Greetings OLLI Members & Friends:

Are you ready for OLLI’s Fall II program? There will be ten 4-week courses to choose from. Nine will be the Zoom format and one will introduce Hy-Flex, a hybrid In-person/Zoom course at Studio Channel Islands on Tuesday mornings.

In the Hy-Flex class, the instructor will wear a microphone and the camera will follow movements of the instructor within the classroom. Zoom viewers will see both the presentation slides and live video of the instructor, along with the audio. We are excited about implementing this new technology for OLLI members.

The Fall II lineup of courses includes several new instructors with fresh thoughts. Some intriguing titles are:

- Leonardo’s Philosophy
- WWII and American Culture
- The Films of Alfred Hitchcock
- Voices from Ancient Graves
- Blues in American Music
- Short Stories Performed.

We hope you enjoy the Fall II choices starting November 15 through December 17. Registration will commence on November 1 at 8:30 AM.

2021 Fall II
Meet Bill Garlington, a premier instructor for OLLI since 2005

Bill has probably taught more OLLI classes than many OLLI members have taken. Bill’s main academic interests are the sociology of religion and the history of ideas. He has taught us courses ranging from Icons of French Literature to the Iranian Revolution and from Issues of Human Sexuality to Atheism: Examination of an Idea. Some of us remember the battle he fought with another instructor (JC) on Religion vs. Science, which Bill said he won!

Bill loves to travel. He met his wife, Cris, on a Study Abroad Class Afloat as they covered the globe looking for adventure, and maybe some studying. They returned to finish at UCLA, where Bill earned a Bachelor and Master of Arts in History -- and remains a Bruins fan. Bill and Cris continued their wanderlust with a young family when he worked on his Doctorate in Asian Studies and Sociology from the Australian National University.

Bill has given OLLI classes about Australia, Morocco, Tunisia, South Korea, Israel, and also India, where Bill was born.

Bill epitomizes OLLI’s lifelong learning. He is a voracious reader and loves to write short stories. In Fall II, Bill will present “A History of Anti-Semitism” on Zoom, Tuesday afternoons. Hope to see you there.

The Open Gallery at Studio Channel Islands was a Success

Thanks to all the OLLI members who attended the Open Gallery at Studio Channel Islands on October 2, 2021. There were good eats, good conversations, and good artwork on display.
OLLI is looking for suggestions for the next OLLI member get-together. Any Ideas?

See if you can identify your intrepid Insider Editor in one of the photos.

Things to Do

Are you interested in learning more about the history of Ventura? Do you want to spend an hour strolling with your OLLI friends in scenic downtown Ventura? Are you looking for something to do on December 4?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, please reserve two hours on your calendar on December 4 for a walking tour of historic Ventura, conducted by Eleanor Schrader. The tour will start at 10:00 AM and the cost for this walking tour will be $25. A registration link for this event will soon be distributed by OLLI via email.

OLLI continues to exist because of the time and effort of our volunteers. Without volunteers, you would not have had the October 2 social gatherings at Studio CI or the courses that are offered by OLLI during the year. To become a volunteer just contact Michael Trainor by email at OLLI@csuci.edu. You can volunteer for whatever amount of time you are willing to donate, and we have plenty of work to keep you busy. If volunteering is not your thing, please consider making a cash donation to OLLI. Just click on the following link to reach OLLI’s donation page. Donate to OLLI Today