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Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Northwestern University



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Update from the OLLI Director May 3, 2020

Dear OLLI Members,

It was announced earlier this week that Kari Fagin has accepted the position of director at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Northwestern University. I am sure you will all join me in welcoming Kari to OLLI. Kari's first day on the job will be Monday, May 18 which will allow for her to have some cross-over time with me prior to my departure. Kari was the unanimous recommendation of the hiring committee and has a strong background in and commitment to adult learning. I am thrilled that I am leaving OLLI in good hands! You may

commitment to adult learning. I am thrilled that I am leaving OLLI in good hands. You may read the Dean's full announcement [HERE](#).

Summer Session 2020 and Fall Planning

As I mentioned last week, 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. The OLLI summer schedule is currently packed with remote study groups and enrichment events. A robust training schedule will be established to any who wish to participate in the summer session but are new to remote learning/Zoom.

OLLI will continue to be flexible in its planning for 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. A decision on the plan for fall will be made no later than the end of June, if it is not already made for us by Northwestern University. Irrespective of the plan adopted, OLLI will continue to offer a robust and engaging selection of remote study groups, academic enrichment, and social opportunities.

For general updates on Northwestern's response to COVID-19, please monitor the university's COVID-19 website [HERE](#).

The OLLI Annual Meetings and Fall Preview

The Annual Meetings will be held remotely this year. All members are welcome and I encourage you to attend. At these meetings, we will preview fall offerings and vote to elect Advisory Council members for the 2020-21 academic year. 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. Details on the meetings can be found further down in this newsletter.

Please stay well.

Sincerely,

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

Advisory Board Nominations:

Below are the proposed slates for the 2020-21 Advisory Council on each campus. Voting will take place at the Annual Meetings on Monday, May 18 (EV) and Wednesday, May 20 (CH).

Chicago: [Click Here](#)

Evanston: [Click Here](#)

Provisional list of full Advisory Council: [Click Here](#)

This 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 story, music, composer, and much more, along with video excerpts and time for discussion.

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.

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.*

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*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.

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the Evanston campus for several years. More recently he coordinated the Lyric Opera preview lectures on both campuses.

Next Week





ATTENTION ALL OLLI MEMBERS

Committee Week Monday-Thursday, May 11-14

Location: Online via Zoom

Open to all members! Committee week is your chance learn about the various OLLI committees and how you can get involved. OLLI depends on its member run committees to plan enrichment activities, develop study group selections each term, and provide support for coordinators and members. The volunteers on these committees help defray cost that would otherwise have to be covered through member dues. At these meeting, you can 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. Current committee members will also respond to any questions you may have.

A list of OLLI committees can be found on the [OLLI website](#). Registration is required for each meeting. You will be sent a Zoom access link prior to the meeting.

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NEW LECTURE SERIES - OPEN TO ALL CURRENT OLLI MEMBERS

Opera Talks - Bizet's *Carmen*

Tuesday, May 12

3:30-5pm

Location: Online via Zoom

The second lecture in this series will examine *Carmen* by Georges Bizet. One of the most popular French opera's of all time, *Carmen* is known for its catchy and memorable tunes including "Habanera" and the "Toréador Song". It tells "the tale of the outrageous, independent cigarette girl in Seville whose passion and seductive prowess will leave you stunned."

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AN OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE SPECIAL EVENT



Friday, May 15

9:30-11:30am

Location: Online via Zoom

Co-hosted by the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Northwestern University and Leadership Greater Chicago

Chicago is a global city with a highly diversified economy, yet much of the capital and innovation remains downtown - inaccessible to many during this time of crisis. Join us for this special online community forum to explore how collaboration among government, business, philanthropic organizations and community groups is guiding and reshaping city policies and priorities at this crucial time. We'll hear from Chicago community leaders on the front lines of driving change, and learn about new research from Northwestern University on

how community networks are being rewired for maximum social impact.

Michelle Shumate, Professor of Communication Studies at Northwestern University and Director of Network for Nonprofit and Social Impact, will talk about what community networks are and how they are used to drive social change. She'll discuss the importance of

building and strengthening community cohesion, particularly in times of crisis.

Maria Wynne, CEO of Leadership Greater Chicago, will lead a discussion with **Helene Gayle**, President and CEO of Chicago Community Trust, and **Candace Moore**, Chief Equity Officer, City of Chicago, on how the City is coming together in response to the Coronavirus. They'll delve into how to bring an equity lens to policy making during this crisis and how the Chicago Community COVID-19 Response Fund is supporting non-profits as they work to serve our region's most vulnerable.



Michelle Shumate



Maria Wynne



Helene Gayle



Candace Moore

One Chicago for All Alliance, a collaboration of 26 community organizations representing over 1 million Chicagoans. Four alliance members will join us to for a panel discussion covering how and why the Alliance was conceived, how neighborhoods have been affected, and how the alliance is helping. Panelist are: Jake Ament, Director, Neighborhood Network, Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC); Reverend Randall Blakey, Executive Director, Near North Unity Program and Executive Pastor at LaSalle Street Church; Angela Hurlock, Executive Director Claretian Associates and Board Chair, Chicago Housing Authority; and James Rudyk, Executive Director, Northwest Side Housing Center



Jake Ament



Rev. Randall Blakey



Angela Hurlock



James Rudyk

A moderated questions and answers sessions will follow each segment. This event is free and open to the public. Space is limited and registration is required.

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Upcoming Events & Webinars

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



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[Learn More](#)

Past Webinars Now on YouTube!

Did you miss a webinar? Some of our past webinars are now available to view on our YouTube channel. [Click Here.](#)

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



OLLI's Coordinator Bulletin Board

Note: You must be a current OLLI member to be a coordinator for any OLLI study group.

Attention: Co-Coordiators Needed for Proposed 2020 Fall Study Groups!

There are several proposed study groups on each campus that are in need of co-coordinators. These can be great opportunities for new coordinators looking to gain experience. To read the descriptions and for contact information - [Click Here](#).

OLLI Office Contacts

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 or submit a tick through the OLLI Help Desk.

Help Desk: spsolli.sps.northwestern.edu

Email: olli@northwestern.edu

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](#)

To read Northwestern's policy on self-isolation, [Click Here](#)

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](#)

For service updates and announcements - [Click Here](#)

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](#)

Please note, requests for Course Reserves has changes. Information regarding the changes can be found on the Library Blog page - [Click Here](#)

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

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

THE END

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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