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Early Office Closure on Tuesday

The OLLI office will close at 2:30 PM on Tuesday, October 25 so staff can prepare for 40th Anniversary Celebration. Classes will run until 3:15 PM as usual.

Study Group Topics and Leaders

OLLI at AU's Curriculum Committee is always looking for new study group topics and SGLs to teach them. Below is a list of some of the topics the committee hopes to find SGLs to teach.

1. **Archaeology**
2. **Russian History**

3. **Geography** (ex: How fossil fuel resources are dictating international politics/economy and the impact on climate. Where could we turn for this resource outside the Middle East?)
4. **Music and the Movies** (ex: movie adaptations of Broadway musicals; movies with major soundtracks; hit songs that were movie titles; soundtracks to movies by major recording artists)
5. **Authors**, e.g., Camus and Huxley; how the times they lived in influenced their writing
6. **Events from history that mirror today**, e.g., congress, Supreme Court, recession, church and state, media of the past 100 years
7. **Comparison and themes of political cartoonists**, e.g., Herblock
8. **Fables and legends from around the world and different cultures**

Do you or someone you know have an interest in leading a study group about one of these topics or a different one? OLLI is currently accepting study group proposals for the February Shorts and Spring Semester. The shorter February Shorts session is a great way to get started in teaching at OLLI. During the February Shorts, classes meet 2-5 times during one week. Alternatively, the regular semester is a good option for anyone wanting to delve into a topic in greater depth.

February Shorts: Feb. 6-10 (classes meet 2-5 times during the one week)

Proposal form: <https://www.oli-dc.org/shortsproposalform>

Spring: Feb. 27-May 5 (classes meet once a week for 7-10 weeks)

Proposal form: <https://www.oli-dc.org/studygroupproposalform>

Proposal deadline for both: November 27

Please email the OLLI office at oli@american.edu if you'd like to recommend someone you know to teach or you're interested yourself and would like to find out more.

No Lecture or Town Hall Today

As a reminder, there will not be a lecture or Town Hall today. The Town Hall originally scheduled for today will not be held this fall in view of the 40th Anniversary Celebration on October 25. A Town Hall will be held in the Spring to coincide with OLLI at AU's Annual Meeting.

Next Week's Lecture

LOCATION

The remainder of the fall lectures will be held **either in-person at OLLI or online via Zoom Webinar**. In-person lectures will be held in the **Spring Valley Building, 4801 Massachusetts Ave. NW, in Room A on the first floor**.

RESERVATIONS

Reservations are required to attend in-person lectures. Registration will open at 10:00 AM on the Friday prior to the lecture. Registration is via an event on the [OLLI website events calendar](#). The direct registration link will be included in the Friday newsletter the week prior. Lectures are free and open to the public, but **you must have an OLLI account to register**. If you do not have one, you can create an account when going to register. Each registrant may reserve one seat. Your name

must be on the list of registrants to enter the lecture and you must be in your seat five minutes before the lecture starts to guarantee your seat.

Reservations are not required to attend online lectures. We will include the Zoom link in the 10:00 AM newsletter the day of each lecture.



Dick Wegman and Paul Hoff, *Even if the Supreme Court is Too Political, Can Congress Actually Do Anything About It?*

Friday, October 28

1:30 PM

IN-PERSON AT OLLI

[Register to attend.](#)

Dick Wegman served in government for 15 years, first as an appellate attorney in the US Department of Justice, where he participated in appellate antitrust litigation, including before the US Supreme Court, and then as Chief Counsel of the US Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, where he helped to draft and shepherd through the Senate more than three dozen pieces of legislation that were enacted into law. He then spent 35 years in the private practice of law, where he represented private and governmental clients in litigation before the US Courts of Appeal and the Supreme Court. He has taught constitutional law as an Adjunct Professor of Law at Georgetown University. He is a graduate of Brown University (BS) and Harvard Law School (JD).

Paul Hoff served as a counsel in the US Senate for seven years, where he wrote reform legislation in a variety of areas. For many years he has engaged in the private practice of law, specializing in government regulation, and in that connection participated in litigation before the US Supreme Court and lower federal courts. Mr. Hoff taught for four years a constitutional law seminar at Georgetown University Law School, and has also taught at Catholic University Law School and American University. He has advised for many years a pro-democracy watchdog group, causing him to assess the Supreme Court's numerous rulings affecting the democratic process. He graduated from Harvard College and Yale Law School, where he served on the Law Journal.

Please note that that this lecture is in-person at OLLI and registration is required.

Fall Semester Information

Update Zoom on Your Device

If you are taking an online class, please be sure Zoom is up-to-date on your device before the start of your online class. You can update and download Zoom [here](#). If it is not updated by November, you will be unable to join meetings.

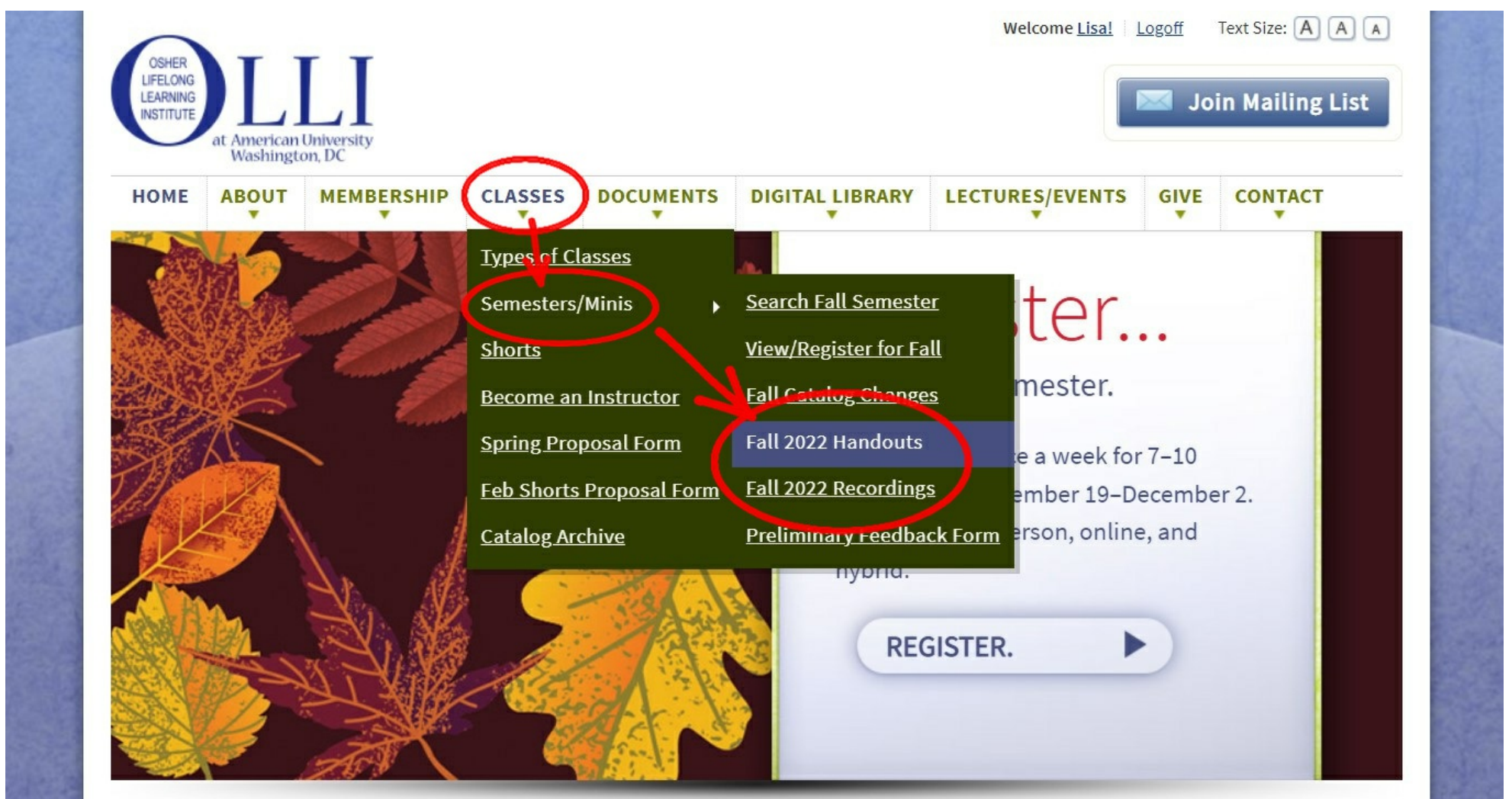
Parking Reminder

If you are attending an in-person class or OLLI event, you are required to park in the garage beneath the Spring Valley Building. Parking is \$2/hour. You may pay through the kiosk or download the **PayByPhone** app. If paying via the PayByPhone app, **the 4-digit location code for the building's garage is 4889**. We recommend downloading the app and registering before coming to class. For more information, visit the [parking page](#) on our website.

Fall Handouts and Recordings

Fall members can access class handouts and recordings through **Friday, December 16**. Please note that **in-person classes are *not* recorded**. You must be logged into the [OLLI website](#). Once logged in:

1. Go to **Classes** in the menu across the top of the page.
2. Go to **Semesters/Minis** to open up the pop-out menu of options.
3. Click on **Fall 2022 Handouts** or **Fall 2022 Recordings**. (See image below.)



Fall 2022 Member Directory

The Fall 2022 Member Directory is now available for download from the [OLLI website](#). Members must be logged in to the website to access the directory. Click on the "Documents" tab, and then "For Members Only."

AU Events

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY MUSEUM

Fall Schedule:

Saturday, September 10-Sunday, December 11

Friday-Sunday only

11:00 AM-4:00 PM

Fall exhibitions feature a contemporary ceramic group exhibition, portraits from the Corcoran Legacy Collection, work by local artists, and more. [View more information here.](#)

AU COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

***Cabaret*, directed by Carl Menninger**

Friday, October 28

8:00 PM

Studio Theatre, Katzen Arts Center, (4400 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC)

Tickets: Free for AU students with ID, \$10 for alumni, staff, faculty, and senior citizens (55 and older), \$15 general admission.

[Purchase Tickets and view more showtimes](#)

Daring, provocative, and exuberantly entertaining, *Cabaret* explores the dark and heady life of Bohemian Berlin as Germany slowly yields to the emerging Third Reich. Descend into the Kit Kat Club for a raucous experience that captures the societal complexities of its time.

CABARET is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of Tams-Witmark LLC. www.concordtheatricals.com

Visiting Artists Series: Marcus Civin

Thursday, October 27

6:00 PM

Katzen Arts Center, Room 201

In this presentation, Marcus Civin will share the various ways he works with text through writing about other artists and in performance. Marcus' writing has appeared in *Afterimage*, *AIGA Eye on Design*, *Artforum*, *Art in America*, *Art Papers*, *Aufgabe*, *Boston Art Review*, *The Brooklyn Rail*, *Camera Austria*, *Damn Magazine*, *Maake Magazine*, *Memoir Mixtapes*, and *Momus*. Exhibition and performance venues include St. Charles Projects, School 33 Art Center, Boston Center for the Arts, Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions, Station Gallery at the University of Southern California, and UMASS University Hall Gallery. He is Assistant Dean in the School of Art at Pratt Institute. Please visit maruscivinwriting.com and @maruscivinwriting on Instagram. [Register on Eventbrite.](#)

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