



**TEXAS**  
The University of Texas at Austin



# **UT OLLI DISCOVER**

## **Fall 2022 Catalog**

Tuesdays & Thursdays  
October 4, 2022 – November 10, 2022

The University of Texas at Austin  
Osher Lifelong Learning Institute  
2405 Robert Dedman Drive  
Austin, TX 78712  
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Online Registration Begins:  
**SCHOLARS:** Mon. Sept. 19, 2022  
**DISCOVER:** Tue. Sept. 20, 2022

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## OVERVIEW

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### Welcome to UT OLLI!

On-campus curriculum will be provided by 4 different programs on their respective day throughout the week.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SAGE	DISCOVER	NOVA	ON-LINE	FORUM

In addition to on-campus exclusive seminars and lectures for each program, this 2022-2023 program year also introduces a Thursday online class for each program. It can be attended by UT OLLI members remotely online. Links to online classes will be emailed to members each week and will be available on the website.

## UT OLLI DISCOVER Fall 2022 — In-Person Seminars

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**10:00 AM - 11:15 AM**

### **Aspects of Aging**

Aging is a most democratic human condition. Its main characteristics are physical and mental decline, and a shrinking future. The vast majority of people strenuously struggle to avoid the one remedy that finally ends the effects of aging.

*Director(s)*



**Marshall H. Missner** - *Speaker at all Events*

Marshall Missner, Ph.D., is a professor emeritus from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, where he taught philosophy for 38 years.

*Events*

<b>10/04/2022</b>	<b>The Biology of Aging.</b>
<b>10/11/2022</b>	<b>Aging and Comedy and Tragedy</b>
<b>10/18/2022</b>	<b>Are Things Getting Better or Worse?</b>
<b>10/25/2022</b>	<b>Emotions that look to the past— Regret and Gratitude.</b>
<b>11/01/2022</b>	<b>The Ethics of Assisted Suicide</b>
<b>11/08/2022</b>	<b>Is Learning the Greatest Pleasure?</b>

**11:30 AM - 12:45 PM**

**Harnessing the Wind: Americas Golden Age of Sail**

Sailing ships of the early 1800s opened world travel to the common man. We will explore topics like life aboard a sailing ship and how sailing gave way to steam.

*Director(s)*



**Todd Clayton** - *Speaker at all Events*

Todd is a popular speaker for the UT OLLI program. Over the past six years he has presented several maritime history seminars to UT OLLI programs. In 2018, he received FORUM's Encore Award, presented to speakers who have taught 3 or more, six-week FORUM seminars.

*Events*

<b>10/04/2022</b>	<b>The Golden Age of Sail: American Whaling</b>
<b>10/11/2022</b>	<b>The Golden Age of Sail: The Tragedy of the Essex (1820)</b>
<b>10/18/2022</b>	<b>The Golden Age of Sail: The US Exploring Expedition (1838-1842)</b>
<b>10/25/2022</b>	<b>The Golden Age of Sail: The US Exploring Expedition</b>
<b>11/01/2022</b>	<b>Joshua Slocum and his historic single-handed sailing voyage around the world</b>
<b>11/08/2022</b>	<b>The Golden Age of Sail: The Golden Age of Sail today</b>

**01:45 PM - 03:00 PM**

## **Hot Topics in Science and Technology**

Hot Topics is an information sharing activity built around selected significant activities in science and the world. Hot Topics provides participants with an interactive discussion format designed to promote an exchange of ideas in small groups. Each session begins with a stimulating presentation which is the basis for discussion. Enrollment is limited to 48. Given the close proximity and interactive nature of the seminar, COVID Masking is expected.

*Director(s)*



**John Theiss** - *Speaker at all Events*

John retired from the TX Dept of Mental Health & Mental Retardation. His interest is public service delivery system design. Since retirement he has focused his efforts on public policy related to diversity, justice and human relations.

*Events*

<b>10/04/2022</b>	<b>The Pros and Cons of Biological Engineering</b>
<b>10/11/2022</b>	<b>Should Humanity Seed the Universe?</b>
<b>10/18/2022</b>	<b>Climate Solutions</b>
<b>10/25/2022</b>	<b>What Does a Healthy Economy Look Like?</b>
<b>11/01/2022</b>	<b>Can AI Save Humanity?</b>
<b>11/08/2022</b>	<b>A Future for Democracy</b>

**01:45 PM - 03:00 PM**

## **Once Upon a Time in Hollywood**

Follow the evolution of film in the United States and look at how much has changed in movies and the way we watch them.

*Director(s)*



**Lesley Willard** - *Speaker at all Events*

Dr. Lesley Willard is a lecturer in the Department of Radio-Television-Film and the Program Director of the Center for Entertainment and Media Industries (CEMI) here at UT Austin. Currently, she is leading a multi-year research project to track and improve internship programs in media/tech industry.



*Events*




<b>10/04/2022</b>	<b>Early Film Exhibition</b>
<b>10/11/2022</b>	<b>Golden Age of Film Exhibition</b>
<b>10/18/2022</b>	<b>The Beginning of Sound Film Exhibition</b>
<b>10/25/2022</b>	<b>Post-war Film Exhibition</b>
<b>11/01/2022</b>	<b>Exploitative Film Exhibition</b>
<b>11/08/2022</b>	<b>Contemporary Film Exhibition</b>

## UT OLLI DISCOVER Fall 2022 — In-Person Lectures

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### 10:00 AM - 11:15 PM Lecture Series #1

<b>10/04/2022</b>	<p><b>What in the World is EWOPTX and Why is it so Important to Texas Women?</b></p> <p>Since 1980, the number of women in US prisons has grown by over 700%. Texas ranks in the top 10 among states with the highest female incarceration rate. EWOP goes into prison &amp; helps women create a "fresh start" for themselves &amp; their families thru leadership, mentorship, &amp; entrepreneurial training.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">---</p> <p>Pam Thomure is Executive Director of EWOPTX and has over 25 years as a nonprofit leader with a history of creating excellence and profitability for a number of diverse organizations, including Empowering Women Out of Prison.</p>	 <p><b>Pam Thomure</b></p>
<b>10/11/2022</b>	<p><b>Picturing Texas Politics</b></p> <p>A discussion of the history of Texas Politics as seen in photographs. Presentation will include photographs and biographical facts and stories from the founding of Texas to present day.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">---</p> <p>Born in Ft. Worth, Tx. and educated at TCU and Texas Tech with a B.A. degree in History. He received his JD from the University of Houston College of Law in 1974.</p>	 <p><b>Stephen Hummel</b></p>

<p><b>10/18/2022</b></p>	<p><b>The ABCs of Birding</b></p> <p>Have you thought it would be fun to take up birding? Have you wondered: how do I get started? What about binoculars? Where are good birding locales around Austin? What birds can I see in my urban neighborhood? What are good on-line resources? During this lecture, we'll cover these topics and more.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">---</p> <p>Terry Banks has been birding for about 20 years and is a member of Travis Audubon, Austin's local birding and conservation club. She has become a Master Birder and volunteers on the Field Trip and Youth Birding Committees. She loves to lead birding field trips, especially to state parks.</p>	 <p><b>Terry Banks</b></p>
<p><b>10/25/2022</b></p>	<p><b>Looking "Back": The Evolution of the Human Spine</b></p> <p>In this talk, Dr. Shapiro will review the anatomy and evolutionary history of the human spine, and show how primate comparative anatomy can help us understand what is unique and what is not about our upright posture and bipedal locomotion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">---</p> <p>Dr. Liza Shapiro has been a professor in UT's Department of Anthropology since 1990. Her research interests include the comparative anatomy, functional morphology, and evolution of primate locomotor adaptations.</p>	 <p><b>Liza J Shapiro</b></p>
<p><b>11/01/2022</b></p>	<p><b>"Becoming Indian"</b></p> <p>In <i>Becoming Indian</i>, Circe Sturm explores racial shifters, people who, while looking for their roots have recently discovered their Native American ancestry. She examines how and why people find meaning in rediscovering "Indianness."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">---</p> <p>Associate Professor, UT Department of Anthropology: research interests include Race, sovereignty, and citizenship; comparative colonialisms in North, Central and South America; Sicilian family relationships, especially among women.</p>	 <p><b>Circe Sturm</b></p>



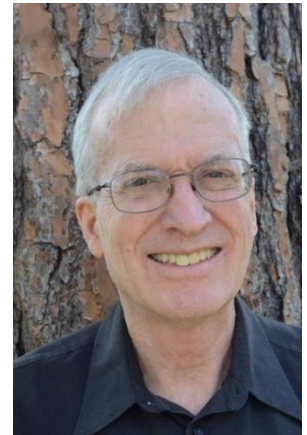
11/08/2022

**A Lecture-Recital of French Piano Music**

This presentation will concentrate on three great French composers: Jean-Philippe Rameau (1683-1764), Gabriel Faure' (1845-1924) and Claude Debussy (1862-1918).

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Dr. Timothy Woolsey holds the Master of Music in Piano Performance and Doctor of Musical Arts in Piano Performance from the University of Texas. He taught at Texas State University from 1975 - 2008. He has presented well over 100 performances and masterclasses, nationally and internationally.





**Timothy D. Woolsey**

## UT OLLI DISCOVER Fall 2022 — In-Person Lectures (Cont.)

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### 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM Lecture Series #2

<p>10/04/2022</p>	<p><b>The Forensic Anthropology Center at Texas State University: Research and Willed Body</b></p> <p>This talk will focus on the Forensic Anthropology Center at Texas State (FACTS), the history of the center, the associated willed body donation program and outdoor decomposition facility, history, as well as research being conducted at the Hill Country Location.</p> <p>---</p> <p>Emma Giacomello is a doctoral student in the Applied Anthropology program at Texas State University. Her research focuses on decomposition rates and postmortem interval estimation. Her current job duties include managing the daily operations at the Forensic Anthropology Research Facility.</p>	 <p><b>Emma Giacomello</b></p>
<p>10/11/2022</p>	<p><b>Austin PBS - The Next 60 Years</b></p> <p>Moving Forward is an ambitious and transformational effort to create a new generation of public media with greater community impact. At the center of this bold plan is the building of Austin PBS's new home. Moving Forward: New Home, New Content, New Possibilities.</p> <p>---</p> <p>Luis Patiño's areas of expertise include long-lasting community initiatives in the areas of civic engagement, entrepreneurship, higher education, and youth sports. Patiño has always had a passion for the community, serving on the boards of The Long Center, Mexic-Arte Museum &amp; Austin's PBS Board.</p>	 <p><b>Luis Patiño</b></p>

10/18/2022

**USAID: Advancing U.S. National Interest through International Assistance**

USAID runs international development & humanitarian programs for the U.S. in over 80 countries. Mike has worked in Peru, Afghanistan & Vietnam in programs as diverse as developing alternative energy, strengthening public health & cleaning up toxic waste.

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Over a 30-year career with the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Mike lived and worked in eleven countries, serving as Mission Director in Vietnam, Kyrgyzstan and Azerbaijan. He achieved the rank of Minister Counselor, second highest rank of the Senior Foreign Service.



**Michael J Greene**

10/25/2022

**Breakthroughs in Aphasia Therapy, and the Role of a Custom Phonology App**

In the US alone, around 180,000 yearly aphasia cases significantly affect speech and language abilities. Research and innovations in therapy have tossed out many old notions and limitations. A custom app adds to in-person therapy and scales access. It all comes together at Austin Speech Labs.

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Steven Warach, MD, Ph.D. is a Professor of Neurology at Dell Medical School, UT Austin, and Executive Director of the Seton Dell Medical School Stroke Institute. He is a Neuroscientist and Vascular Neurologist who founded Section of Stroke Diagnostics and Therapeutics when at Harvard Medical School.

Adi is a software entrepreneur, a Longhorn, and an Austin resident for over 30 years. He loves building world-class teams, founding companies, and assisting local non-profits.



**Steven Warach**



**Adi Mishra**

11/01/2022

### **The Future of College Athletics**

Delving into College Athletics as the Landscape Continues to Evolve

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Chris Del Conte is a proven, well-regarded & nationally recognized athletics administrator who has a long history of leading highly-successful athletic departments. In his 5th year at UT & 17th as an AD overall, he has strong ties to TX, having spent 12 years at TCU & Rice before coming to Austin.



**Chris Del Conte**

11/08/2022

### **Last Dance on Starlight Pier**

Sarah Bird is an award-winning novelist, screenwriter, essayist, and journalist. She has published ten novels and two books of essays. She resides in Austin, TX. Ms. Bird's latest novel, "Daughter of a Daughter of a Queen," was named an All-time Best Texas Books by the Austin American-Statesman.

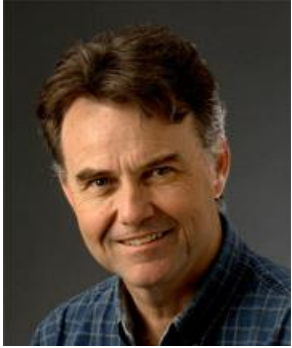






**Sarah A. Bird**

## UT OLLI-WIDE Fall 2022 — Online Classes Thursdays

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### 09:30 AM - 10:40 AM Lecture Series

<p>10/06/2022</p>	<p><b>One Political Cartoonist’s Sketchy Perspective</b></p> <p>Are you “drawn” to political editorial cartoons? Dave Fitzsimmons lecture at UT OLLI, on October 6th, is one cartoonist’s “sketchy” perspective you don’t want to miss.</p> <p>---</p> <p>David Fitzsimmons is a cartoonist, humor columnist and blogger for the Arizona Daily Star. Fitz is syndicated to more than 700 news publications. A Pulitzer finalist in 1988, his award-winning cartoons have drawn both fire and praise.</p>	 <p><b>David Fitzsimmons</b></p>
<p>10/13/2022</p>	<p><b>Preserving the Night Sky</b></p> <p>Entire generations are growing up unable to appreciate the wonder of a dark, starry sky. Light pollution is more than just an eyesore; it has serious consequences for our health, safety, environment, and scientific research.</p> <p>---</p> <p>Stephen Hummel is the Dark Skies Initiative Coordinator for UT Austin's McDonald Observatory. Stephen's educational background is in international relations and astronomy.</p>	 <p><b>Stephen Hummel</b></p>

<p>10/20/2022</p>	<p><b>Ukraine: how did we get here and where are we going?</b></p> <p>This presentation will offer a short history of Ukraine, focusing on key moments and junctures. It will also explain the historical relationship of Ukraine to Russia and venture to predict, depending on circumstances, where this crisis is headed.</p> <p>---</p> <p>Simanovskyy is a native Ukrainian, studying for a master's degree in Global Policy Studies at the LBJ School; Master of Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies (CREES); graduate research assistant/Global (Dis)Information Lab.</p>	 <p><b>Mykhaylo Simanovskyy</b></p>
<p>10/27/2022</p>	<p><b>COUSINS: A Black Woman and a White Woman Connected Through Slavery</b></p> <p>What happens when a White woman, Phoebe, contacts a Black woman, Betty, saying she suspects they are connected through slavery? A surprise. Betty responds, "Hello cousin." They share their difficult exploration of the truth and search for reconciliation.</p> <p>---</p> <p>Phoebe Kilby grew up in Baltimore, Maryland, where she lived with her physician father, mother, and sister. Phoebe had a long career as an urban and environmental planner, working on contracts with local, state, and federal governments.</p> <p>Dr. Betty Kilby Fisher Baldwin grew up in rural Culpeper and Warren counties, VA, one of five children. Thanks to her father's determination, she entered and graduated from Warren County High School after suing the school board, based on the landmark Supreme Court Brown vs. Board of Education 1954.</p>	 <p><b>Phoebe Kilby</b></p>  <p><b>Betty Kilby Baldwin</b></p>

<p>11/03/2022</p>	<p><b>Covid Brain</b></p> <p>An update from Dell Medical Interdisciplinary team members - neurologist, internist and social worker – on what’s been learned and the mission of their team.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">---</p> <p>Dr. Esther Melamed, MD PhD is a physician scientist in neuroimmunology. She is currently an Assistant Professor in the Neurology Department and Director of Research of the Post-COVID Program at Dell Medical School.</p> <p>W. Michael Brode, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine specialist and the Medical Director of UT Health Austin’s Post-COVID-19 Program.</p> <p>Aaron Braverman, LCSW-S, is a licensed clinical social worker in the post Covid-19 program in the Department of Internal Medicine at Dell Medical School. Braverman provides psychotherapy, case management and assistance with community resources for those who continue to have long-term symptoms of Covid-19.</p>	 <p><b>Esther Melamed</b></p>  <p><b>William Michael Brode</b></p>  <p><b>Aaron Braverman</b></p>
<p>11/10/2022</p>	<p><b>Repression under the Chinese Communist Party</b></p> <p>"We can dig a pit and bury you alive in half an hour and no one on earth would know . . ." Human rights repression in China over the last decade including the crackdown on human rights lawyers and detention of ethnic Uyghurs, touching on the threat this poses beyond China's borders.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">---</p> <p>Rana Siu Inboden is a Visiting Scholar and Adjunct Asst Professor with UT's LBJ School of Public Policy and its Robert S. Strauss Center for International Security and Law. She is working on a PhD at Oxford University.</p>	 <p><b>Rana Siu Inboden</b></p>

## 11:00 AM - 12:10 PM Seminar

### The History of Baseball

This seminar will explore the origins, history, and significance of baseball in American life, focusing on the professional game, although there will be discussion of the amateur sport as well. It will also include topics of race, ethnicity, class and gender in this rich history.

#### *Director(s)*



#### **Roger Launius** - *Speaker at all Events*

Roger D. Launius is an historian and author, and former chief historian of NASA. He retired in 2016 as Associate Director for Collections and Curatorial Affairs for the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum. Launius has written two books on the history of major league baseball.

#### *Events*

<b>10/06/2022</b>	<b>The History of Baseball- Origins</b>
<b>10/13/2022</b>	<b>The History of Baseball- The Professional Game in the 19th Century</b>
<b>10/20/2022</b>	<b>The History of Baseball-The Creation of the Modern Game</b>
<b>10/27/2022</b>	<b>The History of Baseball-Baseball as a Microcosm of American Society</b>
<b>11/03/2022</b>	<b>The History of Baseball-The Problem of New York MLB Dominance</b>
<b>11/10/2022</b>	<b>The History of Baseball-Baseball in the Twenty-First Century</b>



## 01:00 PM - 02:10 PM Seminar

### Smartphone Photography

Get great shots using your smartphone and learn how to edit them on that phone or a desktop computer. We will explore resources and strategies for sharing and keeping them safe. Both seasoned & beginning photographers will learn useful tips & information using the supercomputer in your pocket.

#### *Directors(s)*



**James Kerkhoff** - *Speaker at all Events*

From his decades long experience in technology and the Arts, Jim has created an entertaining and interesting journey through the history of today's most innovative discoveries.

#### *Events*

10/06/2022	Digital photography basics and how they apply to smartphones.
10/13/2022	Using your Smartphone's camera app.
10/20/2022	Editing photos on your phone and desktop computer
10/27/2022	Finding photography resources and sharing photos on the Web.
11/03/2022	Storing Images on your computer and on the Web. Keeping your photos safe.
11/10/2022	Applying these skills to shoot, edit and share video.

## 02:40 PM - 03:50 PM Seminar

### The United States and the Vietnam War

This course surveys the history of U.S. involvement in Vietnam, with particular attention to the origins, course, and legacies of the war.

#### Directors(s)



**Mark Atwood Lawrence**

UT Austin History Professor Mark Atwood Lawrence is author of two books on Vietnam, most recently, *The Vietnam War: A Concise International History* (2008).

#### Events

10/06/2022	Vietnam War: The Vietnamese Context	Mark Atwood Lawrence
10/13/2022	Vietnam War: U.S. Motives for Intervention	Mark Atwood Lawrence
10/20/2022	Vietnam War: The Literature of the War	Brian C McNeerney
10/27/2022	Vietnam War: Veterans Panel Roundtable	Mark Atwood Lawrence Greg Snodgrass Chris Mabley John Theiss Kenneth Cauthern Lynne Hudson
11/03/2022	Vietnam War: Ending the War: Why did the United States fail?	Mark Atwood Lawrence
11/10/2022	Vietnam War: Legacies of the War	Mark Atwood Lawrence