clinical Counselor at the University of Georgia Veterinary Teaching Hospital working to provide support to clients who are facing chronic and acute illness or death of their companion animals. In her current role, she has developed wellbeing programming, volunteer programs, and community events for the hospital.

### Becky Lane

Becky Lane is a retired UGA employee who worked in Human Resources. She has been working as a UGA Veterinary Teaching Hospital CARES Volunteer for three years.

## Why We Watch: Great Historical Finishes in College Athletics

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Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

Mar 25 (Tu)

2:00PM-4:00PM

We've all experienced the highs and lows of our team winning or losing in the final seconds. Yet, what does this do for our psychology? How can we extrapolate those experiences onto our lives? In this course we view segments of events from YouTube involving surprising finishes in NCAA sports history including the 1992 NCAA basketball tournament regional finals (Duke vs. Kentucky), assorted emotional SEC football game endings, and a few emotional Georgia Bulldog football game endings. We share stories of how these events affect our psychology, and glean the lessons in life we can take from them.

### John Brown

Mr. Brown has a MA in Community/Agency Counseling with field experience in career and rehabilitation counseling from 2002-2004. He was an analyst for an online sports publication blog involving the NFL and college football in 2015.

## **A Tour and History of Smithonia Farm**

OS

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

Mar 25 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:30PM

Come and listen to the history of the Jim Smith farm known as Smithonia, which was built in the late 1870's. Attendees will tour the Robertson house and will study a large map that tells part of the story of the Civil War and Reconstruction in this area. You will also tour and learn of the restoration of our red brick barn, built in 1905, which was the commissary for the farm.

See receipt for location notes

## **Jane Robertson**

Jane and John Robertson moved to Colbert 30 years ago and have worked on restoring the property that will be toured. Jane was a former elementary school principal in Gwinnett and her husband John worked for Waffle House for 33 years. She is a twice graduate from UGA, and John was a chemical engineering grad from Georgia Tech.

## **Jittery Joe's Coffee Roasting Company Tour**

OS

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

Mar 26 (We)

10:30AM-11:45AM

Locally owned Jittery Joe's Coffee Roasting Company is dedicated to crafting exceptional coffee by sourcing premium beans from at least 18 countries. They roast in small batches, ensuring quality and highlighting each bean's unique flavor. In this engaging class, participants will tour the roastery and learn about the hands-on roasting process. Discover the journey of coffee from farm to cup and gain insight into the techniques that make Jittery Joe's a beloved brand. Join us for a delightful exploration of the art and science behind these exceptional brews!

see receipt for location details

## **Charlie Mustard**

Charlie Mustard came to Athens by way of Clemson University, where he earned a Bachelor's degree in biological sciences. After teaching anatomy and physiology at Clarke Central High School, he earned a Master's degree in nutrition from the University of Georgia. He started a number of coffee shops and other ventures related to coffee. For the past 30 years he has been the roastmaster for Jittery Joe's Coffee Roasting Company.

## **American Civics 101: A Crash Course!**

Number of Sessions: 5

Mar 26 (We), Apr 2 (We), Apr 9 (We), Apr 16 (We), Apr 23 (We)

2:00PM-4:00PM

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\$48

Many of us born in the United States tend to take our rights as U. S. citizens for granted. Legal permanent residents looking to become U. S. citizens have to take a civics test as part of their immigration services interview. What if each of us had to take a citizenship test every year to remain a U. S. citizen? Would we be able to pass? American Civics 101 is a timely five-part discussion that provides a simple but comprehensive path to understanding what every person applying for U. S. citizenship today needs to know-how our U. S. government is supposed to work!

### **Alan Perper**

Alan Perper is a founding member of VoteAsIf.org. He has trained with the USCIS to develop an adult, U. S. Citizenship curriculum and has taught numerous civics and citizenship classes at both OLLI programs and community adult learning centers including Pittsburgh University, Dartmouth, Tufts, U. C. Berkeley and UCLA. Alan also has a secondary education teaching credential through California State University, Northridge, and has taught high school economics, government, and business classes at two charter LAUSD campuses.

## **Mini Mount Class: Creating an Indoor Plant Display**

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 26 (We)

2:00PM-3:00PM

OS

\$37

Attendees will have the opportunity to learn how to mount plants onto a cedar board. All supplies will be provided along with step-by-step directions. Attendees will select from an array of 2" potted plants in the store.

See receipt for location details

### **Felipe Pedraza**

Felipe Pedraza is originally from Sylvania, Georgia, graduated from Screven County High School in 2008 and from UGA in 2012 with a degree in Agricultural Education. He taught high school agricultural science for 12 years before pursuing a full-time career in the horticulture industry with Foxglove Plant Bar. Currently, he manages all of Foxglove's online sales and greenhouse supply sales to agriculture teachers across the state.

## Practical Mapping for Everyday Uses

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 27 (Th)

2:00PM-3:30PM

RC  
\$12

This class covers the basics of using free Geographic Information System (GIS) software to create your own maps to measure common community and residential issues like water quality, crime, toxic sites, flooding, housing, etc. The class will be hands-on, with the goal that at a minimum you'll understand how GIS can be used to your advantage and at best to create your own maps on specific issues.

### Gabriele Richardson

Gabriele Richardson is a map creator, GIS analyst senior and GIS instructor with the CDC, and a graduate faculty member at Mercer University in Atlanta. Using the techniques of Geographic Information Science (GIS), she specializes in health-related map analysis, ranging from COVID to ground contamination issues. She has a BS in engineering from a university in her native Austria and a PhD in geography (GIS) and anthropology from LSU.

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## **Multidisciplinary Approaches to Stroke Prevention, Treatment, and Rehabilitation**

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\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 28 (Fr)

10:00AM-11:15AM

This presentation will explore the integrated strategies involved in stroke prevention, treatment, and recovery, emphasizing the importance of a multidisciplinary approach. Included is a discussion of how combining expertise from various fields enhances rehabilitation outcomes for stroke patients, covering key aspects such as prevention techniques, medical treatments, and cognitive and physical recovery strategies. By presenting a clear structure, we aim to provide a comprehensive understanding of stroke care in one session.

### **Javad Anjum**

Dr. Javad Anjum is an assistant professor in the Department of Communication Sciences and Special Education at the University of Georgia. A former physician in India, he conducted neurophysiology research at the National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences. He earned his MEd and PhD from Ohio University. His research focuses on understanding cognitive-linguistic processes in aphasia and neurogenic language disorders, and developing assessments and treatments to enhance rehabilitation outcomes for these populations.

### **Aisha Bushra**

Aisha Bushra, a Pakistani physician, specializes in neurology and critical care. Currently, she works with Dr. Jing Xu on clinical stroke research. Passionate about health literacy, Aisha advocates for stroke awareness and education. Her experience includes working with multiple sclerosis patients, and she has a strong interest in autoimmune disorders. Aisha's goal is to connect medical research with public awareness to enhance patient outcomes and improve community health.

### **Sarah Grace Dalton**

Dr. Sarah Grace Dalton is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Communication Sciences and Special Education. She specializes in aphasia, neurogenic communication disorders, and discourse analysis. Her research focuses on clinically practical approaches, including feasible discourse analysis methods, therapeutic adjuvants for neurogenic communication impairments, and the identification of biomarkers for treatment response and recovery. Dr. Dalton earned a B.S.Ed in Communication Sciences and Disorders from the University of Georgia (2010), an M.S.P. in Communication Sciences and Disorders from the University of South Carolina (2013), and a Ph.D. in Linguistics from the University of New Mexico (2019). Her work seamlessly integrates clinical practice with research, advancing the understanding and management of communication disorders.

### **Jing Xu**

Dr. Jing Xu is an assistant professor in the Department of Kinesiology at the University of Georgia and directs the Cognition and Dexterity Laboratory. Her research focuses on understanding cognitive and neural mechanisms in skill learning and improving rehabilitation after neurological injuries. Jing earned her Ph.D. from UC Berkeley and completed postdoctoral research at Johns Hopkins on stroke recovery. Her team uses behavioral, neurophysiology, imaging, and computational modeling to advance rehabilitation strategies.

## Great American Songbook: Rodgers and Hart

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 28 (Fr)

12:00PM-1:30PM

This 90-minute class presents the life story of Richard Rodgers and Lorenz Hart through spoken words plus live musical performance and recordings. Attendees will hear about the childhood and family life of the songwriters as well as their professional career and relationships.

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## Susan Kraft

Susan Kraft has worked as a trombonist, pianist and vocalist in the Atlanta area for more than 40 years. She has played for many years in Atlanta area big bands and salsa bands, as well as classical music groups and pit orchestras for musicals. Currently she plays with jazz combos, Orquesta Taboga salsa band, Atlanta Blue Notes big band, and the Callanwolde Concert Band.

## Writing About Georgia for Writers and Non-Writers

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 28 (Fr)

2:00PM-4:00PM

This class will consider “Georgia literature” as a unique area of creative writing. We will seek to identify how to capture in writing the various elements of Georgia culture (food, religion, environment, people) in ways that are not only authentic and entertaining but also memorable and (potentially) idiosyncratic. The class may include a brief reading from the instructor as well as time for students in the class to write and share creative exercises. Writers and non-writers are welcome!

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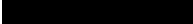
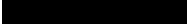
## Colin Bishoff

Colin Bishoff is a Creative Writing PhD student at the University of Georgia. He holds a BA in English/Creative Writing from the University of Georgia and an MFA in fiction from Georgia College and State University. His writing draws upon his memories of growing up in the South and explores the intersection of religion, redemption, regret, and the idiosyncrasies that make the world human.

# Week 9 (Mar 31 - Apr 4)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">Garden Bugs and How to Deal With Them</a>	Matthews	1	\$12	Mar 31 (Mo)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	RC
<a href="#">Our Contemporary Thoreau, Wendell Berry: The Informed Conscience, the Higher Law, and Environmental Regeneration</a>	Zins	6	\$57	Mar 31 (Mo) Apr 7 (Mo) Apr 14 (Mo) Apr 21 (Mo) Apr 28 (Mo) May 5 (Mo)	1:30PM - 3:00PM 1:30PM - 3:00PM 1:30PM - 3:00PM 1:30PM - 3:00PM 1:30PM - 3:00PM 1:30PM - 3:00PM	RC / Z
<a href="#">Drawing: Fundamentals</a>	Agner	4	\$39	Mar 31 (Mo) Apr 7 (Mo) Apr 14 (Mo) Apr 21 (Mo)	2:00PM - 3:30PM 2:00PM - 3:30PM 2:00PM - 3:30PM 2:00PM - 3:30PM	RC
<a href="#">Caravaggio and Artemisia Gentileschi: Biography Versus Career</a>	Zuraw	2	\$21	Apr 1 (Tu) Apr 8 (Tu)	10:00AM - 11:30AM 10:00AM - 11:30AM	RC
<a href="#">The Story of Linnentown: Giving Voice to an Erased Community</a>	Thomas Whitehead	1	\$33	Apr 1 (Tu)	11:30AM - 1:30PM	TC
<a href="#">Try Silk Painting! A Demonstration and Hands-on Class</a>	Agner	1	\$12	Apr 1 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:15PM	OS
<a href="#">Behind The Scenes at Athens Area Humane Society</a>	Ford / McCormick	1	\$12	Apr 2 (We)	11:00AM - 12:30PM	OS
<a href="#">1960's/1970's Music Roundtable: The Beach Boys, 1962-66</a>	Guinn	1	\$12	Apr 3 (Th)	10:00AM - 12:00PM	G
<a href="#">Disruptive Technologies Coming to Our World</a>	Everett	1	\$12	Apr 4 (Fr)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	RC / Z
<a href="#">Simple Fitness For Longevity and Vitality</a>	Swartz	3	\$30	Apr 4 (Fr) Apr 11 (Fr) Apr 18 (Fr)	10:00AM - 11:00AM 10:00AM - 11:00AM 10:00AM - 11:00AM	RC
<a href="#">Exploring early industrial Athens: A talk and walk</a>	McPherson	1	\$12	Apr 5 (Sa)	2:00PM - 4:00PM	OS

## Catalog Legend: Color Guide

	RC = In Person only class at River's Crossing	
	RC / Z = In Person and Online Class (register by your attendance preference)	
	Z = Online only class via Zoom	
	G = In Person only class at UGA Gwinnett	
	G / Z = In Person and Online Class (register by your attendance preference)	
	OS = Off Site In Person class	

## **Garden Bugs and How to Deal With Them**

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Mar 31 (Mo)

10:00AM-11:30AM

Join an entomology professor to explore the diversity of insects encountered in Georgia gardens. Come to know their life histories and the many roles they play in our yards and garden landscapes. Find ways to recognize “the good, the bad, and the ugly.” Learn both new and time-tested practical strategies for effectively dealing with troublesome garden insects without using toxic chemicals.

### **Robert Matthews**

Dr. Matthews is a Josiah Meigs Distinguished Teaching Professor Emeritus in the UGA Department of Entomology. He also serves as Associate Curator of Hymenoptera for the entomology collections of the Georgia Museum of Natural History. Prior to retirement, he regularly taught Entomology for Teachers, Insect Behavior, and Animal Behavior.

## **Our Contemporary Thoreau, Wendell Berry: The Informed Conscience, the Higher Law, and Environmental Regeneration**

RC / Z  
\$57

Number of Sessions: 6

Mar 31 (Mo), Apr 7 (Mo), Apr 14 (Mo), Apr 21 (Mo), Apr 28 (Mo), May 5 (Mo)

1:30PM-3:00PM

Arguably our most important environmental writer, Berry epitomizes the best from conservative and radical traditions. Berry has written with uncommon wisdom and grace on a wide range of issues that should matter to all citizens. His principled, prophetic witness challenges us to address the unacknowledged and interconnected forms of violence against our land and ecology, our fellow citizens and communities, our nation, and our increasingly beleaguered planet. Berry suggests the kinds of changes in our thinking, lives, and polity required to begin atoning for these offenses and what we can all do to heal our self-inflicted and often lethal wounds.

### **Dan Zins**

Daniel Zins has an M.A. in English from the University of Windsor (Ontario), where he studied with novelist Joyce Carol Oates for two years, and a Ph.D. in American Studies from Emory University. His teaching and research interests include: American literature/history, militarism, national security, nuclear weapons, the Cold War, McCarthyism, Vietnam, terrorism, human rights, democracy/fascism, critical media literacy, critical discourse literacy, critical environmental literacy, critical/empathetic thinking, cynicism, social justice, nonviolence/nonviolent political activists.

## Drawing: Fundamentals

Number of Sessions: 4

Mar 31 (Mo), Apr 7 (Mo), Apr 14 (Mo), Apr 21 (Mo)

2:00PM-3:30PM

RC

\$39

In this hands-on drawing course, students will draw and sketch many objects, filling many sheets and sketchbook pages. Between classes, students will draw everything in sight until their sketchbooks are full of quick little drawings. Developing skill is all about quantity! We will try as many drawing tools as possible, from charcoal to ink, on as many surfaces as possible. Some of the presenter's favorite resources are *The Natural Way to Draw* by Nicholaides and *Drawing on the Right Side of the Brain* by Edwards.

CLASS SUPPLY LIST: Sketchbook with white drawing paper (wire-bound stays open well), Soft graphite pencil 4 or 6 B (writes nice and dark), Vine charcoal and charcoal pencil, Pencil sharpener big enough for the above 2 pencils, Pen (probably not the dip kind but they give great effects), Kneaded eraser (soft, gray; you tear off a piece and knead to get a clean spot or a point) Kleenex for wiping charcoal off your hands and off your paper, & Q tips too

### Margeret Agner

Margaret Agner earned a Painting BFA from LSU. She has years of experience in fabric dyeing and surface design, writing books, and presenting workshops. She produces silk banners and art to wear, paintings, pastels, and drawings from her basement studio in Bogart. Local galleries in which her work has appeared include: Aurum, Winterville, OCAF, Genuine GA, Greensboro. Exhibits that have shown her work include: featured fiber artist, Piedmont Craftsmen, Winston-Salem, 2013 & 2019; State Botanical Garden, 2023; Just Pho, 2025. Margaret has taught and exhibited at Silk Painters International Conference; Arrowmont School of Crafts, 2024, Best in Show, 2014. @margaretagner

## Caravaggio and Artemisia Gentileschi: Biography Versus Career

Number of Sessions: 2

Apr 1 (Tu), Apr 8 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:30AM

RC

\$21

These two Italian Baroque painters are probably more famous today for their biographies than for their art. Yet the "bad boy" and the sexually-assaulted woman are not the personae they used to build their careers. These two lectures will address their carefully plotted progress through the art world of 17th-century Italy and beyond.

### Shelley Zuraw

Recently retired from UGA's art history department, Shelley taught medieval, Renaissance, and Baroque art history for 30+ years. Her research focus is Italian Renaissance sculpture of the 15th and 16th centuries. For example, this year she gave a lecture at the Renaissance Society of America on ancient sacrificial vessels on papal tombs in Rome. But whatever you do in this field, Michelangelo is always the first word or the last.

## **The Story of Linnentown: Giving Voice to an Erased Community**

TC  
\$33

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 1 (Tu)

11:30AM-1:30PM

Giving Voice to Linnentown is the true story of a young Black girl's family in the thriving Black community of Linnentown. Author Hattie Thomas Whitehead recounts how, in the 1960s, the City of Athens and the University of Georgia's Urban Renewal contract displaced Linnentown families, taking their homes for university expansion. Families were forced to move and separated. Decades later, Hattie chronicles her role in seeking justice for Linnentown and its descendants, aiming to give voice to a once vibrant community that was erased.

### **Hattie Thomas Whitehead**

Hattie Thomas Whitehead became an activist during the desegregation of Athens, Georgia, later working 27 years in corporate operations management. She developed the Athens StepUp Scholarship Program that has awarded 85 scholarships since 2011. As a first descendant of Linnentown, she is president of the Linnentown Project and co-authored a resolution for recognition adopted in 2021. She wrote Giving Voice to Linnentown and is the playwright of the musical Linnentown. Hattie is a mother and grandmother.

## **Try Silk Painting! A Demonstration and Hands-on Class**

OS  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 1 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:15PM

Gather at Margaret's home basement studio in western Clarke County for a tour and painting demonstration to observe several ways for dyeing silk, to see how the color and design goes on the fabric, and to help paint a length of silk for a scarf.

See receipt for location details

### **Margaret Agner**

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## Behind The Scenes at Athens Area Humane Society

OS  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 2 (We)

11:00AM-12:30PM

Join us for an engaging and educational tour of Athens' local nonprofit animal shelter, home to a spay/neuter and wellness clinic. This class is designed for animal lovers of all ages who are interested in learning more about animal welfare, responsible pet ownership, and the important role that shelters play in our communities. The tour offers a unique opportunity to connect with animals in need, learn about important issues in animal welfare, and discover ways to make a difference in the community.

See receipt for location details

### Hannah Ford

Hannah Ford has a passion for helping others, be they people or pets. Her previous experience as a veterinary assistant in the AAHS' Spay/Neuter and Wellness Clinic has shown her first hand the difference that care and compassion can make in others' lives. Hannah's commitment to her community reflects her dedication to her family. She loves to spend time with her family, especially her two kids, DJ and Willow.

### Cheryl McCormick

Cheryl McCormick is a nonprofit CEO with a passion for fund development, board relations, and strategy development and execution. Her highest calling is generating excitement and momentum around an inspiring vision that strengthens organizational commitment.

## 1960's/1970's Music Roundtable

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\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 3 (Th)

10:00AM-12:00PM

### Session 2

THE BEACH BOYS, 1962-1966: Covers the incredible first 48 months of "America's Band" from startup neighborhood band to reaching #1 on the charts.

### Keith Guinn

Keith Guinn has held various senior-level positions in sales and quality for a major, Fortune 50 organization. He holds a Digital Six Sigma Green Belt Certification for Quality/Process Improvement. Keith has enjoyed a lifelong passion for popular music and associated collection/archival study. He conducts regional music roundtable seminars on milestone pop artists and is actively involved in music documentary production.

## **Disruptive Technologies Coming to Our World**

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 4 (Fr)

10:00AM-11:30AM

“Disruptive technology” is a new technology so much better than the old version that it quickly replaces the incumbent, often bringing social changes as well. In this course, based on the work of Tony Seba, we introduce several new technologies that promise to change our world over the next 20 years. Some of these changes, such as android robots, may be frightening. Overall, these technologies form a toolkit that can be used for shutting down climate change and building a more humane world.

### **Dan Everett**

Dan Everett is a retired UGA faculty member in Computer Science. He is active in climate change volunteer service on the national, state, and local levels. He enjoys hiking, camping, and caring for his three grandchildren.

## **Simple Fitness For Longevity and Vitality**

Number of Sessions: 3

Apr 4 (Fr), Apr 11 (Fr), Apr 18 (Fr)

10:00AM-11:00AM

Overwhelmed by how to begin and design a fitness routine? With over 30 years of experience, personal trainer and fitness expert Adam Swartz will help demystify the patterns and principles of exercise to help you find a path that is right for you. The class will be a combination of lecture and hands-on introduction of basic movements and members should come prepared to be active and try certain movements.

### **Adam Swartz**

Adam Swartz, a NASM Certified Personal Trainer and Corrective Exercise Specialist, has honed his craft to cater to clients of all levels, from beginners to seasoned athletes. With 25 years of experience as a trainer in New York City, including a decade as co-owner of Transform Fitness in midtown Manhattan, Swartz brings a wealth of knowledge to his practice. He believes that sustainability and accessibility are key to achieving long-term fitness goals.

RC / Z

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## Exploring early industrial Athens: A talk and walk

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 5 (Sa)

2:00PM-4:00PM

OS

\$12

This class will meet at the UGA School of Social Work (a former cotton mill) for a presentation on Early Industrial Athens with an emphasis on labor practices and the lives of the mill workers in the 19th- and early 20th-century mills that developed near Cedar Shoals on the North Oconee River in Athens. Following the talk (weather depending), the class will explore the Athens Factory building and walk across the Oconee Street Bridge to the Daniel Easley trailhead.

See receipt for location details

### Jane McPherson

Jane is Associate Professor and Director of Global Engagement at UGA School of Social Work. She develops and advocates for human rights-based approaches to social work practice locally and globally. She conducts archival research to explore how the histories of local cotton milling and the development of social welfare services entwine. A licensed clinical social worker (LCSW), McPherson spent 20 years as a practitioner before becoming a professor.

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# Week 10 (Apr 7 - 11)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">In Thomas Hardy's Poetic Workshop</a>	Gatrell	2	\$21	Apr 7 (Mo) Apr 14 (Mo)	10:00AM - 11:30AM 10:00AM - 11:30AM	RC
<a href="#">Fun with Online Newspaper Archives</a>	Summerlin	1	\$12	Apr 8 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:15PM	RC
<a href="#">Porcelain and Decorative Arts Museum Tour</a>	Moorman	1	\$17	Apr 8 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:15PM	OS

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<a href="#">WUGA Radio Studio Tour</a>	Bradberry	1	\$12	Apr 9 (We)	10:00AM - 11:00AM	OS
<a href="#">Walking Tour of Milledge Avenue from Broad Street to Henderson Avenue</a>	Whitehead	1	\$12	Apr 10 (Th)	10:00AM - 12:00PM	OS
<a href="#">School of Travel - How a Trip can Turn into a Classroom</a>	Roberson	1	\$12	Apr 10 (Th)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	Z
<a href="#">The Sermon on the Mount: A Vision of Radical Discipleship and Alternative Community</a>	Buchanan	5	\$48	Apr 10 (Th) Apr 17 (Th) Apr 24 (Th) May 1 (Th) May 8 (Th)	2:00PM - 3:30PM 2:00PM - 3:30PM 2:00PM - 3:30PM 2:00PM - 3:30PM 2:00PM - 3:30PM	RC
<a href="#">Cataract Surgery: What You Need To Know</a>	Gadlin	1	\$12	Apr 10 (Th)	3:00PM - 4:00PM	RC
<a href="#">The 'Green Awakening': A History of the Environmental Movement and Addressing Climate Change</a>	Lawrence	1	\$12	Apr 11 (Fr)	12:00PM - 1:00PM	RC / Z

## **In Thomas Hardy's Poetic Workshop**

Number of Sessions: 2

Apr 7 (Mo), Apr 14 (Mo)

10:00AM-11:30AM

RC

\$21

Thomas Hardy was perhaps a finer poet than he was a novelist. He began his creative life writing poetry, and as soon as he was well-enough off he gave up writing fiction and spent the last thirty years of his life creating verse of a stunningly high quality. He was also one of those literary artists who is never satisfied with his work, and turned to revision whenever an opportunity was offered. I want over these two talks to consider in detail four of Hardy's best poems: their context, how they reached their final version, and what it is about them this is characteristic of Hardy at his best. The poems are: "The Convergence of the Twain", "Beeny Cliff". "During Wind and Rain" and "Life and Death at Sunrise

### **Simon Gatrell**

Simon Gatrell is professor emeritus of English at UGA. He reached Athens by way of Oxford, South Africa, and Northern Ireland. His broad academic specialisations are in nineteenth- and twentieth-century British and Irish literature. More particularly, the large majority of his time has been spent with the poetry and novels of Thomas Hardy, but Jane Austen's work has been a lifelong passion.

## **Fun with Online Newspaper Archives**

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 8 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:15PM

RC

\$12

Over the last decade, historical newspaper websites have become a valuable online resource for genealogists, historians, and researchers, and many of these resources are freely available to the public. The class will introduce attendees to some of these free online newspaper archives from the Library of Congress and the Digital Library of Georgia. Participants will learn about all the fun ways they can be used to research everything from old car ads to historical recipes. The class will also include a trip down memory lane by introducing attendees to the newly digitized Athens Banner-Herald newspapers.

### **Donnie Summerlin**

Donnie Summerlin is the Digital Projects Archivist at the Digital Library of Georgia, where he manages the ongoing effort to digitize Georgia's historical newspapers. He earned a BA in history from UGA, an MA in history from Georgia College State University, and an MLIS from Valdosta State University. His writing credits include articles published in Georgia Backroads Magazine, Screen Rant, and Georgia Historical Quarterly.

## Porcelain and Decorative Arts Museum Tour (B)

OS

Number of Sessions: 1

\$17

Apr 8 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:15PM

Offered by the curator of the museum, this tour will be a comprehensive exploration of the State Botanical Garden's Porcelain and Decorative Arts Museum. Visitors will learn about the history and craftsmanship of porcelain and how the museum celebrates the connection between art and nature.

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### Grace Moorman

Grace Moorman joined the State Botanical Garden as the Curator of Porcelain and Decorative Arts in January 2024. She received her master's degree in art history at the University of Georgia in 2024 and her bachelor's degree in art history from the University of Mississippi in 2020. Previously, Grace worked at the University of Mississippi Museum and Historic Houses, where she helped digitize the collection, curate exhibitions, and manage a collection of 20,000 objects.

## WUGA Radio Studio Tour

OS

Number of Sessions: 1:

\$12

Apr 9 (We)

10:00AM-11:00AM

Join a WUGA radio station staff member for a tour of the NPR affiliate station in Athens! Staff will answer your questions as you take a look behind the scenes and meet the voices heard on the air every day like News Director Alexia Ridley, Senior Content Producer Emma Auer, Director of Operations Daniel McDonald, and Senior Business Manager Cathy Bradberry. The tour will encompass the WUGA offices and studios with seating provided for Q&A.

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### Cathy Bradberry

Cathy Bradberry joined WUGA in 2017 as its business manager. She comes from South Carolina with two decades experience in Public Radio, having worked as production manager for multiple national programs, host of a daily program, and traffic manager. In her role with WUGA, Cathy prepares daily program logs, manages the radio station budget, stewards donors, produces daily radio content, and is responsible for fiscal processes at the station.



**Walking Tour of Milledge Avenue from Broad Street to Henderson Avenue** OS  
Number of Sessions: 1: \$12  
Apr 10 (Th)  
10:00AM-12:00PM

Attendees will walk along Milledge Avenue and learn about the houses founded between the 1850s and the present day. Most of the houses have become UGA sororities. Participants will also stop in front of Clarke Central High School to learn about events in the 1960s with consolidation or “Integration” of the school. Turning down Henderson Avenue will reveal a smaller set of older houses.

See receipt for location details

### **John Whitehead**

John Whitehead grew up in Athens and attended Athens High School. After graduating from Yale University, he moved to England to serve as Keasbey Fellow in American History at Cambridge. He then returned to Yale for three years before moving to Fairbanks, Alaska, where he served as a Professor of History for 20 Years. Upon retirement to Athens, John taught part time at UGA and now lives in Gainesville at Lanier Village Estates.

**School of Travel - How a Trip Can Turn into a Classroom** Z  
Number of Sessions: 1: \$12  
Apr 10 (Th)  
10:00AM-11:30AM

This class focuses on the influence of free time, leisure, and recreation on travel. Further, it addresses the way a trip can also turn into its own classroom. The presenter will discuss his 20 years living in central Europe, Croatia and the Czech Republic. Hopefully, attendees will share some of their learning as a result of travel.

### **Donald Roberson**

Roberson is a four time UGA grad, social work, counseling, recreation and leisure, and lifelong learning. He has recently spent 20 years working, teaching, researching in central Europe, Croatia and Czech Republic. His academic interests are in physical activity, aging, and recreation. He currently resides in Berrien County, Georgia.

**The Sermon on the Mount: A Vision of Radical Discipleship and Alternative Community** RC \$48

Number of Sessions: 5

Apr 10 (Th), Apr 17 (Th), Apr 24 (Th), May 1 (Th), May 8 (Th)

2:00PM-3:30PM

The Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5-7 is perhaps the best example of Jesus' core teachings in the gospels, and yet it occupies almost no place in the historic creeds or practical Christian life today, as it is often deemed high-minded and idealistic, but impractical. In this class series, we will recover this neglected text's radical vision for discipleship and community and consider its powerful present-day relevance.

**Tom Buchanan**

Rev. Tom Buchanan is Pastor and Head of Staff at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Athens. A veteran OLLI presenter, Tom's teaching interests span the background and interpretation of Biblical literature, historical and constructive theology, and the challenges facing religion in the 21st century.

**Cataract Surgery: What You Need To Know** RC \$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 10 (Th)

3:00PM-4:00PM

This class will discuss the nature of cataract development and treatments available. Dr. Gadlin will explain the complexities of cataract surgery as well as dive into all the options available to patients. Surgery options will include an in-depth discussion of different lens implants, as well as different technologies used in cataract surgery.

**Scotty Gadlin**

Dr. Gadlin is a board-certified comprehensive ophthalmologist and cataract surgeon. He graduated from UGA and earned his doctorate in medicine at the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta. While in medical school, he was in the prestigious Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society. He is highly trained in medical, laser, and surgical management of cataracts, diabetic eye diseases, glaucoma, macular degeneration, and traumatic eye injuries.

**The 'Green Awakening': A History of the Environmental Movement and Addressing Climate Change** RC / Z \$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 11 (Fr)

12:00PM-1:00PM

Awareness is rising within society about climate change and the role of carbon emissions. New regulations may be coming that will require compilation of greenhouse gas emissions by industry, and programs will likely result in carbon emissions trading or perhaps a carbon tax. This session provides an overview of the history behind the regulatory and economic market changes associated with environmental issues over the past 50+ years and includes speculation on adaptation to these changes.

**Tom Lawrence**

Dr. Lawrence is a Professor of Practice Emeritus in the College of Engineering at UGA. He is also a Distinguished Lecturer for ASHRAE, the engineering professional society that writes the building energy codes and green building standards. He has presented on this topic at over 300 venues in locations around the world.

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# Week 11 (Apr 14-18)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">Greek Life at UGA: Changes Since Animal House</a>	Fernandez	1	\$12	Apr 15 (Tu)	10:00AM - 11:00AM	RC / Z
<a href="#">John Singer Sargent: Painter of the Fashionably Rich and the Culturally Acclaimed</a>	Simon	1	\$33	Apr 15 (Tu)	11:30AM - 1:30PM	TC
<a href="#">Mini Mount Class: Creating an Indoor Plant Display</a>	Pedraza	1	\$37	Apr 15 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:00PM	OS
<a href="#">Historic Athens Welcome Center and Church-Waddel-Brumby House Museum Tour</a>	Short	1	\$12	Apr 16 (We)	10:00AM - 11:00AM	OS
<a href="#">ENGAGE Now: Volunteering in Athens-Clarke County</a>	Podvin	1	\$12	Apr 16 (We)	10:00AM - 11:00AM	RC
<a href="#">Introduction to Islam</a>	Ahmad	3	\$30	Apr 16 (We) Apr 23 (We) Apr 30 (We)	12:00PM - 2:00PM 12:00PM - 2:00PM 12:00PM - 2:00PM	G
<a href="#">Geocaching - A Worldwide Game</a>	Depalma	1	\$12	Apr 16 (We)	5:30PM - 6:45PM	RC
<a href="#">Downtown Athens: A Work of Art</a>	Ford	1	\$12	Apr 17 (Th)	10:00AM - 12:00PM	OS

## Greek Life at UGA: Changes Since Animal House

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 15 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:00AM

RC / Z

\$12

This class will cover trends and changes within Greek Life, the type of experience it offers students, and how it has changed over the last few decades. The presenter will discuss the positive aspects of Greek Life; the opportunities sororities and fraternities provide students; fraternity and sorority housing; and what the UGA Greek Life Office does to support these communities through programs and policies.

### Chris Fernandez

Chris Fernandez is the Assistant Director of Greek Life at the University of Georgia where he advises the Interfraternity Council. He previously worked for the University of Florida's sorority and fraternity life office and for his fraternity's national headquarters. Originally from Elberton, Georgia, just down the road, Chris earned his MED in College Student Affairs Administration from UGA and completed his bachelor's degree at Oglethorpe University.

**John Singer Sargent: Painter of the Fashionably Rich and the Culturally Acclaimed**

TC  
\$33

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 15 (Tu)

11:30AM-1:30PM

John Singer Sargent (1856-1925) is widely considered America's greatest portrait painter of the late 19th century's high society – whether in America, France, or England. With a vigorous brush, daring compositions, admiration of Old Masters Velazquez and Van Dyke, and a recognition of the power of contemporary fashion, Sargent created dazzling portraits of the most important society, business, and cultural figures of his age. This lecture will focus on Sargent's most celebrated and reviled portraits including Madame X, Dr. Pozzi at Home, and Ellen Terry as Lady Macbeth with attention to his creative use of art surfaces to convey human character.

**Janice Simon**

Dr. Janice Simon is Josiah Meigs Distinguished Teaching Professor Emerita of the University of Georgia where she taught Art History for thirty-five years. In addition to teaching American art, she taught Spirituality in Modern Art and Modern Artists in Film, where she engaged with the life and art of Frida Kahlo.

**Mini Mount Class: Creating an Indoor Plant Display**

OS  
\$37

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 15 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:00PM

Attendees will have the opportunity to learn how to mount plants onto a cedar board. All supplies will be provided along with step-by-step directions. Attendees will select from an array of 2" potted plants in the store.

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**Felipe Pedraza**

Felipe Pedraza is originally from Sylvania, Georgia, graduated from Screven County High School in 2008 and from UGA in 2012 with a degree in Agricultural Education. He taught high school agricultural science for 12 years before pursuing a full-time career in the horticulture industry with Foxglove Plant Bar. Currently, he manages all of Foxglove's online sales and greenhouse supply sales to agriculture teachers across the state.

**Historic Athens Welcome Center and Church-Waddel-Brumby House  
Museum Tour**

OS  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1  
Apr 16 (We)

10:00AM-11:00AM

The Historic Athens Welcome Center & Church-Waddel-Brumby House Museum have together been a recognizable and valuable piece of the Athens community since 1973. Attendees will enjoy a guided tour of the House Museum followed by a talk about how the Welcome Center operates and what it offers to both locals and visitors.

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**Caitlin Short**

Caitlin Short is the Visitor Experience Specialist at the Historic Athens Welcome Center, an initiative of the 501(c)3 non-profit, Historic Athens, and has worked at the welcome center and house museum since 2013.

**ENGAGE Now: Volunteering in Athens-Clarke County**

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1  
Apr 16 (We)

10:00AM-11:00AM

Are you interested in learning more about volunteer opportunities in Athens-Clarke County? Looking to give back to your local community? This class will provide an introduction to a new software platform that the University of Georgia has implemented to help campus and community members find and manage volunteer opportunities. This course is geared towards beginners and will help individuals set up their profile and learn how to browse the site for volunteer opportunities of interest. Get a sneak peek by visiting [engage.uga.edu](http://engage.uga.edu). We will also aim to highlight several organizations where individuals can volunteer.

**Josh Podvin**

Joshua Podvin serves as the Senior Coordinator for Community Partnerships for the UGA Office of Service-Learning. He previously served as the Experience UGA Coordinator, facilitating educational field trips to the UGA campus for all 13,000+ students in the Clarke County School District. Podvin earned his MEd in higher education administration from Arizona State University in 2006, and more recently he has been pursuing a masters in landscape architecture part-time while working full-time for UGA.

## **Introduction to Islam**

Number of Sessions: 3

Apr 16 (We), Apr 23 (We), Apr 30 (We)

12:00PM-2:00PM

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\$30

Attendees will explore the full sweep of the religion of Islam. Your instructor, a theologian and Imam, will answer your critiques and essential questions about the second-largest and fastest-growing religion in the world. You will begin with the basic tenets of Islam, followed by its sources, the life of Muhammad, and a brief history of Islam. Next, you will analyze the main Islamic sects and their origin, the concept of Jihad in Islam, and finally, Islam in the current world.

## **Imam Hammad Ahmad**

Hammad Ahmad has been serving as a theologian and Imam of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community since 2011 and has been stationed in various cities of Canada and Pakistan, and in a remote rural village in Uganda. He has been serving in various cities in the U. S. since 2013 and is currently serving as Imam of Baitul Ata Mosque in Norcross, Georgia since 2019.

## **Geocaching - A Worldwide Game**

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 16 (We)

5:30PM-6:45PM

RC

\$12

Over five million people worldwide are geocachers and there are three million caches to find. The class will explore how this engaging pastime began and what it takes to join in the fun. After the class, interested participants can accompany the instructor to look for an actual cache.

## **Caly Depalma**

Caly moved to Athens in March of 2023 with her partner Kirche and brought with her a passion for Mahjong. She enjoys teaching the game and playing often. She also loves pickleball, geocaching, and walking her dachshund Annie.



## Downtown Athens: A Work of Art

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 17 (Th)

10:00AM-12:00PM

OS

\$12

In the 1970's, businesses were moving out of downtowns all over America, and Athens was no exception. Today, Athens has one of the most vibrant downtowns in the Southeast, one that is filled with public art. On this tour, you'll see murals, mosaics, and sculpture that fill downtown and learn about the artists who have made Athens a creative center. We will end the morning with a delicious lunch at one of downtown's many restaurants. This is a walking tour, so be sure to bring comfortable shoes.

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### Linda Ford

Linda has been co-director of the Athens Downtown Development Authority since 2018. She works with business and property owners to maintain an economically vibrant Central Business District. Linda has a B.S. and M.S. in chemistry from UGA. She owned Jingles, a gift shop in Five Points, for over 20 years and served as Athens-Clarke County Commissioner from 1999 until 2002. Linda loves public art and was co-chair of the "We Let the Dawgs Out" project.

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# Week 12 (Apr 21 - 25)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">Cooking for a Lifetime of Cancer Prevention</a>	Averill	1	\$17	Apr 21 (Mo)	12:00PM - 1:30PM	RC
<a href="#">Athens-Ben Epps Airport Tour and Talk</a>	Matthews/Welter	1	\$12	Apr 22 (Tu)	11:00AM - 12:15PM	OS
<a href="#">The Origin of U.S. National Parks</a>	Drabelle	1	\$12	Apr 22 (Tu)	11:30AM - 12:30PM	RC
<a href="#">Earth Day 2025! Environmental Changes, Improvements, Degression, Facts: Can One Person Make an Impact?</a>	Brown / Caricofe Horton	1	\$12	Apr 22 (Tu)	12:00PM - 2:00PM	G
<a href="#">Apple Intelligence and All the Rest of That New Stuff on Your iPhone</a>	Murphy	1	\$12	Apr 22 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	RC

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<a href="#">The History of Popular Music in 1968</a>	Summerlin	1	\$12	Apr 24 (Th)	2:00PM - 3:15PM	RC
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<a href="#">Stellar Explorations: An Introduction to Unlocking the Secrets of the Night Sky</a>	Snook	5	\$48	Apr 25 (Fr) May 2 (Fr) May 9 (Fr) May 16 (Fr) May 23 (Fr)	10:00AM - 11:15AM 10:00AM - 11:15AM 10:00AM - 11:15AM 10:00AM - 11:15AM 10:00AM - 11:15AM	RC
<a href="#">The Psychology of How Do I Get Happier: A Workbook/Interactive Seminar</a>	Fuller	1	\$12	Apr 25 (Fr)	11:00AM - 2:30PM	RC
<a href="#">Great American Songbook: Cole Porter</a>	Kraft	1	\$12	Apr 25 (Fr)	12:00PM - 1:30PM	G

## Cooking for a Lifetime of Cancer Prevention

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 21 (Mo)

12:00PM-1:30PM

This course offered by The University of Georgia Cooperative Extension -

Athens-Clarke County will teach participants how to choose and prepare food to reduce cancer risk along with discussing the screenings recommended for breast, cervical and colorectal cancer. The class will feature healthy recipes that attendees will taste. Handouts that will help participants to adopt healthy habits at home are provided.

### Brad Averill

Brad Averill received a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Science in Physical Education. In 2018, he began working as a University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Agent. Brad's program focus is chronic disease management and prevention and healthy lifestyles, positive development in individuals, family and communities. Some of his programs include food preservation, healthy eating habits, and relationship education.

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RC  
\$17

## Athens-Ben Epps Airport Tour and Talk

OS  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 22 (Tu)

11:00AM-12:15PM

Davin and Mike will give a tour of the Athens-Ben Epps Airport (AHN) facilities that include recently finished and current construction projects to modernize the airport. This tour will also provide opportunities to hear about the airport's plans for the future, including commercial service, and the history of the airport. The AHN was the first civilian airport in Georgia and was home to the state's first aviator, Ben Epps. See receipt for location details

### Mike Mathews

Mike is the Airport Director at Athens-Ben Epps Airport. He led the Richard B. Russell Regional Airport in Floyd County for two decades before coming to Athens in July 2018. He started learning how to fly at the age of 15 and holds a private pilot certificate with an instrument rating. He is a member of the American Association of Airport Executives, Georgia Airports Association, and the Georgia Aviation Hall of Fame board of directors.

### Davin Welter

Davin is the Business Coordinator at Athens-Ben Epps Airport. He previously worked at the UGA Development Office, WUGA, Georgia River Network, and Family Promise. He was in the 2006 Leadership Georgia and the 2000 Leadership Athens classes. Davin's previous board service includes Oconee River Land Trust, Foundation for Excellence, Kiwanis, Georgia Options, Keep Athens-Clarke County Beautiful, and Furman Alumni Association. Currently, he is a member of the Athens Symphony board and the Rotary Club of Athens.

## The Origin of U.S. National Parks

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 22 (Tu)

11:30AM-12:30PM

National parks seem like such an obvious idea as to have little or no history, but in fact, public parks of any kind in the United States were rare until well into the 19th century, and wilderness parks were unheard of until Yosemite was set aside in 1864. This class will explain where the idea came from and how it evolved in its first half-century by focusing on five major contributors: the painter George Catlin, the politician John Conness, the landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted, the newsman Samuel Bowles, and the geologist Ferdinand Hayden.

### Dennis Drabelle

Dennis Drabelle is a former contributing editor of The Washington Post Book World. In 1995, he won the National Book Critics Circle's award for excelling in reviewing. His books include Mile-High Fever, a history of the Comstock Lode silver rush (2009); The Great American Railroad War (2012), on Ambrose Bierce's brilliant journalistic campaign against the robber barons running the Central Pacific; and The Power of Scenery (2021), on the origin of the national parks.

**Earth Day 2025! Environmental Changes, Improvements, Degression, Facts: G**  
**Can One Person Make an Impact? \$12**

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 22 (Tu)

12:00PM-2:00PM

Part 1: Our environment is ever changing and so are the people around us. Most people believe that one person can't make a difference; some want to make a difference with their personal 16,425 pounds of trash PER PERSON, PER YEAR and don't know how. Explore how simple changes can make your community look and smell better; learn how to support Zoo Atlanta and other organizations through E-waste recycling and save hundreds of pounds of trash from landfill and land destruction. Discuss the recycled materials that Novelis used to construct Georgia's largest sustainable stadium (Mercedes-Benz Stadium) and why. Part 2: What is the value of the metal and e-waste lying around lakes, garages, basements or yards? We start with an historical survey regarding scrap recycling and its necessity for survival for Jewish families. You will learn the difference between ferrous vs. non-ferrous waste and the many classes of non-ferrous material. We will classify, price and bargain at the scales plus learn how to contact our political representatives in a tactful way to advocate for recycling. \*Snacks will be provided, door prizes will be given away, and everyone will receive a Swag Bag.

**John Brown**

John Brown (The Scrap Guy) gained his love of adult learning while involved as a student himself at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville's Center For Professional Education and Lifelong Learning. He is an Account Executive at Pacific Trading & Recycling, LLC, in Georgia.

**Michelle Horton Caricofe**

Michelle has studied in the field of sustainability and conservation with large organizations such as Novelis, Kroger, Walt Disney World and KAB. She seeks the most updated information from around the world and in her local community to assist organizations and agencies to find solutions for current problems.

## **Apple Intelligence and All the Rest of That New Stuff on Your iPhone**

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 22 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:30PM

It's a new world! At least regarding all the new features on your iPhone. We'll explore these and other updates: \*Proofread your text, summarize it, and even rewrite it in a different tone. \*Have a natural conversation with Siri. \*Clean up a photo by removing unwanted objects or people. \*Search your photo library using just a description of what you're looking for. \*Create custom slideshows simply by describing what the show is about, and let Memory Maker do the rest. \*Discover new and improved features in Mail, Safari, and other apps. And lots more fun stuff!

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### **Chuck Murphy**

As a dedicated Apple enthusiast, Chuck is now on his eleventh iPhone, sixth MacBook, and fourth Apple Watch. He's looking forward to sharing his tips and advice on making the most of all the new features on your phone while avoiding unnecessary complexities.

## **The History of Popular Music in 1968**

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 24 (Th)

2:00PM-3:15PM

The year 1968 was a tumultuous one in American history, but it was also a year that produced some of the best popular music ever recorded, including tracks by Johnny Cash, the Beatles, and Marvin Gaye. These songs have been part of the soundtrack of your life, but do you know the stories behind them? Donnie Summerlin will count down ten of the most interesting musical moments of 1968 and share the history behind the recordings. The session will be enhanced by music clips, videos, and photographs that give life to these entertaining stories.

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### **Donnie Summerlin**

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**Stellar Explorations: An Introduction to Unlocking the Secrets of the Night Sky** RC  
\$48

Number of Sessions: 5

Apr 25 (Fr), May 2 (Fr), May 9 (Fr), May 16 (Fr), May 23 (Fr)

10:00AM-11:15AM

Do you enjoy looking at the sky? Ever wonder what that bright object in the sky was? Then this is the class for you. In five fun, fact-filled, and engaging sessions, learn how to enjoy the sky with both the naked eye and optical aid; understand how the sun, moon, planets, and constellations change positions throughout the year; see our solar system up close and personal; use astronomy apps to guide you around the sky and learn how to use binoculars and/or telescopes to further enhance enjoyment of the heavens.

**Maurice Snook**

Dr. Snook has been an avid amateur astronomer for over 60 years. He has organized numerous astronomy exhibits, talks and observing sessions at area schools, festivals, and state parks; lectured widely on solar eclipse safety; and assisted Sandy Creek Nature Center coordinate quarterly Star Watches. Dr. Snook has taught astronomy in the OLLI program for several years. His solar eclipse photo appeared in World Book Encyclopedia (1974-2009) and others have appeared in several textbooks and periodicals.

**The Psychology of How Do I Get Happier: A Workbook/Interactive Seminar** RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 25 (Fr)

11:00AM-2:30PM

Students will focus on techniques and workbook assignments in small groups and as a class to engage with the plethora of literature on positive psychology and happiness. Workbooks need to be purchased in advance of the class for a nominal fee. Attendees should bring their own brown bag lunch, and the class will break for a 30-minute lunch flanked by 1½ hours of class time before and after. The class also includes videos; discussion; and break-out sessions in groups of 3-5 people to discuss workbook applications and the efficacy to impact one's level of subjective well-being.

Registered members should purchase the following workbook prior to attending the class: Required: *Happiness Workbook: A CBT-Based Guide to Foster Positivity and Embrace Joy* by Anna Pawan, PhD (~\$17)(ISBN: 978-1648768064)

Optional but recommended: *The No Worries Workbook: 124 Lists, Activities, and Prompts to Get Out of Your Head and On with Your Life!* by Molly Burford (~\$17)(ISBN: 978-1507211564)

**Dee Fuller**

Diana Fuller, M.S., Ed.S., is a retired Associate Professor of Psychology at Georgia State University. After teaching Psychology for many years, recently retired Dee Fuller has chosen to review the literature on aging and happiness. She has made presentations on the topics of happiness, life balance, and relationship communication (among other topics in psychology), and she enjoys career coaching young people.



## Great American Songbook: Cole Porter

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 25 (Fr)

12:00PM-1:30PM

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\$12

This 90-minute class presents the life story of Cole Porter through spoken words plus live musical performance and recordings. Attendees will hear about the childhood and family life of the songwriter as well as his professional career and relationships.

### Susan Kraft

Susan Kraft has worked as a trombonist, pianist and vocalist in the Atlanta area for more than 40 years. She has played for many years in Atlanta area big bands and salsa bands, as well as classical music groups and pit orchestras for musicals. Currently she plays with jazz combos, Orquesta Taboga salsa band, Atlanta Blue Notes big band, and the Callanwolde Concert Band.

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# Week 13 (Apr 28-May 2)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">India Rising</a>	Saxena	3	\$30	Apr 28 (Mo) Apr 29 (Tu) Apr 30 (We)	10:00AM - 12:00PM 10:00AM - 12:00PM 10:00AM - 12:00PM	RC

*This class is sponsored by Navin Patel*

<a href="#">Free Trade: Engine of Growth or Destroyer of Economies?</a>	Grafstein	1	\$33	Apr 29 (Tu)	11:30AM - 1:30PM	TC
<a href="#">A Tasting of Wines from Chile and Argentina</a>	Hurt	1	\$12	Apr 29 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	OS
<a href="#">Accessing E-Books and Audiobooks Through Your Library via Libby and Hoopla</a>	Tench / Yetter	1	\$12	Apr 30 (We)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	RC
<a href="#">The Historic Morton Theatre: Culture, Heritage, and Community Tour</a>	Green	1	\$12	Apr 30 (We)	2:00PM - 3:00PM	OS
<a href="#">1960's/1970's Music Roundtable: Influential Women Songwriters</a>	Guinn	1	\$12	May 1 (Th)	10:00AM - 12:00PM	G

## India Rising

Number of Sessions: 3

Apr 28 (Mo), Apr 29 (Tu), Apr 30 (We)  
10:00AM-12:00PM

RC  
\$30

This class will cover the story of India through a multifaceted approach encompassing history, politics, economics, culture, and international relations. It will delve into myriad factors driving India's re-emergence as a global power in the 21st century, from its rapid economic growth and technological innovation to its vibrant cultural heritage and complex geopolitical dynamics. The class will provide a nuanced understanding of India's transformation and its implications for the world.

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## Manoj Saxena

Manoj Saxena is a seasoned professional whose journey spans continents and industries. Born and raised in India, Manoj came to the United States to pursue his graduate studies, following which began a 35-year career encompassing banking, financial services, consultancy, and academia that took him to India, Singapore and the U. S. Recently retired, Manoj's wealth of experience and cultural insights serve as testament to a life dedicated to learning, growth, and global impact.

## Free Trade: Engine of Growth or Destroyer of Economies?

TC  
\$33

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 29 (Tu) - *Please note new date*

11:30AM-1:30PM

Because of international trade, the U. S. has been able to access the world's talent, resources, and products. Recently, however, a growing bipartisan consensus holds that trade has hollowed out our manufacturing sector, crushed jobs, destroyed communities, and deepened inequality. This consensus favors protectionism. We will explore the arguments for and against free trade. Does it kill jobs? Benefit consumers? Threaten national security? Are trade deficits bad? We will consider the economic and political implications of protectionism, paying particular attention to tariffs and our trade relations with China.

### Bob Grafstein

Robert Grafstein is the Georgia Athletic Association Distinguished Professor Emeritus at the University of Georgia. He also was the associate dean and interim dean of the School of Public and International Affairs. He received his BA from the University of Pennsylvania and his MA and PhD from the University of Chicago. Specializing in political economy, he is the author of two books, co-editor of one, and author of numerous articles in leading political science journals.

## A Tasting of Wines from Chile and Argentina

OS  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 29 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:30PM

Chile and Argentina share the Andes Mountain range and produce some of the most affordable wines in the world. A large percentage of these countries' population originated in Italy and Spain, bringing amazing grapes and wine making skills with them. The mountains bring unlimited sunshine and limited rainfall to make incredible wines. Attendees will explore two white wines (Torrantes and Viognier) and three red wines (Carmenere, Cabernet Franc, and of course, Malbec).

*Members who register for this course will pay \$40 directly to Tapped Athens the day of the class. This fee of \$40/person includes wine and charcuterie. See receipt for location notes*

### Todd Hurt

Dr. Hurt has a PhD. in Higher Education Leadership and is a Certified Specialist of Wine with the Wine Educators Society. He and his wife Angela own Tapped Athens Wine Tasting Market located in Bottleworks on Prince Ave near Sea Bear restaurant.

## Accessing E-Books and Audiobooks Through Your Library via Libby and Hoopla

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Apr 30 (We)

10:00AM-11:30AM

The presenter will provide an introduction to the e-book, audiobook, and streaming services offered through the Athens Regional Library System, including Libby and Hoopla. Attendees are encouraged to bring their personal devices. If assistance is needed to download the apps, please plan to arrive early for the class.

## Anna Tench

Anna works as a Technical Assistant and Trainer with the Athens-Clarke County Library, having had experience using library services both as a patron and as a staff member. She enjoys reading and learning about new resources.

## Nikki Yetter

Nikki Yetter is a part-time reference librarian at the Athens Clarke County Library. She has been the Campus Librarian at Piedmont College and has also worked for the UGA Main Library. She lives in Five Points and spends her free time caring for her family, her husband and two middle school-aged children, as well as a menagerie of pets.

### **The Historic Morton Theatre: Culture, Heritage, and Community Tour**

OS

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

Apr 30 (We)

2:00PM-3:00PM

Celebrating its 115th anniversary in 2025, the Morton Theatre is one of the first and the oldest surviving vaudeville theatres in the United States that was uniquely built, owned, and operated by an African-American businessman: Monroe Bowers Morton. Experience this structure firsthand via a tour of the building, with anecdotes and historical stories of many Black-owned businesses; efforts to save, renovate, and operate the historic site as well as its current function. Discover why “Hot Corner” still plays an important role in downtown Athens and the community as a whole. For this one-hour tour, wear comfortable shoes and be prepared to climb stairs.

See receipt for location and parking details

## Lynn Green

A facility supervisor, Lynn Battle Green serves as the Managing Director of the Morton Theatre and oversees both the Morton and Athens Creative Theatre: units of the Arts Division of Athens-Clarke County’s Leisure Services Department. The University of Georgia alumna has a degree in theatre with an emphasis in playwriting. She has more than two decades of professional experience in arts administration, management of all varieties of live entertainment, and social, corporate, and civic special events.

### **1960’s/1970’s Music Roundtable**

G

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

May 1 (Th)

10:00AM-12:00PM

Session 3:

**INFLUENTIAL WOMEN SONGWRITERS:** The stories behind (6) women (Loretta Lynn/Dolly Parton/Laura Nyro/Joni Mitchell/Carole King/Carly Simon) who’s persevering songwriting skills paved the way for today’s artists.

## Keith Guinn

Keith Guinn has held various senior-level positions in sales and quality for a major, Fortune 50 organization. He holds a Digital Six Sigma Green Belt Certification for Quality/Process Improvement. Keith has enjoyed a lifelong passion for popular music and associated collection/archival study. He conducts regional music roundtable seminars on milestone pop artists and is actively involved in music documentary production.

## Week 14 (May 5-9)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">Petanque: The Greatest Game You've Never Heard of</a>	Wallach	1	\$12	May 5 (Mo)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	OS
<a href="#">Discover Your Community's Archive and Special Collections</a>	Shull	1	\$12	May 6 (Tu)	10:00AM - 11:15AM	OS
<a href="#">Another Side to Jonathan Swift: Poems to His Friend and Companion, "Stella"</a>	Kraft	1	\$12	May 6 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:15PM	RC
<a href="#">Strawberry Hill: Horace Walpole's House and Garden</a>	Williams	1	\$12	May 8 (Th)	10:00AM - 11:00AM	RC
<a href="#">Impress Others with Your Bluetooth Know-How (and Hearing Aids)</a>	Cohen	1	\$12	May 8 (Th)	12:00PM - 1:00PM	RC
<a href="#">Georgia Museum of Natural History Public Gallery Tour</a>	Pontzer	1	\$12	May 9 (Fr)	10:00AM - 11:00AM	OS
<a href="#">Jaws: "The Relatable Fishermen"</a>	Brown	1	\$12	May 9 (Fr)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	RC

### Petanque: The Greatest Game You've Never Heard of

OS

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

May 5 (Mo)

10:00AM-11:30AM

Pétanque is an international sport from France, with opposing teams rolling or throwing metal balls at a wooden target-ball. Related to Italian Bocce ball, Pétanque has an ancient, fascinating history, provides many mental and physical benefits, and is quick and easy to learn. It is gentle on the body--requiring finesse, cooperative team strategizing, and brains--not brawn. It is a game of concentration, coordination, camaraderie, and FUN. Come learn to play this quintessential part of French and world culture -- and discover Pétanque. A short video to introduce you to Pétanque: <https://youtu.be/YXUkofUi-ps>

See receipt for location notes

### Ronald Wallach

Ron Wallach, first played Pétanque on summer vacations in Provence, France. He started the first permanent Pétanque group in Athens, which helped develop Georgia's first public-park Pétanque courts, in Athens' Lay Park.

## Discover Your Community's Archive and Special Collections

OS  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

May 6 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:15AM

Learn how the Athens-Clarke County Library Heritage Room acquires, manages, and promotes the archival collections within its care. This session will take you behind the scenes in the Heritage Room at the Athens-Clarke County Library. Get the insider look at how a community archive works to save the materials in its care and tell the story of Athens, Georgia.

See receipt for location details

### Ashley Shull

Ashley Shull, the Archives & Special Collections Coordinator for the Athens Regional Library System, manages the Athens-Clarke County Library Heritage Room collections focused on local and southeastern United States history and genealogy methodology. She also assists regional staff with historical collections. Ashley holds a Master of Library and Information Science, an MA in Teaching Secondary Education, and a BA in English. She finds value in helping others to deeply connect to history through archival objects.

## Another Side to Jonathan Swift: Poems to His Friend and Companion, "Stella" RC

Number of Sessions: 1

RC  
\$12

May 6 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:15PM

Jonathan Swift is best known as the author of the sharply satirical *Gulliver's Travels*, but he was also a poet. Among his most interesting poetic works is a series of birthday poems addressed to his longtime friend and companion, Esther Johnson, whom he called Stella. The poems, focused on friendship and the passage of time, range in tone from the gently satirical to the deeply heartfelt. This class will provide biographical background against which to read and interpret several of these poems as they reveal the emotional side of the typically-acerbic Swift.

### Elizabeth Kraft

Elizabeth Kraft is Professor Emerita of English from UGA where she taught for 33 years, retiring in 2020. Her area of specialization is Restoration and 18th-Century British literature, but she developed sub-specialties in Classical Hollywood films and in the works of poet/singer/songwriter Leonard Cohen and has published in all three areas.



## Strawberry Hill: Horace Walpole's House and Garden

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

May 8 (Th)

10:00AM-11:00AM

A nightmare inspired by his “little Gothic castle” drove Horace Walpole (1717-1797) to write *The Castle of Otranto: A Gothic Story* that has never been out of print since published anonymously in 1764. Walpole built Strawberry Hill over a period of 40 years. He was terrified that he was illegitimate: Sir Robert Walpole, his putative father (Prime Minister for 20 years) and his adored mother Catherine, Lady Walpole, were both flagrantly unfaithful. Critics have assumed that Horace was unaware of the gossip, but “Otranto,” an exoneration of Richard III (1768), and a Shakespearean blank-verse tragedy “*The Mysterious Mother*” (1768), suggest otherwise.

### Anne Williams

Anne Williams is Emerita Professor of English at UGA. She specializes in British Romanticism and published *Prophetic Strain: The Greater Lyric in the Eighteenth Century* and *Art of Darkness: A Poetics of Gothic*, with Chicago UP. She edited *Three Vampire Tales* and co-edited *Shakespearean Gothic*. Anne has held grants from the NEH, ACLS, The Rockefeller Foundation, and the National Humanities Center. She is currently writing a psychobiography of Horace Walpole, the first Gothic novelist.

## **Impress Others with Your Bluetooth Know-How (and Hearing Aids)**

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

May 8 (Th)

12:00PM-1:00PM

This class will cover all things Bluetooth, cell phones, and hearing aids including how Bluetooth and cell phones work with hearing aids; why someone may want to use Bluetooth with hearing aids; how to pair hearing aids with Bluetooth devices; and what is new in Bluetooth technology. (It might also include related/unrelated cellphone troubleshooting!)

### **Kerry Cohen**

Kerry Cohen is a clinical doctor of audiology with over 20 years of experience. Her professional interests include managing tinnitus, promoting hearing conservation from noise exposure, and encouraging the use of hearing protection, aural rehabilitation via hearing aids and auditory training, and the link between hearing and cognition.

## **Georgia Museum of Natural History Public Gallery Tour**

OS  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

May 9 (Fr)

10:00AM-11:00AM

This tour will last roughly one hour and will be led by a collection manager at GMNH. Participants will learn a bit about the history of the museum, how the collections are used, and tour the public gallery's newest exhibit about migrations. Attendees will also view a few additional research collections that are housed in the same building: the teaching collection and bird collection, as well as some fossils that are currently stored in this building.

See receipt for location details

### **Nicole Pontzer**

Nicole Pontzer is the collection manager for all vertebrate collections at the Georgia Museum of Natural History. She is also the primary contact at the Museum for educational and outreach events.

## **Jaws: “The Relatable Fishermen”**

Number of Sessions: 1

May 9 (Fr)

2:00PM-3:30PM

RC  
\$12

We will watch the most historically discussed and researched scenes from the movie Jaws, the original summer blockbuster. We will leave out the gory stuff for prompts in the movie that signify the volatile undercurrents of the 1970s and how those socio-political issues are consistently relevant today and how they are causing social problems in our modern political climate. No answers are wrong answers as this is a course to train consumers in the art of discerning messaging behind scene and character construct. This is a discussion-heavy course prompting student direction over teacher leading. Grab your poles; let's go fishing!











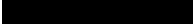
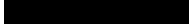
### **John Brown**

John Brown has completed coursework in film and its role in society and acting during his undergraduate days at the University of Alabama. He is a super fan of the movie Jaws, having researched the franchise for two decades. A former cofounder and president of a film-location scout-recruiting non-profit (Gadsden-Etowah Film Group) in Gadsden, Alabama, Brown is also a former registered lobbyist for film recruitment in Alabama.

## Week 15 (May 12-16)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">Finding Their Names: Transcribing Documents Related to Enslavement in Georgia</a>	Stanier / Stein	2	\$21	May 12 (Mo) May 19 (Mo)	2:00PM - 3:15PM 2:00PM - 3:15PM	OS
<a href="#">Mastering Your Investments in Retirement</a>	Flick	4	\$39	May 12 (Mo) May 13 (Mo) May 14 (Mo) May 15 (Mo)	10:00AM - 11:15AM 10:00AM - 11:15AM 10:00AM - 11:15AM 10:00AM - 11:15AM	RC
<a href="#">History of Campmeetings</a>	Cook	1	\$12	May 13 (Tu)	10:00AM - 11:00AM	Z
<a href="#">Protecting and Encouraging Native Bee Pollinators</a>	Weckwerth	1	\$12	May 13 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	RC
<a href="#">Jimmy Carter and Our National Park System</a>	Kroese	1	\$12	May 14 (We)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	Z
<a href="#">How Swede It Is: The Gentle Art of Swedish Death Cleaning</a>	Snyder	1	\$12	May 14 (We)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	RC
<a href="#">How Restaurants Use Consumer Insights to Develop Products and Promotions</a>	Bacon / Goldner	1	\$12	May 14 (We)	1:00PM - 2:30PM	RC / Z
<a href="#">CBD for Better Health</a>	Gabriel / Hart	1	\$12	May 15 (Th)	2:00PM - 3:00PM	RC
<a href="#">Walking Tour of Historic UGA North Campus</a>	Dendy	1	\$12	May 15 (Th)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	OS
<a href="#">Writing for Liberation</a>	Smith	1	\$12	May 16 (Fr)	2:00PM-3:30PM	RC

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**Finding Their Names: Transcribing Documents Related to Enslavement in Georgia** OS  
\$21

Number of Sessions: 2  
May 12 (Mo), May 19 (Mo)

2:00PM-3:15PM

Join others in this interactive class to learn more about the Hargrett Library's current project to identify, digitize, and transcribe records related to enslavement in Georgia. Participants will learn more about the grant project and work in pairs to transcribe documents. These transcripts, along with digital images of the documents, will be made freely available through the Digital Library of Georgia. Members should plan to bring a personal laptop or tablet in order to type their transcripts.

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**Katherine Stein**

Katherine is the director of the Hargrett Rare Book and Manuscript Library at the University of Georgia. The Hargrett Library advances the research, instructional, and public service mission of the University by collecting, preserving, and providing access to the published and unpublished works that document the history and culture of Georgia. Kat holds a master's in Museum Studies, with a focus on collection management, from George Washington University.

**Mastering Your Investments in Retirement** RC  
\$39

Number of Sessions: 4  
May 12 (Mo), May 13 (Tu), May 14 (We), May 15 (Th)  
10:00AM-11:15AM

This class studies key decisions retirees make about their investments including: (1) What should I invest in? (2) Who should manage my investments – me or a financial advisor? (3) How much can I expect investments to earn? (4) What about risk? (5) What is active and passive investing, and which is better for me? (6) How much can I withdraw regularly from my investments? (7) What's a good asset allocation for me? These questions and more are analyzed with several computer models that use the last 28 years of data from well-known investments.

**Warren Flick**

Warren Flick had a career on the fringes of investment theory as a professor of forestry economics (forests are long-term investments) and an attorney. He's been retired for 22 years, living through stages of retirement and managing his family's investments. For several years before COVID, he taught courses for OLLI on investing. He engages with participants, uses humor, and keeps the classes grounded in the problems and experiences of retirees.

## History of Campmeetings

Z  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

May 13 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:00AM

Campmeetings are a religious tradition arising from the Second Great Awakening of the late 1700s and early 1800s. Today, these unique gatherings--part family and community reunion and part spiritual revival--continue with week-long gatherings at campgrounds around the state. This presentation highlights the history of Salem Campmeeting in Covington, which began in 1828. The program provides insight into how the campmeeting has evolved from a gathering of rural local farmers in the early 1800s, through the upheaval of a schism in the Methodist church and the Civil War and into a modern-day religious gathering that attracts attendees from across the country.

### Joe Cook

Joe Cook works as Paddle Georgia Coordinator and guidebook author with Georgia River Network, but in his spare time he studies the history of campmeetings in Georgia. His family has been attending Salem Campmeeting in Covington since the 1820s, and he is a 58-year "tenter" at the campground. As such he has done extensive research on the history of the campmeeting and other campmeetings across the state.

## Protecting and Encouraging Native Bee Pollinators

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

May 13 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:30PM

This class will begin with a description of the value of pollinators to the world, and especially to Georgia. From there, attendees will look at how they can help bees. Then, participants will build bee nesting boxes that they can hang in their gardens. Participants must purchase the kit in advance. A link will be provided by OLLI staff.

OLLI staff will provide registered members with a link to purchase the bee house kit in advance from Etsy. Cost plus shipping ~ \$25

### Nancy Weckwerth

Nancy Weckwerth is an import to Georgia from California. Since the challenge of gardening in Georgia is very different from that of California, she earned the Master Gardener designation through UGA Cooperative Extension so that she could better care for her own large garden. A particular interest of Nancy's is protecting and encouraging pollinators in her garden.



## **Jimmy Carter and Our National Park System**

Z  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

May 14 (We)

10:00AM-11:30AM

No president has had a greater, lasting impact on our national parks than Jimmy Carter. The U. S. National Park System doubled in acreage during the Carter administration. Carter's is the only presidential term to see over 50 new NPS units created, which span a remarkable collection of diverse natural and historical resources.

### **David Kroese**

David Kroese is one of fewer than a hundred people known to have visited all 400+ National Park Service units in December 2017. Over the past decade, David has logged over 1,400 visits and four thousand trail miles exploring NPS sites across the country. David wrote of his experiences in the first published narrative through all the NPS sites, *The Centennial: A Journey through America's National Park System*.

## **How Swede It Is: The Gentle Art of Swedish Death Cleaning**

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

May 14 (We)

10:00AM-11:30AM

Comedian George Carlin once observed, "A house is just a place to keep your stuff while you go out and get more stuff." By now, many of us have discovered (1) we have more stuff than we know what to do with, and (2) our kids and grandkids have their own stuff and don't want ours. This class offers practical approaches to organizing, decluttering, and downsizing your stuff, based on Margareta Magnusson's book (and the Peacock TV series) "The Gentle Art of Swedish Death Cleaning," as well as the instructor's own experience "living the Swede life."

### **Cher Snyder**

A triple Dawg, Dr. Cher Snyder retired to Athens after 30 years at a regional environmental agency in Southern California, where she and her staff worked to improve air quality by ensuring regulatory compliance. Since 2017, Cher has served on OLLI's Board of Directors and as President, chaired committees, coordinated and led SIGs, and provided fellow members with technical support. Updated DNA results suggest Scandinavian heritage, which may explain her fascination with this topic.

## How Restaurants Use Consumer Insights to Develop Products and PromotionsRC

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

May 14 (We)

1:00PM-2:30PM

Have you ever wondered how restaurants determine new products or promotions? Most utilize consumer insights from current and prospective customers to unlock the magic that will continually grow sales and profits. Come learn from seasoned restaurant professionals how this process works!

### Tatyana Bacon

Tatyana Bacon is an accomplished consumer insights professional with an extensive background in market research across a multitude of industries. Currently, as Head of Consumer Insights at Zaxbys, she has implemented a comprehensive process around consumer insights and testing, providing guidance in navigating the product development landscape.

### Susan Goldner

Susan Goldner has 30+ years of restaurant marketing and worked to open new restaurants, building brand recognition and sales. She has worked with Wendy's, Yum! Brands and most recently, Zaxbys.

## CBD for Better Health

RC

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

May 15 (Th)

2:00PM-3:00PM

CBD is produced by the cannabis plant. It interacts with humans and other animal's endocannabinoid system. CBD has been shown to decrease pain, decrease stress, and improve sleep. It has also been used to decrease the severity of auto-immune disorders, like Parkinson's, Crohn's, and Rheumatoid Arthritis. This talk will focus on the wellness aspects of hemp as well as the benefits to our overall happiness and well-being.

### James Gabriel

James Gabriel, known to his friends as "Pocket" for his ability to help friends in need, was born and raised in Comer, Georgia. He attended Ithaca College. He is the founder of a charity that provides mental health support and suicide prevention.

### Alan Hart

Alan Hart is the owner of Classic Citiva in Athens. He was raised in a farming community. Alan received his bachelor of science degree from Cornell University in Animal Science and Agricultural Business. He lives on his small farm in Watkinsville, Georgia, with his wife Dr. Kelsey Hart and their two young girls.

## Walking Tour of Historic UGA North Campus

Number of Sessions: 1

May 15 (Th)

2:00PM-3:30PM

OS

\$12

UGA's iconic North Campus features buildings and space – many more than a century old – that are architecturally diverse, aesthetically charming, and rich in history, lore, and legend. Attendees will get a close-up look at these landmarks on a walking tour starting at the Arch and covering much of the North Campus area. We will visit the oldest building in Athens; the beautiful UGA Chapel; the site of the first murder on campus; the charming Founders Memorial Garden; and the field where the first college football game in Georgia was played. The tour will last 90 minutes, entails walking the entire time and climbing up and down steps and on moderate inclines.

See receipt for location details

## Larry Dendy

After earning a journalism degree from UGA in 1965, Larry Dendy was a newspaper reporter and editor in Winston-Salem, NC, and Tifton, GA. In 1972, he joined the UGA Office of Public Affairs where he worked for 37 years as a writer, editor, news service director, speech writer and special projects manager. He wrote *Through the Arch: An Illustrated Guide to the University of Georgia Campus*, published in 2013 by the UGA Press.

## Writing for Liberation

Number of Sessions: 1

May 16 (Fr)

2:00PM-3:30PM

RC

\$12

As we walk through our lives as writers, thinkers, authors, and scholars, we can recognize the ways in which our communities are being silenced. The way to wage war, is by first, to erase knowledge, histories, and languages. Erasure is the key to keep marginalized groups oppressed. We see this happening with book bans, and the erasure of true histories being taught in educational institutions, the repealing of laws that protect our autonomy and speech, and the ways in which we are forced to bear witness to systems that legalize our oppression. We are simultaneously witnessing the loss of our humanity, and as writers it is our responsibility to illuminate our beings, to reflect on the ways in which our world participates in the cycles of hate, hurt, and chaos. In our time together, we will think about how our writing can serve as a tool, a pathway, a seat at the table, a psalm, and a light towards liberation. Our goal for this course is to be present, but also, to live in the imagined.

## Mikhayla Robinson Smith

Mikhayla Robinson Smith is a poet, author, spoken word artist, essayist, and children's book author who has planted roots in Athens, Georgia. She hopes to share the freedom that she finds within words with others, and to prepare a table for those who may not have looked for liberation through them. She is an educator, and a restorative justice practitioner. As the first black, woman, poet laureate of Athens, she stands on the shoulders, and in a deep rooted tradition, of Black women poets that come before her. She especially leans on Audre Lorde's words: "Poetry is not a luxury." She believes in the power of words, out of necessity, and has felt the beauty of what poetry can do.

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# Week 16 (May 19 - 23)

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<a href="#">Opportunities and Resources at Athens Technical College</a>	Douglas	1	\$12	May 20 (Tu)	10:00AM-11:15AM	RC
<a href="#">The Musical Mind: How Music Shapes Our Brain, Culture, and Life</a>	Farley	1	\$33	May 20 (Tu)	11:30AM - 1:30PM	TC
<a href="#">Beyond Typhoid Mary: Typhoid Fever's Long Trail Through History</a>	McMurry	1	\$12	May 20 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:15PM	RC
<a href="#">Wisdom We Especially Need Now in Our Time of Existential Threats: Some of My Favorite Quotes and Some of Yours</a>	Zins	3	\$30	May 21 (We) May 28 (We) Jun 4 (We)	1:30PM - 3:00PM 1:30PM - 3:00PM 1:30PM - 3:00PM	RC / Z
<a href="#">7 Common Estate Planning Mistakes and How to Avoid Them</a>	Adkins / Brock	1	\$12	May 22 (Th)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	RC
<a href="#">UGA Trial Garden and Greenhouse Walking Tour</a>	Begani	1	\$12	May 23 (Fr)	10:00AM - 11:00AM	OS

## Opportunities and Resources at Athens Technical College

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

May 20 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:15AM

Join us for an informative session on the diverse opportunities and resources available at Athens Technical College (ATC). Since 1958, ATC has been dedicated to providing high-quality educational programs across an 11-county service area. With over 130 program specializations in business, health, technical, and manufacturing fields, ATC caters to a wide range of interests and career goals. This session will cover: 1) An overview of the program offerings across three campuses: Athens-Clarke, Elbert, and Walton; 2) Information on career academies, adult learning centers, and continuing education opportunities.

### Kristen Douglas

Dr. Kristen Douglas is currently serving as the Vice President of Academic Affairs at Athens Technical College. She is deeply committed to student success and believes that the heart of any college lies in the people and relationships that shape its culture. A proud triple DAWG, Dr. Douglas earned three degrees from the University of Georgia: a Doctorate and Master's in Adult Education, as well as a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism.

## **The Musical Mind: How Music Shapes Our Brain, Culture, and Life**

TC  
\$33

Number of Sessions: 1

May 20 (Tu)

11:30AM-1:30PM

Humans are inherently musical, so it is no surprise that musical experiences can significantly impact individuals. This seminar will explore how music affects humans socially, developmentally, cognitively, and culturally. We will investigate how our brains respond to music, how musical content can trick our brains into hearing things that are not present, how music can shape us as individuals from birth to death, and how cultural exposure affects our preference and understanding of musical information. Whether you enjoy music as a classically-trained musician, a pop-music fanatic, or a casual listener, you are likely never to consume music in the same way again.

### **Alison Farley**

Dr. Alison Farley is an Assistant Professor of Music Education at the University of Georgia, where she teaches courses in instrumental music education, psychology of music, curriculum and supervision, and world music pedagogy, and she advises undergraduate and graduate students. Her research interests include the mental health and well-being of college music students, student-directed learning, teacher education, and cognition and perception of performance from written notation.

## **Beyond Typhoid Mary: Typhoid Fever's Long Trail Through History**

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

May 20 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:15PM

Nearly everyone has heard of Typhoid Mary, who was quarantined for the final decades of her life because she was a carrier of typhoid fever. But Mary was far from the first or last typhoid fever patient in history. Typhoid fever is an ancient disease, the presence of which in the historical record is hard to detect because of changing views and knowledge concerning the fever itself. In this class we'll give Mary Mallon her due, but we'll also take a typhoid tour through the deeper past.

### **Nan McMurry**

Nan McMurry is retired from the University of Georgia Libraries. She has also taught history of medicine classes for the UGA History Department for many years. Nan has a PhD in history from Duke University with a specialty in the history of medicine.

**Wisdom We Especially Need Now in Our Time of Existential Threats: Some of My Favorite Quotes and Some of Yours** RC / Z  
\$30

Number of Sessions: 3

May 21 (We), May 28 (We), Jun 4 (We)

1:30PM-3:00PM

Discussing the quotes and short passages from books and essays shared by the presenter should prove enlightening, thought provoking, and liberating. Plan to bring and share your favorite quotes, aphorisms, etc. If all too many bumper stickers are indeed lamentably simplistic, we fortunately also have available to us many nuggets of wisdom on those things that should concern us most. Although unfamiliar to most people, these sagacious insights can help us to think in fundamentally new ways, less cynically and more critically and empathetically.

**Dan Zins**

Daniel Zins has an M.A. in English from the University of Windsor (Ontario), where he studied with novelist Joyce Carol Oates for two years, and a Ph.D. in American Studies from Emory University. His teaching and research interests include: American literature/history, militarism, national security, nuclear weapons, the Cold War, McCarthyism, Vietnam, terrorism, human rights, democracy/fascism, critical media literacy, critical discourse literacy, critical environmental literacy, critical/empathetic thinking, cynicism, social justice, nonviolence/nonviolent political activists.

**7 Common Estate Planning Mistakes and How to Avoid Them** RC

Number of Sessions: 1

May 22 (Th)

10:00AM-11:30AM

Everyone over the age of 18 should have an estate plan, yet mistakes during the planning process can start a chain reaction of costly consequences. You could be saddling your next of kin with financially devastating problems that might take years to resolve, thereby destroying family harmony in the process.

**Allie Adkins**

Ms. Adkins graduated summa cum laude from Young Harris College with a Bachelor's Degree in Communication Studies. She earned her Juris Doctor from the University of Georgia School of Law.

**Hailey Brock**

Hailey Brock graduated magna cum laude from The University of Virginia with a Bachelor of Science in Biology and Spanish. She obtained her Juris Doctor and Master of Laws degrees in Intellectual Property from The George Washington University Law School.



## UGA Trial Garden and Greenhouse Walking Tour

OS

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

May 23 (Fr)

10:00AM-11:00AM

The Trial Gardens at the University of Georgia evaluate the newest ornamental plants from top breeding companies located around the world. We are the “go-to” garden in the arena of testing plants for adaptability to heat and humidity. Tucked away on UGA’s South Campus, our garden is a perfect place to escape and take a breather from the hustle-and-bustle of everyday life. We have shaded benches and a gazebo in the center of the garden. This tour includes one acre of garden and greenhouse areas.

See receipt for location details

### **Sandra Begani**

Sandy Begani received her Bachelor’s in Environmental Science at DePaul University and a Master’s of Horticulture at UGA. She began managing the students, volunteers, and plant trials along with Dr. John Ruter, UGA Trial Garden Director, in 2020. Sandy lives in Bethlehem with her husband Paul. They both enjoy cooking, nature hikes, and adopting stray kittens.

## Week 17 (May 26 - May 30)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">The Enlightenment and Romanticism</a>	Keene	2	\$21	May 27 (Tu) May 29 (Th)	10:00AM - 12:00PM 10:00AM - 12:00PM	RC
<a href="#">What's Up at the Court: A Wrap-Up of Cases Argued in the Current Term</a>	Eaton	1	\$12	May 27 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:15PM	RC / Z
<a href="#">Kent Haruf's Benediction Trilogy: Novels of Hope and Grace in an unforgiving World</a>	Probst	1	\$12	May 28 (We)	10:00AM - 11:15AM	RC
<a href="#">AI and Chatbots: What's New and Newer, Delightful and Scary</a>	Murphy	1	\$12	May 29 (Th)	2:00PM - 3:30PM	RC

### The Enlightenment and Romanticism

Number of Sessions: 2

May 27 (Tu), May 29 (Th)

10:00AM-12:00PM

RC













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The Enlightenment and Romanticism are the yin and yang of modern intellectual and cultural history. For more than two centuries, these two movements, and especially the “conversation” between them, has defined how we think about history, art, politics... and ourselves. Attendees will explore the origins and core ideas of the Enlightenment and how its very success gave rise to Romanticism. Initially a friendly correction of the Enlightenment’s supposed excesses, the Romantic movement became a passionate and hostile rival. The ongoing “conversation” between these complementary opposites remains an important, if often unnoticed, theme in both our public and private lives.

### Tom Keene

Tom Keene is Emeritus Professor of History at Kennesaw State University, where he taught for 42 years, doing mostly undergraduate teaching of World History, the History of Science and South Asian History. He served for 15 years as Director of the KSU International Center, organizing study abroad and faculty exchange programs. He is an avid cyclist. He and Jane Keene moved to Athens in 2015 to be near their grandchildren.

## Catalog Legend: Color Guide

	RC = In-Person only class at River’s Crossing	
	RC / Z = In-Person Athens and Online Class (register by your attendance preference)	
	Z = Online only class via Zoom	
	G = In-Person only class at UGA Gwinnett	
	G / Z = In-Person and Online Class (register by your attendance preference)	
	OS = Off Site In Person class	

## **What's Up at the Court: A Wrap-Up of Cases Argued in the Current Term**

RC / Z

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

May 27 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:15PM

Professor Eaton's fall presentation previewed cases that would be argued before the United States Supreme Court. This presentation will summarize the decisions they have reached and the ones that remain to be decided.

### **Tom Eaton**

Tom Eaton is the J. Alton Hosch Professor Emeritus at the University of Georgia School of Law, where he taught for 40 years. Among the courses he taught was a class on constitutional litigation.

## **Kent Haruf's Benediction Trilogy: Novels of Hope and Grace in an Unforgiving World**

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

May 28 (We)

10:00AM-11:15AM

Kent Haruf's six novels concern life in a small town in the high plains of Colorado. Plainsong, Eventide and Benediction form a trilogy that examines people's ability to adapt and to redeem themselves and to heal the wounds of isolation by moving imperfectly toward community.

### **Cliff Probst**

Probst is a Stanford graduate with a Master's in English fiction from Tulane and additional graduate work at Vanderbilt and UGA. He is an active volunteer with the Friends of the Athens-Clarke County Library. This will be his tenth class at OLLI.

## **AI and Chatbots: What's New and Newer, Delightful and Scary**

RC

Number of Sessions: 1

\$12

May 29 (Th)

2:00PM-3:30PM

Explore the latest capabilities of chatbots in this all-new, interactive, non-technical class! With no geeky techno-jargon, this class is for everyone. Just bring your curiosity and get ready to participate. You'll go home with a list of practical tips you can use every day. We'll explore fun, creative ways chatbots can assist with everything from wellness to financial advice to adding some joy to your daily routine. With audience participation, Chuck will show how these chatbot helpers can enrich and simplify life in surprising ways. Join us for a lively, engaging class filled with practical tips!

### **Chuck Murphy**

Chuck's career was in software development, always on the leading edge of what's new and important. In retirement, he continues to keep up with hot trends, particularly as they apply to tools that benefit seniors in everyday life. Therefore, he jumped into the new world of chatbots, always looking for practical uses for people like us. Chuck's very favorite activity is sharing the fun and benefits of working with chatbots with his friends and colleagues.

# Week 18 (June 2 – June 6)

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
<a href="#">OLLI's Icelandic Adventure: Info Session</a>	Hickman	1	FREE	June 2 (Mo)	2:00PM-3:00PM	RC
<a href="#">Voices of Experience: Caring for Your Vocal Health Through the Years</a>	Bishop	1	\$12	Jun 3 (Tu)	10:00AM - 11:30AM	RC
<a href="#">Lloyd McNeil's Last Ride: A Discussion of Noted Author Will Leitch's Latest Novel</a>	Leitch	1	\$33	Jun 3 (Tu)	11:30AM - 1:30PM	TC
<a href="#">Supporting Local Bats in Our Landscapes</a>	Ney	1	\$12	Jun 4 (We)	10:00AM - 11:00AM	OS
<a href="#">1960's/1970's Music Roundtable: Sgt Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band</a>	Guinn	1	\$12	Jun 5 (Th)	10:00AM - 12:00PM	G
<a href="#">Georgia's Historical Recipes</a>	Frey	1	\$12	Jun 6 (Fr)	2:00PM - 3:15PM	RC / Z

## OLLI's Icelandic Adventure: Info Session

Number of Sessions: 1

Jun 2 (Mo)

2:00PM-3:00PM

RC

FREE

An island of dramatic contrasts, uncover Iceland's natural beauty through a land forged by ice and fire. Travel the "Golden Circle" – an epicenter of natural scenic wonders. Explore Skógar Museum and see traditional turf-built homes. Walk on a black volcanic sand beach. See Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon filled with floating icebergs. Discover otherworldly wonders and captivating cultures on a fascinating Icelandic journey. Learn more about this 10 day itinerary, highlights include a cultural experience where you savor Viking sushi aboard a Breiðafjörður cruise and Glide past icebergs on a cruise of the ice strewn Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon. Come join us on Iceland's Midnight Sun: Glaciers, Geysers and the Golden Circle to experience this amazing geothermal country.

## Lindsey Hickman

Lindsey Hickman is a polished business development professional with over 20 years of relationship sales experience. She is highly proficient in building lasting and mutually beneficial relationships, forward thinking and goal oriented. Lindsey has a passion for finding solutions and is a skilled leader with customer centric motives, with previous experience in medical and logistics industries. Lindsey grew up in Monroe, GA and earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Human and Organizational Development at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN. Currently, Lindsey works with Collette as the Business Development Manager for North Georgia and is certain she has the best job in the world. Proud to be a part of the team at Collette, where we believe that travel is the heartbeat of a well-lived life. Lindsey spends her days working with travelers to make their bucket list dreams come true.

## Voices of Experience: Caring for Your Vocal Health Through the Years

RC  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1

Jun 3 (Tu)

10:00AM-11:30AM

Discover how to preserve your vocal health for ongoing socialization with friends, storytelling with grandchildren, and clearer conversations in your community. Explore how your voice evolves with age and learn evidence-based strategies for maintaining vocal strength and resilience. Led by an experienced speech-language pathologist, this session offers practical tips, engaging activities, and expert advice on vocal hygiene and preservation. Whether you're a singer, speaker, or simply want to enhance your vocal well-being, you'll leave equipped to speak with confidence and clarity for years to come.

### Anna Bishop

Anna Bishop has been a speech-language pathologist for over 11 years and currently serves adults in the Athens area through her practice Speech Solutions of Athens. Her professional interests include providing speech, language, cognitive, and voice rehabilitation to adults experiencing neurological changes. Anna is passionate about educating and empowering adults in enhancing their quality of life by improving their communication skills. She lives in Athens with her husband, daughter, dog, cat, and chickens.

## Lloyd McNeil's Last Ride: A Discussion of Noted Author Will Leitch's Latest Novel

TC  
\$33

Number of Sessions: 1:

Jun 3 (Tu)

11:30AM-1:30PM

Athens based author (and OLLI favorite) Will Leitch will discuss his latest novel, Lloyd McNeil's Last Ride. Leitch's previous two novels, *The Time Has Come* and *How Lucky* were set in Athens. This time, the action moves to Atlanta, and Leitch thinks this is his best novel yet.

### Will Leitch

Leitch is the author of the novels *How Lucky* and *The Time Has Come*, a contributing editor at New York magazine, and the founder of the late sports website Deadspin. He writes regularly for the New York Times, the Washington Post, The Atlantic, NBC News, CNN, and MLB.com. He lives in Athens, Georgia, with his wife and two sons.

## Supporting Local Bats in Our Landscapes

OS  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1:

Jun 4 (We)

10:00AM-11:00AM

Bats are a valuable and fascinating part of Georgia's ecosystems. They provide a beneficial service by foraging on flying insects, many of which are considered pests. Bats in Georgia are facing threats from habitat loss, diminished food resources, and disease pressure. Despite the benefits that bats provide to their local ecosystems and to humans, they are misunderstood and undervalued members of our local wildlife communities. Learn more about these elusive creatures and what we can do to support them in our own landscapes.

See receipt for location details

### Laura Ney

Laura Ney is the Agriculture and Natural Resources Extension Agent for Athens-Clarke County. After completing her bachelor's in horticulture, with certificates in organic and international agriculture, Laura worked as an educator and farm manager at the University of Georgia's Costa Rica campus. She returned to Athens, where she earned her PhD, focusing on soil health and nutrient cycling. She now works with UGA and Clarke County to provide education and outreach to the community.

## 1960's/1970's Music Roundtable

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\$12

Number of Sessions: 1:

Jun 5 (Th)

10:00AM-12:00PM

Session 4:

THE BEATLES-SGT. PEPPER'S LONELY HEARTS CLUB BAND: An environmental scan of mid-Sixties pop music and the resulting impact of this landmark 1967 album.

### Keith Guinn

Keith Guinn has held various senior-level positions in sales and quality for a major, Fortune 50 organization. He holds a Digital Six Sigma Green Belt Certification for Quality/Process Improvement. Keith has enjoyed a lifelong passion for popular music and associated collection/archival study. He conducts regional music roundtable seminars on milestone pop artists and is actively involved in music documentary production.



## Georgia's Historical Recipes

Number of Sessions: 1:

Jun 6 (Fr)

2:00PM-3:15PM

RC / Z

\$12

Georgia has many cookbooks published before World War II, but many have been forgotten to time. These volumes not only preserve delicious recipes that are new again to current generations but also hold many clues about what life was like for Georgians in the past. This lecture will explore old Georgia cookbooks with an historian's eye, introduce attendees to yesteryear's cooks, and give you a taste of our state's history.

### Valerie Frey

Valerie J. Frey (pronounced "fry") is a writer from Athens. She holds degrees from UGA and UT Knoxville. Valerie's archives career began with a Junior Fellowship at the Library of Congress, and she went on to serve as Manuscripts Archivist at the Georgia Historical Society and Education Coordinator at the Georgia Archives. The UGA Press published her books *Preserving Family Recipes: How to Save and Celebrate Your Food Traditions* (2015) and *Georgia's Historical Recipes* (2025).



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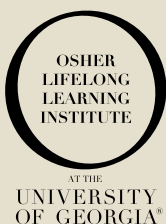
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# Classes at UGA Gwinnett

The UGA Gwinnett Campus is located at 2530 Sever Rd NW, Lawrenceville, GA 30043

Parking at the campus is free.

Title	Instructor	Sessions	Fee	Date	Times	Venue
OLLI Artisans Unique Talents: A Hands-On Workshop	Horton Caricofe	2	\$31	Feb 21 (Fr) Mar 21 (Fr)	12:00PM - 1:00PM 12:00PM - 1:00PM	G
Great American Songbook: George and Ira Gershwin	Kraft	1	\$12	Feb 28 (Fr)	12:00PM - 1:30PM	G
1960's/1970's Music Roundtable: Elvis Presley: The 1960's Decade	Guinn	1	\$12	Mar 6 (Th)	10:00AM - 12:00PM	G
Moonlight's Alright: Memories of a Million Seller	Blackman / Jones	1	\$12	Mar 11 (Tu)	2:00PM - 3:15PM	G
The Aging Driver: Six and a Half Tips to Survive the Drive	Kelly	1	\$12	Mar 20 (Th)	10:00AM - 11:15AM	G / Z
Why We Watch: Great Historical Finishes in College Athletics	Brown	1	\$12	Mar 25 (Tu)	2:00PM - 4:00PM	G
Great American Songbook: Rodgers and Hart	Kraft	1	\$12	Mar 28 (Fr)	12:00PM - 1:30PM	G
1960's/1970's Music Roundtable: The Beach Boys 1962-66	Guinn	1	\$12	Apr 3 (Th)	10:00AM - 12:00PM	G
Introduction to Islam	Ahmad	3	\$30	Apr 16 (We) Apr 23 (We) Apr 30 (We)	12:00PM - 2:00PM 12:00PM - 2:00PM 12:00PM - 2:00PM	G
Earth Day 2025! Environmental Changes, Improvements, Degression, Facts: Can One Person Make an Impact?	Brown / Horton Caricofe	1	\$12	Apr 22 (Tu)	12:00PM - 2:00PM	G
Great American Songbook: Cole Porter	Kraft	1	\$12	Apr 25 (Fr)	12:00PM - 1:30PM	G
1960's/1970's Music Roundtable: Influential Women Songwriters	Guinn	1	\$12	May 1 (Th)	10:00AM - 12:00PM	G
1960's/1970's Music Roundtable: Sgt Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band	Guinn	1	\$12	Jun 5 (Th)	10:00AM - 12:00PM	G

## **OLLI Artisans Unique Talents: A Hands-On Workshop**

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\$31

Number of Sessions: 2:

Feb 21 (Fr), Mar 21

12:00PM-1:00PM

This class will showcase unique talent through various mediums of art. As time permits, we will design three-dimensional art; paint glass; make colorful, beaded OLLI Lanyards; explore upcycling art ideas; and create one-of-a-kind purses or belt bags. Bring your old and/or broken jewelry to make it into an art piece. Everyone will be sure to create at least one interesting piece to wear, gift or display with pride!

### **Michelle Horton Caricofe**

Michelle Caricofe has worked alongside artisans and crafters from all over the world for 45 years. She has a talented family of educators, artists, engineers and designers. Michelle can help you design a home floor plan, paint a mural, or design jewelry while making three-dimensional art in between.

## **Great American Songbook: George and Ira Gershwin**

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\$12

Number of Sessions: 1:

Feb 28 (Fr)

12:00PM-1:30PM

This 90-minute class presents the life story of George and Ira Gershwin through spoken words plus live musical performance and recordings. Attendees will hear about the childhood and family life of the songwriters as well as their professional careers and relationships.

### **Susan Kraft**

Susan Kraft has worked as a trombonist, pianist and vocalist in the Atlanta area for more than 40 years. She has played for many years in Atlanta area big bands and salsa bands, as well as classical music groups and pit orchestras for musicals. Currently she plays with jazz combos, Orquesta Taboga salsa band, Atlanta Blue Notes big band, and the Callanwolde Concert Band.

## 1960's/1970's Music Roundtable

Number of Sessions: 4:

Mar 6 (Th), Apr 3 (Th), Mar 1 (Th), Jun 5 (Th)

10:00AM-12:00PM

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\$39

This course consists of four, two-hour seminars/discussions, each held once a month. Each session covers a specific music artist or group, album, or event from the era through a combination of audio and video presentation concerning each topic. Classes are standalone presentations and not connected, and no student preparation or materials are required; however, it is recommended that you have at least a general knowledge of each topic.

This sessions for this class can be registered for separately

Session One:

ELVIS PRESLEY: THE 1960'S DECADE: Covers the amazing 10-year career transition from his Army release to Las Vegas icon

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## Moonlight's Alright: Memories of a Million Seller

Number of Sessions: 1:

Mar 11 (Tu)

2:00PM-3:15PM

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\$12

Fifty years ago this year, Bruce Blackman penned a song the he thought had promise. His new band recorded the 45 RPM and it was released in September 1975 and went nowhere. By March 1976, his car had been repossessed, and the rent was due. Then the phone rang. Blackman, a singer/songwriter, founded the Atlanta band Starbuck whose song *Moonlight Feels Right* became a top ten smash and remains one of the defining tunes of the 1970s. He joins OLLI's Chris Jones for a discussion of his story and his latest projects.

### Bruce Blackman

Bruce Blackman began writing songs in the fourth grade. He founded the rock band Eternity's Children in 1966 and Starbuck in 1970. His million seller *Moonlight Feels Right* became a hit and remains one of the defining tunes of the 1970s. He was inducted into Mississippi Writer's and Musicians Garden, the state's highest artistic recognition, in 2014. Bruce and his wife Peggy live in the Atlanta area where he remains active in the music industry.

### Chris Jones

Chris Jones is a retired Vice President of Government Affairs for Verizon Wireless. A graduate of the University of Georgia, he worked in radio news/sports in Athens and Atlanta before joining Verizon. In retirement, Jones is an avid music collector and researcher. He is an alumnus of the 1985 Leadership Georgia class.

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## **The Aging Driver: Six and a Half Tips to Survive the Drive**

G / Z

Number of Sessions: 1:

\$12

Mar 20 (Th)

10:00AM-11:15AM

To most of us, driving means freedom, independence, and the ability to go where and when you want. Aging may change how and when we drive. By observing our personal changes, we have the opportunity to adapt our driving skills, our driving choices, and our safety. Sometimes the right decision is to retire from driving. But if we maintain our physical health, drive a safe car, and learn to compensate for aging, we are likely to remain in the driver's seat longer. Learn how aging impacts our driving and tips on keeping safe while driving, and discuss options when we retire from driving.

### **Jim Kelly**

While Jim works for the Georgia Department of Public Health, he's not a doctor. However, he's played one on TV's *The Resident* (and stand-in for Christopher Walken). In the real world, Jim manages the 55+ Driver Safety Program. He's worked with: National Safety Council, AAA, Honda, Yamaha, Harley-Davidson, the Universities of Illinois, Connecticut, and Georgia, held motorcycle safety-instructor-trainer national certification, and worked as a corporate driving instructor and precision driver for TV and movies.

## **Why We Watch: Great Historical Finishes in College Athletics**

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Number of Sessions: 1:

\$12

Mar 25 (Tu)

2:00PM-4:00PM

We've all experienced the highs and lows of our team winning or losing in the final seconds. Yet, what does this do for our psychology? How can we extrapolate those experiences onto our lives? In this course we view segments of events from YouTube involving surprising finishes in NCAA sports history including the 1992 NCAA basketball tournament regional finals (Duke vs. Kentucky), assorted emotional SEC football game endings, and a few emotional Georgia Bulldog football game endings. We share stories of how these events affect our psychology, and glean the lessons in life we can take from them.

### **John Brown**

Mr. Brown has a MA in Community/Agency Counseling with field experience in career and rehabilitation counseling from 2002-2004. He was an analyst for an online sports publication blog involving the NFL and college football in 2015.



## **Great American Songbook: Rodgers and Hart**

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Number of Sessions: 1:

\$12

Mar 28 (Fr)

12:00PM-1:30PM

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## **1960's/1970's Music Roundtable**

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Number of Sessions: 1:

\$12

Apr 3 (Th)

10:00AM-12:00PM

Session 2:

THE BEACH BOYS, 1962-1966: Covers the incredible first 48 months of "America's Band" from startup neighborhood band to reaching #1 on the charts.

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## **Introduction to Islam**

G

Number of Sessions: 3:

\$30

Apr 16 (We), Apr 23 (We), Apr 30 (We)

12:00PM-2:00PM

Attendees will explore the full sweep of the religion of Islam. Your instructor, a theologian and Imam, will answer your critiques and essential questions about the second-largest and fastest-growing religion in the world. You will begin with the basic tenets of Islam, followed by its sources, the life of Muhammad, and a brief history of Islam. Next, you will analyze the main Islamic sects and their origin, the concept of Jihad in Islam, and finally, Islam in the current world.

## **Imam Hammad Ahmad**

Hammad Ahmad has been serving as a theologian and Imam of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community since 2011 and has been stationed in various cities of Canada and Pakistan, and in a remote rural village in Uganda. He has been serving in various cities in the U. S. since 2013 and is currently serving as Imam of Baitul Ata Mosque in Norcross, Georgia since 2019.

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**Earth Day 2025! Environmental Changes, Improvements, Degression, Facts: Can One Person Make an Impact?** G  
\$12

Number of Sessions: 1:

Apr 22 (Tu)

12:00PM-1:15PM

Part 1: Our environment is ever changing and so are the people around us. Most people believe that one person can't make a difference; some want to make a difference with their personal 16,425 pounds of trash PER PERSON, PER YEAR and don't know how. Explore how simple changes can make your community look and smell better; learn how to support Zoo Atlanta and other organizations through E-waste recycling and save hundreds of pounds of trash from landfill and land destruction. Discuss the recycled materials that Novelis used to construct Georgia's largest sustainable stadium (Mercedes-Benz Stadium) and why. Part 2: What is the value of the metal and e-waste lying around lakes, garages, basements or yards? We start with an historical survey regarding scrap recycling and its necessity for survival for Jewish families. You will learn the difference between ferrous vs. non-ferrous waste and the many classes of non-ferrous material. We will classify, price and bargain at the scales plus learn how to contact our political representatives in a tactful way to advocate for recycling. \*Snacks will be provided, door prizes will be given away, and everyone will receive a Swag Bag.

**John Brown**

John Brown (The Scrap Guy) gained his love of adult learning while involved as a student himself at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville's Center For Professional Education and Lifelong Learning. He is an Account Executive at Pacific Trading & Recycling, LLC, in Georgia.

**Michelle Horton Caricofe**

Michelle has studied in the field of sustainability and conservation with large organizations such as Novelis, Kroger, Walt Disney World and KAB. She seeks the most updated information from around the world and in her local community to assist organizations and agencies to find solutions for current problems.

**Great American Songbook: Cole Porter**

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Number of Sessions: 1:

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Apr 25 (Fr)

12:00PM-1:30PM

This 90-minute class presents the life story of Cole Porter through spoken words plus live musical performance and recordings. Attendees will hear about the childhood and family life of the songwriter as well as his professional career and relationships.

**Susan Kraft**

Susan Kraft has worked as a trombonist, pianist and vocalist in the Atlanta area for more than 40 years. She has played for many years in Atlanta area big bands and salsa bands, as well as classical music groups and pit orchestras for musicals. Currently she plays with jazz combos, Orquesta Taboga salsa band, Atlanta Blue Notes big band, and the Callanwolde Concert Band.

### **1960's/1970's Music Roundtable**

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Number of Sessions: 1:

\$12

May 1 (Th)

10:00AM-12:00PM

Session 3:

INFLUENTIAL WOMEN SONGWRITERS: The stories behind (6) women (Loretta Lynn/Dolly Parton/Laura Nyro/Joni Mitchell/Carole King/Carly Simon) who's persevering songwriting skills paved the way for today's artists.

### **Keith Guinn**

Keith Guinn has held various senior-level positions in sales and quality for a major, Fortune 50 organization. He holds a Digital Six Sigma Green Belt Certification for Quality/Process Improvement. Keith has enjoyed a lifelong passion for popular music and associated collection/archival study. He conducts regional music roundtable seminars on milestone pop artists and is actively involved in music documentary production.

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Jun 5 (Th)

10:00AM-12:00PM

Session 4:

THE BEATLES-SGT. PEPPER'S LONELY HEARTS CLUB BAND: An environmental scan of mid-Sixties pop music and the resulting impact of this landmark 1967 album.

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# How to Register Online

## To register for membership and classes:

From your web browser:

- a) Enter [www.oli.uga.edu](http://www.oli.uga.edu) into the address bar.
- b) Select Members Login in the top right hand corner.
- c) Select the red Registration Log In button.
- d) You will be taken to the Sign-in Page in the registration site.
- e) Sign in to “Existing Account” by entering your username and password in the top two boxes.

Note:

- If you are not signed in, you will not be able to add items to your cart.
- If you have forgotten your username and password, you will be able to request a new one using the prompts provided.

If you are not currently a member, create a new account by scrolling to the bottom of the page and filling in the information under Create New Account. As soon as you have created your account, please purchase a membership so that you will be ready to add classes when class registration opens.

## Membership:

- If your membership expired on or before **December 31, 2024**, you will need to add a membership to your cart before you can select any classes.
- If your membership expires on **December 31, 2025** or **June 30 2025**, you will be able to add items directly to your cart.

## Adding classes:

- Registration for the classes starts Wednesday January 15 at 10:00AM
- On the registration site, select how you want to take your classes ('In Person' or 'Zoom')
- Classes are then listed by week,
- To select a class click the Add to Cart button - this will place your class in your cart.
- To add more classes, preview your cart, then click the Continue Shopping button to return to the registration pages to select another class.
- Classes are open for registration until the day before the class meets.

## Checking out:

- Once you have registered for all the classes you wish to take, click on your Cart and follow the prompts to check out.
- You may return to the registration site at any time to enroll in more classes.
- If you are using a public computer, please remember to log out when you have finished the registration process.

## Don't like registering online?

- You can pick up a paper registration form from the office.

# How to use Zoom

About 15–30 minutes before your class is scheduled to begin, you will receive an email from OLLI@UGA with a link to your Zoom meeting and instructions for using Zoom on your desktop, laptop, or mobile device. These instructions are reproduced below. Videos showing how to use Zoom on any device are available on the OLLI@UGA [YouTube Channel](#).

## Using Zoom on your desktop or laptop computer:

Click the Zoom link in the email from olli@uga.edu. Your default browser (e.g., Chrome, Firefox, Safari) should open automatically.

If you have never downloaded Zoom before, you will be prompted to do so:

### For PC:

- Click the link that reads “[download and run Zoom](#)”.
- After your software downloads, click the Zoom.exe file at the bottom left of your browser.
- Zoom will begin to install.

### For Mac:

- Click the link that reads “[download and run Zoom](#)”.
- Your new software will be located in your Downloads folder as a PKG or DMG file. Double-click this file.
- Zoom will begin to install.

Zoom will launch, prompting you to enter your name. Please enter your full first and last names so we can verify your registration, then click “**Join Meeting.**”

If the host and presenter are still preparing for the class when you join, you may be placed in a waiting room for a few minutes. Once you’re admitted to the meeting room, click “**Join with Computer Audio.**”

Your microphone may be muted upon entry, and your camera turned off when you enter the room. To be heard and seen, click the options to “Unmute” and “Start Video” at the bottom left of the Zoom window. You’re now ready to begin!

## Tips for enjoying (and helping others enjoy) a Zoom meeting:

**Please mute you microphone if you are not speaking.** Background noise (doors opening and closing, phones ringing, dogs barking, laundry machines, dishwashers, microwaves, or microphone feedback in general) may not seem distracting to you but it may be for other participants. If a host mutes your microphone, please do not unmute yourself until you’ve eliminated the noise.

Please be sure that your face is no more than 3 feet away from your microphone so that we can hear any questions or comments you may have. You may also click the **Chat icon** at the bottom of the Zoom window (PC / Mac) to open the chat window where you can type your questions or comments for the host to read aloud.

If your camera is on, **please be dressed appropriately.** If you are not appropriately dressed, feel free to leave your camera off. We’ll understand.





