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## JULY 10, 2020 OLLI NEWS

### Zoom links emailed today for July Shorts

Zoom links for each July Short were emailed to class registrants and Study Group Leaders today. Please check your spam folder if you did not receive an invitation(s) in your inbox. Please save the email as the link is recurring and will be used for each session of the class.

If you haven't yet registered for July Shorts, you can check the OLLI website or click [here](#) to register for any open classes. **Today is the last day for changing July Shorts course selections or requesting a refund.** If you request a refund, your payment will be refunded minus a \$10 administrative fee. Requests for refunds must be made via email and must be submitted to the OLLI office by close of business today, Friday, July 10.

### Fall Registration Is Open

Fall 2020 OLLI at AU registration is open. The fall semester runs September 21 through December 4. Lottery day is Tuesday, September 8.

Our Study Group Leaders, the Curriculum Committee, and OLLI staff have been working for months to prepare for the upcoming semester. Please click [here](#) to see the array of courses available and to register. For members who prefer to print a copy of the catalog, you can [download a PDF](#) from the OLLI website. We will not be printing or mailing catalogs this semester. If you do print the catalog, please register online.

All OLLI courses this fall will be conducted via Zoom. The discounted rate of \$270 entitles you to register for up to four courses (three prior to lottery day and a fourth after you receive your assignment letter). We are also happy to inform you that many courses this fall will have increased capacity so fewer classes will be impacted by the lottery.

**If you registered for a spring class that was cancelled and is now rescheduled for the fall, you will be given priority registration for that class if you identify it as one of top three preferences.**

Please let your friends know that registration is open and they can attend from anywhere in the world! If they can log into Zoom, they can attend an OLLI class.

## July Lecture

### **First Flight: How the Wright Brothers Solved the Aviation Problem of Controlled Flight**

**Date:** Friday, July 17

**Time:** 1:30-3:00 PM

**Location:** Zoom

**Register:** [here](#)

Join us for a lecture given by Christian Godart to learn about Orville and Wilbur Wright's groundbreaking flight and their contributions to aviation history.

*Christian Godart is an historian and docent at Smithsonian Air & Space Museum. He also volunteers at the Wright Brothers National Memorial in Kitty Hawk.*

**Please note that the cut-off for registration is 8:00 AM the day of lecture. Zoom invitations will be sent via email that morning.**

## Save the Date: A Summer Serendipity Zoom Book Chat

Please join OLLI for a Zoom Book Chat with Esther Safran Foer to discuss her new memoir, *I Want You to Know We're Still Here* at 10:30 AM, July 30. A Zoom link will be emailed before the talk.

Esther Foer is a longtime business consultant, the former CEO of the Sixth and I historic synagogue in downtown DC, and the mother of three best-selling authors. Her son Jonathan wrote the hilarious and amazing novel, *Everything is Illuminated*, a fictionalized account of a search for his family roots in Ukraine. Published in 2002, it was the basis for a movie three years later. His mother's book tells the real and extraordinary story.

Esther will be in conversation with Susan Coll, author of five books and the president of the PEN/Faulkner Foundation. The chat will leave plenty of time for questions.

## Zoom Tips

### **Zoom tips:**

- If you are missing an email with a link to your Zoom class, check your Spam or Junk folder.
- If Zoom freezes for more than a few seconds, close your browser, re-open the browser, and join the meeting again. Or try a different browser. For example, if you were using Firefox, quit Firefox, and try Google Chrome instead.
- If you have multiple devices, for example, a laptop and a tablet, download Zoom on each device. If one device doesn't work, try another.
- If you are having difficulty joining or staying on a Zoom class, email a member of the OLLI Tech Support Team for assistance. Download a list of the OLLI Tech Support Team members [here](#).

## American University News & Events

American University unveiled its comprehensive plan for Fall 2020, which features extensive health and safety protocols and a residential campus experience, with a blend of in-person/online and purely online classes. [READ MORE.](#)

## **AU ALUMNI**

With the Office of Alumni Relations, AU's Alumni Association engages and sustains a lifelong and worldwide community of alumni, future alumni, and friends through opportunities for meaningful engagement aimed at increasing awareness, pride, participation, volunteer involvement, and philanthropic commitment to American University. [READ ALUMNI NEWS.](#)

## **DEPARTMENT OF NEUROSCIENCE**

This summer, American University has launched a **NEW** cutting-edge Department of Neuroscience under the leadership of Terry Davidson, who was named Distinguished Professor of Neuroscience by AU's Board of Trustees this spring. The department's new home will be in the Hall of Science, which will open this fall. [READ MORE.](#)

## **SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

Many of us are re-examining our current career path. As we ask ourselves what's next - Wesley Seminary and the American University School of Public Affairs (SPA) are partnering to help people think through the next phase of their lives, featuring experts in leadership, career coaching, and change management.

**Register:** [here](#)

Part 1: One Hour Intro Webinar : Friday, July 10, 2020, 2:00 - 3:00 PM

Part 2: Three Hour Webinar: Friday, July 17, 2020, 2:00 - 5:00 PM

## **SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION**

Laura DeNardis, interim dean of the School of Communication, spoke to Gallup's "Out of the Echo Chamber" to discuss her new book, *The Internet in Everything: Freedom and Security in a World with No Off Switch*. [LISTEN](#)

## **SINE INSTITUTE of POLICY & POLITICS**

### **The Path to Recovery: What is the True State of the US Economy?**

Streams online at 12:00 Noon on July 14

**Register:** [here](#)

AU President Sylvia Burwell and Gary Cohn, BSBA/Kogod '82, examine the quest for a sustainable, equitable economic future.

## **CENTER FOR ISRAEL STUDIES**

The Center for Israel Studies at American University was created to study, examine, and interpret the rich landscape of Israel as a nation and a people. Idea and place come together in creative tension to find their expression in the arts, humanities, sciences, and social sciences. Israel's world leadership in arid agriculture and its fusion of diverse influences in dance are two examples of how idea and place merge to shape Israeli contributions to the world. View videos [here](#).

## **AU MUSEUM**

During the museum's closure, [AU Museum](#) is bringing you exhibition highlights and selections from its permanent collection on its digital platforms. Until the museum reopens, connect

at [Museum@Home](#) and follow the museum on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#). You'll find e-book catalogs, artist-inspired children's art activities, playlists inspired by exhibiting artists, information on virtual events, and more.

### **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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