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for adults age 50+



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Take non-credit, university-level courses with other mature learners and experience all the joy of learning, but without the grades, tests, or homework.

A wide variety of courses are offered each quarter, including topics in the arts and humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences. You may also enjoy our educational trips and shared interest groups. OLLI is engaging, interesting, and fun!



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Membership

- \$75 annual membership fee, includes a parking permit
- Choose as many courses as you like and pay by the course
- Enjoy a variety of fun events, trips, and university activities
- Most courses are held once a week, for either six or three weeks
- Is cost a concern? Contact us for more information.



Osher membership offers you opportunities to:

- **Continue learning:** You're never too old to learn. Explore a wide variety of topics as you engage intellectually, challenge your thinking, and build your knowledge.
- **Participate in interesting activities:** Become part of a dynamic learning community that is full of diversity, insight, wisdom, and intellectual stimulation. Enjoy lively conversations, share opinions, and discover new ideas.
- **Meet new people:** Meet and mingle with mature adults who share your interests and those with very different perspectives. You'll build new and rewarding friendships.

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Meet the OLLI Staff



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Travel with OLLI

Come and explore some great adventures around Southern California, across the U.S., and abroad. OLLI is the perfect partner to combine your love of learning with your love of travel. Trips are open to current OLLI members and a guest. To reserve, call 760-320-3009

Pageant of the Masters

Wednesday, July 20 • \$398 per person, \$75 single supplement

You'll be amazed and enchanted by 90 minutes of tableaux vivants (living pictures), incredibly faithful re-creations of classical and contemporary works of art, with real people posing to look exactly like their counterparts in the original pieces. An outdoor amphitheater, professional orchestra, original score, live narration, intricate sets, sophisticated lighting, expert staff, and hundreds of dedicated volunteers have won recognition for the Pageant of the Masters as the best presentation of its kind. The nearby Sonesta Select Hotel in Laguna Hills is your post-pageant retreat, with comfortable accommodations for the night. The following day, explore Roger's Gardens and Fashion Island in Newport Beach before returning to the desert at 4:00 p.m. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity!



Smooth Summer Jazz at The Hollywood Bowl

Sunday, August 28 2022 • \$149 per person

It's a triple shot of Hollywood Bowl favorites when George Benson and Boney James co-headline this annual mini-festival dedicated to the smoothest of sounds, with the one and only Lalah Hathaway kicking things off right. It's a night of laidback guitars, soulful sax, and more while you enjoy the cool evening air, beautiful backdrop and smooth sounds under the stars. Create a picnic (bring your own libations and food), or enjoy the many dining options at the Bowl. Concert begins at 6 p.m. Price includes round trip transportation, center-section seating (N2), and snacks and beverages en route.

Catalina Island Getaway

September 22-24, 2022 • \$689 per person dbl. occup.

Escape the desert heat and travel to the cool ocean breezes of beautiful Catalina Island. Your accommodations are at the chic Pavilion Hotel, just steps from the water and downtown Avalon. Travel by motorcoach to Long Beach, where you will board your speedy catamaran The Catalina Express, transporting you to the island in just an hour. Included is a 15% off discount for Catalina Island activities and tours, a \$20 daily food & beverage credit at your choice of select restaurants and an evening wine and cheese reception.



Three-Week Courses

\$30 each

July

Organize for the Unexpected: Create Your Quick Emergency Plan Today

Jamie Noval, AA

Mondays, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

July 11-25

Online via Zoom

In the event of an emergency, are you ready to leave your home in one hour? Does someone else know where your important papers are filed? Do you know where your important papers are? Get the peace of mind that comes with getting your important documents & stuff in order. Join author and organizing humorist Jamie Novak, when she shares what belongs in your GO BINDER and all her must-know lists and tips to get things in order to create a quick emergency plan.

About the Instructor

An expert professional organizer since 1997, Jamie Novak has been helping busy people declutter for 25+ years. She has been featured on multiple morning TV shows and recently published her fifth book, *Keep This, Toss That*. Jamie has also written articles for publications such as *Better Homes and Gardens*, *Real Simple*, *Women's World*, and *Reader's Digest*.



A Closer Look at Hollywood Scores: A Fertile Land for the Jews

Emanuel Abramovits, MBA

Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

July 12-26

Online via Zoom

The story of Hollywood films is also a story of music. Creating the right atmosphere with music is not always easy and often very challenging. But those who can do it well, are able to accompany images with music in a sublime way and move viewers, make them tremble, laugh or cry. Learn how the top composers experienced their struggles accomplishing just that, their secrets, and how they found their groove. With anecdotes, stories, and audiovisuals, explore the role of music in the perception of images through decades of changing tastes.

About the Instructor

Emanuel has been a concert promoter since 2000, directly involved in many shows by both American and international artists such as Itzhak Perlman, Gustavo Dudamel, Sarah Brightman, Roger Hodgson, Kansas, Kenny G, and local symphony orchestras. He designed and staged many original orchestral events including Mozartfest, Pink Floyd Nuestro Tributo, and several world premieres. He also served as the cultural director at Union Israelita de Caracas from 2008 to 2019, in charge of documenting Holocaust survivors' stories, art exhibits, lectures, and history.

This is Art. This is America. Art & Artists from the Collection of SAAM

The Smithsonian

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

July 13-August 3 (4 weeks)

Online via Zoom

The Smithsonian American Art Museum is home to one of the largest and most inclusive collections of American art in the world. Its holdings capture the aspirations, character, and imagination of the American people throughout three centuries. Drawing from the Museum's extensive collections, join study group leaders as they shine a light on the contributions of overlooked, marginalized, and self-taught artists from diverse backgrounds working in a

variety of media who have contributed to the nation's rich visual heritage. Please note: This is a 4 week course.

About the Instructor

American Art Museum study group leaders are a corps of seasoned volunteer videoconference presenters deeply familiar with the Museum's collections and how to facilitate conversations about artworks. Their professional experiences, paired with Museum-provided training, have prepared them to be responsive to participants' interests and effective leaders of artwork-based discussions.

Abraham Lincoln and the Jews: Rabbi Abraham!

Arlette Poland, JD, PhD

Wednesdays, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

July 13-27

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Abraham Lincoln did not discriminate while also understanding the political systems of his time. In this class, we will learn how this applied to Jews. We know what he did for enslaved people, but what did he do for the Jews? Lincoln's lifetime coincided with the emergence of Jews on the national scene in the United States. When he was born, in 1809, scarcely 3,000 Jews lived in the entire country. By the time of his assassination in 1865, large-scale immigration, principally from central Europe, had brought that number up to more than 150,000. Many Americans, including members of Lincoln's cabinet and many of his top generals during the Civil War, were alarmed by this development and treated Jews as second-class citizens and religious outsiders. Lincoln exhibited precisely the opposite tendency. Termed Rabbi Abraham by those who knew him, explore Lincoln's consistency in policy and practice as it relates to the Jewish population in the United States.

About the Instructor

Dr. Poland is a retired lawyer turned theologian and professor. She holds a BS in political science from UC Berkeley, a MA in religion from Claremont School of Theology, a MA in ethical leadership from Claremont Lincoln University, a JD from San Francisco Law School, and a PhD in philosophy of religion from Claremont Graduate University. She has been teaching at the college level since 1999 and lecturing with OLLI since 2005. Her areas of specialty based on her Ph.D. include Buddhism, Judaism, science, religion, and world religions.

July & August

Current Events Discussion Group

Lara Bloomquist, JD

Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

July 14-28 and August 11-25

(\$30 each month)

Online via Zoom

You have a right to your opinion about the news and this is the course to express it. Or, you can sit back and listen to others voice their thoughts. Each week the class covers the hot topics of the day based on articles from *The New York Times*, the *Los Angeles Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The New Yorker*, *The New Republic*, *The Economist*, *Time* magazine and many more. You will be alerted in advance of class which articles will drive the week's discussions. All thoughtfully delivered points of view are encouraged and will be respected because different opinions spark engaging discussions.

About the Instructor

As an attorney, former prosecutor, and criminal justice instructor, Lara has had a long professional and personal interest in civic and social issues. She headed the Domestic Violence Division of the Los Angeles City Attorney's office, was named Woman Prosecutor of the Year by the League of Women Prosecutors, and was selected by the L.A. County Bar Association to be the recipient of their Prosecutor of the Year award. Lara has been active in many of the social, political, and judicial issues that drive today's news.

The Plucky Women of World War II

Kayleen Reusser

Mondays, 1:00-2:30 p.m.

August 8-22

Online via Zoom

Few believed they could do it. During World War II, 350,000 American women joined the Army, Navy, Coast Guard, and Army Air Corps. Some served on the American home front, while others volunteered to go overseas. While people disapproved, sometimes even family, the women persevered and outshone everyone's expectations. Kayleen Reusser has interviewed women who served as nurses, cryptologists, and even pilots during the war. From helping to tow targets while being shot at with live ammunition to

nursing wounded in France, these women responded and helped to win the war.

About the Instructor

Kayleen Reusser is the author of 10 books on World War II, based on interviews with 260 World War II veterans. Kayleen lives with her husband in Indiana. In 2017, she and her husband completed a 10-day World War II group tour of Europe, visiting sites in France, Germany, Belgium, and Luxembourg. She has spoken in-person and virtually for educational programs on this trip and other topics based on interviews with veterans who fought there. She is also a proud wife and mother of Air Force airmen.

Caves, Stones & Rocks

Stephenie Slahor, JD, PhD

Tuesdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

August 9-23

Online via Zoom

The world's wonders include some fascinating, mystical, and tantalizing places where caves, stones and rocks play an important role. Among the sites this course will explore the Great Pyramids, Stonehenge, Easter Island, Grand Canyon, Mammoth Cave, Carlsbad Caverns, the Mariana Islands, and the Sky Caves. Come learn about the history and geology of some of the world's most beautiful natural places.

About the Instructor

Dr. Slahor is a writer, professor, lawyer, and lecturer. She is a life member of the Southwest Marine Educators' Association, the Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society, and the Coachella Valley Archaeological

Society. Stephenie is also a member of the Shadow Mountain Gem and Mineral Society, the Astronomical Society of the Desert, and the Lions Club. Her hobbies include travel, kayaking, snorkeling, geology, astronomy, selenology, meteoritics, and the natural sciences.

TV or Not TV

Bill Taub, BA

Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

August 10-24

Online via Zoom

Television has never been better. This will be an interactive discussion group of some of the most popular and esteemed shows presently on television. As a veteran writer-producer with over 30 years' experience writing for television, Bill will get into some of the behind-the-scenes anecdotes of why there are more quality shows on television now than ever before. This course will dissect a few current examples of what we call 'water-cooler' shows, screen an episode or the pilot, and discuss why viewers are so drawn in to these particular programs.

About the Instructor

Veteran TV and Pilot Writer, Bill Taub, has written and produced for over 33 highly acclaimed TV series including *Magnum P.I.*, *Dallas*, and *Cagney & Lacey*. He was recently honored by the Writers Guild of America for his work on *Barney Miller* and *Hill Street Blues*. He created the 2018 award-winning web series, *The G Spot*, and teaches TV and News Media Writing through UCLA Extension's Writers' Program.



Shared Interest Groups

Shared Interest Groups (SIGs) are member-driven, peer-facilitated groups made up of OLLI members who share an interest in exploring a particular topic. SIGs are a different type of participatory group that allows members to delve deeper into a subject; they foster fellowship and active learning.

Book Club

Are you a reader? Are you ready to take the next step and engage in fun and stimulating conversations about the books you've read? Join the OLLI Book Club. We will meet once a month at a time and place that works for all of us (probably on campus). We'll agree on which book(s) we will read and then get together to discuss them. Members of the group will take turns volunteering to lead the discussion. Books may be any genre, vintage, or subject that the group wants to explore.

Coordinator: **Shelley Mitchell:**
707-496-8689 or sdm2@humboldt.edu

Meet the second Wednesday of each month from 4-5:30 p.m. both in person

**Have an idea for a new Shared Interest Group?
Contact OLLI Director,
Angela Allen.**

Make the OLLI Legacy YOUR Legacy

The OLLI Legacy Program provides important, long-term support to ensure that OLLI at Cal State San Bernardino continues to grow and respond to your needs, and to plan for future program needs. Please consider how you might make the OLLI legacy YOUR legacy.

It's Important

You can help ensure that OLLI has:

- the capacity to expand and adjust to changing needs
- the staff to provide a high level of service for all members and instructors
- the space and means to serve lifelong learners throughout the Coachella Valley
- the resources to be innovative and entrepreneurial, whatever the economic climate

It's Easy

There are many ways to give to OLLI:

- Make a one-time gift of any amount
- Make a three-year commitment, with payments annually, semi-annually or quarterly
- Make a planned gift as part of your estate



Learn more: csusb.edu/olli or 909-537-8270

Parking

A parking permit is included with your OLLI membership.

Permits must be displayed at all times while visiting the campus to avoid a parking citation. Permits will be available the first week of class in the lobby of the Mary Stuart Rogers Gateway Building.

Daily parking passes can be purchased from the kiosk in the campus parking lot for \$6.00 on weekdays or \$3.00 on Saturdays.

Location



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Registration

Register early for the best course selection!



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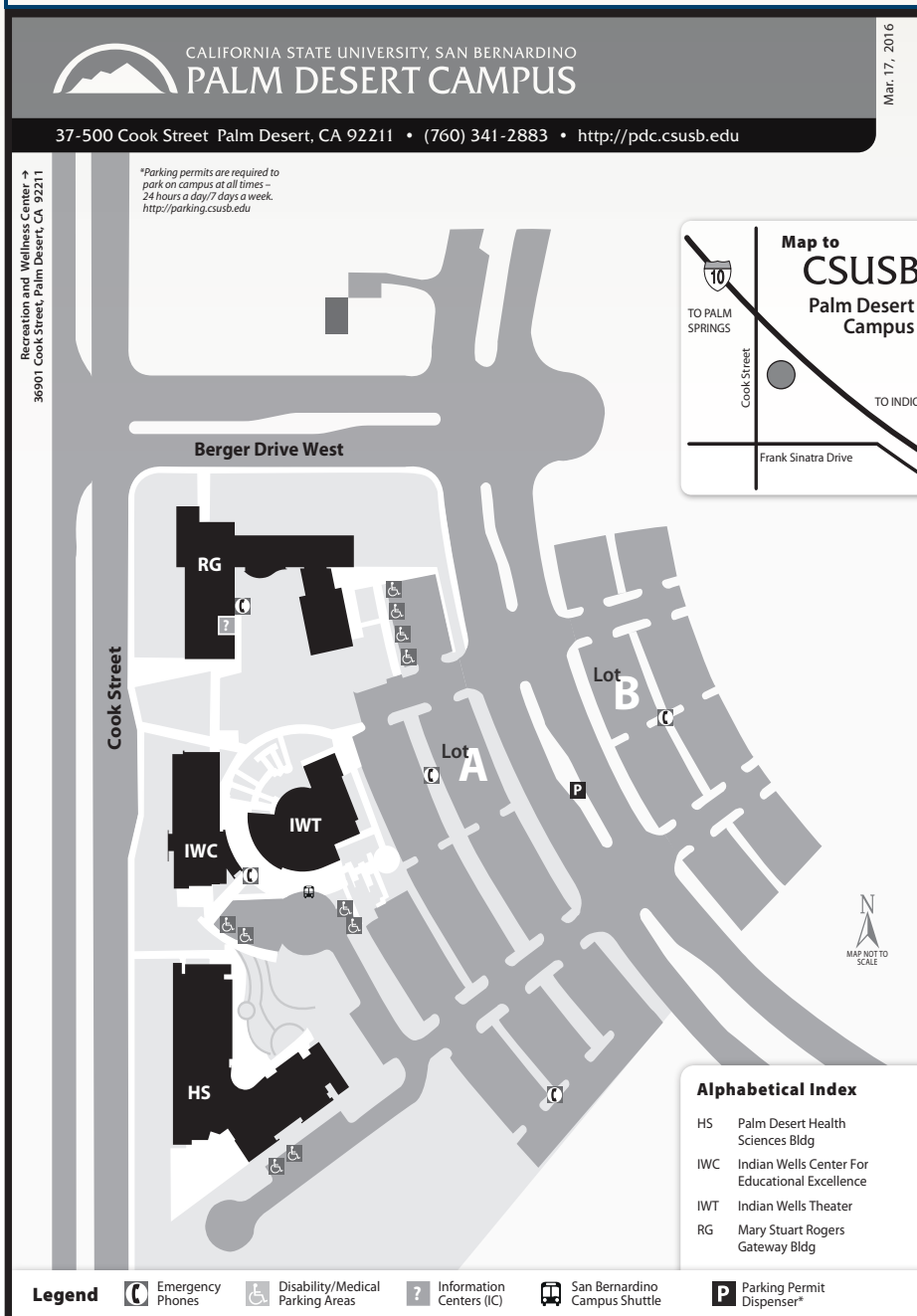
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Refunds:

Refund requests must be submitted 48 hours prior to the start of the course. If approved, a credit will be issued for a future course in lieu of a cash refund. If there are extenuating circumstances and a refund is approved, a \$25 administrative fee will be deducted from the refund. If a course is canceled by OLLI, you may choose a refund or credit for the full course amount.

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September 5-14, 2023

Join us for this incredible motorcoach tour that begins with the spectacular Canadian Rockies and spans British Columbia to Victoria and Vancouver. Highlights of this tour include Banff National Park, Lake Louise, Jasper National Park, and Athabasca Glacier. Then we head west to enjoy the beauty and sites in and around Victoria and Vancouver, including the famous Butchart Gardens and Stanley Park.

Learn more at csusb.edu/olli/travel