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THE OUTLOOK

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TRIPPING WITH OLLI SPRING 2016



SE 55: OLLI and the Chocolate Factory
March 23

Preview of Trips & Tours

Guests welcome!

Event Date	Event Code	Event Name	Event Cost
Feb. 16	SE 52	Tree People's Drought Solutions Tour	\$76
Mar. 8	SE 53	Beall Center:Traces of Vitality	Free
Mar. 23	SE 55	OLLI & The Chocolate Factory	\$57
Mar. 29	SE 56	The Petersen Automotive Museum	\$68
Apr. 10	SE 58	The Holocaust Museum	\$65
Apr. 29	SE 59	Art Alive and Balboa Park Museums	\$85
May 05	SE 60	Homeboy Industries and Union Station	\$50
May 25	SE 61	La Brea Tar Pits and Farmer's Market	\$70

Click on an Event Name to view a detailed description of the event.

NEW BONUS: Travel with OLLI and Premier World Travel: See p. 33 in the catalog for details. Informational meeting, Thursday, Feb. 11, 1:30 PM.

THE BOARD'S CORNER



With this new year, the concept that "the only constant is change itself" seems very apt for OLLI at UCI in 2016.

First, we hope you like our new format. It is especially designed for easier reading on mobile devices and has links that will take you to additional information. Technology certainly does not stand still.

Second, our architect's plans for our new site at the Irvine Transportation Center are being evaluated by both the city and the university, as well as by our own Site Committee. We move on to permits and final approval and will "shout from the housetop" when we really break ground, but that is not for this month's announcement. We will remain at our Woodbridge location through the Spring semester, and hope to be in our new classroom for the Fall of 2016.

We will keep posting notices showing our progress on the bulletin board and please remember that we really will need your help in financing the new seating and AV equipment for the larger site. Look for such plans as we get closer to that exciting moment.

Again, thanks to all who have done so much to move this project ahead as well as to all who have shown such interest and support in finding a larger, more permanent site.

Happy New Year,
Pat Linehan
President, OLLI at UCI

Minutes Notice

The Minutes of the November 18, 2015 Board of Directors' meeting, to be approved at the January 27, 2016 meeting, are posted on the OLLI bulletin board at the back of the Woodbridge Onken Classroom.

Donors List

The updated Donors list is now posted on the OLLI bulletin board at the back of the Onken classroom or click [here](#) to view it online. Thanks to all who participate in helping OLLI at UCI retain the ability to offer the programs we enjoy.

OLLI INFORMATION



SPRING CLASS LOCATION CHANGE:

The Cultural Influences of the Spanish Masters (AH 106)

will meet at UCI's University Club, not the Woodbridge classroom, on March 22. In addition, the class will meet from 2-4 PM (not 1 PM as listed in the Spring catalog). Please make the change in your catalog if you are planning to attend this class.

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

As the new year begins, the Board and I want to express our gratitude to those who make OLLI the exciting place where we can learn and share ideas.

From the class developers and the Curriculum Committees who plan our courses, to the facilitators who keep life organized, to those who support all the details like technology, bulletin boards, the library, the calendar, social events, and financial details, these members are a vital part of OLLI.

Some, however, have done these tasks long enough that they are ready to pass the challenge to others. Please think of your interests when you see lists of tasks that will need new faces in the upcoming months and volunteer your time and expertise.

Looking forward to hearing from you,

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SPOTLIGHT

ALL THE WORLD'S A STAGE...DRAMA AT UCI

from Bobi Keenan, OLLI Liaison to UCI Drama

One of the "perks" of being the OLLI Liaison to the



Drama Department is getting to meet the faculty and students. They are unanimously *thrilled* to have OLLI members in the audience! I add my thanks to theirs for your support of theatre at UCI.

Just a word about ***Man of La Mancha***; it was remarkable not just as an amazing production, but when you consider that, aside from the orchestra and our own faculty conductor Dennis Castellano who are professionals, everyone else involved in this production was a student! As to the actors, only Don Quixote, Aldonza/Dulcinea and the Innkeeper are in the Graduate Program...the rest were all undergrads!

I also hope you got a chance to see ***These Shining Lives*** in The Little Theatre: great story, beautiful acting, amazing costumes. Gary Busby's Assistant, Leslie Blough, got us closer parking, better transportation and a site adjacent to the theatre for the pre-show talk. She personally made several trips back and forth from the parking lot to help people find their way to our OLLI Director's Talk - lots of planning!

Aside from the OLLI sponsored shows, the Drama Department has student shows open to us throughout the year. If you want information on them, please contact Leslie Blough, lblough@uci.edu, to get on the e-mail list. Your support of drama at UCI is good for us and good for them!

The next Director's Talk and performance in the New Year is ***Clybourne Park*** on Sunday, Jan. 31. If you have signed up, look for e-mail details in early January.

Bobi Keenan

UNIVERSITY CLUB FORUM

Coordinated by OLLI at UC Irvine and
the University Club



The Forum convenes for a Wednesday lunch and presentation at UCI's University Club. Lunch begins at 11:15 AM and is \$14 for OLLI members. Please call 949-824-7960, or e-mail uclubres@uci.edu to make reservations. Click [here to view the Winter schedule](#).

JANUARY

January 13: Richard Haier, M.D., UCI Professor Emeritus, Pediatrics. *Why Some Brains Are Smarter Than Others: Intelligence, Creativity, and the Common Core.*

January 20: Leo Chavez, Ph.D., UCI Professor of Anthropology. *From Reagan to Anchor Babies: Immigration Discourse over the Last 50 Years.*

January 27: Jeffrey Wasserstrom, Ph.D., UCI Chancellor's Professor of History. *The People's Pope and the Chairman of Everything.*

OLLI EXTRAS

Movie Talk

One Saturday morning a month, a group of us gathers to talk about recent movie encounters. We share insights, information, gripes and gossip. Next meeting -- January 23, 10 AM at Woodbridge Onken classroom. The Awards season is coming up! No reservations required. Questions? Contact Jessie Tromberg at jzt1@cox.net.



Spanish Conversation

Spanish Club will meet from 9:45 -11:30 AM on the four Wednesdays in January -- 6,13, 20, and 27 -- in the Woodbridge Onken Classroom. The group chooses a topic for discussion (in Spanish) each week. New members are always welcome. Contact Sue Mendizza at mendizza@cox.net for information.

Bridge Club

Bridge is back at Onken for Spring semester! Instructor, Life Master Richard Anthony, reminds members that a 2000 study at UC Berkeley found strong evidence that an area in the brain used for playing bridge stimulates the immune system. Researchers suggest that is because players must use memory, visualization, and sequencing. In addition, there's good company. Contact Carole Hill marketfan@aol.com or 949-509-0202 for more information.

Bridge meeting dates for 2016:



February 15, Monday at 1:30 PM

March 7, Monday at 1:30 PM

March 28 Monday at 1:30 PM

April 4, Monday at 1:30 PM

May 18, Wednesday at 1:30 PM

June 6, Monday at 1:30 PM

Mah Jongg

The group meets at 1:30 PM every Tuesday at Rancho Senior Center, 3 Ethel Coplen Way, on a drop-in basis. Guests are welcome. For more information, e-mail Estelle Elkin at estelle.elkin@att.net.

Travel Talk

Travel Talk will happen if one of you will step up with your pictures and commentary from a recent trip. Where in the world have you been? Tell us about it. We'll put you on the calendar on a Saturday in the Woodbridge classroom. Contact Jessie Tromberg if you have a travel story to share: jzt1@cox.net.

Gastronomers Group

All about food, dining, and cooking. The next event is Wednesday, January 13, at 5 PM. Contact Toni Dwyer at radatoni@cox.net or Jessie Tromberg at jzt1@cox.net to learn about the location.



INQUIRING MINDS



Critical Eye: Reviews

MACBETH, the film

In theatrical circles they call it *The Scottish Play*, a kind of technique to ward off the evil spirits that supposedly accompany its presentation. This is a screen adaptation of Shakespeare's fierce telling of murder for power. It explicitly records every drop of spilled blood on the battlefield or in royal chambers as only film can.

Michael Fassbender more that holds the eye and delivers Macbeth's corroded character thrillingly. Marion Cottillard as Lady M is less convincing, but

perhaps the fault lies with Shakespeare's not-precisely-drawn portrait of the Lady. The movie is visually fascinating, presenting the bleakness of the Scottish moors and yes, the battle scenes are amazing. It is a project worth looking at and listening to - the music is excellent. There is even a Scottish children's choir which performs songs appropriate to the era.

YOUTH

Ah youth - we all yearn for that idealized part of our lives and if you are a movie maker with sizable international funding, you can create an amazing setting as you search for that illusion. Paulo Sorrentino, director, best known for *The Great Beauty*, positions Michael Caine, Harvey Keitel, Rachel Weisz, and Jane Fonda in a languid philosophical pool of thought. It's one long sigh drenched in European decadence. Will it move you? Will the dialogue irritate you? Will the visuals of Swiss mountains and fields of wildflowers trump everything? See it and decide.

Jessie Tromberg



Library News

Remember, our OLLI Library wants to share! We have wonderful items for you to borrow and enjoy on these semi-cold winter months in California, so stop by to look over the selection. Please sign out materials on the sheet on the clipboard on the table by the shelves so there is a record of who has an item.

Lynne Pendleton
OLLI Librarian

OLLI Outlook welcomes member reviews--film, book, theater, exhibits--and will publish when space permits.

UCI CAMPUS EVENTS

Click [here](#) to view current information on events and activities at any of the UCI schools, click on the link above.



ILLUMINATIONS at UCI

Please click on "[here](#)" in the Events box at illuminations.uci.edu for a listing of what will be offered in 2016 and for important information on locations and registration. Below is one of the six events scheduled in January.



Jazz Reach: January 15, 8 PM, Barclay Theatre.

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