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June Minis Registration & Other Important Info

June Minis (June 5-30)

June Minis meet once a week for four weeks either online, in-person, or in a hybrid format. Now that the lottery has passed, members may register for up to four classes for \$100. There are still many open classes remaining (the status of each class is noted in the far right column on our website). **The last day for course changes and refunds is [TODAY Friday, June 9.](#)**

Register for June Minis Online

Access June Minis Recordings and Handouts

Most classes are recorded. June Minis [recordings](#) and [handouts](#) are listed under "Classes," then "Semesters/Minis" on the OLLI website (see image). **Each day's recordings are added to the website the following business day.** You must first [log into your member account](#) in order to view the recordings or handouts pages. If you do not see any handouts for your class, the SGL has not submitted any to OLLI. Recordings and handouts are available for viewing up until two weeks past the end of each session.

The screenshot shows the OLLI website interface. At the top right, it says "Welcome Sara!" with a "Logoff" link and text size options. A "Join Email List" button is present. The navigation menu includes: HOME, ABOUT, MEMBERSHIP, CLASSES, DOCUMENTS, LECTURES/EVENTS, GIVE, VOLUNTEER, CONTACT. The "CLASSES" dropdown menu is open, showing: Types of Classes, Shorts, Semesters/Minis (with sub-options: View/Select June Minis, June Minis 2023 Handouts, June Minis 2023 Recordings), Catalog Archive, Digital Library, and Become an Instructor. A banner for "Join us... June Minis starting next week" is visible, with a "VIEW COURSES." button. Below the banner, there is a "MEMBER LOGIN" section with fields for Username and Password. On the left, there is a "Gold Transparency 2022 Candid." badge and an "OUR MISSION" section. An "UPCOMING EVENTS" section lists "June Minis June 5-June 30" and "Deadline for June Minis refund".

Access Your Online Class

If you accidentally delete the daily e-mail with your class Zoom link, or cannot find it again, you can access the Zoom link for each of your classes by logging into your OLLI member account on the website. The first page to come up will be your account page, which lists your classes (**see example below**). Under each class you will find the Zoom link for that class. Click the link to go into your class at the specified time. If you leave this page and need to get back, simply click your name (hyperlinked in blue) at the top of the page. [View a video tutorial.](#)

For tips and instructions on how to use Zoom, click [here](#).

EXAMPLE IMAGE BELOW

Overview

Thank you for choosing your lottery selections. You'll find a summary of your study groups below. If you'd like to volunteer with OLLI, please [update your volunteer interests](#).

MY JUNE MINIS 2023 STUDY GROUPS

Registration for June Minis 2023 Study Groups ends 6/9/2023

[View All Study Groups](#)

You may register for up to 4 study groups. You have 1 choice remaining.

[Add a Study Group](#)

Study Group	Status	I want to:
1500 : Art in Conversation at The Phillips Collection Fridays 9:45 — 11:15 AM Class Format: Online Zoom URL: https://olli-dc-org.zoom.us/j/92045112731?pwd=eHJLU2NwV0pFZG8wTHBWcWdKT3QrUT09	Registered	Drop this class
1510 : Analysis of American Film and TV Elements Thursdays 11:45 AM — 1:15 PM Class Format: In-Person	Registered	Drop this class
1630 : Writing a 'Legacy Letter' Thursdays 9:45 — 11:15 AM Class Format: Online Zoom URL: https://olli-dc-org.zoom.us/j/98911894532?pwd=YUt1TTY0VEc2b1UrdXpXelNDUXJ2QT09	Registered	Drop this class

AU Shuttle Unavailable

This summer, the AU Shuttle is operating on-demand only and requires AU credentials. Unfortunately, this means the shuttle is unavailable to OLLI members during the summer sessions. As an alternative for members who take the shuttle, we suggest taking the N4 metro bus route to Spring Valley from the Tenleytown metro station.

July Shorts are OPEN!

July Shorts (July 10-14)

July Shorts meet 2-5 times during the one week either online, in-person, or in a hybrid format. **The July Shorts lottery will be held on Monday, June 26.** Class assignment letters will be emailed the following day. The lottery will assign you up to three courses. However, after the lottery, for the first time ever, you will not be limited to four courses total and can add as many open courses as fit in your schedule! Stack shorter two- and three-session courses in the same time slot in order to take

more than just three courses. The last day for course changes and refunds is Friday, July 7. [Choose your lottery selections](#) before Monday, June 26.

[View & Select July Shorts Online](#)

[Download a Paper Form](#)

In-Person Recordings

For the first time ever, **a selection of in-person July Shorts will be recorded** and posted on our website. The recordings will be available to members registered for each of the summer sessions. Below is a list of the in-person July Shorts that will be recorded. This is also noted in the course description.

July Shorts

- **911 Early Childhood Politics and Policies**
- **914 The Future of Public Education: An Unprecedented Political Crisis**
- **923 Decluttering Step-By-Step**
- **940 Creating a Local Healthy Ecosystem by Incorporating Native Plants Into Your Garden**
- **941 Introduction to the Cloud**
- **951 The Ethiopia Cross, Gateway to an Ancient Civilization**
- **953 A Decorative Arts Sampler**
- **955 The Seven "Rules" of Photography**
- **962 Memoir Bootcamp**
- **963 Let's Practice Our German!**

February and Spring Classes are in the Digital Library

A selection of our February and spring 2023 classes is now available for viewing in the Digital Library. Please note that in order to incorporate closed captions, we did not edit down the videos. To view the start of the class, fast forward approximately 20 minutes as you would when viewing recordings during an academic session. To enable closed captioning, click the "CC" icon to the far right of the play button and select "English (auto-generated) CC."

The Digital Library is located on the website under "Classes." [Go to the Digital Library.](#)

Serendipity! Talk

Dan Sherman, *Charlie Chaplin: The Tramp Who Made Us Cry*

Wednesday, June 28

3:30-5:00 PM

Online

Known best for his role as “The Little Tramp,” Charlie Chaplin brought laughs and tears to film audiences throughout the world through a brilliant series of films spanning the silent and sound eras. This talk will explore Chaplin’s career beginning as a poor boy on the English stage in the 1890s to a beloved but highly controversial actor more than 60 years later. We’ll discuss Chaplin’s life and contributions to film, including his work as a composer. There will be many film clips and a discussion of how Chaplin’s work developed and was received over time.

Dan Sherman has taught several courses on musical theater and film musicals at OLLI, along with many other venues in the area. He holds his PhD in economics from Cornell and recently retired as Managing Director at the American Institutes for Research.

No registration is required. The Zoom link will be e-mailed to all those subscribed to the OLLI newsletter the morning of the talk. If you do not receive the newsletter and would like to attend, please e-mail olli@american.edu that morning.

Wanted: SGR Coordinators

You know about Study Group Representatives (SGRs) and probably know one or two yourself, but did you know there are SGR Coordinators as well?

For each academic session, SGR Coordinators find and confirm an SGR for each study group. Often there are members who have volunteered to serve in this role for their class(es), so we call to confirm they're still willing. For classes without volunteers, we call class members from the attendance sheet to find someone willing to be the SGR. Some Study Group Leaders also select their own SGRs. Now we are looking for a few more volunteers to serve as SGR Coordinators with us on an on-going basis.

Being a Coordinator is an excellent way to learn more about each class and the enrollment. We have served in this role for the last two semesters and find the work satisfying knowing that each class will have someone to ensure the class runs smoothly: take attendance, call any absent members after the first class, make announcements, let the office know of any technology/classroom problems, and remind members of feedback and SGL gifts. Both SGR Coordinators and SGRs are key to helping Study Group Leaders concentrate on the subject material and ensuring classes run smoothly.

For more information about being an SGR Coordinator, or if you are interested in volunteering for this role with us, please e-mail olli@american.edu.

- Janet Walker Chirlin & Elizabeth Taylor, SGR Coordinators

Enslaved George Towne Tour

Juneteenth is a Federally declared holiday celebrated on June 19 to commemorate the emancipation of enslaved people in the US. The holiday was first celebrated in Texas, where on that date in 1865, in the aftermath of the Civil War, enslaved people were declared free under the terms of the 1862 Emancipation Proclamation. In commemoration of Juneteenth, Ed Ingebretsen will present:

Enslaved George Towne (1645-2023): A Walking Meditation

In-Person Walk with Ed Ingebretsen

Saturday, June 17

10:00-11:30 AM

Meeting Point: Outside of the former Dean & DeLuca (Potomac Street side) at 3276 M Street NW. The walk will conclude near the entrance to Georgetown University.

Established as a port city for the colony of Maryland, Georgetown was a hub not only for the tobacco trade, but also the slave trade. Taverns were the site of slave auctions and housed enslaved workers in basement pens.

Join us for a 90-minute walk through Georgetown, beginning at the 1796 site of the Old Georgetown market and exploring the history and commerce—including enslavement practices—of the Port of George Towne. We walk north on Wisconsin Avenue to Volta place and west to the front gates of Georgetown University. This archeology of memory considers selected sites, in order to understand how a history of enslavement—hidden, submerged, erased—persists to this day in Georgetown. One example: Georgetown's Healy Hall tower is iconic Georgetown tourism; it is also named after Patrick Healy, a (legally) black man who was known as Georgetown's "second founder." **Registration is limited to the first 40 people who sign up by 8:00 AM on Thursday, June 15th.**

[View More Information and Register](#)

Bloomsday Celebration

The 2023 OLLI Bloomsday Celebration will take place on Friday, June 16 at 1:30 PM online via Zoom (this date is traditional since the novel *Ulysses* is deemed to have taken place on June 16, 1904). This year we will read some passages from Ernest Hemingway as well as James Joyce. The two used to be drinking companions in Paris and for a time had a mutual admiration society. In strikingly different ways each made significant contributions to modernist writing style. [Register to attend](#) in order to receive the Zoom link the morning of June 16. There is a separate website for the event [here](#), which includes the list of readers.

The cast party, to which all are invited, will take place in-person at an alcohol-friendly locale convenient to OLLI starting at about 5:00 PM.

Check Us Out in Voice of America

In March, Voice of America published a feature article on OLLI at AU! Read the article [here](#).

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