

OLLI-USF Spring 2025 from 3/17/2025

MONDAY

She Created What? Artistic Women Who Didn't Make the History Books

Who was the first woman to win a Nobel Prize in literature? How old was the youngest woman commissioned by the US government to create a public statue? What genre did the first female professional writer prefer? Find out more about these women in the visual and literary arts, and 30 others that you never learned about in school.

Sheryl Long

Mon 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM • 3/24/2025-3/31/2025 • 2 mtgs • \$30 • Discovery Village at Tampa Palms

Outsider Collage Workshop

After a brief history of the genre, make collages along with other outsider (untrained) artists. No pressure, no judgement; just some relaxing creative time to explore the art. \$5 for materials, payable to the instructor at the first class.

Sheryl Long

Mon 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM • 4/14/2025-4/21/2025 • 2 mtgs • \$40 • Arbor Terrace

Ants Reveal: What Makes Us Human?

Ant societies share several traits with human ones: family units with overlapping generations of parents and offspring; variation in size, fertility, and abilities; division of labor; food sharing; and a common enemy. We'll explore the environmental factors that favored the evolution of the hierarchical structure of cooperative societies in ants and humans.

Deby Cassill

Mon 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM • 3/17/2025-3/17/2025 • 1 mtg • FREE • USF St Petersburg, SLC 2100

Nuclear Weapons and Nuclear Power Plants

We will tangle with the issues of using or not using nuclear weapons and nuclear power plants; trace their history and status globally; discuss the warnings from Montesquieu, Einstein, and Oppenheimer; explore Annie Jacobsen's new book on nuclear war scenarios; and review the dangers and opportunities cited in new Florida Public Service Commission advanced nuclear energy technology studies.

Ronald Weaver

Mon 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM • 3/24/2025-3/31/2025 • 2 mtgs • \$30 • Canterbury Tower

Of Shakespeare's Witches and Wives

Explore the complexities of relationships as only Shakespeare can through film and discussion of Macbeth and Taming of the Shrew. Could two plays be more different - or perhaps more alike? Both tell the age-old stories of ambition, loyalty and betrayal, and the dynamics of marriage. Is Macbeth about male dominance and female submission or female dominance and male submission? In Taming, is Kate submissive or really taking all the power? Let's find out! Popcorn will be served.

Karen Roberts

Mon 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM • 4/7/2025-4/28/2025 • 4 mtgs • \$50 • Brookdale Bayshore

Spouses and Descendents of Monsters: Families of Hitler's Henchmen

What must it have been like to have been married to or the offspring of a horrific and sadistic Nazi officer? In this audio/video/lecture program we will examine the shocking stories of some of the families of Hitler's closest henchmen and the lifelong curse that has colored so many of their lives.

Howard Kerner

Mon 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM • 3/24/2025-3/24/2025 • 1 mtg • \$20 • Online

Nazi Hunters

So many of the most heinous and guilty Nazi perpetrators managed to escape capture at the end of WWII. Although Simon Wiesenthal was the most famous Nazi hunter there have been many others who have devoted their lives to capturing these despicable men. We will be telling and showing their stories.

Howard Kerner

Mon 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM • 3/31/2025-3/31/2025 • 1 mtg • \$20 • Online

Great Decisions 2025, Part 2: Foreign Policy Discussion Group

Since 1999, OLLI-USF members have gained a deeper understanding of current issues in U.S. foreign policy with Great Decisions. Read a short article, then come to class to view expert background video and then discuss the issue. 2025 Part 2 topics will include: International Cooperation on Climate Change, The Future of NATO and European Security, American Foreign Policy in the Middle East, and AI and American National Security. Text is Great Decisions Briefing Book 2025 (\$35). available at <https://www.fpa.org>.

Aracelis Rogers

Mon 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM • 3/31/2025-4/21/2025 • 4 mtgs • \$50 • Online

Holocaust Studies; Exploring Seminal Events

Over three segments, we will discuss the 1936 Olympic Games, art and the Holocaust, and the Warsaw ghetto. These events are instrumental in interpreting the period.

Mark Brown

Mon 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM • 4/14/2025-4/28/2025 • 3 mtgs • \$45 • Canterbury Tower

Best of Ireland: Seamus Heaney Poems

Two-thirds of the poetry collections sold in the UK 2008 were by Seamus Heaney. His poems combine aural beauty, carefully crafted textures and muscular language "rich with the tones and smell of earth." Heaney created poetry from his native background: Modern Northern Ireland, its farms and cities beset with civil strife, its natural culture and language infested by English rule. We'll discuss the power and popularity of Heaney's poetry through a selection of his poems, supplied by the instructors.

Joyce Carpenter Kevin Chittim

Mon 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM • 4/14/2025-4/28/2025 • 3 mtgs • \$45 • Lake Magdalene Church

Making Sense of the Climate Crisis

What do we know about climate change? This broad overview of our ecological and climate crisis will provide you with basic science information from worldwide climate scientists, the vocabulary of climate change and ways to move to action.

Anita Dygert-Gearheart

Mon 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM • 4/14/2025-4/28/2025 • 3 mtgs • \$45 • Online

TUESDAY

Modern Biblical Scholarship

Topics surrounding religion and faith often get news coverage these days. But consider another point of view: the academic study of the Bible. Hear about various ways people of faith have engaged in modern biblical scholarship. Delve into the historical emergence of academic Bible study, key techniques and some major scholarly findings.

Marc Pugliese

Tue 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM • 3/18/2025-3/18/2025 • 1 mtg • \$20 • Saint Leo University, Wellness Center

Better Composition for Outdoor Photography

Smartphone or camera, you can improve your outdoor photos with great composition. The first class will be online to explore composition tips. The second class will put them into practice with a visit to a park. Share unique perspectives with your classmates in a small group setting. Prerequisite: You must already know how to use the camera settings on your smartphone or camera. **SKILL LEVEL B**

Donna McGrew

Tue 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM • 3/25/2025-4/1/2025 • 2 mtgs • \$30 • Online and Outdoors

Writing your Story!

We all have stories inside us, waiting to be shared. But in our lives lie our greatest adventures, and yet we put off the telling because we fear it would be too difficult or we don't know where to start. In this interactive workshop, Chantelle MacPhee, an English professor at St. Leo University, guides us to the best organization of the moments we wish to share. Bring pen and paper or a laptop computer, and let us write together.

Chantelle MacPhee

Tue 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM • 4/1/2025-4/22/2025 • 4 mtgs • \$20 • Saint Leo University, Wellness Center

Getting Smart with your iPhone: Navigating Apple's AI Features

Let's focus on Apple Intelligence, the newly available AI that comes with iOS 18 for iPhone. We will explore the new writing tools, Siri enhancements and integration with ChatGPT among other new features. Those who have the requisite hardware (iPhone 15 Pro or higher) will be able to follow along in class. Prerequisite: iPhone Shorts: All the Basics or equivalent knowledge. **SKILL LEVEL B**

Bruce Gobioff

Tue 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM • 4/22/2025 • 1 mtg • \$25 • USF Tampa NEC 133

Sherlock Holmes: The Myths and Mystery of the First Great Detective

In 1887, an adventure novel written by a 27-year-old for a little extra cash was published in the Christmas edition of a British paperback magazine. It would forever change popular culture and usher in a whole new genre of story. Set aside your image of your favorite Sherlock and Watson actors, if you dare! Read original Sherlock works as Arthur Conan Doyle penned them. The instructor will provide a reading list to registered students.

Diane White

Tue 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM • 4/1/2025-4/15/2025 • 3 mtgs • \$45 • Lake Magdalene Church

Better Capitalism: How We Can Move from the Tragedy of “More” to Mutual Profit

In your experience with capitalism, have you ever felt that there’s got to be a better way? This seminar will identify exactly when and how our corporate ethics and capitalism took a wrong turn. And it will offer you concepts, actions, and real-life examples for a better way. It will be a fast-moving hour; attendees wanting to go deeper may want to read the presenters’ book, *Better Capitalism*. Join us to unleash mutually beneficial capitalism!

Paul Knowlton, Aaron Hedges

Tue 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM • 4/8/2025-4/8/2025 • 1 mtg • \$15 • Online

The Soundtrack of Rock & Pop in the 50s & 60s

Our adventure begins in New York City, where the echoes of Tin Pan Alley's The Great American Song Book still resound. Journey into the stories behind the Brill Building era of the 1950s and 1960s. We will discuss Carole King, Gerry Goffin, Neil Sedaka, Howard Greenfield, Barry Mann, Cynthia Weil, Phil Spector, Burt Bacharach, Hal David, Neil Diamond, Elvis and many more. Places in this class are limited. Deadline to register 3/17. This is an online class offered by the Osher National Resource Center. Access to the class will be via a website, not a zoom link. You will receive log in information from Osher NRC. and an invitation to a brief online orientation session to be held on 3/25.

Michael Agron

Tue 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM • 4/1/2025-5/6/2025 • 6 mtgs • \$75 • Osher Online

WEDNESDAY**Ten Foods that Define Florida**

Florida boasts an extraordinarily rich food culture. In this illustrated talk, he will discuss the significance of Grits & Grunts, smoked mullet, the impact of the Columbian Exchange, and many other foods that generations have enjoyed in the Sunshine State. Professor Mormino teaches a class in Food, History, and Culture at USF St. Petersburg.

Gary Mormino N/A N/A

Wed 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM • 3/19/2025-3/19/2025 • 1 mtg • FREE • USF St Petersburg, SLC 2100

Journey to Wellness: Strength and Balance Training

Here's a chance to learn and practice the fundamentals of resistance training, core strength and stability, and functional balance for ease in movement in daily activities. The instructor will demonstrate

proper form and technique, and you will be able to practice and improve under her watchful eye. You will use resistance equipment and your body weight in the exercises.

Cathy Hill

Wed 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM • 4/2/2025-4/23/2025 • 4 mtgs • \$45 • Concordia Village of Tampa

Florida and World War II

Pearl Harbor unleashed a series of revolutions that reshaped modern Florida. On the eve of Pearl Harbor, Florida was the smallest state in the American South. Today, it is the third largest state in America. WWII was the lynchpin. The war brought millions of recruits to Florida and the construction of military bases (such as MacDill Field and Drew Field). The illustrated talk will highlight the achievements of women and African Americans in the conflict.

Gary Mormino

Wed 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM • 4/2/2025-4/2/2025 • 1 mtg • FREE • USF St Petersburg, SLC 2100

Ybor City Historic District Walking Tour

In this walking tour we will focus on the period of 1886 to 1936, a significant era in Ybor City history. We will discuss the Italian and Spanish immigrants who made Ybor City their home, visit the Immigrant Family Statue, and walk the same brick streets as the hard workers who are memorialized in cigar factories, monuments, and places of hardship, pride, scandal, and triumph.

Joe Caravella

Wed 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM • 3/26/2025-3/26/2025 • 1 mtg • \$20 • Centennial Park

The Bay of Pigs

On April 17, 1961 over 1,000 armed, trained Cubans stormed ashore at the Bahía de Cochinos in Cuba. The battle that followed would go down in infamy as the “Bay of Pigs Invasion”. Why did it fail? Was the CIA’s planning saddled with wishful thinking instead of proper intelligence and planning? Were the Cubans betrayed by the Kennedy administration? We will attempt to get to what happened and, more importantly, why.

Frank Hoeflinger

Wed 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM • 3/26/2025-4/16/2025 • 4 mtgs • \$50 • Brookdale Bayshore

Guided Forest Bathing

Spend a guided hour in the park mindfully opening your senses to nature. Forest bathing is not hiking, but we will walk short distances on unpaved trails. Improve your well-being as you breathe in the essence of the forest. We will end with a tea ceremony to honor the earth. Meet in the parking lot at Lake Rogers Park. There is a \$2 fee per vehicle.

Cate White

Wed 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM • 3/26/2025-3/26/2025 • 1 mtg • \$20 • Lake Rogers Park

Into the Future: The 21st Century Research Library

Do you remember using the card catalog? Librarians “shushing” you to be quiet? Rooms filled with books and little else? Today’s research library is nothing like that. During this class, we will tour the USF Library and explore the digital world being created to support researchers and students across the globe.

Todd Chavez

Wed 10:15 AM - 12:00 PM • 3/19/2025-3/19/2025 • 1 mtg • \$20 • USF Tampa Library

Excel for Financial Planning

Take control of your financial future in this hands-on class. Use powerful Excel formulas to make informed, data-driven decisions about your investments, retirement plan, and overall financial health. By applying values from your portfolio, you'll gain the confidence to plan your financial goals with precision. Take charge of your portfolio and plan for your future with confidence! You'll need a solid understanding of Excel for this class. SKILL LEVELS B & C

Yves Bouhadana

Wed 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM • 4/9/2025-4/23/2025 • 3 mtgs • \$25 • Online

Empathy Farming: The Evolution of Unhinged Mobile Game Ads

Mobile game cutscenes have gone off the rails. What was once a short 30 second video of "help give this poor bookworm a makeover so she can woo her crush," has turned into 60 second soap operas full of deprivation, abuse, and general misery. And they keep getting worse, even if the game has NOTHING to do with the mini narratives that unfold. So why on earth do these work? This talk examines this phenomenon, puts forward a few hypotheses, and invites audiences to take a critical look at the incremental and puzzle game landscape.

Lauren Malone

Wed 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM • 3/19/2025-3/19/2025 • 1 mtg • FREE • University of Tampa, Gordon Theatre in the Ferman Center

The Influence of Podcasts in Shaping African Diaspora Relationships in the US

This talk will feature scholarships from varying disciplinary perspectives to explore the role played by African diaspora podcasters in forging diasporic consciousness while also challenging mainstream media's exclusionary practices. It will examine the works of these creatives by connecting their practices to the storytelling cultural traditions of ancient West African storytellers.

Robert Otieno Apiyo

Wed 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM • 4/16/2025-4/16/2025 • 1 mtg • FREE • University of Tampa, Gordon Theatre in the Ferman Center

50 Greatest Scandals of Tampa Bay

We will recount notorious scandals in the area's history, from the Black Widow to the gangland slayings from 1928 to 1958, the tragic massacre of troops in 1567 and 1835, disease and wars decimating tens of thousands of indigenous peoples, lynchings, bribery, vote robbery, a hidden hurricane, and 15 feet of water downtown in 1848.

Ronald Weaver

Wed 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM • 4/2/2025-4/16/2025 • 3 mtgs • \$40 • Brookdale Bayshore

Canasta Made Easy: Learn and Play

Two decks, two or more players, and you can easily learn canasta. Invented by two bridge players in Uruguay in 1939, its popularity has spread around the globe. Learn terms such as meld and natural

cards. Welcome jokers to your game – both the cards and your partners! Cards and supplies will be provided.

Janice Perelman

Wed 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM • 4/9/2025-4/16/2025 • 2 mtgs • \$30 • Concordia Village of Tampa, Crossroads Village

Car Crazy: 1950s Onward

Explore key eras of automotive history, as a way of understanding the profound impact cars have on society and culture. We will discuss the role of influential designers, the creation of iconic vehicles like the Ford Mustang and Chevrolet Corvette, and the appeal of visionary concept cars like the Ford Nucleon. This is an online class offered by the Osher National Resource Center. Places are limited.

Deadline to register 3/17.

Pandora Paúl

Wed 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM • 4/9/2025-5/14/2025 • 6 mtg(s) • \$75 • Osher Online

THURSDAY

iPhone Shorts: Editing Photos

Photos and videos can be edited right on your iPhone. If your photos are stored in iCloud, your edited photos are updated across all your devices set up with iCloud. Learn to use the more than a dozen adjustment tools in the editing app, adding filters and using the crop and straighten tools. Learn to easily write or draw on a photo right on your iPhone. We'll also explore editing portrait mode and live photos. Prerequisite: iPhone Shorts: The Basics, or What You Really Need to Know About Your iPhone, or the iPhone Start to Finish class. **SKILL LEVEL B**

Jeanne Dyer, Kitty Sullivan

Thu 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM • 3/20/2025 • 1 mtg • \$25 • USF Tampa NEC 133

What's New in iOS & iPadOS 18?

iOS 18 is one of the biggest updates for iPhone, packed with powerful new features and enhancements. Dive into the latest Home Screen updates, explore the enhanced Control Center, and introduce the new Passwords app. Get hands-on experience with the significant changes to core apps like Safari, Messages, Phone, Notes, Calculator, Maps, Camera and the total revamp of the Photos app. Included will be the integration of Apple's onboard artificial intelligence features. Bring your fully charged and updated to iOS 18 iPhone and/or iPad to class. **SKILL LEVEL B**

Jeanne Dyer

Thu 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM • 4/3/2025 • 1 mtg • \$30 • USF Tampa NEC 133

iPhone Shorts: All About iCloud

If you have more than one Apple device, you want them to work and play well together. iCloud makes that easy: from storing photos, emails, contacts, apps, and media to services such as data syncing and password storage, iCloud can do it all securely. We'll look at Apple Keychain and iCloud storage as well as apps that use iCloud services including Find My, iCloud Photos, iCloud Drive/Files, iCloud security and

privacy. Bring your fully-charged and updated iPhone and/or iPad to class. Prerequisite: iPhone Shorts: All the Basics or iPhone Start to Finish or equivalent knowledge. **SKILL LEVEL B**

Jeanne Dyer, Kitty Sullivan

Thu 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM • 4/17/2025-4/17/2025 • 1 mtg • \$25 • USF Tampa NEC 133

WUSF Presentation and Tour

Visit the WUSF and WSMR studios and hear how public radio and strong partnerships help keep the community informed. Learn how you can easily access new online content offerings from WUSF.

JoAnn Urofsky

Thu 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM • 3/20/2025 • 1 mtg • \$20 • WUSF Studio

Baseball in the 1930s: The Game Goes on During the Depression

Baseball endured during the 1930s. Great players retired while a new group of young stars emerged. Great teams remained but new teams rose to contend. Baseball players and teams adapted and survived while the Depression ground down the nation.

Michael Martin

Thu 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM • 3/13/2025-4/3/2025 • 4 mtgs • \$50 • Allegro at Hyde Park

Life and Death Documents Everyone Should Have

As we age, we may focus on end-of-life planning, but what about planning for unexpected legal and financial events that may occur before the end? Consider how to enhance your ease of life, from right now to the end. That can include social and family factors. Discuss the preparation and use of all legal and financial documents that can go into your life goals and estate plans.

John Grant

Thu 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM • 4/17/2025-4/24/2025 • 2 mtgs • \$40 • Online

Case Studies in Democracy

Is our democracy broken? History offers hope. Consider five pivotal cases in U.S. History from three centuries as decision makers would have, through background reading on the issues. Read the case (about 30 pages each) on your own; in class, analyze and wrestle with the issues and options decision makers faced. Experience history in a more immersive way and emerge with a greater appreciation of the strengths, weaknesses and resilience of American Democracy. Required text: *Democracy: A Case Study* by David Moss (\$20).

Earl Richardson

Thu 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM • 4/17/2025-5/15/2025 • 5 mtgs • \$65 • First Presbyterian Church of Brandon

Wrestling With Faith: Great Short Stories

Do you find it difficult to discuss your faith openly? In a world often dismissive of religion, this course creates a safe space to explore the depths of Christian belief. We'll delve into timeless themes of doubt, forgiveness and faith without judgment or pressure to conform to any specific viewpoint. Pam Tyler, a retired Episcopal priest, offers an opportunity to ask honest questions and find inspiration in the shared human experience reflected in great literature.

Pamela Tyler

Thu 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM • 4/3/2025-4/24/2025 • 4 mtgs • \$50 • Lake Magdalene Church

Acrylic Abstract Painting with Judy

Using as little as one color or as many as you like, we will delve into what it takes to make Abstract Art. Picasso, Rothko, Kandinsky and more will be our guides as we experiment with lines, shapes, patterns and colors. See how easy and exciting it is to paint your very own abstract masterpiece! \$10 supply fee payable to instructor at first class.

Judy Heady

Thu 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM • 4/17/2025-4/24/2025 • 2 mtgs • \$30 • Arbor Terrace

Florida Aquarium - Inside Look: Squid

Discover the inner and outer workings of an amazing aquatic creature! Join a knowledgeable instructor for a hands-on guided dissection of a squid. Learn all about the squid's unique adaptations and what makes this cephalopod special.

Kaitlyn Gengler

Thu 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM • 4/3/2025 • 1 mtg • \$20 • Florida Aquarium

China's 59 World Cultural and Natural Heritage Sites

Take a virtual tour of some of these sites where the instructor led some OLLI members in 2015. Visit the Imperial Palace (Forbidden City) and the Temple of Heaven in Beijing. Then there's the Great Wall, the Terracotta Warriors, and Wudang Mountain with the most sacred Taoist site, the Temple of Confucius. Add Mount Taishan, Giant Panda Sanctuaries, the West Lake in Hangzhou, the Leshan Giant Buddha and South China Karst. Enjoy China's rich culture and natural settings.

Kun Shi

Thu 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM • 4/3/2025-4/10/2025 • 2 mtgs • \$30 • Allegro at Hyde Park

A Culinary Tour of China

Learn more about Chinese cuisine. It is rich and diverse, varying in style and taste among regions. Its history dates back thousands of years, evolving according to changes in class, conquests, religion, history, ethnic groups as well as environment and local preferences. It is often influenced by the cuisines of other cultures. All these factors contribute to an unparalleled range of cooking techniques, ingredients, dishes and eating styles that make up a cuisine that is loved around the world.

Larry Canepa

Wed 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM ☐ 3/12/2025 ☐ 1 mtg ☐ \$20 ☐ Online

Franklin Delano Roosevelt

An ambitious mama's boy wanting to measure up to his cousin Theodore, he was felled by polio and became paralyzed for life. Yet, astonishingly he found empathy for others and taught us that the only thing we had to fear was fear itself. We will examine FDR's early years, rise in politics, and amazing partnership with Eleanor, and review how he led the nation through two of the worst crises we've ever faced: the Great Depression and WWII.

Barbara Goldstein

Thu 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM • 3/20/2025-4/10/2025 • 4 mtgs • \$50 • Shanna and Bryan Glazer Family JCC

Neurology in a Nutshell: The Brain Explained

Explore the mysteries of the brain as you gain a medical perspective on the diagnosis, care and treatment of neurological conditions such as headache, dizziness, stroke, Parkinson's Disease and memory loss. We will delve into prevention, healthy lifestyles and end-of-life issues. We'll address how you can navigate our healthcare system and suggest how to demand personalized care. Recommended: A Migraine in Room 3; A Stroke in Room 4; A Physician Examines His Profession" by Schanfield. This is an online class offered by the Osher National Resource Center. Places in this class are limited. Deadline to register 3/17. "

Paul Schanfield

Thu 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM • 4/10/2025-5/15/2025 • 6 mtg(s) • \$75 • Osher Online

The (Spanish) Conversation Continues

Want to continue developing your Spanish conversational skills? Learn useful new expressions and grow your vocabulary for everyday conversation while engaging in interactive activities in and outside the classroom. What we cover will be tailored to class needs and interests, but you must have previously taken Spanish. Come join the Wednesday evening fiesta!

Leonor O'Reilly

Thu 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM • 3/27/2025-4/17/2025 • 4 mtgs • \$60 • Online

Experience the Healing Arts

Discover how the visual arts can benefit people on both sides of the healthcare equation – doctors and patients alike. We'll experience the fun of interactive engagement with art, and how it can help improve communication, observation, and cognition skills. We'll discuss how these benefits relate to health and wellness.

Catherine Wilkins

Thu 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM • 3/20/2025-3/20/2025 • 1 mtg(s) • FREE • USF St Petersburg, SLC 2100

FRIDAY

Hiroshima: Eighty Years Later

Hiroshima, the first target of the nuclear age, has since become a symbol of nuclear war and deterrence. We will address the development of the atomic and hydrogen bombs, as well as the arms race they incited. We'll consider the spread of nuclear weapons to smaller nations, strategies for deterrence and the Axis of Evil. We will address plans to replace aging nuclear weapons and the possibility of a doomsday scenario.

Bharat Pathakjee

Fri 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM • 4/11/2025-4/25/2025 • 3 mtgs • \$45 • Concordia Village of Tampa

Gardening for Wildlife in Florida

As Florida continues to grow, gardens both large and small can provide important habitat for our native plants and wildlife. In this introduction to gardening with native plants in the Sunshine State, we'll look at the importance of urban gardens and benefits of growing native plants. We'll talk about what plants attract birds, butterflies and other pollinators, and consider easy-to-grow plants for your region. From

patios to larger landscapes, you'll find ideas and steps to creating a beautiful garden that supports the local ecosystem.

Marney Richards

Fri 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM • 4/11/2025 • 1 mtg • \$20 • Brookdale Bayshore

Staying Healthy After 50

As we age, we may face health challenges. Some of us are dealing with debilitating diseases. What is the difference between normal aging and disease? What behavioral and nutritional changes can we make to help us improve our health and well-being? Can these changes reverse some medical conditions? Join us in our exploration of health issues and lifestyle choices.

Benjamin Mena

Fri 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM • 4/11/2025-4/18/2025 • 2 mtgs • \$30 • Brookdale Bayshore

Building Your Personal Brand With Social Media

Learn how to strategically use social media platforms to create and enhance your personal brand. We'll cover key techniques for crafting compelling content, engaging with your audience, and leveraging analytics to refine your online presence. By the end of the course, you'll have a robust personal brand that stands out in the digital landscape.

Carrie O'Brion

Fri 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM • 3/21/2025-4/4/2025 • 3 mtgs • FREE • USF St Petersburg, SLC 2100

Intro to Craft Brewing

Join the director of USF's Brewing Arts program for an introduction to the art of brewery. Learn about the brewing process from the selection of base ingredients to the science and business of craft beer.

Joe Askren

Fri 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM • 4/25/2025-4/25/2025 • 1 mtg • FREE • USF St Petersburg, SLC 2100

SATURDAY

Windows for Intermediate Users

Want to dig deeper into the features of the Windows operating system? We'll use hands-on-activities to explore the Control panel, Settings, and Task Manager and learn basic troubleshooting techniques. Bring your fully charged and updated Windows laptop to class. **SKILL LEVEL B**

Marilyn Carrasquillo

Sat 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM • 4/12/2025-4/26/2025 • 3 mtgs • \$45 • USF Tampa NEC 133

FRIDAY LECTURES (FREE)

Marvels of Space through New Lenses: The James Webb Telescope

The James Webb Space Telescope, NASA's leading infrared observatory, is designed to investigate the universe's history from the first light after the Big Bang to the formation of life-supporting solar systems. Launched on December 25, 2021, its advanced instruments and large 6.6-meter mirror enable it to

capture detailed images of distant galaxies, stars, and planetary systems. With a PhD in Astrophysics from the University of Texas, **Harsha Perera** will explore the glories the telescope provides.

Fri 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM • 3/21/2025 • 1 mtg • FREE • Jimmie B. Keel Library

Plato's Republic

Tom Paloumpis, MA Political Science, retired Hillsborough High IB teacher, will glean political principles from Ancient Greece in the works of Aristotle and Plato. He will discuss how Plato's Republic predicted the evolution of governments and their impact upon leaders and citizens.

Fri 1:15 PM - 2:15 PM • 3/28/2025 • 1 mtg • FREE • Jimmie B. Keel Library

Visiting Holocaust Sites

Sometimes we see without absorbing what we see. Sometimes we cannot visit every place that we know we should. **Mark Brown** will guide us through important European sites of the Holocaust period, 1933-45. Having taught Introduction to the Holocaust at OLLI-USF and OLLI-Eckerd, Mark will make stops at memorials, concentration camps and locations of other major events of this period.

Fri 12:15 PM - 1:15 PM • 4/18/2025 • 1 mtg • FREE • Jimmie B. Keel Library