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OVERVIEW

Welcome to UT OLLI!

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Spring 2022 - SAGE Seminars

FOR UT OLLI SAGE:** Events labeled “**HYBRID” (one 9:30AM seminar and one 1:00PM seminar) indicate that class is conducted on-campus while simultaneously livestreamed to an online audience. It can be attended either on-campus by UT OLLI SAGE members or any UT OLLI member can participate remotely online. They are also recorded to a video archive in which members can access and view at their leisure.



Mondays (begins March 28th)

9:30AM – 10:40AM



<p>Values: Problems and Conflicts (Hybrid)</p> <p>In this course we will discuss meritocracy, happiness, transformative experiences, new developments in biotechnology, the conflicts between art and morality, and the paradox of confidence.</p>	 <p>Marahall Missner, PhD. is a professor emeritus from the University of Wisconsin-Oskosh, where he taught philosophy for 38 years.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator: Bill Buchholtz</p>
<p>The U.S. Army Senior Services College at The LBJ School @ UT Austin (In-Person)</p> <p>Once again, this spring The U.S. Army has landed at the UT Campus and UT OLLI Sage has been fortunate enough to gain an audience with their "Best and Brightest".</p> <p>Wk 1: LTC Mike Knickerbocker Wk 2: COL Travis Mills Wk 3: LTC Tony Fears (Speaker will be remote) Wk 4: LTC Mike Rogowski Wk 5: LTC Dan Hendershot Wk 6: LTC Edward Arnston</p>	 <p>LTC Dougald MacMillan II serves as the Program Coordinator for the Army War College Fellowship and as Research Associate, LBJ Centennial Chair in National Policy, LBJ School of Public Affairs, Univ. of Texas at Austin.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Director</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator: Jeff Robinson</p>
<p>Antarctica Part II (In-Person)</p> <p>Join us for Antarctica Part II as we explore a whole different set of features and history of one of the world's most fascinating places, including the land, air, and sea creatures, resources, weather and ocean currents, animals, and live at a research station.</p>	 <p>Martha Wofford grew up in the cold Panhandle town of Dalhart. She received her BS (1967), MA (1969) and PH.D. (1977) in Communication Disorders, specializing in Audiology, from The University of Texas at Austin. She has taught many seminars for UT OLLI.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator: Margaret Dumont</p>

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11:00AM – 12:10PM


<p>Jane Austen in Video (In-Person)</p> <p>Several versions of Jane Austen's 6 books have been produced for TV or film. We will get to know Jane Austen as a person and compare/contrast the video versions of her books.</p>	 <p>Rose Ann Roth retired from IBM in 2004 and was a charter member of UT Forum. She's served as Forum Seminar Comm. and past chair of the Executive Comm. She present seminars for all OLLI groups.</p> <p>Coordinator: Margaret Dumont</p>
<p>Failed or Forgotten? Americans Who Deserve a Second Hearing (In-Person)</p> <p>Who has heard of Nathaniel Greene or Raymond Spruance? These Americans and others had something interesting or important to say, and in many cases, did something of great benefit to the future of American society. They deserve a second hearing.</p>	 <p>Kenneth Peters, Ph.D., received his BA from Southwestern University and his MA and PhD from UT Austin. He received a Master of Theology degree from Austin Presbyterian Seminary. He taught History at Texas A&M and later served as Pastor of New Braunfels Presbyterian Church</p> <p>Coordinator: Sharon Dockery</p>

1:00PM – 2:10PM

<p>Human Evolution (Hybrid)</p> <p>This seminar will explore the evidence of how we know what we know about the appearance of Homo sapiens on our planet. Classes will discuss the earliest fossil "Hominin" found through the latest discoveries through the light of Darwin's natural selection.</p>	 <p>Nancy AufderHeide has Bachelors and Masters Degrees in Biology and extensive experience in cancer research. She taught science in Wisconsin for 23 years at the middle and high school levels, during which time she received multiple awards.</p> <p>Coordinator: Marsha Kelman</p>
<p>National Security (In-Person)</p> <p>The seminar will consist of six renowned speakers on various aspects of National Security. Topics include current world conditions, US relations with Russia and China, surveillance and privacy, the future of democracy, the US nuclear triad, and the Indo-China border crisis.</p> <p>Coordinator: Mary Kevorkian</p>	 <p>Wk 1: Bobby Inman, Inman;s Take on the World Wk 2: James Pope, Competition in the Gray Zone Wk 3: Adam Klein, Surveillance, Liberty and Privacy Wk 4: Jeremi Suri, Past and Future of American Democracy Wk 5: Mike Pestorius, The US Nuclear Triad Wk 6: Jagnath Sankara, China's Decision Making in the Info-China Border Crisis.</p> <p>Image: https://edynamiclearning.com/course/high-school-national-security/</p>

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1:00PM – 2:10PM (Continued)

<p>Journey Through Time: Finding Your Family History (In-Person)</p> <p>This seminar is a nuts-and-bolts version of the popular PBS show <i>Finding Your Roots</i>. Scott will introduce you to a variety of resources and guide you through a process that can help you find long-lost information about your ancestors</p>	 <p>Scott Ritchie, Ph.D.</p> <p>After 38 years as an educator in elementary schools and universities, Scott Ritchie "retired" to take a deep-dive into his family's roots</p> <p>Coordinator: Margaret Dumont</p>
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2:30PM – 3:40PM




<p>Sage Speakers Series (In-Person)</p> <p>Speaker series presents six noteworthy speakers addressing their areas of expertise on timely and important topics.</p> <p>Coordinator: Margaret Dumont</p>	 <p>Wk 1: Mela Sarajane Dailey, Life in the Arts Wk 2: Larry Gilbert, Brackenridge Field Labs Wk 3: Warren Perrin, Acadian Deportations Wk 4: Greg Behl, Recycling 101 Wk 5: Alice Andrews, Cost of Health Care Wk 6: Jeff & Becky Robinson, Travel in a Covid World</p> <p>Image Source: http://holytrinity.ab.ca/speaker-series-5/</p>
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Spring 2022 - LAMP Lectures

FOR UT OLLI LAMP:** Events labeled “**HYBRID” (9:30AM lecture on Tuesdays and Thursdays) indicate that class is conducted on-campus while simultaneously livestreamed to an online audience. It can be attended either on-campus by UT OLLI LAMP members or any UT OLLI member can participate remotely online. They are also recorded to a video archive in which members can access and view at their leisure.

WEEK 1 – March 29th and 31st, 2022

Tuesday, March 29th, 2022	
<p>9:30AM-10:40AM (Hybrid)</p> <p>Family Caregivers: A Crucial Resource for an Aging Population</p> <p>The unpaid caregiver system directly impacts a substantial segment of the population and generates enormous net social benefits. Its importance will increase in the future with economic and demographic trends.</p> <p><i>Public Affairs</i></p>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div style="flex-grow: 1;"> <p>Dr. M. Ray Perryman, Ph.D. is President and CEO of The Perryman Group, an economic research and analysis firm. He has been called a “genius” by The Wall Street Journal, a “world class scholar” by Business Week, the “unofficial state economist” by The New York Times.</p> </div> </div> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator: Judi Nudelman</p>
<p>11:00AM-12:10PM (In-Person)</p> <p>Urban Coyote Research Program at Huston-Tillotson University</p> <p>This talk will focus on the first 3 years of this research program, detailing the research questions and experimental designs and where we were most successful and the hardships we encountered.</p> <p><i>Science and Technology</i></p>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div style="flex-grow: 1;"> <p>Dr. Weinxian Tan, Ph.D. was born Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He received a BS in Biochemistry from Marquette University in 2007 and Ph.D. at UT in 2013. He was hired as an adjunct professor of biology at Huston-Tillotson University in 2014 as an adjunct instructor, then as an Assistant Professor of Biology in 2018.</p> </div> </div> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Speaker will be remote.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator: Joan Lewis</p>
Thursday, March 31 st , 2022	
<p>9:30AM-10:40AM (Hybrid)</p> <p>Housing Affordability 101: What You Should Know About the Housing Crisis in Austin</p> <p>Housing Affordability in Austin today. How it affects everyone in Austin. City of Austin’s 10-year Strategic Blueprint. HousingWorks Austin’s roll in advocating for more affordable housing. All Kinds of Homes, in All Parts of Town, for All Kinds of People.</p> <p><i>Business</i></p>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div style="flex-grow: 1;"> <p>Nora Linares-Moeller is serving as the Executive Director of HousingWorks Austin since 2017. Nora’s civic and political achievements span the past 42 years. She spent 12 years state government management. The last five of those she served as the first Executive Director of the Texas Lottery Commission.</p> </div> </div> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator: Bonnie Kelly</p>

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Thursday, March 31st, 2022 (Continued)

11:00AM-12:10PM (In-Person)

The Green Energy Transition: Drivers and Roadblocks

As Americans realize the high costs of climate change, a transition from fossil fuels toward cleaner energy is happening, driven by market forces—consumer demand for inexpensive renewable energy, and state/local policies. Political polarization makes a national clean energy policy elusive.

Business



Dr. David Spence, Ph.D. is Herbert Kelleher Professor of Business Law at McCombs School of Business and Professor of Law, Politics and Regulation at UT School of Law. Professor Spence's research and teaching focuses on business-government relations and the regulation of business, particularly energy and environmental regulation

Coordinator: Donald Baldwin

WEEK 2 – April 5th and 7th, 2022

Tuesday, April 5th, 2022

9:30AM-10:40AM (Hybrid)

Water & Soil Conservation

Mr. Benavides' presentation will begin with a general description of soil & water conservation districts, his work with them, services they offer including their interaction with state & national partners.

Science and Technology



Memo Benevides has been chair of Webb Soil & Water Conservation District for 43 years. He has been leader of numerous districts, state, & national assoc and Laredo Dr's Hospital Board of Governance; Webb County Appraisal Review; McDonald Observatory BOV; Mayor's rep to Utilities Advisory Board; Literacy Volunteers Board.

Coordinator: Joan Lewis

11:00AM-12:10PM (In-Person)

Where Profits Meet Purpose: The Social Responsibility of Business

Should businesses be involved in social causes? Or is that the role of civil society? Professor Meeta Kothare will discuss the social responsibility of business and how it reconciles with capitalism. She will provide examples of successful business strategies and explain why we need more of them.

Business



Meeta Kothare, Ph.D. is an Adjunct Professor in the McCombs School of Business and the LBJ School of Public Affairs. She is the Managing Director of the Global Sustainability Leadership Institute at UT, after serving as the inaugural Managing Director of the Social Innovation Initiative at McCombs.

Coordinator: Kapil Jain

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Thursday, April 7th, 2022

9:30AM-10:40AM (Hybrid)

Texas School for the Deaf: More Than a School

This presentation will highlight the unique aspects of Texas School for the Deaf that make it a great place for Deaf and Hard of Hearing students to LEARN, GROW, and BELONG.

Business



Claire Bugen is Superintendent and CEO (TSD) since 1998. Responsible for the school's student population of over 500 students & to the TSD statewide outreach services. Has secured substantial legislative appropriations biennially as well as the implementation of a master facility construction plan.

Coordinator: Bonnie Kelly

11:00AM-12:10PM (In-Person)

From Relief to Empowerment

Frustrated Rwandans designed an industry disruptive approach for orphaned children and vulnerable youth to move beyond charity. Hear a significant solution to a global crisis which has empowered over 150,000 youth to stand on their own feet with dignity, in cost-effective and sustainable ways.

Lifestyles



Rev Gaston Warner is CEO of Zoe Empowers, a global network of local organizations having equipped over 150,000 orphaned children and vulnerable youth to move beyond charity. Gaston holds a BA from Brown University; a MDiv from Duke Divinity School, and a MBA from The University of Durham, England.

Coordinator: Kapil Jain

WEEK 3 – April 12th and 14th, 2022

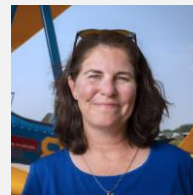
Tuesday, April 12th, 2022

9:30AM-10:40AM (Hybrid)

Lessons in Perseverance from the Women Airforce Service Pilots of WW II

Serving with the U.S. Army Air Forces from 1942 to 1944, the Women Airforce Service Pilots flew over 600 million miles in everything from biplanes to bombers. Their story is one of perseverance from fighting to serve during the war to being remembered in the postwar years.

History



Speaker will be remote

Katherine Sharp Landdeck, Ph.D. is an associate professor of history at Texas Woman's University, the home of the Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP) archives.

Her work has been published in the Washington Post, the Atlantic, and HuffPost, as well as in numerous academic and aviation publications. Landdeck is a licensed pilot who flies whenever she can.

Coordinator: Susan Holland

11:00AM-12:10PM (In-Person)

Alex Haley's ROOTS: The Miniseries and Its Impact on Diversity in TV

In January 1977, a struggling ABC network nervously aired a miniseries featuring a cast of mostly black actors. Roots captured an audience of over 100 million viewers & its popularity seemed to promise more diversity on TV. We'll look at its creation & why it failed to deliver on that promise.

Creative World





Ken Cauthern is a retired psychotherapist. He is a member of the Writers Guild West and a former scriptwriter and national radio producer. He also watched a lot of I Love Lucy shows growing up.


Coordinator: Connie Hritz

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WEEK 3 – April 12th & 14th, 2022 (cont.)



Thursday, April 14 th , 2022	
<p>9:30AM-10:40AM (Hybrid)</p> <p>Are We All in it Together? The 21st Century Challenge of John Brown's Extended Family</p> <p>The radical white abolitionist John Brown, who led the raid on the federal arsenal at Harpers Ferry, VA, that sparked the Civil War, was represented by white historians for over 100 years as a madman, a religious fanatic, a lover of violence, or a monster of virtue. He was none of the above.</p> <p><i>History</i></p>	 <p>Dr. Evan Carton, Ph.D., is the recently retired Joan Negley Kelleher Centennial Professor in Rhetoric and Composition at UT and founder and director of the UT Humanities Institute.</p> <p>Coordinator: Susan Holland</p>
<p>11:00AM-12:10PM (In-Person)</p> <p>The Troubling Rise of the Supreme Court's "Shadow Docket"</p> <p>An overview of the Supreme Court's "shadow docket," its increasing prominence in recent years, and the growing concerns over the volume of impactful rulings that are not only unsigned, but also unexplained.</p> <p><i>Public Affairs</i></p>	 <p>Stephen I. Vladeck, JD. holds the Charles Alan Wright Chair in Federal Courts at the UT School of Law, where he teaches Constitutional Law & Federal Courts. He is an award-winning advocate, teacher & podcaster and a 2004 graduate of Yale Law School.</p> <p>Coordinator: Ruth Ellen Gura</p>

WEEK 4 – April 19th & 21st, 2022


Tuesday, April 19 th , 2022	
<p>9:30AM-10:40AM (Hybrid)</p> <p>Put on Your Math Goggles: Seeing Math in Art</p> <p>Put on your math goggles" is an earnest call to teachers to transform their classrooms into a mathematical art gallery. Discover how integrating the visual arts and mathematics offers a unique opportunity to make the teaching and learning of mathematics more interesting, relevant, and engaging.</p> <p><i>Creative World</i></p>	 <p>Dr. Robin Ward, Ph.D., is a Professor of Mathematics at Rice Univ. She began her career as an aerospace engineer & has developed educational materials for NASA. She has written 5 books on how to teach math & 7 children's counting books. Dr. Ward's expertise is in using art & literature to teach math.</p> <p>Coordinator: Connie Hritz</p>

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WEEK 4 – April 19th & 21st, 2022 (Continued)

<p>11:00AM-12:10PM (In-Person)</p> <p>The \$20T SHEconomy – Insights on Women Transforming the Future of the Global Economy</p> <p>This lecture will give the audience a glimpse into the new SHEconomy, what it means, what to expect, how to tap into the exponential buying and innovation power of women and be part of this new SHEconomy.</p> <p><i>Lifestyles</i></p>	 <p>Ingrid Vanderveldt is the Chairman and CEO of Empowering a Billion Women (EBW), EBW Cares Distributors (a division of EBW2020)& Vanderveldt Global Investments. Previously, she was the first Entrepreneur-in-Residence (“EIR”) for Dell Inc. She holds a Masters in Architecture and an MBA.</p> <p>Coordinator: Annie Prasad</p>
<p>Thursday, April 21st, 2022</p>	
<p>9:30AM-10:40AM (Hybrid)</p> <p>Our First Civil War: Patriots and Loyalists in the American Revolution</p> <p>Professor Bill Brand will discuss his latest book, “Our First Civil War: Patriots and Loyalists in the American Revolution”.</p> <p><i>History</i></p>	 <p>UT Professor H W Brands, the Jack S. Blanton Sr. Chair in History, writes on American history and politics. He has written twenty-five books, coauthored or edited five others, and published dozens of articles and scores of reviews.</p> <p>Coordinator: Michael Edmonds</p>
<p>11:00AM-12:10PM (In-Person)</p> <p>A Brief History of Texas Culture in the 60s and 70s: Murder, Injustice and Help</p> <p>David will discuss “Run Brother Run: A Memoir of a Murder in My Family” (Scribner 2013), his book about the 1968 abduction and murder of his beloved brother, Alan, by Charles Harrelson, notorious hit man, and father of Woody.</p> <p><i>History</i></p>	 <p>David Berg, the founding partner of Berg & Androphy, is recognized as one of America’s leading trial lawyers, with high profile wins throughout his career.</p> <p>Coordinator: Susan Holland</p>

WEEK 5 – April 26th & 28th, 2022

<p>Tuesday, April 26th, 2022</p>	
<p>9:30AM-10:40AM (Hybrid)</p> <p>Saffron Trust Women’s Foundation: Removing Barriers to Better Life Outcomes for Women</p> <p>Phyllis will share insights about Saffron Women’s Trust Foundation’s programs to break the cycle of generational poverty caused by systemic inequality to build strong communities one women at a time by partnering with nonprofits, community organizations, and businesses.</p> <p><i>Lifestyles</i></p>	 <p>A practicing life coach and author, Phyllis Everette has served as Exec. Director of two nonprofit organizations and on the boards of several others. Phyllis holds a MS in Management from the College of Saint Elizabeth, NJ, and a BS in Business Administration from Centenary College, Louisiana.</p> <p>Coordinator: Annie Prasad</p>

WEEK 5 – April 26th & 28th, 2022 (Continued)

<p>11:00AM-12:10PM (In-Person)</p> <p>Reimaging Mental Health: The Austin State Hospital Redesign</p> <p>The ASH Brain Health System will serve to transform neuropsychiatric care in central Texas through innovative person-centered facilities and programs which destigmatize mental illness and provide quality care for all Texans.</p> <p><i>Public Affairs</i></p>	 <p>Ms. Sydney Harris is the Director of Mental Health Care Redesign for the Dept of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences and assists with the creation of the Austin State Hospital Redesign. She has 13 years' experience in mental health care business operations and specialty project management.</p> <p>Coordinator: Lorraine Broll</p>
<p>Thursday, April 28th, 2022</p>	
<p>9:30AM-10:40AM (Hybrid)</p> <p>Being a change maker in a noisy world: Identifying your sweet spot and living it out</p> <p>Leslie's story of going on a quest to make orphanages a better place for children but finding herself in a refugee camp and as a result, starting a social enterprise revolutionizing the life of refugee women; ultimately returning to help transform orphanages, but in a way she never imagined.</p> <p><i>Lifestyles</i></p>	 <p>Leslie Beasley is the CEO of Miracle Foundation.org, a global non-profit organization. Prior to Miracle Foundation, she was the Founder and CEO of Open Arms as well as a founding member of Work for Life.</p> <p>Coordinator: Kapil Jain</p>
<p>11:00AM-12:10PM (In Person)</p> <p>Exploring Antisemitism in TX and Coleyville on Holocaust Remembrance Day</p> <p>ADL Austin handles complaints of discrimination, racism, and antisemitism, and monitors extremists and domestic terrorists to fight hatred in all its forms. Texas has had an alarming increase in antisemitic attacks. We will look at hatred through the lens of the Holocaust and the lessons thereof.</p> <p><i>Public Affairs</i></p>	 <p>As Regional Director of ADL Austin, Renee Lafair works to build a community that values diversity, equity & dignity for all, working with over 300 Central TX schools on the No Place for Hate initiative & convening the Austin/Travis County Hate Crimes Task Force with the City Council & the DA's office.</p> <p>Coordinator: Lorraine Broll</p>

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WEEK 6 – May 3rd & 5th, 2022

Tuesday, May 3rd, 2022

9:30AM-10:40AM (Hybrid)

A Cartoonist's Look at the Role of Radio and TV in Family Life During the 1940s and 50s

How comic strip artist H.T. Webster delighted readers with cartoons depicting the absurdity of radio and early television shows—ridiculous jingle commercials, sappy soap operas, young boys' devotion to western shows, the eerie sounds of mystery programs, and the sprouting of antennas on rooftops.

Creative World



Kathryn Fuller-Seeley, Ph.D. is an award-winning author of numerous books and articles on American film, radio and TV history. She teaches undergraduate and graduate comedy, media, and film and broadcasting history at the University of Texas, Austin.

Coordinator: Gregory Bolton

11:00AM-12:10PM (In Person)

Dark Energy and Black Holes through the Eye of Texas with HETDEX

Dr. Gebhardt will give an update from the Hobby Eberly Telescope Dark Energy Experiment, designed to measure the expansion rate of the universe from 10 billion years ago.

Science and Technology



Dr. Karl Gebhardt Ph.D., is the Herman and Joan Suit Professor in Astrophysics, Department of Astronomy, College of Natural Sciences at UT Austin.

Coordinator: Ronald Ranton

Thursday, May 5th, 2022

9:30AM-10:40AM (Hybrid)

The Alchemy of Animation

The history of technologies used to produce animation and how disciplines have been spawned along the way to produce the detailed, lifelike depictions we enjoy today.

Creative World



Ben Bays is an Associate Professor in UT's Department of Radio Television Film. As an illustrator, animator CGI and Visual Effects Artist with 20+ experience in drawing, painting, and animating, he has created and taught a variety of classes around storytelling in "new media," a fluid term.




Coordinator: Gregory Bolton

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Spring 2022 - QUEST Lectures

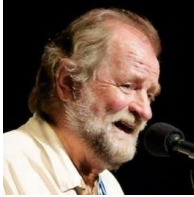


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Tuesdays (begins March 29th)

Week 1 – March 29 th , 2022	
<p>1:00PM-2:10PM (Hybrid)</p> <p>Royal Hawaii</p> <p>With native protests now in the news, many Americans are aware of Hawaii's unwilling annexation to the US. But almost no one knows the history presented here, of the country's eight monarchs, under whom American business and missionaries gained influence, and whose mistakes led to the US takeover.</p>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div> <p>James L. Haley is a life member of the Texas Institute of Letters and a fellow of the Texas State Historical Association. Among his two dozen books is CAPTIVE PARADISE: A HISTORY OF HAWAII.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator: Betsy Arumi</p> </div> </div>
<p>2:40PM-3:50PM (In-Person)</p> <p>Political Polarization with the Trump and Biden Administrations</p> <p>This lecture will focus on the development of increased polarization of the U.S. political environment during the Donald Trump and Barack Obama presidencies</p>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div> <p>Dr. Richard Fonte, Ph.D., has been a frequent presenter for OLLI concentrating on issues involving American Politics and American History. In his professional career he was Director of the We The People program for the National Endowment for the Humanities and served as President of Austin Community College.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator: Harry Polly</p> </div> </div>
Week 2 – April 5 th , 2022	
<p>1:00PM-2:10PM (Hybrid)</p> <p>European Environmental Politics: UK Environmentalism, Brexit, & UK/EU Relations</p> <p>This talk will examine the effects of Brexit on UK-EU environmental relations. It will discuss how the UK addresses transnational environmental issues that affect both it and its European neighbors.</p>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div> <p>Dr. Michael Mosser, Ph.D., is an Associate Professor at UT, Assistant Director for the Center for European Studies, Strauss Center Distinguished Scholar, and was named one of the "Texas 10" for 2021 by Texas Exes.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator: Steve Fogel</p> </div> </div>

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Week 2 – April 5th, 2022 (Continued)

<p>2:40PM-3:50PM (In-Person)</p> <p>The Scottish Borders: In History, Songs, and Slides</p> <p>The south-east of Scotland, known as The Borders, is an area rich in history and song. Not as rugged as the Highlands, not as populated as the Central Lowlands, it is an area of wild beauty, “a queer compromise between fairyland and battleground.”</p>	 <p>A native of Edinburgh, Edward Miller moved to the US in 1968 to complete his graduate work in Geography, & later Folklore, at UT Austin. For nearly 40 years, he was the host of “Folkways” on KUT-FM & currently hosts “Across the Pond” on Sun Radio Sundays 9-10am. He has recorded 10 CDs of Scottish music.</p> <p>Coordinator: Mollie Tower</p>
<p>Week 3 – April 12th, 2022</p>	
<p>1:00PM-2:10PM (Hybrid)</p> <p>Shirley Temple and Mickey Mouse, heroes of the Great Depression</p> <p>With cheerful demeanor and the ability to melt the hearts of much bigger opponents, how two scrappy but adorable characters helped to lift Americans from the depths of Hard Times.</p>	 <p>Kathryn Fuller-Seeley, Ph.D. is an award-winning author of numerous books and articles on American film, radio and TV history. She teaches undergraduate and graduate comedy, media, and film and broadcasting history at the University of Texas, Austin.</p> <p>Coordinator: Woodie Jones</p>
<p>2:40PM-3:50PM (In-Person)</p> <p>Eastern Screech Owls</p> <p>Eastern screech owls are amazing backyard creatures. They demonstrate the concept that no matter what toys we gift to our children, they will always be most amazed at another living creature. We'll explore the owls, boxes, and cameras and then watch three years of an Austin backyard experience.</p>	 <p>Michael Mitchell has been a Texas Game Warden since 2004, specializing in introducing technology, mobile apps, big data to field work. Best of State Award and Assistant Commander. Trainer for Nat'l Fish and Wildlife Conservation Center. Master Naturalist, birdwatcher, geocacher, teaches ethics and info on wildlife trafficking</p> <p>Coordinator: Beth Moreno</p>

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Week 4 – April 19th, 2022

1:00PM-2:10PM (Hybrid)

Revolutionary War as our First Civil War

The American Revolution was more than a fight against the British: it was also a violent battle among neighbors forced to choose sides, Loyalist or Patriot.



UT Professor H W Brands, the Jack S. Blanton Sr. Chair in History, writes on American history and politics. He has written twenty-five books, coauthored or edited five others, and published dozens of articles and scores of reviews.

Coordinator: Woodie Jones

2:40PM-3:50PM (In-Person)

The Irish Consulate in Texas and beyond...

Curious about business ties between Texas and Ireland, what are the bi-directional imports/exports between US and Ireland, and/or the impact of Brexit? Attend this lecture and find out more!



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Robert Hull is the Consul General of Ireland to Texas and southern central United States. Represents the Government of Ireland in Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas and Kansas City, Missouri.

Coordinator: Elizabeth Gregowicz

Week 5 – April 26th, 2022

1:00PM-2:10PM (Hybrid)

Finding your Roots: the Austin Genealogical Society

Have you ever been curious about how to get started researching your family history? An overview of the resources, techniques, and pitfalls by the current president of the Austin Genealogical Society. Online resources and breakthroughs in DNA research have revolutionized this field in recent years.



Diane Harvey is a TMCA Credentialed Advanced Mediator and a Clinical Social Worker who incorporates mediation into her private therapy practice. Trained in mediation in 1999, she began coaching in mediation trainings at the DRC in the early 2000's and has been teaching both the basic and advanced family mediation classes since 2019.

Coordinator: Beth Moreno

2:40PM-3:50PM (In-Person)

Inside Books Project

The Inside Books Project, an Austin based community service organization, sends free books and educational materials to the more than 140,000 people incarcerated in Texas. It works to promote literacy and education among the prison population and to educate the general public on prison issues.



Paul Tardie is an artist from California who has drawn inspiration from living in Tennessee, Montana, and Texas. He is self-educated in the visual arts except for printmaking. He works in a variety of media including collage, murals, ink and graphite. Author, advocate for prison reform.

Coordinator: Beth Moreno

Week 6 – May 3rd, 2022

1:00PM-2:10PM (Hybrid)

The Black Seminoles in Texas

An overview of the Black Seminole population in south Texas, their history and heritage, including a discussion of their creole language (related to Gullah). A glimpse into the way linguists actually work in the field, by a world-renowned expert.



Dr. Ian Hancock Ph.D. is a linguist, Romani scholar and political advocate. He directs the Program of Romani Studies and the Romani Archives and Documentation Center at UT Austin where he has also been professor of English and linguistics since 1972. He has represented the Romani people at the United Nations and served as a member of the US Holocaust Memorial Council under President Bill Clinton.

Coordinator Beth Moreno

2:40PM-3:50PM (In-Person)

Estate Planning

"Don't leave the one you love with nothing but memories." Estate planning needs attention to property issues or claims arising out of diverse relationships. This presentation concentrates on negating some relationships, establishing others and providing for those that exist in law or in fact.



Rhonda H. Brink, J.D., of Brink Bennett, Austin, specializes in Estate Planning and Probate Law, as a Fellow of ACTEC. Educated at Trinity University and UT Law, she has received numerous professional awards and serves UT Austin in development and teaching in the McCombs Wealth Management Minor.

Coordinator: Woodie Jones

Spring 2022 - QUEST Seminars

Thursdays (begins March 31st)

1:00PM-2:10PM

I'm Transgender; You See Me (Hybrid)

This course introduces the concept of gender identity and — through a combination of personal story-telling and expert panel discussions — examines the history of how transgender individuals have been accepted and rejected, the challenges faced, and the progress made.



Jo Ivester serves on the board of Equality Texas, a non-profit LGBTQ rights organization. She is active in LGBTQ rights in Austin and at the Texas Legislature. Her best-selling memoir, *The Outskirts of Hope* (2015), has led to numerous speaking engagements. She is currently working on a play.

Coordinator: John Theiss

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Thursdays (begins March 31st) 1:00PM-2:10PM (Continued)

Antarctica 2: The Otherworldly Continent (In-Person)

Antarctica I provided background and historical perspective—its weather, explorers, natural history and “national” history. Antarctica II will cover its land, air, sea and benthic creatures; natural resources; the impact Antarctica has on the Earth’s climate (and vice-versa); research going on there, and what it’s like to live on the Antarctic stations.



Dr. Martha Wofford, Ph.D., is a retired audiologist who has worked extensively in the Texas medical profession. Now retired, she teaches seminars on different topics to all UT OLLI programs.

Coordinator: Harry Polly

2:40PM-3:50 PM

Great Works of Art, Antiquity to Modern (In-Person)

This seminar will cover the following key works in art history, offering essential orientation, context, and appreciation for their significance.

- The Parthenon Frieze
- The Ghent Altarpiece
- Sistine Chapel Ceiling
- Oath of the Horatii
- Impression—Sunrise
- The Dinner Party



Speaker will be remote

Karen Pope, Ph.D. has a degree in the History of Art (University of Texas, 1981), is a specialist in the modern art of Europe and America. She retired in 2015 from the faculty of Baylor’s Allbritton Art Institute, where for 17 years she taught art appreciation and other courses.

Coordinator: Mollie Tower

A Musical Miscellany: Selections from the UT Butler School of Music (In-Person)

Enjoy performances and short talks on a variety of subjects from current outstanding students at the Butler School of Music.

- Group #1: Khachaturian, Bartok, & Schoenfield performed on clarinet, violin & piano
- Group #2: Brahms plus lecture on "Lost Without a Cue" in Detective Film Noir
- Group #3: Beethoven performed on clarinet, piano and cello
- "Let's Talk About Ethnomusicology" by Elisa Alfonso
- Group #5: Bach and Poulenc performed on trumpet, horn, trombone and harpsichord
- Group #6: Various string quartet selections performed on two violins, viola & cello



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<https://app.getacceptd.com/utexasgradmusic>

Dan Seriff manages the community outreach efforts of the BSOM and oversees the admission process for new, returning, and continuing grad students. He received a Master of Music degree in Musicology from the Butler School in 2003.

Coordinator: Mollie Tower




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Wednesdays (begins March 30th)




9:30AM – 10:40AM

<p>Values: Problems and Puzzles (In-Person)</p> <p>The aim of this course will be to discuss perennial issues involving values. Some of the issues will be specific ones—problems of meritocracy, new developments in biotechnology and the paradox of confidence. Other issues will involve more general philosophical matters, such as the value of happiness, and the problems involved in resolving different kinds of value conflicts.</p>	 <p>Marshall Missner was educated at the University of Chicago, where he received a B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. After graduating he became a professor in the Philosophy Department at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, where he taught for 38 years.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator: Bertha Miller</p>
<p>Astronomical Anticipation: The Coming Age of Giant Telescopes (Hybrid)</p> <p>The University of Texas is deeply involved with two of the world's largest and most evolved Space Telescopes, the Giant Magellan Telescope and the recently deployed James Webb Space Telescope. How will these telescopes add to our understanding of stars, solar systems, galaxies, and the universe?</p>	 <p>G. Fritz Benedict, Ph.D. has degrees in physics and astronomy from the University of Michigan and a Ph.D. in astronomy from Northwestern University. He is currently a senior research scientist at the UT McDonald Observatory and a team member on the Hubble Space Telescope.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator: Sharon Roberson Host: Steve Saltwick</p>
<p>Winston S. Churchill: A Life Well Lived (In-Person)</p> <p>Sir Winston Leonard Spencer-Churchill was a British politician, military officer and writer who served as the prime minister of Great Britain from 1940 to 1945 and from 1951 to 1955.</p> <p>Born into an already famous family in 1874, Churchill made a name for himself during the Boer War. He played a significant role in World War I and held many offices through successive governments during the 1920's and 1930's. When he became prime minister in 1940, Churchill inspired his fellow countrymen and indeed the entire free world to fight the Nazis through the war's darkest periods. Ultimately he helped lead a successful Allied strategy with the U.S. and Soviet Union that rid the world of the Nazi menace and defined geopolitics to this day.</p>	 <p>Richard Brook has a B.Sc. in Mechanical Engineering from the Univ of Saskatchewan, Canada as well an MBA from SMU. While traveling to Europe and Asia on business, he began visiting the locations of various battle fields where relatives of his had fought during World War I and World War II. These interests have since expanded, resulting in a wealth of research and visits to hundreds of museums and war-related sites in Europe and around the World.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator: Sharon Roberson</p>

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<p>Human Evolution and Expansion in Relation to Natural Ecological Processes (In-Person)</p> <p>Follow the evolution of humans from origins in Africa through human growth and modification to consequences of current human behavior.</p> <p><i>Week 1: Human evolution and dispersal from Africa</i> <i>Week 2: The Relatedness of humans to other species</i> <i>Week 3: Human Population Growth and Regulation</i> <i>Week 4: Process and product of the modification of plants and animals</i> <i>Week 5: The detrimental consequences of contemporary human activities</i> <i>Week 6: The organization of biological diversity in space and time</i></p>	 <p>Donald A. Levin, PhD graduated from the University of Illinois in Urbana with a B.S. in Botany in 1960 and a Ph.D. in Botany in 1964. He joined the University of Illinois in Chicago as Asst. Prof. of Biology, moved to the Yale University Biology Dept. in 1969, and came to UT in Botany in 1972. He has written over 200 papers and 2 books on plant evolution.</p> <p>Coordinator: Bertha Miller</p>
<p>"S'Wonderful!" The Life and Songs of George Gershwin (In-Person)</p> <p>This class takes a close look at George Gershwin, probably the most beloved composer of both popular and orchestral music in our history. His incredible talent and energy made him an American hero as he produced songs for all phases of popular music.</p>	 <p>Jerry Conn has combined journalism (reviewing the performing arts), public relations, and teaching at the college level. He now specializes in the classic pop music of the 20s-50s in classes and musical cabaret shows.</p> <p>Coordinators: Don Raschke</p>
<p>Dolph Briscoe Center (In-Person)</p> <p>The Story Behind the Collections at the Briscoe Center At the Briscoe Center for American History, our vast archival and material culture collections help document our nation's past. But the stories behind the collections are often as fascinating as the materials themselves. In this six-part lecture series, the center's staff will provide an insider's look at how we collect, preserve, and make the evidence of history come alive, especially through our own exhibits, publications, and projects.</p>	 <p>Multiple Speakers:</p> <p>Wk 1: Erin L. Purdy, Welcome to the Briscoe Center Wk 2: Neal Spelce, A Conversation with Neal Spelce Wk 3: Don Carleton and Erin Purdy, The Robert Polidori Photographic Archive Wk 4: Sarah Sonner, The Governor and The Colonel: A dual biography of Will and Oveta Hobby Wk 5: Nancy Young, Briscoe Publications: John Nash Garner Wk 6: Sarah Sonner, One Night in Miami; From Photo to Film</p> <p>Coordinators: Jim Jirsa</p> <p><small>Image: https://www.flickr.com/photos/briscoe_center/collections</small></p>

Spring 2022 - NOVA Lectures (1:00-2:40PM) – ALL HYBRID*

Week 1 - Wed, March 30 th , 2022	
<p>Pandemic No One is Talking About (Hybrid)</p> <p>SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19 have urgently and appropriately driven our lives the past two years. We must ensure that other public health urgencies are not neglected. This presentation will define and describe the pandemic of physical inactivity around the world and offer new ideas for addressing it in the age of COVID-19.</p>	 <p>Harold W. (Bill) Kohl, PhD is a professor at the University of Texas Health Science Center – Houston and the Michael & Susan Dell Center for Healthy Living, and in the Department of Kinesiology and Health Education at UT Austin. He is an epidemiologist focusing on physical activity and public health,</p> <p><i>Speaker will be remote</i></p> <p>Coordinator: Carole K. Holahan</p>
Week 2 - Wed, April 6 th , 2022	
<p>Life and Death by Impact: Lessons on Climate Change from 66 Million Years Ago (Hybrid)</p> <p>Dr. Sean Gulick will discuss the role of catastrophism in the geologic record, and even make the analogy of future climate disaster and species extinction with the demise of the dinosaurs</p>	 <p>Sean PW Gulick, PhD. Was raised in England and North Carolina, Dr. Gulick has been at UT Austin since 2001, where he is a Research Scientist at Institute for Geophysics and Dept. of Geological Sciences, Jackson School of Geosciences, as well as co-director of the Center for Planetary Systems Habitability at UT.</p> <p>Coordinator: Bruce Bogart</p>
Week 3 - Wed, April 13 th , 2022	
<p>Nonpartisan Democracy at Work- Austin Redistricting (Hybrid)</p> <p>A panel of the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission will educate us on the non-partisan process used to determine Austin city council districts. This process illustrates what a non-partisan democratic, re-districting processes did and can look like.</p>	 <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joshua Blank, PhD. • Shaina Kambo • Selina Yee • Luis Gonzales <p>Coordinator: Dennis Alexander</p>

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Week 4 - Wed, April 20th, 2022

EWOP: Empowering Women Out of Prison (Hybrid)

EWOP goes into a prison and helps women create a "fresh start" for themselves and their families, so that when they are released they have the confidence, support and tools for self-sufficiency and lasting results. From the candidate selection process to post-release support. The structure of the program is rigorous and innovative.



Karen El-Tawil has been an active volunteer and donor with Prison Entrepreneurship Program (PEP) since 2012. She has been involved with the women's program since its inception and served as Interim Executive Director in EWOP's inaugural year.



Pam Parkman Thomure is EWOP's current Executive Director

Coordinator: Dennis Alexander

Week 5 - Wed, April 27th, 2022

Immigration and Central American Families (Hybrid)

The 2020-2021 UT NOVA Diversity Scholarship Recipient, Tatiana discusses the impact of immigration on the well-being of families from Central America.



Tatiana Londono is a Ph.D. student in the Hicks School of Social Work. Her research on the impact of trauma experienced during migration from Central America and during immigration detention on the well-being of immigrant children is timely and of central importance in addressing issues of immigration, social justice, and diversity in contemporary Texas culture.

Coordinator: Diane Jones

Week 6 - Wed, May 4th, 202

Austin Ukulele Society (Hybrid)

In this program presented by Bob Guz, we'll review the story of the ukulele, from its emergence in Hawai'i through the present. We'll visit key milestones in its history, highlight musicians from each era, and play a few songs as well! Lyrics and chords will be available for those who want to play or sing along so feel free to bring your voices and your ukuleles.



Bob Guz is co-founder and president of the Austin Ukulele Society. Founded in 2011, the Society is dedicated to promoting the ukulele in the Live Music Capital of the World through musical education and performances, and has thousands of followers around the world.



Coordinator: Dennis Alexander

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Fridays (begins April 1st) 9:30AM – 10:40AM


<p>Nutrition from A to Z: National Strategies for Optimizing Health (Hybrid)</p> <p>Wk 1: Nutrition Basics: Guidelines for Healthy Nutrition (Heather Leidy, PhD) Wk 2: Eating Right from the First Bite: How Early Life Nutrition Can Shape Later Health (Beth Widen, PhD, RD) Wk 3: Energy Balance and Weight Loss: Genes or Jeans? (Molly Bray, PhD) Wk 4: Nutrition Myths and Fad Diets: Getting the “Skinny” on Weight Loss (Drew Hays, MS, RN) Wk 5: Nutrition and the Gut Microbiome: Feeding Your Microbial Guardians (Molly Bray, PhD) Wk 6: Nutrition and the Immune System: Nourishing Your Defense Systems (Chris Jolly, PhD)</p>	<div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Director</p> </div> <p>Dr. Molly Bray, Ph.D. holds the Susan T. Jastrow Endowed Chair in the Department of Nutritional Sciences at the University of Texas at Austin, with a master’s degree in Exercise Physiology and a PhD in Human and Molecular Genetics.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator: Karen Haschke</p>
<p>Backstage at Austin Opera's Productions, Community Initiatives & Digital Offerings (In-Person)</p> <p>Austin Opera GD & CEO Annie Burrridge will be joined by Principal Conductor Timothy Myers and other members of the Austin Opera team to lead in-depth explorations of artistic planning, business operations and the role of a 21st century opera company in civic life.</p> <p>Wk 1: Introduction to Producing Opera, Annie Burrridge Wk 2: Behind the Scenes, Nathan Dupoint & Vince Herod Wk 3: Building Audiences and Philanthropy, Jennifer Basten & Melysa Rogen Wk 4: The Music of Opera, Timothy Myers Wk 5: Crisis Management, Annie Burrridge Wk 6: The Future of Opera, Annie Burrridge & Nathan Dupoint</p>	<div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Director</p> </div> <p>Annie Burrridge is General Director and CEO of Austin Opera, where she has led the development of a new strategic plan; launched a new artistic initiative; secured national grants, and established many community partnerships.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator: Rose Betty Williams</p>

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Fridays (begins April 1st) 9:30AM – 10:40AM (Continued)

<p>Exploring End of Life Options (In-Person)</p> <p>Addressing final arrangements now is one of the kindest gifts you can give yourself and your family. This seminar will help you make practical, informed end-of-life decision.</p> <p>Wk 1: Don't Panic That The End Is In Sight, Nancy Walker Wk 2: Shop Before You Drop, Nancy Walker Wk 3: All About Hospice, Sabiha Bandali, Wk 4: Having Your Way Even After You're Dead, Nancy Walke Wk 5: Final Gifts: Organ Donations, Lemuel Bradshaw Wk 6: A Final Gift From Head to Toe, Nancy Walker</p>	 <p align="center">Director</p> <p>Coordinator: Patti Clayton</p> <p>Nancy Walker is the Executive Director of the Funeral Consumers Alliance of Central Texas, formerly the Austin Memorial & Burial Information Society (AMBIS), a volunteer-run nonprofit founded in 1964.</p> <p>Sabiha Bandali is a hospice social worker who has been caring for hospice patients over 10 years.</p> <p>Lemuel Bradshaw is a heart transplant recipient, organ donation activist, and community outreach educator for United Tissue Resource and Donate Life Texas.</p>
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11:00AM – 12:10PM

<p>Dimensions of Integrative Biology: Faculty Research (In-Person)</p> <p>This speaker series provides a window into the diversity of research interests that fall under the umbrella of "integrative biology". In this program we focus primarily on faculty recently added to the IB department here at UT Austin.</p> <p>Wk1: Adventures of a Physicist Turned Biologist, Annette Ostling Wk 2: Insights on the biology of white-tailed deer: UT's Brackenridge Field Laboratory, Larry Gilbert, PhD. Wk 3: Mitochondria and the Meaning of Life, Justin Havird Wk 4: Coral Reef Dentists, Rebecca Young Wk 5: Population History Thru DNA, Vagheesh Narasimhan Wk 6: Pandemic of Frogs, Kelly Zamudio</p>	 <p align="center">Director</p> <p>Coordinator: Harvey Walseth</p> <p>Larry Gilbert Ph.D. has a degree in population biology from Stanford, teaches in UT's Integrative Biology program, and directs the invasive species research program at Brackenridge Field Lab.</p>
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<p>Explore Historic San Antonio: Its Myriad of Cultures and Landmark Treasures (In-Person)</p> <p>Texas history author Myra McIlvain will take us on a historic tour of San Antonio beginning in 1718 with the first mission, Indians, Battle of the Alamo up to current times.</p> <p><i>Speaker will be remote.</i></p>	 <p align="center"><i>Speaker will be remote</i></p> <p>Coordinator: Charles Ice</p> <p>Myra Hargrave McIlvain is a teller of Texas tales. Whether she is sharing the stories in her books, her lectures, or her blog, she aims to make the Texas story alive. She has free-lanced as a writer of Texas historical markers, written articles for newspapers all over the country and for magazines.</p>
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11:00AM – 12:10PM Seminars (Continued)

<p>Essential Elements of Memoir Writing (In-Person)</p> <p>Working within a supportive, positive environment this seminar will give you the tools you need to transform your experiences and historical, familial facts into a memoir that is personal and engaging to read.</p>	 <p>Rosa Latimer is an author, playwright and an award-winning photographer. In addition to non-fiction books she writes for national and regional magazines and newspapers. She also works as a writing coach.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator: Nancy Ellis</p>
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Spring 2022 - FORUM Lectures (1:00-2:10PM) – ALL (HYBRID)

Week 1 - Friday, April 1 st , 2022	
<p>Forecasting Central Texas Weather in a Changing Climate (Hybrid)</p> <p>David Yeomans (KXAN Meteorologist) will discuss Central Texas' varied climate zones and the challenges presented in predicting local weather day-to-day.</p> <p><i>This is a webinar playback of one of the best rated lectures of 2020.</i></p>	 <p>David Yeomans. Three-time Emmy Award-winning Meteorologist David Yeomans has been fascinated with weather since he was a kid. He studied meteorology at the University of Miami, where he earned Bachelors and Masters degrees and published research under world-renowned climate change expert Dr. Brian Soden.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Speaker was recorded</i></p>
Week 2 - Friday, April 8 th , 2022	
<p>Basic Introduction to Cancer Immunotherapy (Hybrid)</p> <p>Immunotherapy has transformed cancer treatment in recent years. This lecture will give a brief introduction to tumor immunology and discuss the most common immunotherapies.</p>	 <p>Olivia Lu, Ph.D., is an assistant professor in the Department of Neurosurgery. Through close collaboration with clinicians at Dell Medical School and Dell Children's Hospital, her research focuses on the molecular mechanisms of immune suppression and evasion in brain-tumor microenvironment.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Coordinator Caran Colvin</p>

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Week 3 - Friday, April 15th, 2022

Dell Medical School's new Center for Psychedelic Research and Therapy (Hybrid)

Dr. Greg Fonzo, co-director of the Center for Psychedelic Research and Therapy at UT Austin's Dell Medical School, will discuss the evidence base for administering psychedelics safely and therapeutically for mental health treatment, and share the Center's plans for use of this promising treatment.



Speaker will be remote

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Coordinator: Jane Swanson

Week 4 - Friday, April 22nd, 2022

A Look Back at the U S Withdrawal from Afghanistan (Hybrid)

Milton Bearden, retired officer of the CIA Clandestine Services, will give his view of how the United States handled leaving Afghanistan after 20 years.



Speaker will be remote.

Milton Bearden retired from the Central Intelligence Agency in 1994, after thirty years in the CIA's clandestine services where he rose through the ranks to become one of CIA's most senior officers.

Coordinator: Joan Lava

Week 5 - Friday, April 29th, 2022

The Art of the Hollywood Backdrop (HYBRID)

In almost every feature film of Hollywood's golden age, painted backings have convinced moviegoers that what they are seeing is absolutely real. Dr. Maness will discuss the history of the craft of the Hollywood backdrop, including interviews of the surviving artists.



Karen Maness is the Associate Director for the Texas Performing Arts Fabrication Studios, Assistant Professor of Practice for the University of Texas College of Fine Arts, studio artist, curator, and co-author of the award-winning book *The Art of the Hollywood Backdrop*.

Coordinator: Caran Colvin

Week 6 - Friday, May 6th, 2022

Texas Metro Blueprint-Infrastructure and Investment (HYBRID)

Metropolitan regions are home to 9 in 10 Texans, and they are the state's economic engines. They need a slate of policies that improves the quality of life for all their residents— and at the same time drives their competitiveness. In this presentation, Professor Pedigo will outline the policies needed to support the growth of metro areas and cities in Texas.



Speaker will be remote

Steven Pedigo is a professor of practice at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs at The University of Texas at Austin and the director of the LBJ Urban Lab.

Coordinator: Don Ugent

Our lineup of seminars and lectures are subject to change between now and throughout the Spring 2022 session which begins on Monday, March 28, 2022.

The amount of curriculum offerings is also subject to change based upon the speakers' availability. Our programming will also change each fall, winter, and spring to introduce new content based on the feedback and interests of our members and is chosen by each program's respective curriculum committees.

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