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VETERAN'S DAY HOURS

The OLLI office is **OPEN** today, Veteran's Day (Observed), and classes will proceed as scheduled.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMMING

CALLING ALL FEBRUARY & SPRING PROPOSALS



February Shorts:

February 5-9

Classes meet 2-5 times during the one week

[PROPOSAL FORM](#)

Spring Semester:

March 4-May 10

Classes meet once a week for 7-10 weeks

[PROPOSAL FORM](#)

Proposal deadline for both: November 26

We welcome proposals from both new and previous study group leaders! For more information about being an SGL at OLLI, please visit the [Become an Instructor](#) page on the website. If you or someone you know is interested in leading a study group for the first time and would like to speak with someone, please email olli@american.edu with your contact information and we will get in touch with you.

To propose a study group, click the applicable proposal form link above. You will need to log in with your OLLI username/password or create an account if it's your first time. Class formats in February and spring will continue to be in-person or online (with a limited number of hybrid classes). Study group leaders select their format preference on the proposal form.

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 are a couple topics the committee hopes to find SGLs to teach.

- Archaeology
- Beginning Italian
- Intermediate French
- Intermediate Spanish

- Advanced Spanish

If you or someone you know might be interested in teaching a class on one of these topics, please email olli@american.edu.

FINAL FEEDBACK

The [final feedback form](#) is available on the OLLI website under "Classes" and then "Semesters/Minis." As always, feedback is anonymous.

Paper copies of the feedback form are also available in each class folder (just ask your SGR for one) as well as outside the OLLI office. **If you have suggestions for improvement, please be mindful of stating them in a constructive and respectful manner.**

Final feedback will be accepted through **Friday, December 8.**

SGL GIFTS

All of OLLI's study group leaders are volunteers. Each academic session, members are invited to give them a gift in honor of all of the work they do to prepare and deliver their courses. This is completely voluntary. [SGL gifts](#) can be made on the OLLI website under "Give" and then "SGL Gifts." **You must log into your account on the website to see the gift form.** SGL gifts can also be made by mailing or dropping off a check made payable to **OLLI at AU** with the course number(s) listed in the memo field. The OLLI office will collect all gifts, write a check to each SGL, and mail the check with any notes from members to the SGL(s).

SGL Gifts will be accepted through **Friday, December 8.**

EVENTS



SERENDIPITY TALK

Gerry Mansell, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

Monday, November 13 | 3:30-5:00 PM

Online

Join Gerry, a former sentinel, for a history of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier as he shares the duties and responsibilities of those who guard the Unknowns. The talk will cover the following topics:

Tomb of the Unknown Soldier: Site Overview, Selection process and honors rendered to each Unknown: WWI, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Sarcophagus description and symbolism

The Sentinels: Why we guard the Unknowns, Mission, Guard Selection process and standards, Guard's routine on post, Changing of the Guard, Training, Behind the scenes / A day in the life

No registration is required. The Zoom link will be e-mailed to all those subscribed to the OLLI newsletter the morning of the talk.

[MORE INFORMATION](#)

CALLING ALL BAKED GOODS!

Break out your baking pans, or feel free to head to the bakery. We are soliciting members to bring in baked goods—homemade or store bought—to share with fellow members in the OLLI Social Space next Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, November 14-16 during the 30-minute breaks between classes! We hope that if you have a class on one of those days, you will want to share some baked love!

Please bring your baked items to the Social Space on the 5th floor when you arrive for class. We have some trays for use, but it would be best to have the items pre-cut and ready to be consumed. Napkins will be provided.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

SUMMER CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

OLLI's Summer Curriculum Committee is looking for several OLLI members with an interest in helping recruit new and previous Study Group Leaders (instructors) for the June Minis and July Shorts.

The Summer Curriculum Committee, just as our regular standing Curriculum Committee, is responsible for OLLI's core mission of providing members with the highest caliber of courses. Committee members actively seek out new Study Group Leaders and solicit proposals from previous ones. They acknowledge receipt of summer study group proposals, offer any suggestions of improvement/edits, and communicate with and support Study Group Leaders to ensure a successful experience.

Committee members attend two meetings, one in early February and one in April, and work from home from February-April. Members preferably have interest and/or experience in at least one of the subject areas. An orientation is provided for new committee members. If you're interested in being considered for this volunteer role, or have any questions, please e-mail olli@american.edu.

VOLUNTEER

LECTURES

Reservations are required to attend in-person lectures. Registration is open via the direct links below or the event on the [OLLI website events calendar](#). Lectures are free and open to the public, but you must have or create an OLLI account to register. Each registrant may reserve up to two seats. Your name must be on the list of registrants and you must be in your seat five minutes before the lecture starts to guarantee your seat. **Fall lectures are being held in-person at OLLI:** 4801 Massachusetts Ave. NW, in Room A on the first floor.



TODAY'S LECTURE

Anne "Dede" Neal Petri, Frederick Law Olmsted and His Parks

November 10 | 1:30-2:30 PM

In-Person at OLLI

Anne “Dede” Neal Petri is the President/CEO of the National Association for Olmsted Parks (NAOP), the only national organization dedicated solely to advancing the life and legacy of Frederick Law Olmsted and the Olmsted Firms. Before coming to NAOP, she was the 42nd president of The Garden Club of America. In 1995, she co-founded the American Council of Trustees and Alumni (ACTA), a non-profit dedicated to higher education, serving as president from 2003 to 2016.

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Judge Thomas Hogan, The January 6 Cases: A Trial Judge’s Perspective

November 17 | 1:30-2:30 PM

In-Person at OLLI

Judge Thomas F. Hogan served as a federal judge on the US District Court for the District of Columbia from August 1982 until February 2023, when he took inactive senior status. He served as Chief Judge of the Court from 2001 until 2008.

Judge Hogan graduated from Georgetown University Law Center in 1966, where he was the St. Thomas More Fellow. Following law school, Judge Hogan clerked for Judge William B. Jones of the US District Court for the District of Columbia from 1966 to 1967. He served as counsel to the National Commission for the Reform of Federal Criminal Laws from 1967 to 1968 and was engaged in private practice from 1968 to 1982.

REGISTER

AU EVENTS

AU MUSEUM

Fall Hours: Wednesday–Sunday, 11:00 AM–4:00 PM

September 9–December 10

AU ARTS

[Florence Price Symphony no. 3](#), American University Symphony Orchestra

November 11 | 7:30 PM

November 12 | 3:00 PM

Katzen Arts Center, Abramson Family Recital Hall

American University Symphony Orchestra will present, for the first time in its history, Florence Price’s Symphony no. 3 in C minor. Florence Price was a Black female American composer who was largely

overlooked during her career, and even more so posthumously, due to her race and gender. Her music is a force that the orchestral world is finally starting to reckon with. Also featuring Wagner's Prelude and Liebestod from Tristan und Isolde.

[Fall Dance Concert 2023](#), Department of Performing Arts

November 17 | 7:30 PM

November 18 | 3: 00 PM

Harold and Sylvia Greenberg Theatre, 4200 Wisconsin Ave. NW Washington, DC 20016

The Fall Dance Concert is a mainstage event from the AU Dance Program featuring new work by guest artist Sarah Beth Oppenheim and selected student choreographers. Oppenheim brought Hardware to our virtual stage in 2021, and returns now to create a new work with AU dancers for the Greenberg stage. Her work will be shown alongside six student-choreographed, faculty-mentored projects, created this fall in our Choreographic Laboratory. Join us as we welcome fresh choreographic voices and new student performers to the AU stage.

[VIEW ALL AU ARTS FALL PRODUCTIONS](#)

[Tickets](#) are free for AU students with ID; \$10 for alumni, staff, children (under 18), faculty, and senior citizens (55 and older); \$15 general public.

Visiting Artists Series: Steven Cushner

November 14 | 6:00 PM

Katzen Arts Center, Room 201 (Admissions Welcome Center)

Presented by the American University Studio Art MFA Program. Steven Cushner in conversation with Stan Klein. Inspired by the human instinct to identify patterns in daily life, Steven Cushner's (American, born 1954) work is created through the performance of painting as the distillation of gesture into iconography. His imagery is derived from the obvious logic of simple functions like the mechanics of a stack of firewood, the weave of a fisherman's net, or the movement of a buoy in the ocean. Each work, varying in scale from enormous to tiny, has a commanding presence that teases out the relationship between what something looks like and how it acts. Spanning three decades, Cushner's pedagogical stream of work has established him as a singularly significant painter.

Presented in conjunction with [CUSHNER](#) on view at the American University Museum at the Katzen Arts Center through December 10.

[RSVP](#)

OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE AT AMERICAN UNIVERSITY MISSION

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at American University is an association of, by, and for the people in the Washington, DC area who wish to continue to study and learn.

OLLI at AU is dedicated to the proposition that learning is a lifelong process and that curiosity never retires.

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