Dear OLLI Members,

As we continue to navigate these difficult times, we have begun reaching out to members in cancelled study groups with a refund schedule or the option to donate the refunded book to:

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https://ui.constantcontact.com/nnavmap/email/action/print?agentId=1134217605295
cancelled study groups with a refund schedule or the option to donate the refund back to OLLI. 
**This is not a quick process and we ask for your patience.** Please DO NOT email the office directly about refunds - wait to be contacted. More information can be found in these FAQ sheets:

FAQs Regarding Cancelled Study Groups - Click Here  
FAQs Regarding Refunds - Click Here

**Summer Session 2020**

On April 23, Northwestern University announced that all summer session classes that start on or before July 12 must be run remotely for the entire summer. Therefore, OLLI will run its study groups remotely this summer. We currently have a packed summer schedule, with the majority of study groups able to run remotely. Coordinators who originally said that they would only offer their study group on campus will be contacted to see if there is a way to modify their study group or work through the technology gap. A robust training schedule will be established to help students and coordinators who wish to participate in the summer session but are new to remote learning/Zoom.

**Fall Planning 2020**

OLLI will need to be flexible in its fall programming so that we can respond to whatever is thrown our way, whether that is a full return to campus, a modified return, or a remote-only semester. Irrespective of the plan adopted, OLLI will offer a robust selection of remote study groups, academic enrichment and social opportunities to keep the membership engaged and the program vibrant.

As we move forward with fall semester planning:

- We are continuing with our current call for fall proposals.
- We will present a "selection" of study groups (on ground and remote) at the Annual Meetings in May.
- We will make a decision on the plan for fall no later than the end of June, if it is not already made for us by Northwestern University.
- Once the determination has been made about the fall, every coordinator will be contacted and given the opportunity to modify their plans accordingly. This will reduce the need for coordinators to decide everything now, and/or to list every possible scenario on their proposal form.
- We will beef up technology training to all in the OLLI community who need it.

**Online Lectures & the Annual Meetings**

For those of you with cancelled study groups, remember you are still a member of OLLI and you may register for our webinars even if your study group(s) was cancelled. Please take advantage of this membership benefit. We have many great webinars planned for May.

Please note that we plan to hold the Annual Meetings remotely this year. At these meetings, you will be able to sample a taste of the fall offerings, as well as watch the election of Advisory Council offices. The Evanston Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, May 18 at 5 p.m. The Chicago Annual meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 20 at 3:30 p.m.

For general updates on Northwestern's response to COVID-19, please monitor the university's COVID-19 website [HERE](https://ui.constantcontact.com/rnavmap/email/action/print?agentId=1134217605295).

Please stay well.
Sincerely,

Kirsty
Kirsty Montgomery, Ph.D.
Director, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute
Northwestern University

OLLI Office Reminder

As the Northwestern community works to combat the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), the university has limited on-campus activity. All OLLI staff have been instructed to work remotely. **OLLI staff will continue to be available by email during our normal office hours**, however the OLLI offices on each campus are now closed until further notice.

**To reach OLLI staff** please email olli@northwestern.edu or submit a ticket through the OLLI Help Desk. Please be patient, we will reply as quickly as we can.

**OLLI Office Contacts:**
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OLLI Help Desk: spsolloi.sps.northwestern.edu

This Week

**ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS:**

**Last Call for Fall Study Group Proposals**

Proposals for fall 2020 study groups must be submitted by Monday, April 27 to be considered. The fall semester starts on Tuesday, September 8 and runs for 14 weeks.

**New! Online Form for Submitting Proposals.**

We've made submitting a proposal easy and quick. All you need to do is click on the button.
We've made submitting a proposal easy and quick. All you need to do is click on the button below for the campus where you want to run your study group. Fill out the online form and click submit! Your proposal will immediately be submitted to the Study Group Committee for review and you will be emailed a copy of your proposal submission.

NOTE: Prior to starting the form, gather all the information you will need as you will not be able to save the form and go back to it. For a list of information you will need to complete the form - CLICK HERE.

To submit a proposal, select the campus where you’d like to hold your fall study group:

Submit to Chicago  Submit to Evanston

EMERGING SCHOLARS LECTURE SERIES

The Mississippi River in Native American Poetry
Tuesday, April 28
12-1pm

Location: Online via Zoom

Join us for this talk focused on two contemporary Native American poems of the Mississippi River: "New Orleans" by the current U.S. Poet Laureate Joy Harjo (Creek) and "Pre-Occupied"
Current U.S. Poet Laureate Joy Harjo (Creek) and "Pre-Occupied" by the Minnesota-based Heid E. Erdrich (Ojibwe). The poems rhetorically reclaim sites from which official historical accounts often exclude Native people, creating a space for healing and Indigenous cultural sovereignty. The poems connect to the past, claim the present, and participate in creating an Indigenous future by producing their own version of what some call "spatial justice."

This lecture will be presented online via Zoom as a webinar. It is free and open to all current OLLI members. Two-step registration is required.*

Sara Cerne is a PhD candidate in English at Northwestern and former Franke Fellow at the Kaplan Institute for the Humanities. Her dissertation centers on race and the environment in post-Twain literature along the Mississippi.

*Webinars require a two-step registration process for security reasons. The first step is to register on the OLLI Online Registration System. Shortly after registration closes, you will be sent a link to complete the registration process. Once you have completed this second step, you will be emailed the link for the webinar. DO NOT share your webinar link, it is specific to you and space is limited.

Next Week

NEW LECTURE SERIES - OPEN TO ALL CURRENT OLLI MEMBERS

Opera Talks - Puccini's *Tosca*

**Tuesday, May 5**

3:30-5pm

**Location:** Online via Zoom

Join us on Tuesday afternoons in May from 3:30 to 5:00 pm for our Opera Talks Webinar series presented by Neil Adelman. Each talk will cover one opera. Its storv. music. composer. and much

**Neil Adelman** is a former Lyric Opera community lecturer.
We'll begin the lecture series with Tosca, the Puccini masterpiece that has been thrilling audiences for more than 100 years. It is the story of Floria Tosca, a diva who has all Rome at her feet, Mario Cavaradossi, the revolutionary artist who loves her, and Baron Scarpia, the vicious police chief who lusts after her.

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This talk will cover the story of Carmen, its music, composer, and much more, along with video excerpts and time for discussion. Learn More

Special Event: Building Community in a Time of Crisis
Friday, May 15 at 9:30am
Location: Online Webinar via Zoom
How are community organizations working together to drive neighborhood equity and build cohesion during this time of uncertainty? This online community forum will explore how collaboration among government, business, philanthropic organizations and community groups is reshaping city policies and priorities. Open to the public. Learn More

Telling Territory: Thomas Jefferson, Hendrick Aupaumut, and a Mohican Land Claim in Indiana
Thursday, May 28 at noon
Location: Online Webinar via Zoom
An examination of correspondence between Mohican Chief Hendrick Aupaumut and President Thomas Jefferson in 1808 regarding a land rights agreement reveals two competing visions for the future of middle America, as well as two incompatible histories of North America's past. Learn More

About OLLI Webinars
In lieu of in-person lectures, the OLLI spring lecture series will now be conducted as webinars. Webinars function slightly different from OLLI remote study group meetings. Here's how:

- Webinars are live lectures (not recorded), but attendees are not seen and their microphones are muted. Only the speaker and host are seen and heard.
- Attendees are able to ask the speaker questions using the Q & A text box at the bottom of their screen. The webinar host will read some of the questions out loud for the speaker to answer during the short Q & A session at the end of the presentation.
- Access is via a website link. Once registration is completed, all attendees will be emailed a link to access the lecture. Simply click on the link provided at webinar start time to join.
- **Webinars are open to all current OLLI members.** Registration is required. Remember, even if your spring study group was cancelled, you are still an OLLI member and our webinars are a benefit of that membership.

- **Webinars require a two-step registration process** for security reasons. The first step is to register using the OLLI Online Registration System. Shortly after registration closes, all registrants will be sent a link to complete their registration. Once this second step is completed, they will be emailed the link for the webinar. DO NOT share your webinar link, it is specific to you and space is limited.

**Questions? Email olli@northwestern.edu**

### Other News

#### Northwestern's Response to Coronavirus (COVID-19)
Northwestern University continues to monitor the situation on the global outbreak of Coronavirus. In an effort to keep the community informed a dedicated website has been created which will continue to be updated with messages, advisories, and information about COVID-19.

To access Northwestern's Coronavirus (COVID-19) website, [Click Here](https://ui.constantcontact.com/rnavmap/email/action/print?agentId=1134217605295)
To read Northwestern's policy on self-isolation, [Click Here](https://ui.constantcontact.com/rnavmap/email/action/print?agentId=1134217605295)

#### Northwestern Shuttle
The shuttle schedule has changed due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) emergency and the extended stay-at-home order issued by the state of Illinois. Some routes are operating on reduced or modified schedules. Check the shuttle website for the latest information on these schedule changes.

To access the Shuttle website - [Click Here](https://ui.constantcontact.com/rnavmap/email/action/print?agentId=1134217605295)
For service updates and announcements - [Click Here](https://ui.constantcontact.com/rnavmap/email/action/print?agentId=1134217605295)

#### Northwestern Libraries Closed
Please be aware that all Evanston and Chicago library buildings are now closed. The Library has set up a COVID-19 Library Update page to keep you informed regarding changes to the library system, remote resources and services. To access the update page - [Click Here](https://ui.constantcontact.com/rnavmap/email/action/print?agentId=1134217605295)

Please note, requests for Course Reserves has changes. Information regarding the changes can be found on the Library Blog page - [Click Here](https://ui.constantcontact.com/rnavmap/email/action/print?agentId=1134217605295)

If you need help finding digital resources for your study group, or if you are not sure which person to contact about other library-related matters, email Tracy Coyne at tracy-coyne@northwestern.edu

#### 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.
Campus Info: Help! Do not call or go to other Northwestern departments.

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**OLLI Online Help Desk**

Click the link below to submit a 'ticket'. Watch your email for a reply from an OLLI staff member - you may be asked to supply additional information. Use this link to request help with NetIDs, schedule changes, tech support, etc.

**CLICK HERE!**

**Submit Study Group Ideas All Year**

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

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**THE END**

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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 a minimum of 6wks prior. Inclusion is at the discretion of the Director. Send submission requests to lee.lawlor@northwestern.edu

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