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Summer Registration Is Open!

June Minis

(June 6–July 1)

June Minis meet once a week for four weeks either online, in-person, or in a hybrid format. Members can register for up to three courses for \$100 before the lottery. After the lottery, members can add a fourth class. **The June Minis lottery will be held on Monday, May 23.** Class assignment letters will be emailed the following day. The Last day for course changes and refunds is Friday, June 10.

[Register](#) before Lottery Day, Monday, May 23.

July Shorts

(July 11–15)

July Shorts meet 2-5 times during the one week, either online, in-person, or in a hybrid format.

Members can register for three courses for \$75. **The July Shorts lottery will be held on Monday, June 27.** Assignment letters will be emailed the following day. The Last day for course changes and refunds is Friday, July 8. [Register](#) before Lottery Day, Monday, June 27.

Calling All Fall Proposals



Fall Semester: September 19-December 2

Study groups meet once a week for 7-10 weeks.

[Proposal form](#)

We welcome proposals from both new and previous Study Group Leaders. For more information about being an SGL at OLLI, please visit [Become A Study Group Leader](#) on the OLLI 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 link above. **You will need to login with your OLLI username/password or create an account if it's your first time.** We plan to continue offering three class formats in the fall: in-person, online, and a limited number of hybrid classes. Study Group Leaders select their preference for format on the proposal form.

A Message from our Development Committee Chair

With the end of the Spring semester in sight, I want to thank all those who have supported OLLI at AU by donating and to provide you with a summary and overview of our fundraising accomplishments for this fiscal year. We had set three goals for this year:

1. To add at least 40 new donors in honor of next year's 40th anniversary
2. To increase member participation from last year's 24%
3. To beat last year's donation total of \$126,920.

We met the first goal with 50 new members!

With member participation at 22%, we are close to the second goal but not quite there.

We have raised \$115,845, which is 91% of our dollar goal.

These were ambitious goals, and we can take pride in the financial support 338 members have shown this year. We still have 8 weeks until the end of the fiscal year on June 30, so it is not too late to help us over the last hurdle to the finish line!

You can donate [here](#).

Gratefully,

Spring Feedback and SGL Gifts

As you finish your study groups, please take a few minutes to complete the anonymous [FEEDBACK FORM](#) that is available on the OLLI website. Your feedback helps us know what you think about the classes that are being offered, but most importantly, it serves as a reward for the time, effort, knowledge, and talent that our volunteer Study Group Leaders (SGLs) put into their classes. In the words of one of our SGLs: *“We volunteer our time as teachers, and one of our rewards is the feedback and encouragement of class participants. It means so much to us to receive positive feedback and suggestions for improvement. And after investing over 60 hours to develop the curriculum and lead the class, it is discouraging to only receive several responses. Your comments make a big difference.”*

At the end of each study group's last couple sessions (if over Zoom), a screen will also pop up inviting you to complete feedback for the course. Click on **Continue** and you will be taken to the feedback form on the OLLI website. You can also fill out a paper form located in each classroom and outside the OLLI office.

Each academic session, we invite members to give their SGLs a gift in honor of all of the work they do to prepare and deliver their courses. This is completely voluntary on our members' behalf. Gifts can be made **online on the [OLLI WEBSITE](#) after logging in. Then go to “Give” in the heading across the top of the page and then to “SGL Gifts.” You must log in to see the gift form.** Members can give gifts to all of their Study Group Leaders in a single form and with a single credit card transaction. Please note that any gifts given are *per study group* and will be split up equally among the SGLs for that study group if there are more than one. Gifts can also be given by mailing a check to OLLI. 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).

Feedback and SGLs gifts will be accepted through **Friday, May 20.**

Today's Lecture



Kristin Henning, *The Rage of Innocence: How America Criminalizes Black Youth*

Friday, May 6

1:30 PM

[Zoom Link](#)

Professor Henning is a nationally recognized advocate, author, trainer, and consultant on the intersection of race, adolescence, and policing. She is the Blume Professor of Law and Director of the Juvenile Justice Clinic and Initiative at Georgetown Law. Previously, she was the Lead Attorney of the

Juvenile Unit at the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia, where she had been representing children accused of crime for more than twenty-five years. Henning is the co-founder of a number of initiatives to combat racial injustice in the juvenile legal system, including the Ambassadors for Racial Justice program at Georgetown Law, and Racial Justice for Youth: A Toolkit for Defenders. She is also the recipient of many awards, including the Juvenile Law Center's 2021 Leadership Prize. Henning has written numerous articles and publications advocating for reform in the juvenile legal system. Her book, [*The Rage of Innocence: How America Criminalizes Black Youth*](#), was released in September 2021. Henning has a BA from Duke, a JD from Yale, and an LLM from Georgetown Law.

Next Friday's Lecture



Burton Gerber, *Real Spy Operations—Tolkachev and Kuklinski*

Friday, May 13

1:30 PM

Burton Gerber served in the Central Intelligence Agency for 39 years, primarily in operations involving the Soviet Union and Warsaw Pact countries. He was Chief of Station on three occasions, including an assignment as the Station Chief in Moscow. His exploits were chronicled in the book *The Billion Dollar Spy: A True Story of Cold War Espionage and Betrayal*. He was chief of the CIA's Soviet East European Division and the Europe Division. He received the CIA's Distinguished Intelligence Medal, Intelligence Commendation Medal, and William J. Donovan award.

Since his retirement from the Agency, Gerber has remained active in intelligence and foreign affairs. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, Diplomatic and Consular Officers Retired, and the Washington Institute of Foreign Affairs. He also is an adjunct professor in the Security Studies Program at Georgetown University as well as contributor to and co-editor of two volumes on intelligence published by Georgetown University Press.

Gerber graduated from Michigan State University and then served in the US Army. In 2006, he received Michigan State University's Distinguished Alumnus Award.

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

Virtual Tour Series: The Heart of DC-Part 4

Tuesday, May 10

3:30-4:30 PM

Online via Zoom

Join OLLI's Tamara Belden in our fourth session on the capital's "historic center"! We will finish our tour down the National Mall with short histories of the Capitol Building and the area surrounding it; the Library of Congress; Supreme Court; Botanical Garden; and a number of smaller nearby sites. Capitol Hill has a long and fascinating history. Where are the original gate houses built for the US Capitol in 1827? What happened to the original 1828 sandstone columns of the East Portico of the US Capitol? Where was the boarding house where Abraham Lincoln lived during his term as a Congressman? Join us for an enjoyable hour of facts and fun.

Registration for this online tour is not required. The Zoom link will be sent to all members on the morning of the event. Please check your inbox, spam, and junk/trash folders for any OLLI emails.

2020-2021 Annual Report Now Available

The 2020-2021 Annual Report is now available on our website under the "About" section on the "Corporate Documents & Surveys" page. Click [here](#) to view the report.

Upcoming Smithsonian Events

National Gallery of Art: Sponsor Enslaved Washington Procession

May 14

11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Join us in an outdoor procession to four historical sites of enslavement on or near the National Gallery campus. Professor and OLLI Study Group Leader, Ed Ingebretsen, talks about the city's relationship to slavery as we move from 3rd to 7th Streets NW. The four stops include the Capitol to discuss enslavement and the law; the former locations of Center Market, Gadsby's Tavern, and the notorious slaver hotel, the St. Charles, to learn what DC residents knew of slavery at the time; the sites on the National Mall of slave pens run by Birch, Gadsby, Neal, Robey, and Williams; and Lafayette Park to examine the participation of presidents in enslavement. [Registration opens May 7.](#)

American University News & Events

AU College of Arts & Sciences

Spring Music Performances

\$10 General Admission, \$5 AU Community & Seniors

Performances from American University's Department of Performing Arts and Music Program from its Symphonic Band, Chorus, Jazz Orchestra, Jazz Workshop, and Symphonic Orchestra. [Purchase Tickets.](#)

AU Center for Israel Studies

JxJ Screening of *Cinema Sabaya*

May 15

2:30 PM

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Pay What You Wish

Join us for our annual keynote program exploring the daily lives and challenges of Arab citizens of Israel. Following the Sunday, May 15, 2:30 PM screening of Cinema Sabaya, director Orit Fouks Rotem and actor Joanna Said will discuss the contemporary experience of Arab women in Israel and the role the arts play in bridging societal, religious, and political divides. [Register.](#)

AU Arts

Home of AU's performing, visual, literary, and media-based arts. [View the schedule and registration links.](#)

AU Museum

Spring Schedule

January 29-May 22

Friday-Sunday, 11:00 AM-4:00 PM

Reservations are not required for your visit. Admission is always free. Regarding groups and any questions about your visit, email museum@american.edu. Access the museum [online](#).

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

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