

Letter from the Board Chair

Janus, the Roman god for whom this month is named, was the god of beginnings and transitions. This entire year promises to be a period of beginnings and transitions: a new resident at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, yet to be determined, and new occupants at 4801 Massachusetts Avenue: namely, us.

We start the new year on a high note, the announcement of a second million-dollar grant from the Bernard Osher Foundation. We are grateful for this acknowledgement of our OLLI's past performance, of our members' commitment and devotion, and of the promise of a secure and illustrious future.

Now it's time to consider our abundant choices for the months ahead: participation in the February Shorts, registration for the Spring semester, and attendance at our many fine open lectures.

Janus may look back as well as forward, but at OLLI, although we're proud of all we've accomplished, our eyes are fixed firmly on the future.

Gloria Kreisman
Chair, OLLI Board of Directors

Announcing Trip to Rodin Exhibit at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts

Join other OLLI members for a trip to the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts on Sat., Feb. 20. Members will have timed tickets for the *Rodin: Evolution of a Genius* exhibit and a docent-led tour of the new McGlothlin Collection focusing



on the pieces from the Gilded Age to the Ash Can School. Read all the details and register online.

Cost is \$50/person. Deadline to register is Tues., Feb. 2.

Register for Trip to Walters Art Museum

The deadline is Wed., Jan. 20 to register for the trip to see the *Pearls on a String: Artists, Patrons, and Poets at the Great Islamic Courts* at the Walters Museum of Art in Baltimore on Friday, Jan. 29. You can **register online**.

Study Group on Prehistoric Rock Art Visits the National Museum of Natural History



In December, Study Group Leader Ahmed Achrati (far left) led members of his study group on Prehistoric Rock Art on a tour of the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History. One of the joys of an OLLI Study Group is the opportunity to take a field trip with an expert.

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