

THE OUTLOOK

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The 2021 Holidays have begun and once again I am wondering where the year went! With all the festivities don't forget that classes continue into December and through the end of January 2022. Yes, that is 2022.

You will soon be receiving the Spring 2022 catalog. It is beautiful and filled with amazing classes and even Special Events! I am happy to say that we are just shy of our pre-pandemic course level with over 50 classes and events. Spring semester registration starts January 5th; classes start February 14th.



As expected, our membership numbers have suffered along with every thing else. I encourage you to share your catalog and your enjoyment of OLLI with friends so that we may grow in numbers. We are continuing the hybrid formats so that members may participate in a variety of ways. Enroll a friend and you will receive a \$25 gift certificate and help us maintain the program that keeps us relevant, educated, and entertained.

Warmest wishes for HAPPY and HEALTHY holidays,

Lonnie Horn President, OLLI at UCI

BOARD'S CORNER OFFICIAL INFORMATION

Board Meeting Minutes

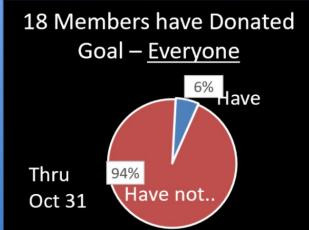
The minutes of the November 2021 Board Meeting will be approved at the December Board Meeting and will be posted on the **OLLI Blog** along with past Board Meeting minutes.

OLLI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Click <u>here</u> to view the complete list.

Financial Results FY2021-2022





OLLI at UCI INFORMATION

The Board of Directors would like to invite you all to our OLLI JOLLY HOLIDAY PARTY on Thursday, December 2, 2021 from 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM in the OLLI Classroom.

Please RSVP on the Evite link by clicking here.



FALL SEMESTER 2021!

Click <u>here</u> to view our Fall Session Catalog.



As a reminder: Face Coverings are still required to participate in all in-person classes and special events. If you are unable to wear a face covering, or are currently experiencing COVID related symptoms, please attend class online through the OLLI Remote Learning Center. No one will be permitted in the OLLI classroom without a face covering per UCI guidelines.



At the direction of the University of California, and when accessing campus facilities at any UC location beginning with the Fall 2021 semester, OLLI members could be required to:

- 1. provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination
- 2. cover the face with a mask
- 3. physical distance from other members
- 4. allow symptom checks

For the most updated information, visit the University of California policy on COVID-19 vaccination here.





OLLI at UCI members have many opportunities to volunteer within our OLLI community!

Current volunteer needs:

- STEM Committee Editor
- · Gastronomers Chair
- Library Volunteer Coordinator

Email: olli@uci.edu

Volunteer on the **OLLI Board** and you will get one semester of **OLLI membership** for FREE!

Vacant Positions:

- Director of Volunteer Coordinator
- VP Marketing
- VP Member Services

Email: olli@uci.edu to learn more!



Volunteer as a Class Facilitator! Do you enjoy attending

OLLI classes and want to help with class set-up, greet and check in members, or other classroom needs? Train to become a Class Facilitator!

Email Carolyn Brothers for more information at: cbdancer@aol.com

Curriculum Committee Meeting Schedule

You're invited to meet our curriculum chairs and course developers to audit how OLLI members like yourselves develop the courses you love. *Email the appropriate committee person to join the Zoom meeting.*

December 2021 Committee Meeting Schedule:

Arts & Humanities Committee

Email Beth Mersch at beth.mersch@gmail.com

Finance Committee

Email Sherri Nussbaum at sherrilynn@audiblerush.com
Monday, December 20 (12 PM)

Click <u>here</u> to join Zoom meeting. Meeting ID: 936 3476 7503

Password: finance

Special Events Committee

Email Linda Vine at vines1219@gmail.com
No December meeting. SE Committee meetings will resume in January 2022.

Social Science Committee

Email Mel Roth at

melroth721@gmail.com

Wednesday, December 1 (4:00 PM)

STEM Committee

Email Marj Besemer at mlbesemer@cox.net



To access Live Zoom classes or to view class recordings, please go to your <u>OLLI Remote Learning Center</u> account. Class recordings will be uploaded to the ORLC within one week.

OLLI Remote Learning Center Class Etiquette Guidelines Click <u>here</u> to view our guidelines.



Donate to the OLLI library? Do you have books that other OLLI members might enjoy? We are more than happy to accept your book donations!

Email Steve Weinstein for more information at: thescbaguy@msn.com

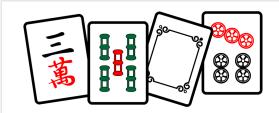
OLLI EXTRAS



OLLI Bridge

- Always wanted to learn?
- Curious?
- Played decades ago?
- Want to relearn?
- Now is your chance!

Challenge your brain, meet great fun-loving people!



Mah Jongg

/mä'(d)ZHôNG,mä'(d)ZHäNG/

Mah Jongg is a popular Chinese game played, usually by four people, with 136 or 144 rectangular pieces called tiles. The object is to collect winning sets of these tiles, as in card games such as gin rummy.

Enjoy the BEST HOBBY EVER!

Location:

South Orange County Bridge Center 31251 Rancho Viejo Road, Ste. 205 San Juan Capistrano

For more details, contact:

Janie Matlaf at: jmatlaf@gmail.com or (949)233-2140 Mah Jongg is currently cancelled until further notice.

For more information, contact:

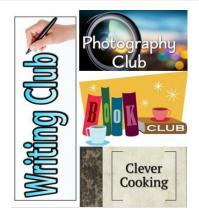
Carolyn Brothers at: cbdancer@aol.com



Spanish Club

¿Hablas español? Join other OLLI members for conversational Spanish!

For more information, contact: Kristien Evans at kristien5@gmail.com



What's your thing? Let us know and we can start a new OLLI Extra!

For more information, contact:
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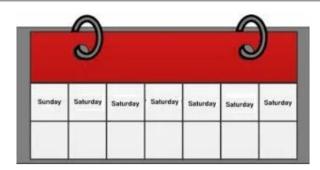
A BIT OF HUMOR

From: Leah Jordan & Judy Gould

Why I Like Retirement:

Q: How many days in a week? A: 6 Saturdays, 1 Sunday

Q: What's the biggest advantage of going back to school as a retiree?
A: If you cut classes, no one calls your parents.



Q: Why are retirees so slow to clean out the basement, attic, or garage?
A: They know that as soon as they do, one of their adult kids will want to store stuff there.

Q: What's the biggest gripe of retirees?

A: There is not enough time to get everything done.



THE FOUR STAGE OF LIFE

- 1.) You believe in Santa Clause.
- 2.) You don't believe in Santa Clause.
- 3.) You are Santa Clause.
- 4.) You look like Santa Clause.

INQUIRING MINDS



MOVIE TALK: Critical Eye

By: Jessie Tromberg jessietromberg@icloud.com

King Richard

We need a bit of uplifting. This real story, based on the lives of Serena and Venus Williams and their family, is just right.

King Richard, of course, is their father. He is a genius, or huckster, or maybe a combination of both. What it really drives home are lessons in self-respect. All of this out of Compton and without guns. The tennis is first rate, the acting believable and touching, the entire experience entertaining and yes, uplifting.





Passing

A silky smooth re-telling of the book, it is filmed with spare visuals in a painterly black and white. Two pale skinned black women, one passing deliberately as white, the other as an upstanding middle class member of the negro community in Harlem of the 1920's.

Ruth Negga's character is married to a white man who believes she is white, but she longs to re-connect to her roots.

Tessa Thompson's character is conflicted too, but she is proudly black and

chooses to ignore the pain and hate directed at blacks outside of Harlem in its renaissance heyday.

It is not a feel good escapist adventure tale. Well acted, paced and pointedly told, it is the opposite of the all black film, The Harder They Fall, in sound but not in fury.

UCI CAMPUS EVENTS



UCI TODAY

Click **here** to view ALL upcoming UCI events.

UCI-DCE (Division of Continuing Education)

Free upcoming events (and on demand past events)

through UCI-DCE. Click <u>here</u> to view current and prerecorded webinar's on a variety of subjects for the lifelong learner!

UCI Claire Trevor School of the Arts

We recommended that you register in advance for the event(s) you wish to attend. Click here to view all events.



Drama Events - Click <u>here</u>to view and register for upcoming events.

Art Events - Click <u>here</u> to view and register for upcoming events.

Dance Events - Click <u>here</u>to view and register for upcoming events.

Music Events - Click <u>here</u> to view and register for upcoming events.

LIVE THEATRE IS BACK AT UCI!



Madame Modjeska's Fairy Tale

Written & Directed by Annie Loui

Annie Loui works as a director/ choreographer, an educator, and a creator of devised theater works. She is currently a professor in UCI's Dept.

of Drama, and her book *The Physical Actor* was published by Routledge in spring 2009.

Link to full information about the show & performance times are here. Runs December 8 - 11.

This is a FREE event, but reservations are required through **Eventbrite**. Please note that the password will be one that you create for your own Eventbrite account.

SAVE THE DATE

Rebecca Oaxaca Lays Down a Bunt

Written by Kristoffer Diaz Directed by Eli Simon



Runs Jan. 29 thru Feb. 6...Full information about the show and performance times can be found here.

MASKS ARE REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES.

For UCI'S Current COVID Safety Regulations for visitors, clickhere.

DIRECTOR'S TALKS and Matinee Tickets for OLLI will resume in the OLLI Spring Semester.

Happy Holidays Everyone!

bobi keenan - OLLI Liaison to the UCI Drama Dept. 4UCIDrama@gmail.com



The **Illuminations** Series is **ALSO** open **to OLLI** members! Click <u>here</u> for more information about fascinating activities and events at UCI!



You are invited to join the Claire Trevor Society, which offers exclusive behind-the-scenes arts experiences and networking with fellow art-enthusiasts.

To learn more about the Claire Trevor Society, click <u>here</u>.

OLLI Donations



Thank you to our donors!

Your donations are making a difference! Click here to view the donations made from July 1, 2021 through October 28, 2021.

*Note: Donations can take up to 2-3 months to process. If your donation does not appear on the current list, check for next month's newsletter.

We recognize all our donors!

Donor names are listed in our Fall and Spring catalogs and also on our <u>OLLI</u> <u>at UCI</u> website - unless you choose to be anonymous. **Butterfly Level Pledge Donors** are also recognized with either a Gold, Silver, or Bronze butterfly plaque in your name on our <u>Butterfly Wall of Recognition</u>.

Donate to match your financial needs

Include OLLI at UCI in your estate planning or transfer stock on behalf of OLLI to the UCI Foundation.

- Become a Butterfly Level Pledge Donor:
 - Gold Pledge Level (\$2,500+)/year for 3 years
 - Silver Pledge Level (\$1,000 \$2,499)/year for 3 years
 - Bronze Pledge Level (\$500 \$999)/year for 3 years
- Make a One-Time Annual Gift:
 - Angel Donor Level (\$300+)
 - Friend Donor Level (\$15 \$299)

Methods to Donate

- Online: Donate online with your credit card using the secure UCI website. Click to open and complete this <u>form</u> on-line.
- By Mail: Print and complete this form.

LEGACY GIVING - OLLI at UCI



Spread the joy!

Individuals 70 1/2 or older can now fulfill their required distributions through charitable rollovers.

For more information on how to reduce your taxable income while supporting OLLI at UCI click here.

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Send a free OLLI SPRING 2022 Catalog to a friend

Click <u>here</u> if you would like to send a free OLLI Spring catalog to a friend. Members will automatically receive a catalog by mail, please only make new requests for non-members. Thank you.



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