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Welcome to Your OLLI!

The Fall II OLLI courses are being finalized with classes starting on October 24. A link to the new catalog is available online at <u>OLLI Fall II Catalog</u>. It will be an exciting set of courses with some of your favorite instructors. Registration opens on October 10. Be sure to sign-up – you won't regret it.

OLLI is Pleased to Introduce Two New Instructors: Beverly and Marc Olevin



Beverly has been an instructor for OLLI since 2005 when she helped develop the OLLI program at UCLA. She was the first Artist-in-Residence for that growing venture and was honored by UCLA as its Extension's Distinguished Instructor for 2010. Her course repertoire includes theatre, writing, acting and short stories and brings with her the conviction that there is more to OLLI than just a classroom.

Marc spent many years attending and assisting Beverly's classes and came on board in 2018 as an OLLI instructor. His specialty is teaching the ever-evolving history of science with a spotlight on the people whose stories illustrate the endless curiosity for discovery.

Beverly is a novelist, playwright, director, and short fiction author. Her novel "*The Good Side of Bad*" won the Kirkus Award for best fiction and has been adapted into a feature film for release later this year. Her short stories have been published in literary magazines across the country, and her play *Soundings* was an L.A. Times critics pick. Marc brings a diverse background to the OLLI classroom, including consulting and teaching with clients including NASA/JPL; graphic and theater design; science communication, and studies in the History of Science. They cherish the many friendships they have developed through their interaction with OLLI students, instructors, and leaders. In their own words, "OLLI has provided us with stimulating and creative challenges plus opportunities for growth and creativity. And now CSUCI has become a "new home" for us."

During their 42 married years they have travelled much of the world but are proud to call California their home and have explored it thoroughly, especially Ventura County and the Central Coast. And there is not much they do without including their favorite furry child, who steals more devotion than anyone should be allowed to do.

Please say welcome to Mark and Beverly when you take their courses.



OLLI is More than Courses – It is about Friendship and Discovery

OLLI's Events Coordinator Ann Lewin and her team have had a remarkably busy summer providing memorable excursions for the OLLI community. Two of their multiple excursions are shown below.

On July 25, Ann's dedicated team arranged for a tour of the Academy Museum of Motion Pictures. According to its Website, the Academy Museum "is the largest museum in the United States devoted to the arts, sciences, and artists of moviemaking." Its focus is to tell its story through the "art, technology, artists, history, and social impact" of movie making.

While impossible to tell such a story in a single visit, our OLLI visitors made their best effort to absorb what they

could. Taking their lives in their own hands by standing in front of a fearsome replica of Bruce the Great White Shark from Jaws to venturing into the abode of Witches, OLLI members had a thoroughly delightful day spent examining the magic of Hollywood and its motion pictures. One set of intrepid explorers declared it was a Thumbs Up tour.





For those OLLI members who wanted more, OLLI the tour of the Academy Museum of Motion Pictures how about a tour of the Los Angeles Rams new SoFi Stadium.

On August 15th, 53 OLLI students took an amazing tour of the new home stadium of the Los Angeles Rams. Los Angeles can now claim the best stadium in the NFL. The tour included the run (really a walk) onto the field followed by throwing a real NFL football on the home field of the Rams.







Ann is hard at work planning the next excursions for OLLI. Be on the lookout for the next fliers. If you have any ideas for what you would like to see in the way of enrichment tours, please contact <u>OLLI@csuci.edu</u>.

Become an OLLI Volunteer

Would you like to "be a buddy" to a new OLLI member? An email or phone call to a new member would help them feel welcome. If you are interested, please contact Michael Trainor at the OLLI office and he will put you in touch with an OLLI volunteer.

Remember -- you can volunteer for whatever amount of time you are willing to donate.

If volunteering is not your thing, please consider making a cash donation to OLLI. It is as simple as clicking the following link. <u>Donate to OLLI</u>

Thank you for supporting your OLLI!!!