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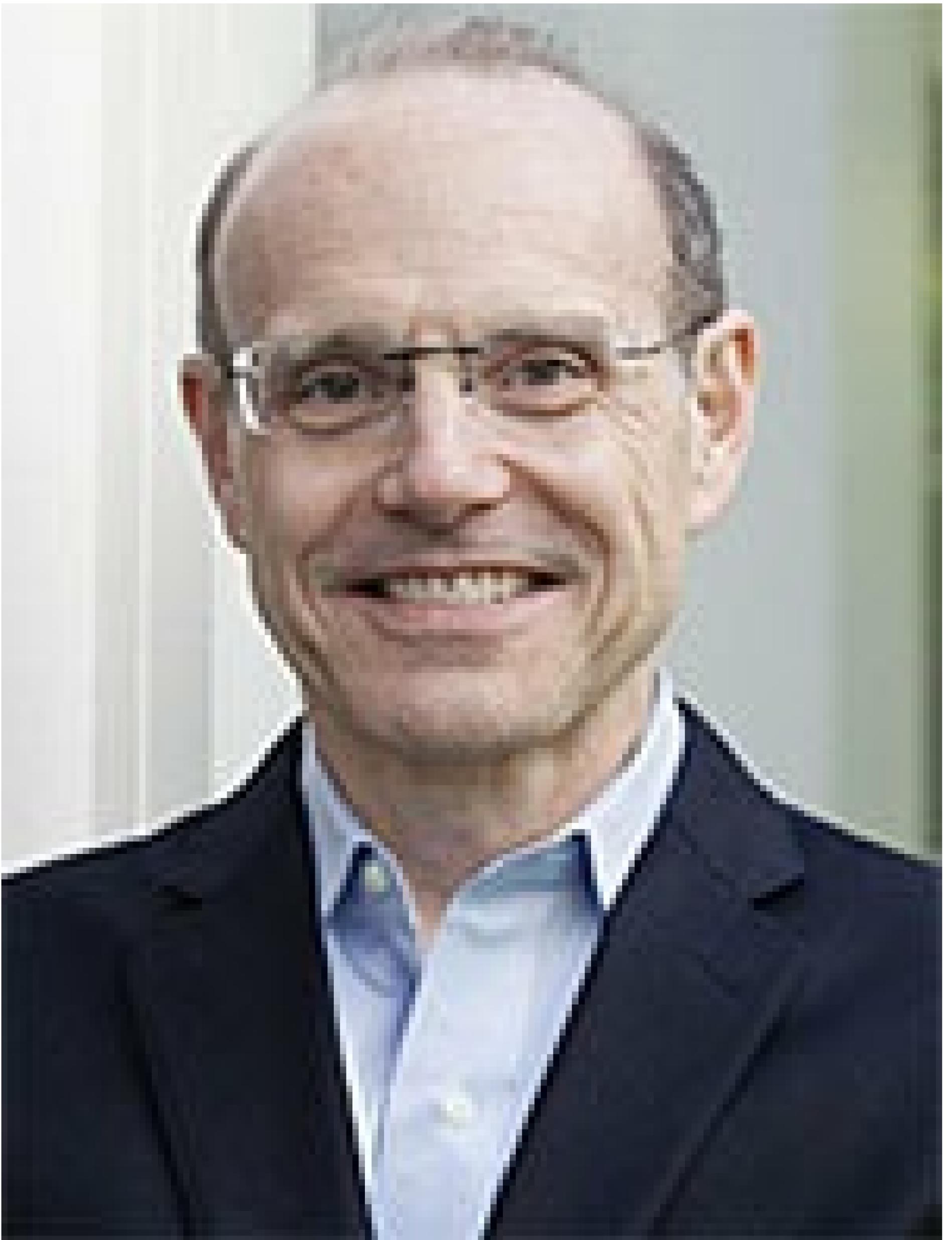
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March 6 Lecture: Jason DeParle

*Please note that spring lectures will take place on Fridays from **1:30-2:30 PM**. The time was incorrectly stated in the e-mail that went out on Wednesday.*



Jason DeParle, *International Migration Through the Eyes of One Family*

Friday, March 6 - 1:30-2:30 PM

4801 Massachusetts Ave. NW, Room A (first floor)

Jason DeParle is a reporter for *The New York Times* and has written extensively about poverty and immigration. His book, *American Dream: Three Women, Ten Kids, and a Nation's Drive to End Welfare* was a *New York Times* Notable Book and won the Helen Bernstein Award from the New York City

Library. He was an Emerson Fellow at New America. He is a recipient of the George Polk Award and is a two-time finalist for the Pulitzer Prize. His most recent book is *A Good Provider Is One Who Leaves: One Family and Migration in the 21st Century*. Click [here](#) to reserve a seat.

Meeting for New Study Group Reps (SGRs)

We are still confirming SGRs for each spring study group. Once all SGRs are chosen, we will follow up with detailed information as well as the class e-mail and attendance list for each SGR. **There will be an informational meeting for new spring SGRs next week on Wednesday, February 26, in Room A on the first floor of 4801 Massachusetts Ave. NW.** Veteran SGRs are welcome to attend as well. The meeting will be led by Ginny DeRoze and Jacqui Gallagher (SGR Coordinators and long-time SGRs) and Lesley Diaz (OLLI staff).

Reminder to Update Your Cell Phone Number

If your phone number changes, please update it in your record online or e-mail or call the OLLI office so we can update it. Sometimes we send alerts via text message, so it's important for us to have each member's cell phone number.

We Still Need YOU: Become a "Welcomer"

Spring semester is fast approaching and **we still need volunteers to serve as Welcomers for new OLLI members**. As a Welcomer, you are usually the first person from OLLI to reach out to our new members, providing basic information about OLLI programs and activities and answering any questions they might have. We want them to feel as welcome as possible as they join our community. Volunteers are key to keeping the wheels turning at OLLI. If you have been thinking about volunteering, this is a good way to begin. If you are interested, please contact Welcomer Coordinator John Bargerone at jbargerone@starpower.net.

Spring Semester Books Available

A list of books for spring courses that are either not available or available as pay-to-order from Politics and Prose bookstore is listed on the OLLI website. OLLI members receive a 10% discount when purchasing books for their study groups from Politics and Prose. For detailed information on book availability, please click [here](#). For books not available in-store, suggestions of other online booksellers are listed.

Adding a Spring Study Group

The Spring semester begins March 2. **There are still study groups that are open**. View the full list of spring study groups [here](#). The column on the right will let you know the status (open or closed) of each study group. Double click on the column head "Status" to bring all of the open study groups to the top. Members can register for classes through March 20.

During the third week of the semester (March 16-20) members can add a fourth study group to

their schedule. If you would like to add a fourth study group, please call the office during that week.

Book Donations

With the spring semester arriving shortly, this is an opportunity to clear out your bookshelves for the new books you will soon be buying! Bring in any OLLI books you no longer want from previous study groups and leave them on the shelf opposite the coffee area in the Social Space on the 5th floor. There are slips of paper and pens for you to indicate the OLLI study group you used them for (if you remember!). Just clip the identifying slip onto the book and place it on the shelf. If you see a book you'd like, take it!

Upcoming Events at American University

For any AU-specific event, please contact the sponsoring department directly.

UPCOMING ARTS EVENTS AT AMERICAN UNIVERSITY

FEBRUARY

MUSIC

Henry Purcell's Dido and Aeneas: AU Chamber Singers

February 22, 7:30 PM

February 23, 3 PM

Abramson Family Recital Hall, Katzen Arts Center

It is a story of endless love, evil conspiracies, and defiance of the gods—Purcell's musical tale of the forlorn Queen, Dido of Carthage, and her love for the Trojan prince, Aeneas. AU Chamber Singers, vocal soloists, and a period-instrument band present all the glory of Purcell's stunning music in a semi-staged performance of his most beloved tragic opera.

<https://auartstix.universitytickets.com>

MARCH

MUSIC

The Gorenman Bach Project: Yuliya Gorenman, Piano

March 21, 7:30 p.m.

Abramson Family Recital Hall, Katzen Arts Center

Internationally acclaimed concert pianist and American University musician-in-residence Yuliya Gorenman continues her exploration of Bach's keyboard masterpieces in the fourth recital of The Gorenman Bach Project. \$25/\$10

ART

Becoming Guanyin: Artistic Devotion of Buddhist Women in Late Imperial China

March 25, 3 p.m.

Abramson Family Recital Hall, Katzen Arts Center

Visiting art historian Yuhang Li of the University of Wisconsin-Madison lectures on Buddhist women's devotion to China's most popular female deity, as expressed through painting, embroidery, jewelry, and other arts. Free.

LITERATURE

Visiting Writers: Monica Sok

March 25, 7 p.m.

Abramson Family Founders Room, School of International Service

Monica Sok's poetry offers "quiet wisdom without sentimentality." She reads from her forthcoming debut collection, *A Nail the Evening Hangs On*. Free.

THEATRE

The Birds by Aristophanes

March 26-28, 8 p.m.

March 28, 2 p.m.

Greenberg Theatre, 4200 Wisconsin Avenue NW

First performed in the spring of 414 BC, the story is simple and timeless: humans frustrated with life on earth seek a utopia. They find it in the trees with the birds. And then things get messy and complicated. With a distinct contemporary Greek influence, this production includes songs, dances, the building of an aerial city, fights, flights, marriage, an eventual usurpation, and more. \$15/\$10

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