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February & Spring Catalog

The February Shorts & spring catalog will be mailed out at the end of December. Look for your copy in early January. Online registration for both sessions will open mid-December.

Fall Feedback and SGL Gifts

Fall Feedback

As you finish your study group(s) for the semester, please take a few minutes to complete the [final feedback form](#) that is available on the OLLI website. Feedback provides valuable information to improve current and future courses. The more feedback we receive from members, the better. Paper copies of the feedback form are also available in each classroom as well as outside the OLLI office. As always, feedback is completely anonymous. **Feedback** will be accepted through **Friday, December 10.**

This semester, at the end of each study group's last session (if over Zoom), a screen will pop-up inviting members to complete final feedback for the course. In the pop-up, click on **Continue** and

you will be taken to the feedback form on the OLLI website.

SGL Gifts

All of OLLI's Study Group Leaders are volunteers. Each academic session, we invite members to give them 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. **Members may make a gift to Fall SGL(s) through December 17.** Gifts can be made [online](#) *after logging on to your account on the OLLI website*, or by mailing a check to OLLI. Members can give gifts to all of their Study Group Leaders in a single form and with a single credit card transaction. 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).

Today's Lecture: Lynne Olson

Madame Fourcade's Secret War: The Daring Young Woman Who Led France's Largest Spy Network Against the Nazis

Lynne Olson

Friday, December 3

1:30-2:30 PM (via Zoom)

[Zoom Link](#)

Webinar ID: 929 6189 6222

Passcode: 342334

Lynne Olson is a *New York Times* bestselling author of eight books on history, most of which deal in some way with World War II and Britain's crucial role in that conflict. Former US Secretary of State Madeleine Albright has called her "our era's foremost chronicler of World War II politics and diplomacy." Lynne's latest book, *Madame Fourcade's Secret War: The Daring Young Woman Who Led France's Largest Spy Network Against the Nazis*, was published by Random House in March 2019. It was an immediate *New York Times* bestseller, as were two of her earlier books, *Those Angry Days: Roosevelt, Lindbergh, and America's Fight Over World War II, 1939-1941*, and *Citizens of London: The Americans Who Stood with Britain in Its Darkest, Finest Hour*. Before becoming a full-time author, she worked as a journalist for ten years, first with the Associated Press and then the *Baltimore Sun*, where she covered national politics and eventually the White House. Lynne lives in Washington, DC with her husband, Stanley Cloud, with whom she co-authored two books.

Serendipity Talk: Thursday, December 16

The Power of Scenery: Frederick Law Olmstead and the Origin of National Parks

Dennis Drabelle

Thursday, December 16

3:30-4:30 PM (via Zoom)

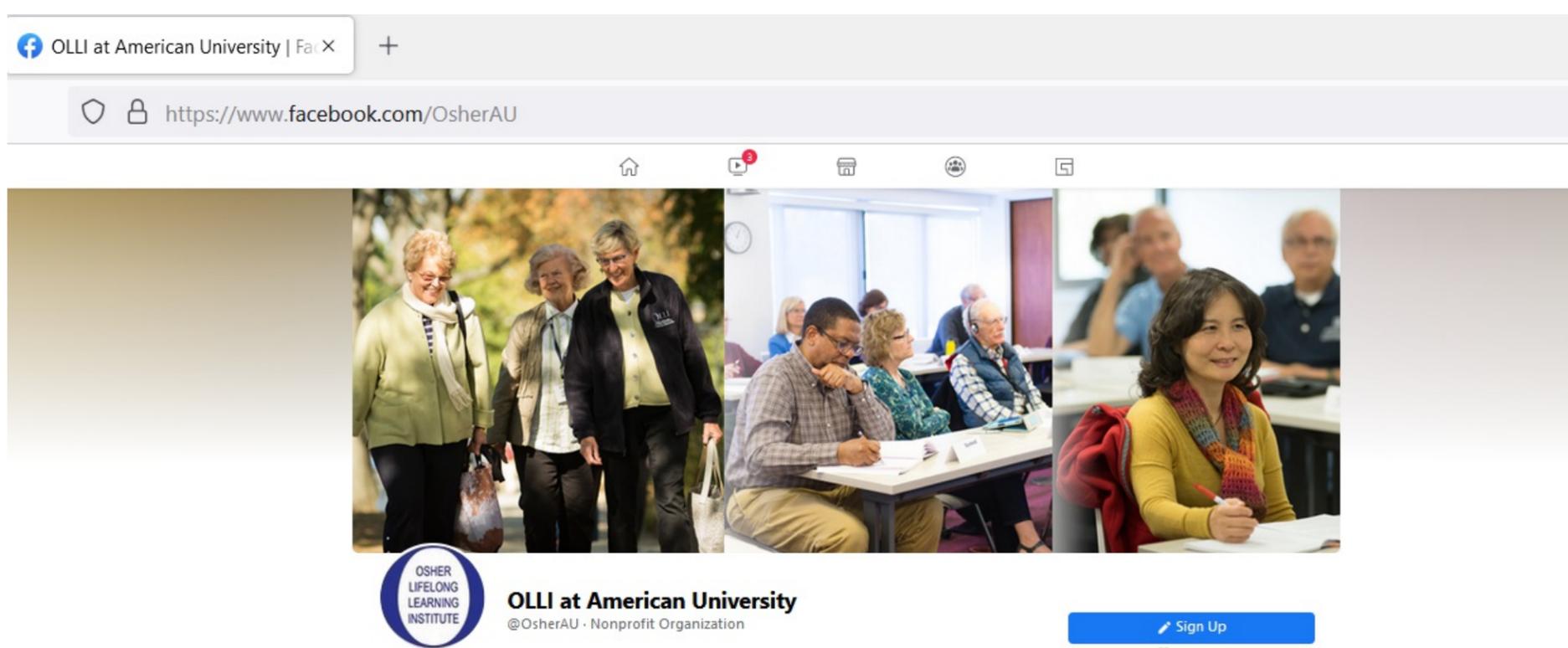
Dennis Drabelle will be discussing his new book, *The Power of Scenery: Frederick Law Olmstead and the Origin of National Parks*. Olmstead's role in the creation of NY's Central Park is well known. Olmstead's role in creating Yosemite and the design for our other national parks is less well-known but even more significant. Drabelle will be interviewed by Douglas Wheeler.

Dennis Drabelle is a writer and former attorney. During the 1970s he was an attorney-adviser at the U.S. Department of the Interior and counsel to the assistant secretary of the interior for fish and wildlife and parks. Drabelle was a contributing editor of the Washington Post Book World for more than thirty years. Drabelle has published four prior books, and his articles and his articles on the environment and national parks have appeared in Outside, Smithsonian, Sierra, Backpacker, and many other magazines.

No registration is required. The Zoom link will be emailed to all OLLI newsletter subscribers the morning of the talk.

OLLI is on Facebook

Curious about what we are up to? OLLI's members and study group leaders are at the heart of the work we do. If you're looking for ways to find out about OLLI events, connect with other members, and spread awareness of our mission, we hope you will follow and join in the conversation on our recently launched [Facebook page](#). Facebook attracts a very diverse audience of retirees and is a way to reach out to lifelong learners who might not know about us.



American University News & Events

CENTER FOR ISRAEL STUDIES

Memories of Munich: The Munich Olympics Terror Attack Fifty Years On

Wednesday, December 8

1:00-2:00 PM (via Zoom)

Join Michael Brenner, American University's Abensohn Chair in Israel Studies and the Chair of Jewish History and Culture at the Ludwig Maximilian University Munich for the 2021 Yosef Hayim Yerushalmi Lecture, in English, by **David Clay Large** (Professor of History at the Fromm Institute, University of San Francisco).

To register please email: juedische.geschichte@lrz.uni-muenchen.de

You will receive the link one day before the event.

AU ARTS

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

AU MUSEUM

Fall Schedule: until Sunday, December 12

Friday-Sunday only

11:00 AM-4:00 PM

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

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