CONSIDERING FACILITATING?
A WISH LIST OF CLASSES

The OLLI Central Curriculum Committee is now recruiting facilitators for both our 2019 winter term (January 14-March 8) and spring term (April 1-May 24). If you would like to join our fabulous facilitator ranks but are looking for a class idea, here are some suggested books and topics we would love to have our members explore.

If you see a topic that interests you in a particular area (or if you have your own idea for a class), please contact the Subchair listed below each group for more information. Or, direct your questions to Nancy Cain, OLLI Central Curriculum Chair, at ncainform@gmail.com.

We also want potential facilitators to know that on our website, under Facilitator Resources, there is a list of books and DVDs that support class development. The tab also has information on making a portfolio page, learning power point, and lots of forms helpful to facilitators.

Thank you so much for considering facilitating at OLLI Central. We want you, we need you, and we would love to showcase your contribution to our classes.

HISTORY

Books
Thomas Jefferson: The Art of Power by Jon Meacham
Those Angry Days: Roosevelt, Lindbergh and America’s Fight over World War II by Lynne Olson
Our America: A Hispanic History of the United States by Felipe Fernandez-Armesto
Her Story: A Timeline of the Women Who Changed America
by Charlotte Waisman and Jill S. Tietjen
Cronkite by Douglas Brinkley
Bolivar: American Liberator by Marie Arana
The Great Upheaval: America and the Birth of the Modern World, 1788-1800 by Jay Winik
Race and Reunion: The Civil War in American Memory by David Blight
The Accidental Empress (historical novel) by Allison Pataki
How the Scots Invented the Modern World: The True Story of How Western Europe’s Poorest Nation Created Our World by Arthur Herman
Pax Britannica by James Morris
Hapsburg Empire: A New History by Pieter Judson
Jerusalem: The Biography by Simon Sebag Montefiore
France, Fin de Siecle by Eugene Weber
The World of Yesterday by Stefan Zweig
The March of Folly by Barbara Tuchman
The Moralist: Woodrow Wilson and the World He Made by Patricia O'Toole
Friends Divided: John Adams and Thomas Jefferson by Gordon Woods
The Silk Roads: A New History of the World by Peter Frankopan
Daring to Drive by Manal al Sharif
SPQR by Mary Beard
The Age of Ambition: Chasing Fortune, Truth and Faith in the New China by Evan Osmos
The Looming Tower by Lawrence Wright
The True Flag: Theodore Roosevelt, Mark Twain and the Fight over American Imperialism by Stephen Kinzer
The Generals: Patton, MacArthur, Marshall and the Winning of World War II by Winston Groom
The General vs. the President: MacArthur and Truman at the Brink of Nuclear War by H. W. Brands

Suggested Topics
The American Revolution, 1750-1783
Labor Movements in America, 1890-1940
The French Revolution and the Napoleonic Era
History of Germany and the Third Reich
Elizabeth I and/or Mary Queen of Scots
The Great Depression
The History of Denver
American History by Decades
The Korean War
The Gulf War(s)
Spanish History
The History of Canada
Russia under the Tsars
Indian Wars in the American West
Post-Stalin Russia
Local Government in Colorado
The History of China
The Women’s Movement

History Subchair: Nan Morehead  nanmore@q.com

ECONOMICS

Books
Economic Facts and Fallacies by Thomas Sowell
Post-Capitalist Society by Peter Drucker
Economics in One Lesson by Henry Hazlitt
25 Things They Don’t Tell You About Capitalism by H.J. Chang

Suggested Topics
Economics for the Beginner. The OLLI Library has the latest Great Courses DVD series of 36 lectures.

(Acting) Economics Subchair: Nancy Cain  ncainforever@gmail.com
LITERATURE AND WRITING

Suggested Topics

Books about Colorado: *Angle of Repose, Centennial, Empire of the Summer Sun, The Stand, The Dog Stars*

John Updike: Short stories, essays, poems

Authors under 40

Asian writers such as Ha Jin

South American writers such as Allende, Borges and Marquez

Scandinavian mysteries

English Romantics

Irish writers such as Edna O’Brien

World War I literature such as *All Quiet on the Western Front*

The Lost Art of Letters: A review of classic letters and class letter compositions to persons living or dead.

Tell Me A Story: The class will read classic examples while studying the elements of exposition, setting, characters, conflict, denouement and climax.

Travel writing.

Literature and Writing Subchairs: Don & Gracie Batt
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PHILOSOPHY, RELIGION & PSYCHOLOGY

Books

*Plato at the Googleplex: Why Philosophy Won’t Go Away* by Rebecca Goldstein. Philosophy’s hidden role in today’s debates on religion, morality, politics and science.

*Existentialism from Dostoevsky to Sartre*, by Walter Kaufmann

*The Alchemy of Mind: The Marvel and Mystery of the Brain* by Diane Ackerman
Lying: Moral Choices in Public and Private Life by Sissela Bok

Philosophy, Religion & Psychology Subchair
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SCIENCE, RESEARCH & TECHNOLOGY

Books
The Science Class You Wish You Had: The Seven Greatest Scientific Discoveries and the People Who Made Them by David Brodie

Physics of the Future: How Science Will Change Daily Life by 2100 by Michio Kaku

How Everything Works by Louis Bloomfield

Suggested Topics
Weather: The basics of meteorology
Basics of Astronomy: Our solar system, galaxy and universe
Changes in Science and Technology over the Past Hundred Years
Research by NASA: Space travel, space stations, working in space, space geology, planets & moons, comets & asteroids
Epigenetics: What it is and how it affects us
The Biology of Mollusks
Dogs: Their biology, evolution and behavior
Cats: Their biology, evolution and behavior
Understanding Insects
Microbiology: The science of micro-organisms
Women in Science and Technology
Forensics: The use of science in detecting and fighting crime
Nobel Prize Winners: Their stories and accomplishments

Science, Research & Technology Subchair
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VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

*Suggested Topics*

International Film Classes
Great Cities of the World
American Regional Artists of the 1930s
Artists and Art Movements
The Irish Theater
Instruments of the Orchestra with Guest Musicians
Kirkland Museum of Fine and Decorative Arts Tour
The Creative Art of Making Glass
International Folk Music and Instruments
Architecture Forms and Periods
The History and Future of Television
The Art and History of Photography
The History of Rock and Roll
The History of Jazz
The History of the Blues
Famous Playwrights

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