Create a Life You Love!

Tue 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM  start: 2/13/2018  end: 3/20/2018
Tucson Place - Palo Verde

Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $90.00

Course Description

This class helps you set intentions, make positive changes, and create a life you love. In the process, you reclaim your power, rediscover your passion, and rebirth your best self! You gain the self-confidence to go after what you want and, step by step, you start getting it. Each session consists of lecture and group activities. Accountability exercises keep you on track and improving. Strength-based tools boost your confidence and self-esteem. You’ll have the support you need to leap into a new life and the flow of exercises is tailored to meet your vision, your values, and your life. Freedom is calling. Are you ready?

Study Group Leader(s)

Jennifer Rowley
Jenn Rowley is the founder of Fab55 and the creator of Liberate for Life, delivering big breakthroughs and major metamorphoses. Through coaching, classes, and speaking engagements, she reconnects women to self-confidence and helps them create lives they love.

Political Thought: Greece and Rome

Tue 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM  start: 2/13/2018  end: 3/20/2018
Tucson Place – Ocotillo

Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $90.00

Course Description

This is the first six weeks of an OLLI course given in the Fall semester, 2017, titled Western Political Thought, Part I. It is an introduction to the academic discipline of political philosophy and its roots in Greek and Roman antiquity. Principally, it
consists of undergraduate lecture videos from Harvard, Yale and other American universities.

**Study Group Leader(s)**

**Jesse Frey**

Jesse Frey is a long-time member of OLLI-UA and has led a wide variety of study groups.

**Unknown Agatha**

Tue 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM  start: 2/13/2018  end: 3/20/2018

Tucson Place – Saguaro

Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $90.00

**Course Description**

Explore some of the lesser known Agatha Christie works - read several of her short stories and watch the story unfold on video. Stories to include: The Case of the Middle-Aged Wife, The Case of the Discontented Soldier, Magnolia Blossom, The Mystery of the Blue Jar, The Red Signal, and The Fourth Man.

**Study Group Leader(s)**

**Stephen Stillwell, jr.**

Stephen Stillwell is an historian and a librarian. He has led study groups at each of the OLLI/UA campuses. His courses have included Middle Eastern history, British history, and British culture. Some of his most popular classes have concentrated on British mysteries.
Thursday

The Ancient Buddhist World of Tibet - An Uncensored Story

Thu 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM  start: 2/15/2018  end: 3/1/2018
Tucson Place – Saguaro

Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $45.00

Course Description

To produce a comprehensive discovery of Tibet we begin part 1 with an introductory general exploration of Buddhism in its various forms. Part 2 transports us on a personal journey through Tibet emphasizing its history since China's invasion in 1951 and, relative to our Chinese guide's rendition, told in an uncensored version. Part three reveals Tibet's historic and especially rich, sensuous form of Buddhism and Buddhist art and culture and its remarkable story of adaptation and survival under duress.

Study Group Leader(s)

Gordon McCall

BA, MA, 30years a professional educator in Psychology and World History (which included a study of world religions), retired to become an avid world traveler and student of world cultures for the last 28 years, videographer and developer of professional quality educational travel videos, over a decade of presenting and teaching those videos to interested groups.

An Exploration of the Novel: The English Patient

Thu 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM  start: 2/15/2018  end: 3/22/2018
Tucson Place - Palo Verde

Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $90.00

Course Description

The English Patient won Canada's most prestigious literary award, the Governor General's award as well as the Booker Prize. The novel is set in a battered Tuscan villa in Northern Italy at the end of WW II. We are challenged to read this story as a
History, a Romance, a Mystery while searching for what is the truth of this novel. Michael Ondaatje is a poet and a novelist. His descriptions capture the imagination, settings in the Lybian desert, the Cave of the Swimmers, the variety of desert winds. At the heart of the story is an obsessive love story. In 1996 Anthony Minghella won the Best Director Oscar for his film The English Patient.

**Study Group Leader(s)**

**Catherine Davin**

Cathy has been a frequent study group leader for classes exploring the novels of our times. She has a particular interest in the novels authored by Canadians. In her classes she encourages the participation of members in the discussion and provides the opportunity for anyone interested to prepare and give a short presentation on a topic which is relevant to the novel being studied.

**SS: Why Competition in the Political Industry is Failing America**

Thu 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM    start: 2/15/2018    end: 2/15/2018

Tucson Place – Ocotillo

Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $15.00

**Course Description**

This single session will view a one hour webinar hosted by the Harvard Business School for its alumni, presenting the conclusions of non-partisan research on why the current political system is failing America and what, within the sphere of practicality, can be done about it. We will spend the second hour discussing what we have heard in the webinar; whether the analysis rings true; whether the recommendations would influence a positive change; and if so, what we can do as individuals to influence the adoption of those recommendations.

**Study Group Leader(s)**

**Ray Baxter**

Ray Baxter is retired and has been living in Tucson since 2009. He was CEO of a $300 million food company for 22 years. He has also served for two years as Chairman and interim CEO of a rational process capability development and consulting company prior to his full retirement. He has a BA in political science and an MA in Japanese Area Studies from the University of Michigan and an MBA from the Harvard Business School. Currently, Ray is a volunteer with SCORE, providing pro bono mentoring and education for Tucson residents wanting to start a small business or improve their existing business. Ray's teaching experiences includes conducting numerous workshops on rational process capability, organization change management and leadership. He is an experienced OLLI Program Leader.
SS: An American Tourist in Iran

Thu 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM  start: 2/22/2018  end: 2/22/2018

Tucson Place – Ocotillo

Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $15.00

Course Description

Iran is much in the news, and has been since the 1979 coup to the 2015 nuclear pact and beyond. This course will focus more on the history and culture of this country and its people as seen by a guided tour in the spring of 2015.

Study Group Leader(s)

Meg Hovell

Meg and her husband Peter travel frequently to interesting places - and Iran topped the list.

The Battle of Gettysburg

Thu 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM  start: 3/1/2018  end: 3/8/2018

Tucson Place – Ocotillo

Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $30.00

Course Description

Most Civil War historians hold that the three-day Battle of Gettysburg in July 1863, in concert with the Union victory at Vicksburg, was the turning point in the War Between the States. We will discuss events that brought the Army of Northern Virginia and the Army of the Potomac together in this sleepy Pennsylvania farm community and pay special attention to critical events during each of the three days.

Study Group Leader(s)

Gene Bryan

A native of Wyoming, Gene Bryan aspired to be “the world’s greatest sportswriter,” but found out he likes to eat! He spent nearly two decades in tourism and event marketing, including serving as director of the Wyoming Travel Commission, executive director of the Cheyenne Frontier Days Committee and General Manager-Promotions for the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas. A self-described “history junkie,” he is fascinated with everything associated with the Lewis & Clark Expedition.
SS: Science and Gender

Thu 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM    start: 3/8/2018    end: 3/8/2018
Tucson Place – Saguaro

Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $15.00

Course Description

During the last 200 years, in the development of modern physics and mathematics, we find remarkable contributions by women scientists that have produced monumental paradigm changes in our understanding of nature. I’ll introduce eight scientists and discuss their biographies and accomplishments. I’ll single out three women that share similar controversial experiences of being denied the Nobel Prize, although, it has been argued that they deserved it for their scientific contributions. A fourth one did receive in 2014 The Fields Medal, the most prestigious award in Mathematics; she is the first and only woman since the inception of the prize in 1936. It is appropriate to recall that there is no Nobel Prize in Mathematics.

Study Group Leader(s)

Juan Gallardo
A retired physicist from Brookhaven National Laboratory (NY) in 2012, I have been an SGL for the last five years. I have led study groups on physics but also on literature.

SS: Psychology of Aging

Thu 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM    start: 3/15/2018    end: 3/15/2018
Tucson Place – Saguaro

Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $15.00

Course Description

Would you like to help others learn about aging? Researchers from the University of Colorado and University of Arizona Psychology Departments need volunteers for a project investigating personality and opinions across the adult lifespan. Participation involves completing a questionnaire, taking 45 to 50 minutes. We will spend the remaining course time discussing research concerning the psychology of aging. Study requirements: 40+ years old and able to read/write in English.
Study Group Leader(s)

Peter J. Helm, M.A.

Peter J. Helm, M.A., is a doctoral student at the University of Arizona, U.S.A. under the mentorship of Jeff Greenberg, Ph.D. His research focuses on existential concerns such as isolation and meaning; and on concerns relating to selfhood such as self-concept, self-esteem, and self-presentation.

Jeff Greenberg

Jeff Greenberg is a social psychologist and a full professor at the University of Arizona. His research focuses on prejudice, self-esteem, political preferences, aggression, aging, religion, attitudes toward animals, and existential isolation. His recent co-authored books include: Death in Classic and Contemporary Film: Fade to Black (2013), The Worm at the Core (2015), Social Psychology: The Science of Everyday Life (2015).

SS: Bhutan: In Search of Gross National Happiness

Thu 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM    start: 3/22/2018    end: 3/22/2018

Tucson Place – Ocotillo

Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $15.00

Course Description

Ever since the 1970s, when Bhutan’s former king, Jigme Singye Wangchuck, coined the term Gross National Happiness (GNH), economists, sociologists, philosophers and politicians have questioned whether relying solely on economic output (Gross Domestic Product or GDP) is a viable measure of the general contentment and wellbeing of a people. This session will introduce the tiny country of Bhutan, based on the presenter’s trip to that country in summer 2016, and will explore the concept of GNH as conceptualized by that nation and by the global community.

Study Group Leader(s)

Renate Schulz

Renate Schulz is Professor Emerita at the University of Arizona. Her passions include the study of foreign cultures, foreign languages and travels off the beaten path.
SS: TEP Home Energy Workshop

Thu 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM    start: 3/22/2018    end: 3/22/2018
Tucson Place – Saguaro
Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $15.00

Course Description

This 90-minute long presentation, sponsored by TEP, explores free and low-cost ways to save energy and money on utility bills. Each attendee will receive an energy efficiency kit containing over $100 in savings as part of this free program. Our presenters arrive with light refreshments and snacks.

Study Group Leader(s)

Adam Kingery
Adam Kingery was a classroom teacher in Arizona for 13 years before joining the Environmental Education Exchange as an outreach presenter in 2016. Adam is a Masters Degree candidate in Educational Leadership and has a degree in Political Science from UA. He manages the logistics and team of energy presenters for the Bright Students middle school program and the Home Energizer Workshop for both Tucson Electric Power and Unisource Energy Services.

Saturday

SS: Internet Music: Pandora, Spotify, YouTube, and More

Sat 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM    start: 2/17/2018    end: 2/17/2018
Tucson Place – Saguaro
Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $15.00

Course Description

Internet music services are here to stay. Learn about the different ways to enjoy streaming digital music, both free and paid, in this lively musical introduction. We will cover some recommended headphones, speakers, apps, and web sites. Bring your questions and a love of music. Make sure your iPad and iPhone are fully charged ahead of class.
Study Group Leader(s)

John Nemerovski

John Nemo is a personal technology instructor. He conducts beginner and intermediate sessions for Tucson Macintosh User Group. He's the iPhone and iPad teacher for The Learning Curve. Nemo also has regular workshops and tutorials in his home studio. He puts FUN into the fundamentals of personal tech, computing, photography, music, and loads more.

The Power of Myth - An Exploration

Sat 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM start: 2/17/2018   end: 3/10/2018

Tucson Place - Palo Verde

Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $60.00

Course Description

The basis for the course will be the book "The Power of Myth", a compilation of interviews between Bill Moyers and Joseph Campbell in the 1980's. Campbell is considered the world's foremost authority on mythology. The course is designed for open discussion, during which we will explore Campbell's approach to myth, what it is, and how it integrates into our belief systems and our lives. We will cover two chapters in each of four sessions. The questions that will be the basis for discussion can be accessed at http://www.misterdann.com/mythaspowerofmyth.htm. To learn more about Joseph Campbell and his work go to the Joseph Campbell Foundation web site at https://www.jcf.org/about-joseph-campbell/. The book is available in e-book, hardback, and paperback through on-liner vendors, your local bookstore, and perhaps your local library.

Study Group Leader(s)

Lois Connell

I have a Bachelor's degree in English and a Master's in Education with a concentration in Religion. I have had a varied career, first in Social Work and then in Teaching. I migrated to the business world and spent the rest of my working life in administration of Employee Benefits, concentrating on pension plan administration. I retired from Vanguard as a Project Lead in 2010. My sister Janet and I moved to Quail Creek in July 2010. In addition to OLLI-UA, we are involved in amateur astronomy and, most recently, politics. I have had a life-long interest in the intangible aspects of life, hence, my interest in myth.
SS: Josephine Sarah Earp, Wife of Wyatt Earp, the Story Behind the Legend

Sat 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM start: 2/24/2018   end: 2/24/2018

Tucson Place – Saguaro

Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $15.00

Course Description

"Sadie" was best known as the wife of famed lawman and gambler Wyatt Earp. They met in Tombstone, Arizona Territory when she was living with Cochise Sheriff Johnny Behan. She and Wyatt were together for 46 adventure filled years.

Study Group Leader(s)

Shirley Pinkerton

Shirley Pinkerton is an historian, reenactor and speaker. She is the President of the Arizona Historical Society’s Docent Council, southern division. Shirley also was a flight attendant with TWA in the late 50's and Flying tiger Line in the early 60's.

Arts and Crafts for Fun

Sat 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM start: 3/10/2018   end: 3/24/2018

Tucson Place – Saguaro

Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $45.00

Course Description

We will use the elements of design and learn to weave on small lap looms; then we will try needle felting and possibly fabrics painting. You can choose which art form you want to do or combine the weaving and felting. It will be fun deciding which you prefer. There will be individual projects.

Study Group Leader(s)

Mary Bull

Mary Bull is an artist, teacher and writer who holds degrees in Art, Education and Science. She had taught school and exhibited her art work, for which she has received awards and has held one-person art exhibits. Her published books reflect on her many world-wide travels. She enjoys introducing new students to the world of crafts.
SS: There Are No Hummingbirds on Mars

Sat 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM start: 3/17/2018 end: 3/17/2018

Tucson Place - Palo Verde

Class Cost: Unlimited Membership: $0.00; Pay Per Class Membership: $15.00

Course Description

This course will be a discussion of the evolution of biodiversity on Earth, centered on the evolution and adaptive radiation of hummingbirds, nectar-feeding bats, and primates in the New World tropics. General themes will be the evolutionary history of these iconic groups of vertebrates with an emphasis on general evolutionary principles, conservation concerns about these and other tropical groups, and the vast disparity between our priorities about conservation of biodiversity here on Earth and space exploration. Is it true that we're more concerned with putting people on the moon and Mars than protecting and studying life on Earth? If so, why is this?

Study Group Leader(s)

Theodore Fleming

Theodor is professor emeritus of biology at the University of Miami in Coral Gables, Florida. He recently authored, with W. John Kress, The Ornaments of Life, published by The University of Chicago Press.