

1000 WebEx Training

Monday, May 11, 10:30 am-12 pm

LIMIT: 30

Learn how to participate successfully in your OLLI online classes using WebEx. We strongly encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity.

1001 Exploring Outer Space, Returning to the Moon, and Going to Mars

Monday, May 18-June 22, 10-11:15 am

LIMIT: 20

Learn about the universe; past, present, and future spacecraft; and plans to go back to the moon and eventually to Mars. Humans have always looked up into the night sky and dreamed about space. In the last half of the 20th century, rockets that were powerful enough to overcome the force of gravity made space exploration a reality. Mars is now the focal point of modern space exploration, and human exploration of Mars is a long-term goal of the US and other countries. NASA and several private companies are evaluating information from rovers and orbiters that are already at Mars, testing rockets, and studying what is needed for a crewed journey to the moon and eventually to the red planet in the 2030s. Moderator: Howie Baum, BS industrial design and AS mechanical engineering, worked as a mechanical and industrial engineer at companies in Cincinnati and Dayton doing product and process design. He has taught for 36 years at four universities and colleges.

1002 Elections 2020

Monday, May 18-June 22, 10-11:15 am

LIMIT: 15

Leading into the elections of 2020, we will discuss the issues and the candidates. Be an informed voter! Moderator: Jerry Harris is a retired lawyer, lobbyist, and law school professor.

1003 Poetry Writing Workshop

Monday, May 18-June 22, 2:30-3:45 pm

LIMIT: 7

Whether you are a published or private penner of poems, join us for an interactive writing experience. We'll talk about themes, forms, literary devices, and favorite poems while we write and share together in a supportive atmosphere. We welcome newcomers and those who've taken the course before with new content each week. Moderator: Cate O'Hara holds an MA in English from Univ. of California, Berkeley, and has led many poetry writing workshops. She is OLLI program director.

1004 Smartphone and Social Media for Seniors

Monday, May 18-June 22, 2:30-3:45 pm

LIMIT: 20

Social media can open a window to the world without the need to go anywhere. We'll introduce ways to use your smart phone or tablet to access this world of information. Topics to be covered: 1) Smart phone and tablet—opening a window on the world. 2) Texting, email, Skype—creating an email account. 3) Social media—Facebook, Twitter, and the ads. 4) Sharing pictures on Google, viewing pictures or videos made by smart phone on TV. 5) Security and safety when surfing the web and using social media. Moderator: Katalin Molnar is a retired software engineer, former researcher in artificial intelligence and text recognition. She has taught this class at Miami Township Senior Center and Anderson Senior Center and wants to share it with more people. She also gives help after the class to students having problems with their smartphones.

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1101 Women Writers of the 19th Century and Their Masterpieces

Tuesday, May 19-June 23, 10-11:15 am

LIMIT: 10

We'll read several books by groundbreaking novelists of the 19th century: Emma and Mansfield Park by Jane Austen; Wuthering Heights by Emily Brontë; and a fourth book if we have time. Our discussions will seek to define why these works are masterpieces and put them in their proper context. Moderator: John Briggs has his degrees in literature and has taught numerous courses on novels of different types.

1102 Enlightenment Now: The Case for Reason, Science, Humanism, and Progress

Tuesday, May 19-June 23, 10-11:15 am

LIMIT: 20

If you think the world is coming to an end, think again: people are living longer, healthier, freer, and happier lives. While our problems are formidable, the solutions lie in the Enlightenment ideal of using reason and science. We will discuss and analyze Steven Pinker's book Enlightenment Now: The Case for Reason, Science, Humanism, and Progress to see if the data lead us to believe that it is reasonable, scientific, true, and valid to conclude that humankind is making progress. Moderators: Kirtland Hobler, retired general surgeon and science fan. Dan Nagel, retired CPA and economics fan.

1103 Thirteen Seconds That Brought the Vietnam War Home: May 4, 1970

Tuesday, May 19, 1-2:15pm

LIMIT: 100

David Feldstein, a Kent State University graduate, gives background and context to the events of 1969 and 1970 that led to the killing of four students and the wounding of nine students by Ohio National Guard soldiers on the Kent State campus. What have we learned since that tragic day fifty years ago?

1104 How You Make Memories and Why You Forget

Tuesday, May 26, 1-2:15 pm

LIMIT: 100

Gerontologist Patricia Faust, a specialist in brain health, takes you through the process of making memories. Because it is quite a specific process, we don't actually embed memory all the time—then we are upset with ourselves that we forget. This presentation will guide you through the memory-making process, where memories are stored, and how to make stronger memories. We will learn tools and strategies that support your memory-making process.

1105 Small Museums, Tours, and Other Staycation Ideas

Tuesday, June 2, 1-2:15 pm

LIMIT: 100

How about a few small museums, spin-offs, and other lesser-known things to do in the Greater Cincinnati area? Great for staycation ideas and entertaining visiting guests. Presenter Joan Gilmore has lived in the Cincinnati area for more than 35 years and is still finding new things to love.

1106 Latest Technologies in the World of Fashion

Tuesday, June 9, 1-2:15 pm

LIMIT: 100

What does technology have to do with fashion? Materials engineer Howie Baum will take a look at electronic textiles, e-textiles, and smart textiles that are embedded with electronic components such as batteries, lights, and even small computers so that they can light up, change color or shape, and communicate with other devices. Whether these textiles are used for aesthetics or performance, they represent enhancements related to fashion, health, beauty, sports, medicine, the military, space exploration, and more. Come along to find out where fashion and technology intersect.

1107 Queen City Pollinator Project

Tuesday, June 16, 1-2:15 pm

LIMIT: 100

The mission of Queen City Pollinator Project (QCPP), a local nonprofit, is to increase the number of pollinators in our region and to educate individuals about declining pollinator populations and what they can do to help. Presenter Carrie Driehaus, co-founder of QCPP, will talk about the ways you can support and protect pollinators in your yard and community. Whether you have a large garden or just enough space for a small pot, you'll learn practical tips for bringing beautiful pollinators like monarch butterflies and hummingbirds to your garden along with the bees that will help your plants grow bigger and better than ever.

1108 The Telomere Effect—Living Younger, Healthier, Longer

Tuesday, June 23, 1-2:15 pm

LIMIT: 100

Let's talk about the 2017 book *The Telomere Effect—Living Younger, Healthier, Longer* by Nobel laureate Elizabeth Blackburn. We'll start with a short introductory video reviewing the concepts of genes, chromosomes, and DNA. Telomeres, the capping structures at the ends of DNA strands that make up chromosomes, "respond to our being stressed and relaxed, as well as being happy and sad," according to Blackburn, whose book is a manual for changing "the way we think of aging and disease" and for "how to live younger and longer." Presenter Taitzer Wang has a PhD in chemistry and was on the faculty of the Department of Pharmacology and Cell Biophysics, UC College of Medicine, for 14 years.

1109 Music Makers of Broadway

Tuesday, May 19-June 23, 2:30-3:45 pm

LIMIT: 20

Composer-lyricists were instrumental in, initially, creating and then continually refining the modern American musical theater. Through this online discussion class, we will highlight a different composer-lyricist each week, analyzing their musical styles, significance, shows they created, and their overall legacy. To prepare for the discussion, Doug will ask you to preview some suggested YouTube videos of documentaries and interviews prior to class. Highlighted people include Rodgers and Hammerstein, Jerry Herman, Stephen Sondheim, and Frank Loesser. Moderator: Doug Iden is a big fan of movies and theatrical musicals with an extensive collection of films and original Broadway scores. He has taught classes on Broadway and film at OLLI for several years.

1110 Pandemic, Broadband, and the Underserved

Tuesday, May 19-June 23, 2:30-3:45 pm

LIMIT: 8

The COVID-19 pandemic reveals frightening deficiencies in US broadband when access to information is crucial for public safety. 14.5 million, one fourth of our rural population has no access to broadband. Why not? Urban children go to the library steps and parking lots to do their homework. Why? Phone companies collected \$500 billion in subsidies and increased fees to wire the entire country with fiber to every home by 1990 and it's still not available? Why not? We intuitively know that our poor neighbors have marginal educational opportunities and suffer food insecurity, but who knew broadband is unaffordable or not even available at any price for millions of people? Join Rita Stull in discussing how families and small businesses come back economically and participate in the temporary pandemic fixes for online work and education and our future economy.

1112 Radiance of the Mystics Series Revue

Tuesday, May 19-July 7, 4-4:05 pm

LIMIT: 100

Eight weekly emails will provide thought-provoking information about eight famous mystics and their mystical experiences. Contents will include general discussion of life and times, illustrated quotation, research papers, and YouTube videos. Your questions will be answered via email. This introduction will whet your curiosity and prepare you for a series on in-depth courses on each mystic when we are able to return to the classroom.

1200 WebEx Training

Wednesday, May 13, 10:30 am-12 pm

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1201 The Blues

Wednesday, May 20-27, 10-11:15 pm

LIMIT: 100

Listening to the blues is a different skill from listening to other types of music. We will start with Bessie Smith, include Robert Johnson and the Mississippi Delta blues artists, move up north to the Chicago blues, and find out how the blues influenced rock. Moderator: Bruce Bowdon taught middle school for 43 years and is a songwriter. He recently completed a series of OLLI classes on the history of rock and roll.

1202 COVID-19 and the Economy: 30 Days that Changed the World

Wednesday, June 3-24, 10-11:15 am

LIMIT: 20

Life has changed for everyone both in the US and around the world. Nothing in modern history compares to what we are experiencing currently. What is the economic impact of effectively shutting down entire countries? How quickly can we expect to return to “normal”? While we will be dealing with the impact of COVID-19 for many more months, we witnessed a dizzying freefall in the economy in a short period of time. The stock market dropped over 30%, unemployment reached levels compared to the Great Depression, and Congress put together an aid package of over \$2 trillion. The headlines are scary and we are trying to figure out what it all means for ourselves, our families, and the future. Together, we will sort through the events of the past several months and provide some context for where we are headed. Your participation is welcomed and encouraged. Moderator: Bob Carroll, CPA, CFP, CDFP, has served as a moderator for 10+ years and has led classes on a variety of financial topics. He is the managing director of Carnegie Investment Counsel Cincinnati as well as a board member of OLLI.

1203 Peace Education Program: The Art of Knowing Yourself

Wednesday, May 20-June 24, 2:30-3:45

LIMIT: 12

These multimedia workshops will help you explore your inner resources—tools for living such as inner strength, choice, appreciation, and hope. A workbook, creative activities, reading materials, and time for reflection are included. Each week’s themes focus on video excerpts from International Ambassador of Peace Prem Rawat. This course is about self-discovery with secular content. Moderators: James and Llee Sivitz, husband and wife, are local volunteers who have been trained by the Prem Rawat Foundation to facilitate this course. It has also been offered at the Cancer Support Community and several correctional institutions throughout Ohio.

1204 Welcome to TED Talks: Ideas and Lessons Worth Spreading and Sharing

Wednesday, May 20-June 24, 2:30-3:45 pm

LIMIT: 20

TED (Technology, Entertainment, Design) presents new, revolutionary, thought-provoking, and creative ideas through talks on scientific, cultural, and human behavior topics. Each week, you will receive a link (or two) to a different TED talk to watch before we come together for a deeper dive into the topic.

Moderator: Ram Darolia, PhD, retired chief technologist, GE Aviation, is a longtime OLLI moderator and OLLI Board member. He also volunteers as chair for an engineering foundation to promote science, engineering, and education.

1205 Demystifying the Memoir

Wednesday, May 20-June 24, 2:30-3:45 pm

LIMIT: 10

We will cover developing insight around your life journey; the importance of considering the size and interest of your audience (yes, you have one!); diverse ways to organize your material; the crucial use of story arc and humor; and the differences among journaling, biography, and memoir. Above all, I intend that you have fun with this project and hope to provide you with tools to carry into your future writing.

Moderator: Cynthia Osborne Hoskin is a long-time published author of executive, chef, and artist profiles for newspapers and online journals and the editor and book formatter for seven recent books, five of them memoirs. She is also the author of the novel *Fall's Bright Flame*.

1206 Director's Happy Hour: Books

Wednesday, May 20, 4-5 pm

LIMIT: 24

Join OLLI Program Director Cate O'Hara for an informal chat each Wednesday afternoon. Come ready to discuss this week's topic: What are you reading? BYOB!

1207 Director's Happy Hour: Hikes

Wednesday, May 27, 4-5pm

LIMIT: 24

Join OLLI Program Director Cate O'Hara for an informal chat each Wednesday afternoon. Come ready to discuss this week's topic: Where are you walking or hiking? BYOB!

1208 Director's Happy Hour: Movies

Wednesday, June 3, 4-5 pm

LIMIT: 24

Join OLLI Program Director Cate O'Hara for an informal chat each Wednesday afternoon. Come ready to discuss this week's topic: What are you watching? BYOB!

1209 Director's Happy Hour: Food

Wednesday, June 10, 4-5 pm

LIMIT: 24

Join OLLI Program Director Cate O'Hara for an informal chat each Wednesday afternoon. Come ready to discuss this week's topic: What are you eating/cooking? BYOB!

1210 Director's Happy Hour: Hobbies

Wednesday, June 17, 4-5 pm

LIMIT: 24

Join OLLI Program Director Cate O'Hara for an informal chat each Wednesday afternoon. Come ready to discuss this week's topic: What are you making, growing, or doing? BYOB!

1211 Director's Happy Hour: Learning

Wednesday, June 24, 4-5 pm

LIMIT: 24

Join OLLI Program Director Cate O'Hara for an informal chat each Wednesday afternoon. Come ready to discuss this week's topic: What are you learning? BYOB!

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1301 Getting Older Ain't for Sissies

Thursday, May 21-June 4, 10-11:15 am

LIMIT: 12

Let's have a frank conversation about our needs as we grow older. We will cover practical explanations of the changes that occur as we age—physical, mental, emotional, nutritional—as well as the recognition of common health issues and advance-care planning. Moderator: Terri Gaitskill is a master's prepared RN with many years of experience teaching nursing. A favorite subject is gerontologic nursing. After she retired, she wanted to continue to share her knowledge. She has made well-received presentations at local churches, the YMCA, senior centers, and OLLI.

1303 200 Pages: Three Short Novels with Big Impact

Thursday, May 21-June 25, 10-11:15 am

LIMIT: 12

Ranging in length from 150 to 207 pages, *The Sense of an Ending* (Julian Barnes), *Mothering Sunday* (Graham Swift), and *Weather* (Jenny Offill) use interesting characters in intriguing situations to tackle big ideas. Over six weeks, we will discuss each novel and how it might be especially prescient for our times. All are available in print and in digital format. Moderator: Jennifer Manoukian loves the opportunity provided by OLLI to read and discuss literature she enjoys with interested and interesting adults!

1304 Heavens to Betsy, Horse Feathers, and Other Curious Sayings

Thursday, May 21, 1-2:15 pm

LIMIT: 100

Have you ever used a clichéd phrase such as "a pig in a poke," "fly-by-night operator," or "knock on wood" only to wonder how this strange expression came about? What about regional terms and phrases? Anyone know what a "bubbler" is? Find out during this interactive session exploring the origins of some common but curious sayings. Share the background of some of your favorite expressions with the group or ask the speaker to research them in advance by emailing Barbara Barnes at scubagoddess@fuse.net.

1305 Cincinnati Bible War of 1869

Thursday, May 28, 1-2:15 pm

LIMIT: 100

Bible study was a part of the common (public) school curriculum in the 1800s based on the belief that it encouraged moral development. Most schools were organized by Protestants who used the King James Bible while Catholics wanted to use their version of the bible. The fight was not whether to teach the bible in schools, rather which version would be used. The wars raged for decades in many cities including Cincinnati, turning violent in some places like Philadelphia. The Cincinnati Bible War lasted over three years and was the seminal battle that forever changed the educational landscape in America. Presenter Bill Menrath recently retired from UC College of Medicine.

1306 John Aubery: Painter to Cincinnati's Elite

Thursday, June 4, 1-2:15 pm

LIMIT: 100

John Aubery painted portraits of Cincinnati's rich and famous, including Isaac Mayer Wise, whose life-size portrait hangs at the Skirball Museum of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. Learn about the artist and the sitter, and the interesting history of the portrait itself. Presenter Abby Schwartz is director of the Skirball Museum and former curator of education for the Taft Museum of Art.

1307 My Camino de Santiago

Thursday, June 11, 1-2:15 pm

LIMIT: 100

Gérald Checco retired from a career in local government in 2018 and decided immediately to walk the Camino de Santiago (“The Way”) as a spiritual retreat, taking stock of the first two thirds of his life and getting ready for the last third. Returning from this 33-day, 800-kilometer journey, he wrote a book, *The Tao of My Camino: Truths Revealed along the Way*, encouraging learning through observation and humility. He will explain the historical background of this pilgrimage, go over preparation, and present a visual record of the experience.

1308 Wonders-Mysteries-of Easter Island (Rapa Nui)

Thursday, June 18, 1-2:15 pm

LIMIT: 100

Part travelogue and part examination of the mysterious moai statues, this presentation is the result of a recent trip to Rapa Nui (Easter Island). Travelers Greg Rhodes and Sallie Westheimer were so impressed with the island and its culture—and intrigued by the questions and theories about the renowned statues—that they are eager to share their adventures with their OLLI friends.

1309 Concluding the Supreme Court’s 2019-20 Term

Thursday, June 25, 1-2:15 pm

LIMIT: 100

UC Political Science Professor Emeritus Howard Tolley will review the major cases decided to date by the US Supreme Court in the 2019–20 term that ends June 30. In three fall term OLLI sessions, he examined how political ideology, legal principles, and personal preference impact Supreme Court decision-making that will be concluded with this end-of-term update.

1310 Healthcare in America: How We Got into This Mess and How to Get out of It

Thursday, May 21-June 25, 2:30-3:45 pm

LIMIT: 100

We’ll explore the history of health insurance in America: how we got the most expensive in the world with low-quality care compared to other industrialized countries. The rise (and fall?) of HMOs, PPOs, accountable care organizations, Obamacare. What has and hasn’t worked. Pros and cons of our current system(s). Single-payer system? Medicare for everyone? What are the possible futures of American healthcare? Is there a way out of our mess or a middle ground political parties can agree to? Moderator: Dale Bradford ran health plans and founded and managed a healthcare consulting firm for 30 years in five US cities including Cincinnati. He was general manager of ChoiceCare in Cincinnati and chief operating and financial officer of one of the most innovative healthcare companies in America, trying to create a truly accountable care organization to succeed for the long run.

1311 “Build Those Walls!” – Reading the Biblical Book of Nehemiah

Thursday, May 21-June 25, 2:30-3:45 pm

LIMIT: 20

Almost 20 years after the construction of the Second Temple in Jerusalem, the small Judean population of returnees is threatened by the inability to defend its still ruined city from its enemies, by a lessened religious fervor among its population, by continued assimilation with the native idolatrous population, and by growing poverty. Enter Nehemiah, the talented and charismatic civil leader who leaves his post as primary assistant to Persian King Darius and makes the trek to Jerusalem to assist the scribe Ezra in solving Jerusalem's problems. We will learn about the contrasting leadership styles and narratives of both leaders. If you can, please obtain a copy of Tanakh, a New Translation of the Holy Scriptures, 1985 or later edition, published by the Jewish Publication Society. Moderator: Gerry Walter is rabbi emeritus of Temple Sholom and also the recently retired director of pastoral care at Cedar Village. He has taught Jewish and religious studies and Bible at Hebrew Union College, NKU, Virginia Tech, and Roanoke College.

1312 Italian Opera from Monteverdi to Puccini

Thursday, May 21-July 9, 4-4:05 pm

LIMIT: 100

Experience eight online chapters with YouTube sound links and images of composers, singers, and opera theatres, including favorites by Rossini, Verdi, Bellini, Donizetti, Leoncavallo, Mascagni, and Puccini. Not merely an “and then he wrote” series of informal talks, this course will show connections between the music and the times in which it was written. Delivered by email from musicseasons@zoomtown.com every Thursday. Moderator: Cuban-born Rafael de Acha enjoyed a fifty-year career in the arts as an award-winning actor, stage director, singer, producer, and educator until his retirement in 2010 when he and his wife, Kimberly, moved to Cincinnati. Since then he has moderated courses for OLLI, written on the arts for various online publications, and directed Music for All Seasons, a concert series at Peterloon Estate in Cincinnati. He holds degrees in music from UC-CCM and New England Conservatory of Music.

1401 Bridge 101: Intro to Bridge

Friday, May 22-July 24, 3-5 pm

LIMIT: 12

NOTE: CLASS WILL BE DELIVERED VIA ZOOM. Newcomers to bridge will get an introduction to this great card game, presented by the accomplished educators of the Cincinnati Bridge Association (CBA). Weekly outline: 1. Introduction. 2. Hand evaluation and opening bids. 3. Responses to 1NT opening. 4. Responses to opening bids of one in a suit. 5. Rebids by opener. 6. Rebids by responder. 7. Overcalls and advancer bids. 8. Take out doubles and responses. We will cover play of the hand in all lessons. REQUIRED TEXTBOOK: ACBL Bridge in the 21st Century Series, Bidding, available from BaronBarclay.com. Moderators: Larry Newman (Ruby Life Master) and Amy Gerowitz (Bronze Life Master) are Best Practices accredited teachers of the American Contract Bridge League (ACBL) and members of the CBA education committee. Other teaching staff of the CBA may also be involved.

1402 Cybersecurity Awareness

Friday, May 5, 10:00 am – 12pm

LIMIT: 100

We live in an age where we manage much of our lives digitally. It's our responsibility to keep our data secure. With new cybersecurity threats every day, hackers rely on our making mistakes. A little bit of security awareness can go a long way in protecting your data and making you a more secure cyber-citizen. You will learn about common threats, auditing security settings, implementing easy best-practices, improving online safety, and securing digital devices and networks. Bring along your device (laptop, tablet, smartphone) to practice tips as we go. Moderator: Ryan Moore is assistant professor educator in the School of Information Technology at UC. He is also the lead educator for the Ohio Cyber Range Institute. He has 15 years of IT industry experience in systems administration and defensive security, along with five years of experience teaching IT.