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Fall Registration Is Open

Registration is now open on the OLLI [website](#) for the Fall semester (September 20-December 3). The Fall lottery is September 7. Be sure to register by 8:00 AM on September 7 for the best chance of getting into your preferred study groups. [View classes and register.](#)

Introducing Hybrid Classes

With the Fall semester, OLLI is offering classes in three formats: **Online Only, In-Person Only, and Hybrid.** In hybrid classes, the SGL and some members of the class are in-person while other members participate via Zoom. In the catalog, each course description lists the format. When registering for a hybrid class, you must select whether you want to attend in-person (Hybrid In-Person) or by Zoom (Hybrid Zoom). List both formats if the class is a priority and you are willing to attend either format. Given the greater number of options, you can now prioritize up to 12 classes for the lottery, instead of just six. As always, the lottery will then assign you to up to three classes.

The discounted \$270 membership fee allows you to register for three study groups before the

lottery and then add a fourth after you receive your registration confirmation letter.

In Memoriam: Joyce Johnson

We are sad to announce the passing of Joyce Johnson on July 7. Joyce and her husband, Hank Johnson, have been longtime members of OLLI. Joyce also was a Study Group Leader and taught Beginning Italian for Tourists. Joyce will be greatly missed, and we extend our condolences to her family and friends.

Fall Semester: Reminders

Print Catalog

OLLI's much-awaited fall catalog is at the printer and will be mailed by the end of the month. Look for your copy in early August.

Registering for Classes

Your registration is complete if you receive an email confirmation. If you registered and did not receive a confirmation, you may not have clicked on the "Submit Registration" button on the registration page. To verify, you should log back into your account, and if needed, complete the registration process.

Fourth Course

To add a fourth class after Lottery Day, September 7, you no longer need to contact the office—simply log into your account on the website.

July Shorts

SGL Gifts

To make a gift to your July Shorts SGL(s), please go [online](#) or mail a check to OLLI by Friday, July 23. We will collect all gifts, write a check to each SGL, and mail the check with any notes from members to the SGL(s). **Please note OLLI's donation software only allows users to make three (3) gifts in one day. To make a fourth donation, please wait two days after your initial three gifts. SGL gifts will be accepted through Friday, July 23.**

Feedback

We hope you have enjoyed the week of July Shorts. As you finish your courses, please complete the anonymous [feedback form](#). You can also access the form on the OLLI website under "Shorts." Feedback will be accepted through **Friday, July 23.**

Recordings

Most classes have been recorded. The page for class recordings is https://www.ollidc.org/july_2021_shorts_recordings and can be accessed until July 23. Only members who took July Shorts classes can access this page. You will need your OLLI username and password to log in.

**Serendipity Talk: David Kuney on
Reclaiming My Family's Jewish Identity, July 28**

David Kuney, *On Rockingham Street: Reclaiming My Family's Jewish Identity—Our Journey from Vilna to the Suburban South*

Wednesday, July 28

3:30-5:00 PM, via Zoom

Wipf & Stock has just published David Kuney's intergenerational memoir that explores how assimilation of Jewish immigrants arriving from Eastern Europe in the early 20th century was shaped and affected by the culture of the Suburban South in the 1950s and 1960s. It probes the key question of Jewish continuity, including whether American Judaism has left many Jews unable to answer the question, "Why are we Jewish?" The talk will include readings from the memoir.

David Kuney is an Adjunct Professor at Georgetown University Law Center. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Pardes Institute of Jewish Studies. More information on the book and David can be found at <https://www.davidkuney.com>.

No registration is required. The Zoom link will be e-mailed on the morning of the talk to all those subscribed to the OLLI newsletter.

Virtual Tour Series: The Heart of DC!

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First Session: The National Mall—Western End

Monday, July 19

3:30-4:30 PM, via Zoom

Join OLLI for a series of illustrated talks led by Tammy Belden, Trips Coordinator and professional tour guide, on our capital's "historic center" and its most iconic memorials and sites. Although you already may be familiar with many of these, we will cover some controversies, engaging anecdotes, and facts that you may not have heard. Our first talk will begin with the western end of the National Mall. Of course, you are familiar with the Lincoln, Korean War Veterans, and Viet Nam Veterans memorials, but perhaps we can deepen your knowledge of these with some more obscure and lesser-known information. We will also cover some of the smaller buildings and memorials nearby that you might not have seen. For example, did you know that the Lincoln Memorial was struck by anti-aircraft fire during World War II? It was friendly fire! We have more like that!

No registration is required. The Zoom link will be e-mailed on the morning of the event to all those subscribed to the OLLI newsletter.

American University News & Events

AU ARTS

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

AU MUSEUM

The [museum](#) is again open to visitors. Patrons and university community members can now experience shows on display at the [Katzen Arts Center](#).

Follow the museum on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#). You will find e-book catalogs, artist-inspired children's art activities, playlists inspired by exhibiting artists, information on virtual events,

and more.

SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION

In This Together: Collaborations and Considerations

Wednesday, July 21

2:00 PM, online

Join Current's Karen Everhart for a conversation with two public media leaders about their experiences leading organizations where public radio and TV are “In This Together.” [Register](#).

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