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This Week

Last Call for Fall Proposals

Fall proposals for are due on Monday, May 6. The fall semester starts on Monday, September 9 and runs for 14 weeks. **Proposals must be submitted by Monday.**

May 6 in order to be considered.

For Proposal form with instructions (Word Doc) - [Click Here](#)

For Proposal form with instructions to print and fill out (PDF) - [Click Here](#)



OPEN TO ALL CURRENT OLLI MEMBERS

Understanding Muslim Americans and Islam

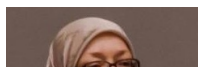
Wednesday, May 8 (CH)

12-1pm

Location: Wieboldt Hall, 339 E. Chicago Ave.

Streaming to Evanston: 500 Davis Center, Suite 700

Many misconceptions, stereotypes and the Islamophobic rhetoric in mainstream media lead to fear, hate and divisive communities except for the few who struggle for understanding and harmony. Muslims worldwide are not a monolith and the same holds true for American Muslims. What are the principles of Islam that all Muslims profess and attest as dynamic in this 21st century? And what of the combined minority sects of the Shia and their relation to Sunni Islam that comprises the vast majority of the Muslim World? Karen Danielson joins us to discuss the complexity of Muslim World politic and the Islamic sciences of exegesis, hadith (transmissions from the life of Muhammad, the Prophet), jurisprudence and others that influence these sciences. Discussing these topics, and more, unveils the depth and beauty of Islam and Muslims and affirms the necessity to bridge communities and remove the walls of division.



Karen Danielson is a frequent local and national Speaker on interfaith understanding from an American Muslim point of view. After converting from



Catholicism to Islam she completed a Master of Arts in Islamic Studies at the University of Jordan. For almost 30 years, she has directed, taught, and coordinated interfaith, intra-faith, and outreach projects for the Muslim American Society of Chicago and other organizations around Chicago.

This event is free and open to all current OLLI members. Registration is required for both campuses. Coffee and biscuits will be served at the streaming location only.

REGISTER

A Diversity & Inclusion Special Event - to enhance and expand diversity and inclusion at OLLI.

Next Week



ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

Committee Week at OLLI! Monday-Thursday, May 13-16

(EV & CH) 11:45am-1:15pm

Evanston Location: 500 Davis Center, Suite 700

Chicago Location: Wieboldt Hall, 339 E. Chicago Ave.

All members encouraged to attend. No registration required! All week committee members will be on hand during lunchtime to answer questions regarding what they do and how you can get involved! OLLI depends on its member volunteers to help defray cost that would otherwise have to be covered through member dues. Responsibilities can be minimal or extensive, depending on the committee and tasks at hand. Stop by to learn about the many ways you can give back to OLLI by serving on one of the committees, or lending a few hours in other volunteer activities to help OLLI become even more dynamic, creative, and welcoming.

To learn more about OLLI's Advisory Council and committees - [Click Here](#)



OPEN TO ALL CURRENT OLLI MEMBERS

Economic Voter Intimidation and the Crisis of Workplace Democracy in Late 19th Century U.S.

Tuesday, May 14 (EV)

12-1pm

Location: 500 Davis Center, Suite 700

Streaming to Chicago: Wieboldt Hall, 339 E. Chicago Ave.

In American political history, the Gilded Age (1876-1900) is popularly known as an era of extremely high voter turnout with a spirit of cheerful political engagement among all eligible (white and male) voters that our modern cynical age sorely lacks. Missing from this image is the reality of what voting for working class men in the rapidly industrializing United States looked and felt like. In this talk Gideon Cohn-Postar traces voter participation from factory

floor to the polling place, exploring the coercion, intimidation, and bribery that typified elections for thousands of workers throughout the U.S. While it is long-forgotten now, the struggle over the right of employees to vote free of pressure from their employers guides much of the conduct of modern elections and our own experiences at the polls.



Gideon Cohn-Postar is a doctoral candidate in American history at Northwestern University. His work focuses on voter intimidation and fraud and the hazy boundaries that American society draws around the concept of political legitimacy. His research has been supported by the Gilder-Lehrman Institute of American History, the Social Science Research Council, and the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

This event is free and open to all current OLLI members. Registration is required for both campuses. Coffee and biscuits will be served at the streaming location only.

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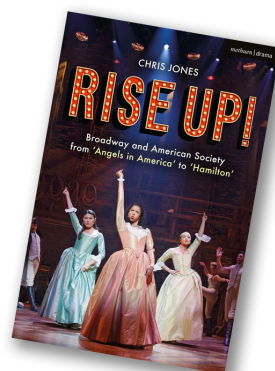
How *Hamilton* Happened
Wednesday, May 15 (CH)
 12-1pm

Location: Wieboldt Hall, 339 E. Chicago Ave.
 Streaming to Evanston: 500 Davis Center, Suite 700

Join us to hear the story of how *Hamilton* has affected

Broadway (and Chicago) theater as well as the nation's culture and politics. Chris Jones will tell the story of Broadway's renaissance, from the darkest days of the AIDS crisis through the unparalleled financial, artistic and political success of Lin-Manuel Miranda's *Hamilton*. It is the story of the embrace of risk and substance, where the theater thrived by finally embracing the bold statement and inserting itself into the national conversation. Chris was in the theaters when and where it mattered and whether you booed or applauded for the many plays and musicals he discusses, there is no denying that Jones vividly captures the theater's new clout as it attempts to change American society for the better.

This event is free and open to all current OLLI members. Registration is required for both campuses. Coffee and biscuits will be served at the streaming location only.



Book Sale & Signing

Chris Jones' new book, *Rise Up! Broadway and American Society from Angels in America to Hamilton* will be on sale after the lecture (\$24.95) and Chris will sign purchased copies. **Cash, credit card and checks accepted.**

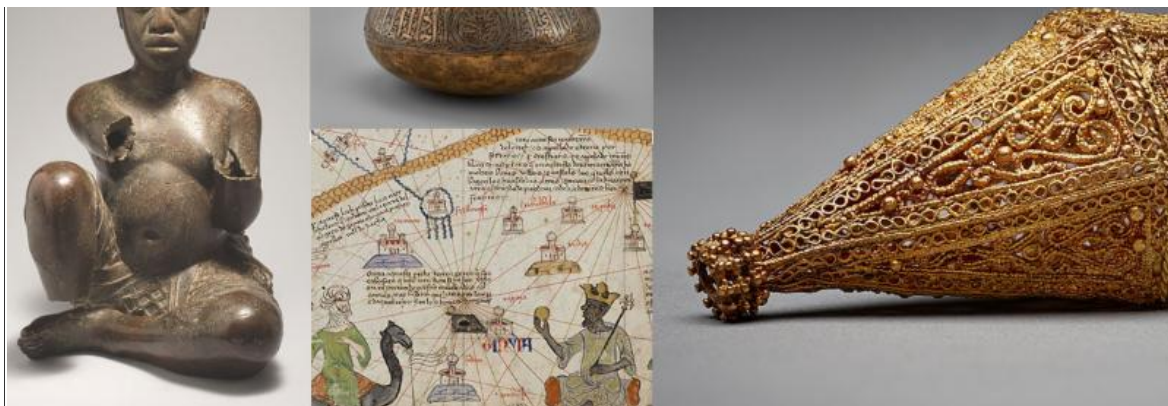


Chris Jones is the chief theater critic and Sunday culture columnist of *The Chicago Tribune*, where he has written thousands of reviews and columns. His work has appeared often in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, and *Variety*. Chris was named one of the most influential theater critics in America by American Theater and is a winner of the George Jean Nathan Award for Dramatic Criticism. Chris is the author of the new book *Rise Up! Broadway and American Society from Angels in America to Hamilton* (Bloomsbury).

REGISTER

Presented by the Academic Enrichment Committee in Chicago.





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Caravans of Gold Fragments in Time

Docent Guided Tour

Friday, May 17

(CH Tour) 11am-12pm

(EV Tour) 1-2pm

Location: Block Museum of Art, 40 Arts Circle Dr.

Join OLLI for a docent guided tour of Caravans of Gold, Fragments in Time, the first major exhibition to showcase the splendor and power of the lost kingdoms and commercial centers of Africa. This ambitious exhibition explores the global impact Saharan trade routes had on a medieval economy fueled by gold, upends historical misconceptions, and demonstrates Africa's underrecognized global significance and influence on medieval Europe, North Africa, the Middle East and beyond. Presenting more than 250 artworks spanning five centuries and a vast geographic expanse, the exhibition features unprecedented loans from partner institutions in Mali, Morocco, and Nigeria, many of which have never been presented in the United States.

This event is free and open to all current OLLI members. Space is limited. Registration is required. Complimentary, round-trip, bus transportation will be provided from our Chicago campus only.

REGISTER

A Diversity & Inclusion Committee event - to enhance and expand diversity and inclusion at OLLI.

Morning tour:

Complimentary, round-trip, bus transportation will be provided from the Chicago Campus only.

Bus Depart/Return:

Wieboldt Hall, 339 E. Chicago Ave. Bus loads at 9:45am with departure at 10am sharp; returns by 1:15pm

Afternoon tour:

Meets at the Block Museum.

Upcoming Workshops & Events

You can browse and register for all our upcoming workshops and events by visiting the [OLLI Online Registration System](#). Once there, click on "Browse" then " Special Events, Workshops and Lectures".



Evanston Artists: Images of Social Justice

Thursday, May 23 at 12pm

Location: 500 Davis Center, Suite 700
Local artists, Fran Joy and Jevoid Simmons, join us to share their vibrant art, and the compelling stories that inspired them.

[Learn More](#)



Tinkering with Memory

Tuesday, May 28 at 3:30pm

Location: Wieboldt Hall, 339 E. Chicago Ave.
How does memory work and how can we fix it when it breaks? Cognitive neuroscientist, Dr. Joel Voss joins us to discuss new brain-stimulation technologies capitalizing on the latest research discoveries.

[Learn More](#)

**The OLLI
Annual Meeting
& Fall Preview**

Tuesday, May 21 (EV)

Wednesday, May 22 (CH)

3:30-5pm

Evanston Location: 500 Davis Center, Suite 700
Chicago Location: Wieboldt Hall, 339 E. Chicago Ave.

All members encouraged to attend.

Don't miss the Annual Meeting! We'll elect new Advisory Council members, thank the outgoing Advisory Council members, and preview our fall study group offerings.

No registration required. Refreshments will be served.

Other News



Evanston Development Cooperative

Dick Co, co-founder of the Evanston Development Cooperative (EDC), joined us last week to discuss "sensible housing" and aging-in-place. The EDC has taken building technologies from the award-winning House by Northwestern project, supported by OLLI students in 2017, into the Evanston community to construct this type of housing. He specifically addressed coach houses, what can be done with them, what is allowed per zone, and typical costs.

To see a PDF of his presentation - [Clicking Here](#)

Submit Study Group Ideas All Year

Now you can submit ideas you have for study groups any time, day or night! Simply click below and fill out our new online form. Show your support in helping to create an engaging and dynamic offering of study groups at OLLI by submitting ideas whenever you think of them. All Ideas welcome!

[CLICK HERE!](#)

Questions? Email the Study Group Committee
ollistudygroupcommittee@northwestern.edu

Northwestern Diversity & Inclusion Events

A quick link to all the Northwestern community diversity and inclusion events. Northwestern encourages community members to take part in events like these to increase their cultural competency and understanding. [View All Upcoming Events.](#)

Northwestern Public Events

See what is going on at Northwestern this month and next. Concerts, lectures, athletic events - there is always something going on. [View May Events.](#)

Reminder to All Members

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact the OLLI office on either campus for help. **Do not call or go to other Northwestern departments.** They will

not be able to assist you. The OLLI office should be your contact for Net-IDs, payments, room issues, parking vouchers in Chicago, Wildcards, registration and emails. The OLLI offices can be reached by email or phone.

CH: maurita.gholston@northwestern.edu or 312-503-7881

EV: l-dangelo@northwestern.edu or 847-492-8204

Chicago: Parking Pass Pick-Up Time

Parking passes may be picked up in the OLLI office from 11:30am to 1:30pm **ONLY.**

Evanston: Construction Project Information

The City of Evanston has launched a significant construction project on Northwestern's Evanston campus, and all members of the campus community are urged to use caution and leave extra time when driving or walking near the work site. **To read the full announcement - [Click Here.](#)**

[Information from the City of Evanston - Click Here](#)

Evanston: Street Parking Information

If you park on the street while attending study groups or events, be sure to read the street signs carefully to avoid a ticket. You can refer to the City of Evanston website for more information. Reminder, street cleaning has begun in Evanston.

To access the City of Evanston website - [Click Here.](#)

Northwestern Shuttle

Check the shuttle website for the latest information as schedules can change due to

weather and events on campus. **To access the Shuttle website - [Click Here](#).**

The TransLoc Rider App can be used to track the shuttles in real-time. For information on how to get and use the app - **[Click Here](#)**

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Please note: The submission deadline for articles in the OLLI newsletter is the Monday prior to the issue in which you would like your information to appear. For events that require registration, the deadline is 6wks prior. Inclusion is at the discretion of the Director. Send submission requests to lee.lawlor@northwestern.edu



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