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## UPDATES

#### STAFF WORKING REMOTELY

The OLLI staff will be working remotely **until the beginning of September**. We are still reachable by email ([oli@american.edu](mailto:oli@american.edu)) and by the office phone (202-895-4860).

#### SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT OLLI AT AU!

Do you listen to WAMU? You may have heard the latest OLLI at AU ad that is being played on the airwaves

over the next month. Make sure to tune in to 88.5 on your FM dial. OLLI has embarked on a broadcast and digital ad campaign with WAMU to help spread the word about our programming. Check out our ad located at the bottom of WAMU's [Insider newsletter](#) from August 1st.

OLLI at AU is reaching out to spread the word about our upcoming fall semester. If you are a member of a local listserv and would like to help us spread the word, please reach out to [olli@american.edu](mailto:olli@american.edu) so we can provide you with messages to send.

## ACADEMIC PROGRAMMING

### FALL REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Registration is now OPEN on the OLLI website for the fall semester (September 26–December 8). Classes are offered online, in-person, and hybrid. In the catalog, each course description lists the format and whether or not the class will be recorded. Courses meet for a varying length of time (see each study group for the number of weeks). The membership fee (\$300 for the semester or \$550 for both fall and spring) allows you to sign up for three courses before the lottery. After the lottery, when you have received your class assignment letter, you can add a **fourth study group** by logging into your account. **Make sure to register before the fall semester lottery on Friday, September 8.**

### IN-PERSON RECORDINGS

For the first time ever, **many in-person fall courses will be recorded** and posted on our website. The recordings will be available **only to members registered for the fall semester**. If an in-person class is being recorded, it is noted in the course description. Each day's recordings are added to the website the following business day. **Please note that whether or not a class is recorded is determined by Study Group Leaders' preferences and the office.**

[VIEW CLASSES AND REGISTER](#)

### FALL CATALOG CHANGES

Below are changes made to classes after the catalog went to print. Class changes are also available on the [fall catalog changes](#) page of the OLLI website and are updated as they occur.

**145 AI—Are We Riding a Tiger?:** This study group will now begin October 16th.

**163 The Grey Zone of War:** This study group will now begin October 6th.

**250 TED Talks:** This study group has been extended to nine weeks.

**441 Technologies That Make Life Better:** This study group is NOT being recorded.

**560 Learning to Look at Ballet:** This study group is NOT being recorded.

**574 Writing Film/TV Scripts Part 1:** This study group will now begin October 6th.

**615 Deutsch fuer Fortgeschrittene:** This study group has an UPDATED DESCRIPTION online.

**622 Memoir Bootcamp - Part 2:** This class is listed online but does not appear in the printed catalog.

**640 Jesus was a Jew: Jewish Poets on Jewish Traditions:** This class is listed online but does not appear in the printed catalog.

**649 The Trojan War in Story and History:** The Iliad is now a recommended book. For those wanting to buy a new edition, the Stephen Mitchell translation is recommended.

**681 What's New in the Short Story:** The required reading The Best American Short Stories is by Andrew Sean

Greer with the ISBN 978-0358664710.

**699 The Short Stories of O. Henry and Damon Runyon:** Sandy Leibowitz is now a Co-SGL of this study group.

**708 How Herodotus and Thucydides Composed and Delivered Their Histories:** This study group has been CANCELLED.

**764 The "Eastern Question:" Dismemberment of the Ottoman Empire and Its Legacies, 1800-Present:** This study group has been CANCELLED.

## EVENTS



### C-SPAN AND LIBRARY OF CONGRESS PRIMETIME BOOK SERIES

Live on C-SPAN

**10 Mondays starting September 18 | 9:00 PM**

C-SPAN and the Library of Congress announced a joint original feature production for fall 2023: "Books That Shaped America." The 10-part series will be a literary journey, tracing America's history by exploring masterpieces in literature that have had, and still have today, a major impact on society. The 10-week series will mark the various eras of American history and feature a diverse mix of stories and authors. The 10 featured books have:

- Provoked thought.
- Been best sellers.
- Led to significant cultural and policy changes.

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### SERENDIPITY TALK

**Dan Moskowitz, Ira Without George: The Rest of Ira Gershwin's Heritage of Songs**

**Wednesday, September 13 | 2:30-4:00 PM**

**Online**

Ira Gershwin is known as the lyricist who turned brother George's catchy tunes into the songs that are standard entries in the American Songbook. But less appreciated is the work he did with other composers. We will discuss the context of those other songs -- the shows or films for which they were written -- and Ira's own comments on them. **No registration required.**

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### **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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