TRIPS & EVENTS

Fall 2018 Semester
OLNEY THEATER TRIP
SEPTEMBER 28

We started off the semester kicking off a new partnership with the Olney Theater. Members from all campuses enjoyed Shakespeare’s Twelfth Night, participated in a “talk-back” with the National Players, ate lunch in the courtyard, and took a tour of the campus.
Rockville instructor Judy Scott Feldman led Osher members across several stops of the National Mall. Members discussed the National Mall's history, modern use, and future use. Featured stops included the Capitol, several memorials, and vacant land for potential expansion.
The annual Fall Luncheon featured Antero Pietila, author of *Not in My Neighborhood: How Bigotry Shaped A Great American City*. He discussed how continued discrimination practices toward African Americans and Jews have shaped the cities in which we now live, the prominent theme in his book. The food was catered by Andy Nelson’s BBQ.
Osher at JHU rented a booth at the 20th annual Howard County 50+ Expo. Members volunteered their time to help man the booth and spread the word about our wonderful program. We had over 60 people sign up for information!
Susan Howard, Director of Osher at JHU, attended the Osher Institutes National Conference in Scottsdale, Arizona. The schedule included a keynote session, four plenary sessions, three breakout sessions, and several facilitated discussions. Her favorite part was meeting other directors and comparing logistics, statistics and notes of their programs with Osher at JHU!
SUPREME COURT TRIP
OCTOBER 26

Thanks to Osher instructor Jim O’Hara, Osher members were able to meet the Marshal of the US Supreme Court, the Honorable Pamela Talkin, and ask her questions. The remainder of the day was spent exploring all the Supreme Court has to offer.
TOBY’S DINNER THEATRE

AIN’T MISBEHAVIN’

OCTOBER 26

Osher members from all campuses enjoyed brunch and a matinee of *Ain’t Misbehavin’*, a Tony Award winner for Best Musical featuring music from Thomas “Fats” Waller.
At NOAA we toured and learned about the Climate Prediction Center, Weather Prediction Center, Ocean Prediction Center, Satellite Analysis Branch, and Science on a Sphere. The datacenter is where the hard drives are kept that countries across the world tap into to get their weather forecast, and we got to see it up close!
To kickoff our new partnership with WYPR Public Radio, we will have a tour of the station; receive comments from Tom Hall, Midday Host; and enjoy refreshments catered by City Seeds.
SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Spring 2019
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Be on the lookout for Special Interest Group signup sheets

Examples:

- Walking Group
- Knitting Club
- Scrabble Club
- Foreign Language Club
- Book Club
- Memoir Writing Group
SPRING 2019 CLASSES

Highlights
NAVIGATING ACT III
MONDAY MORNINGS, 2/18 – 3/25, 6 WEEKS
BILL PAPPERT & GUEST SPEAKERS

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
This class offers a roadmap for approaching life’s third act—primarily deciding where to live in our later years. We’ll address senior living options, resources available and staying healthy while aging.
SHAKESPEARE’S *KING LEAR*: PARENTS, CHILDREN, POWER, & THE DYNAMICS OF AGING

MONDAY AFTERNOONS, 2/18 — 3/25, 6 WEEKS
HOwARD BERKOWITZ & JESSICA ROWE

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
This course focuses on a deep reading of Shakespeare’s *King Lear* and its relevance for today’s issues concerning parents, children, power, and the dynamics of aging.

We’ll explore several theories of aging, look at the way these theories emerge in the play, and how literature and gerontology illuminate the richer aspects of Shakespeare’s powerful tragedy.
ENGINEERING SYSTEMS LITE
WEDNESDAY MORNINGS, 4/3 – 5/8, 6 WEEKS
DONALD GANTZLER

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
Cell phones, cars, trains, planes, space items, communications, electrical grids, and home entertainment systems are part of our daily lives. How are these systems developed?

We will discuss real examples of good and bad system development projects in an informal and non-technical way.
THE REALIGNMENT: CAN TRUMP BE RESTRAINED?
WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS, 2/20 — 5/8
ELEANOR CLIFT

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
With President Trump in the White House, Democrats counted on a blue wave to return them to power and some relevancy. 2019 kicks off a wide-open race among Democrats to challenge Trump in 2020. We’ll discuss the party divisions, presidential candidate possibilities, the GOP and the political engagement sparked by this most unprecedented president.
FANTASTIC INTERIM: THE TIME BETWEEN THE TWO WORLD WARS
TUESDAY MORNINGS, 2/19 — 5/7
REX REHFE LD

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Between WWI and WWII was a period of unrivaled prosperity followed by this country’s worst economic decline. Government’s role was changing, an influenza pandemic killed thousands, and a dust bowl raged in the mid-west. The radio and automobile became commonplace, air travel began, and television was introduced.

Never before have there been so many changes in the American lifestyle. The World, too, was changing—join us to explore this fantastic interim.
UNDERSTANDING GENETICS PART I
THURSDAY MORNINGS, 4/4 – 5/9, 6 WEEKS
HOWARD COHN

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
Genetics play an undeniable role in our every-day lives, from cell replenishment to reproduction. How did ancients view “likeness” and what were the notable contributions of Darwin and Mendel? We’ll explore the structure of DNA, inherited disorders and, time permitting, epigenetics and eugenics.
Intriguing World of Glass Art

Thursday Afternoons, 2/21 – 3/28, 6 Weeks

Howard Cohen

Course Description:

In this course, we'll explore the work of six visionary glass artists who shared their knowledge and artistic techniques. In addition, we'll return to the present with a visit from a current Contemporary Glass artist, Michael Janis, who makes evocative graffito glass paintings. As a culmination to the course, we'll visit Michael and his fellow artists' studios at the Washington Glass School in Mt. Ranier, Maryland.
SAVE THE DATES

REGISTRATION & SPRING 2019
IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE

- Course catalog emailed out Wednesday, January 3rd
- Pickup course catalog at Columbia Center Wednesday, January 3rd
- Registration begins Monday, January 7th at 9 a.m.
- Semester starts Monday, February 18th and ends Thursday, May 9th
- Advisory Board & Curriculum Committee Meetings Friday, March 22nd
- No class Thursday, April 18th
TRIPS & EVENTS  (Dates are tentative. Confirmed dates will be shared as soon as possible)

- Friday, March 15th ~ Holocaust Museum with Osher member Carol Goodman
- Friday, March 29th/Friday, April 5th ~ Spring Luncheon in Baltimore
- Friday, April 12th/Friday, April 26th ~ Supreme Court Trip with Jim O’Hara
- Friday, May 3rd ~ Glenstone Museum with Ann Wiker
- Saturday, May 18 — Saturday, May 25 ~ New Mexico Trip with Rob Forloney
- Tuesday, May 21 ~ Goddard Space Trip with Jim O’Leary
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HAPPY HOLIDAYS

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