



# **UT OLLI NOVA** Fall 2022 Catalog

Wednesdays & Thursdays October 5, 2022 – November 10, 2022

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## **OVERVIEW**

### 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.

### In-Person on Wednesdays with UT OLLI NOVA

	Option 1	Option 2
9:30AM – 10:40M	Antarctica I: The Otherworldly Continent	Texas Infrastructure
11:00AM – 12:10PM	<u>The Secrets of True</u> <u>Happiness</u>	Andalusian America
1:00PM – 2:10PM	(Weekly Lectures)	

### 9:30 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.

# Antarctica I: The Otherworldly Continent

Antarctica has the coldest temperatures of the planet, and humans cannot survive there without costly investment. Many early explorers died in ways they could never have imagined, but its fabled blue-and-white beauty and its two-mile thick mantle of ice now draw thousands of people each year.

Director(s)



Martha Wofford - Speaker at all Events

Dr. Wofford is a retired audiologist who has worked extensively in the Texas medical profession.

10/05/2022	Antarctica I: Natural and "National" History	
10/12/2022	Antarctic Explorers: Three Brits and a Norwegian	
10/19/2022	Antarctic Explorers: A Japanese ex-priest and an Irish poet	
10/26/2022	Antarctic Explorers: American, Aussie, and the handsomest Antarctic explorer EVER	
11/02/2022	Antarctica I: ICE! 84% of the world's glaciers live here	
11/09/2022	Antarctica I: Cleanest Air on Earth - Weather and Atmospheric Research	

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

# **Texas Infrastructure**

These six classes will explain the current state of Texas Infrastructure, identify interconnections that influence reliability as climate swings become more extreme, and convey opportunities for increasing resilience in the face of population increases, energy demand & environmental changes.

### Director(s)



Oliver E Smith Jr.

Oliver E. Smith is an Austin-based civil engineer, and member of the Texas chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers. He has served as an Officer in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Colorado, Texas and Louisiana.

10/05/2022	The Texas Infrastructure - Macro View of the "Network"	Geoffrey D Roberts Les W. Pittman
10/12/2022	Disconnect tied to Interdependency: Energy Production & Electrical Power Generation	Oliver E Smith Jr. Wesley Oliphant
10/19/2022	Weather and Water: Potable Water Production and Wastewater Treatment	Shay Roalson Julia Hunt Mark Boyd
10/26/2022	Can We Talk? - Telecommunications as a Critical Asset during Extreme Climate Events	Patricia Frayre
11/02/2022	Slip Sliding Away: Transportation Systems Adaptation to effects of Changing Weather	Griselda Gonzalez
11/09/2022	Getting Policies of Governing Infrastructure Aligned for a Changing Texas Climate	Geoffrey D Roberts Les W. Pittman Michael Bloom

## 11:00 AM - 12:10 PM

# The Secrets of True Happiness

Happiness is a state of mind that requires a strong value system, along with certain practices, skills, and attitudes. The Secret of True Happiness will provide participants with some of the best knowledge currently available on such topics.

### Director(s)



Farnaz Masumian - Speaker at all Events

Farnaz Masumian is an author and a retired world religions lecturer for over 20 years (10 at UT Austin, She has authored four books, The Secrets of True Happiness is her most recent book co-authored with her husband, Bijan Masumian, and their son, Adib Masumian.

10/05/2022	True Happiness: Science & Happiness, Enhancing Activities, Relaxation/visualization.
10/12/2022	True Happiness: Attitude of Gratitude, Strong Faith, Family Unit, Guided Meditation
10/19/2022	True Happiness: Purpose of Life, Science/Love, Metta Meditation, Volunteering
10/26/2022	True Happiness: Positivity, Types of Meditation, Music, Single Object, Candle, Cyber
11/02/2022	True Happiness: Mantra, Breath Awareness, Mindfulness of the Present Moment
11/09/2022	True Happiness: Visualization/Science/Benefits, Meditation/Science, Prayers

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

# **Andalusian America**

Andalusian America will be a voyage of discovery as we focus on Spain's exploration of the New World through the lens of the Moorish culture which existed in the Iberian Peninsula from 711-1492 CE. What are the lasting effects of this Spanish legacy in present-day America?

#### Director(s)



Dilara Hafiz - Speaker at all Events

Dilara Hafiz is a published author, educator, and presenter. She has a BA in Economics from Johns Hopkins University & an MSc in International Relations/Politics of the World Economy from the London School of Economics.

Andalusian America; Spanish Identity - Who are the Moors?
Andalusian America: Food & Agriculture – everyone loves oranges
Andalusian America: Architecture
Andalusian America: Language, music, and clothing
Andalusian America: Horses, saddles, and more
Andalusian America: Jurisprudence, rights etc.

# UT OLLI NOVA Fall 2022 — In-Person Lectures — Wednesdays

# 01:00 PM - 02:10 PM Lectures

10/05/2022	Hammer Memorial Lecture: The SAFE Alliance, Stopping Abuse for Everyone SAFE is a merger of Austin Children's Shelter and SafePlace, both long-standing and respected human service agencies in Austin, Texas. As both a social service and social change agency, SAFE addresses the issues of child abuse, sexual assault and exploitation, and domestic violence.  Julia Spann, MSW, is CEO at The SAFE Alliance, generally referred to as SAFE, which stands for Stop Abuse for Everyone. SAFE is a merger of Austin Children's Shelter and SafePlace, both long-standing and respected human service agencies in Austin, Texas.	Julia Spann
10/12/2022	James Webb Space Telescope Revealing Our Cosmic Origins UT Professor of Astronomy will share recent ground- breaking discoveries of the James Webb Space Telescope and describe what this mission means for science and our understanding of the cosmos.  Casey is an Associate Professor at UT Austin, where she co-leads the largest JWST program to be undertaken in its first year of observations. Casey is well known for her research on the formation and evolution of the Universe's most massive galaxies in the first few billion years of cosmic time.	Caitlin M Casey

10/19/2022	Drone Invasion? The ABC's of Drones, Safety and Privacy UT OLLI NOVA member Zach Ryall will take us through a drone primer, explaining what drones are, how they work, the various forms and missions they take, and examine how they fit into everyday life. The discussion will include your privacy, safety in the air, licensing and local versus national regulations.	
	Zach Ryall is a 1976 graduate of the University of Texas with a bachelor's degree in magazine journalism. He worked in the media business for 41 years as a photojournalist, then manager of visuals and online operations for the Austin American-Statesman.	Zach W Ryall
10/26/2022	Personal Cybersecurity: Protecting your digital privacy and identity Two City of Austin cybersecurity specialists will discuss the greatest threats individuals face from online predators and offer best practices for protecting you and your devices from hacking Daniel possesses over thirty-five years of IT, cybersecurity, and managerial experience. For the past twenty years he has focused primarily on cybersecurity operations. This experience includes operations, design, incident response, training, leadership, and strategy development. Michael started his professional career in the US Air Force, working with communication and encryption technologies. Post-military, he completed his BBA degree with a major in Management Information Systems at UT Austin. Michael now provides consultant technology services to the City of Austin.	<caption><caption></caption></caption>

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11/02/2022	The History, Mystery and Marvel of the UT Tower Bells Abigail Findley, a member of the UT Guild of Student Carillonneurs, takes us inside the UT Tower Bells, officially known as the Kniker Carillon, revealing the history of the carillon, how the carillon works, and who invisibly but passionately makes the music high atop the Tower.  Abigail Findley is a Master's candidate in the UT Steve Hicks School of Social Work and Director of Music of the UT Guild of Student Carillonneurs. She began playing carillon at the University of Michigan in 2020, where she was also a member of the student Carillon Guild. She is an Associate Member.	Abigail Findley
11/09/2022	Oveta Culp Hobby: Wonder Woman Previously, Don regaled us with the dual biography of Will Hobby and his amazing wife Oveta Culp Hobby. This lecture will chronicle in greater detail her amazing life story. Oveta Hobby had an impact far beyond that which she had with her amazing life story.  Dr. Don Carleton is the founding director of the Briscoe Center for American History, which was organized in 1991. From 1979 until 1991 the center was known as the Eugene Barker Texas History Center. A native of Dallas, Texas, he earned his doctorate in U. S. history at the University of Houston.	Don Carleton

# UT OLLI-WIDE Fall 2022 — Online Classes Thursdays

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

10/06/2022	One Political Cartoonist's Sketchy	
	Perspective 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.  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.	David Fitzsimmons
10/13/2022	Preserving the Night Sky 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.  Stephen Hummel is the Dark Skies Initiative Coordinator for UT Austin's McDonald Observatory. Stephen's educational background is in international relations and astronomy.	Stephen Hummel

10/20/2022	Ukraine: how did we get here and where are we going? 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.	Mykhaylo Simanovskyy
	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.	
10/27/2022	COUSINS: A Black Woman and a White Woman Connected Through Slavery 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.	
	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. Dr. Betty Kilby Fisher Baldwin grew up in rural	Phoebe Kilby
	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.	Betty Kilby Baldwin

11/02/2022	Covid Brain	
11/03/2022	An update from Dell Medical Interdisciplinary team members - neurologist, internist and social worker – on what's been learned and the mission of their team.  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.	Esther Melamed
	W. Michael Brode, MD, is a board-certified internal medicine specialist and the Medical Director of UT Health Austin's Post-COVID-19 Program. Aaron Braverman, LCSW-S, is a licensed clinical	William Michael Brode
	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.	Aaron Braverman
11/10/2022	Repression under the Chinese Communist Party "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.	
	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.	Rana Siu Inboden

# 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

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

## 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 McNerney	
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	