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Our History

Established in 2004 at the University of Richmond's School of Professional and Continuing Studies, the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute operates through the support of its members, the University of Richmond, and an endowment from the Bernard Osher Foundation of San Francisco. There are 119 Osher Institutes in colleges and universities throughout the United States. We offer intellectual stimulation and civic engagement in a community of lifelong learners age 50 and better.

Through the Osher Institute you may rediscover your love for learning on the beautiful University of Richmond campus. We offer a wide array of academic courses and programs year round, in the spring, summer and fall semesters. Osher offerings include undergraduate credit courses for audit, special interest groups, mini-courses, free lectures, and more. There are no entrance requirements, no tests and no grades. In fact, no college background is needed at all—it's your love of learning that counts. If you're 50 or better with a curious mind and a keen interest in learning, we'd love for you to join us.

This schedule is a publication of the University of Richmond School of Professional and Continuing Studies. The contents represent the most current information available at the time of publication. However, due to the period of time covered by this catalog, it is reasonable to expect changes to be made without prior notice. Comments and course suggestions are welcome. Please call (804) 287-6344 or e-mail margaret.watson@richmond.edu.

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Bring your curiosity to the Osher Institute...



And you'll have the time of your life.

There's no better time to be a part of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Richmond. It's our 10th anniversary, and we are continuing to celebrate.

We're excited about this spring's selection of classes and special programs, with a particular emphasis on University of Richmond-related speakers. Look for the UR designation **Ri** on those courses.

Based on your feedback from last semester, you have found the new chronological schedule of classes easy to use, so you'll see that we've continued with it in this catalog.

We are continuing with our strategic planning process, greatly enhanced by your opinions and contributions to it. We will be reporting to you on our findings in January 2015.

Ready to get started? Familiarize yourself with our redesigned schedule by reviewing pages 4 and 5. Then sign up for an annual membership. Already a member? Register for spring classes and programs. Join an interest group. Get involved!

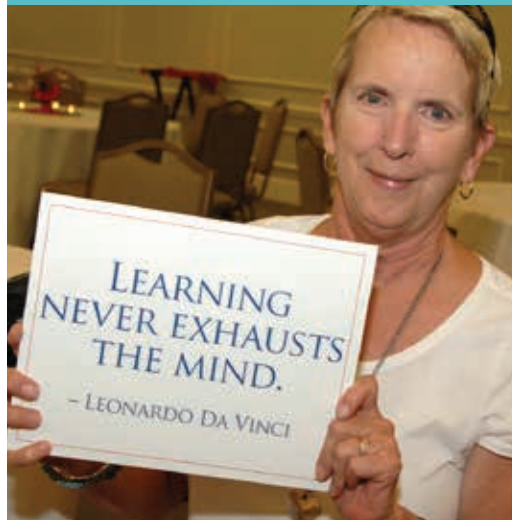
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Where do I start?

1

Sign up for an annual membership.

You can become an Osher member at any time during the year. We invite you to come and try out one of our many free Osher events before you join. Osher membership is required for all Osher programs except special events, which are free and open to the public and denoted in the schedule with a **Se**.

\$75 – Silver Membership

ENJOY A WIDE ARRAY OF MEMBER BENEFITS & LOW COURSE FEES,
PLUS THE OPTION TO UPGRADE YOUR MEMBERSHIP

\$350 – Gold Membership

ENJOY A WIDE ARRAY OF MEMBER BENEFITS &
UNLIMITED FREE CLASSES ON CAMPUS

\$25 – UR Membership

FOR QUALIFIED UR FACULTY, STAFF AND UR RETIREES.

Member benefits are outlined on the back cover of this schedule. Complete details and membership forms are online at osher.richmond.edu.

A membership form is also included in the insert in this schedule. Contact the Osher Institute office with any question or to schedule a visit by calling (804) 287-6608.

2

Register for classes.

We've organized this schedule of classes chronologically by start date to help members better plan their schedules. All Osher events are included in the program listing.

Special events, talks and member bonus programs are designated with special icons. Mini-courses are not designated.

This semester we have created a new University of Richmond **Ri** designation

to identify those offerings that have university-related subject matter and/or a UR faculty/staff course instructor.

We encourage members to register online for special events. For all other programs, complete the registration form in the insert in the middle of this schedule. Programs are listed in date order.

Mail, fax, or deliver your registration and any required payment. Most

programs are free to Gold members. Fees for Silver members are noted.

Osher members interested in course audit opportunities should contact the Osher office. See [page 9](#) for details.

The UR Osher Institute offers need-based scholarships for Osher on-campus mini-courses and talks. To inquire about a scholarship, contact the Osher office.

Se

Special Events

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**Bonus Programs
for Members**

3

Don't forget the extras.

Make the most of your Osher membership and your benefits and learn more about UR campus resources through a variety of bonus programs, which are all free to Osher members.

For your convenience, all bonus programs are listed in the schedule and denoted in the schedule with a **Bo**.

For spring, bonus programs include:

- Osher Member Orientation

- The Bounty of the Boatwright: An Orientation to the Boatwright Library
- Hidden Treasures: UR's Galvin Rare Book Room.
- Scalawags, Revisionists and Visionaries: Creating the Civil War Museum
- Harry Stilson's Richmond: Photos From our Past
- UR Behind The Scenes: Cannon Memorial Chapel

- Richmond's Urban Expressways: Race, Politics and Urban Design
- Canals of Mars and the Gastrointestinal Tract, Part II.

And join us for several special events, free to Osher members and open to the public. They're a great way to get friends and colleagues engaged with Osher. Special events are denoted in the schedule with a **Se**.

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JANUARY

British History through 'Downton Abbey'

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

NEW! Are you addicted to Downton Abbey? Just for you, this course will examine British society and culture between the Edwardian period and the 1920s as it relates to the storylines of Seasons 1-4 of the television drama, Downton Abbey. Each class session will cover one season of the show.

T • Jan 20, 27; Feb 3, 10 • 5:30–7:30 PM • \$60-SILVER • Christine Anderson

How to Appreciate Art

LECTURE

NEW! Learn about what to look for in a painting or antique. Become familiar with what qualities museums look for in a piece of art; especially rarity, quality, and condition.

R • Jan 22 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$20-SILVER • Robert Hiedemann

Great Decisions 2015

READING, FACILITATED DISCUSSION

Ri **UPDATED!** Designed by the Foreign Policy Association and facilitated at the grass-roots by individuals and organizations across the US, the Great Decisions program highlights eight of the most thought-provoking foreign policy challenges facing Americans each year. Great Decisions provides background information, current data, and policy options for each issue and serves as the focal text for discussion groups.

R • Jan 22, 29; Feb 5, 12, 19, 26;
Mar 5, 12 • 1:30–3:30 PM • \$60-SILVER
George Pangburn, Aubrey Pettaway,
George Pittaway

Candide by Voltaire and Bernstein

READING, LECTURE, DISCUSSION

NEW! Participants in this course will read Voltaire's 'Candide' and watch Leonard Bernstein's musical based on it. Key aspects of the Enlighten-

ment and of the problem of evil will be discussed, with supplemental handouts, multimedia, and online reference materials used.

R • Jan 22, 29; Feb 5, 12, 19 • 6:30–8:30 PM • \$60-SILVER • Bill Queen

What Should We Expect From Intelligence?

LECTURE, ACTIVITY, Q&A

REPRISED! This course focuses on the production and use of intelligence analysis, attempts to corrupt and/or politicize intelligence, and examples of intelligence failures and successes. Recommended readings will be provided before the class. Suggested but not required is the instructor's textbook, 'Intelligence and Crime Analysis: Critical Thinking Through Writing.'

T, W, R, F • Jan 27, 28, 29, 30 • 10:00 AM–Noon • \$60-SILVER • David Cariens

Managing Caregiving and Your Own Health

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

NEW! Drawing on personal experience in caregiving for her husband with ALS/Lou Gehrig's disease, Renee focuses on the many adults who are unpaid caregivers. She will outline dos and don'ts for caregivers and others supporting the family. Learn tips about what to do during hospital stays and their aftermath and how to get good medical care. Included are spreadsheets and other helpful documents to assist you in managing the health care of your loved one.

T • Jan 27 • 1:30-3:30 PM • \$20-SILVER
Renee Norman

FEBRUARY

Global Climate Change: Turning Knowledge Into Action

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

Ri **NEW!** Climate change is one of the most challenging environmental and economic issues of our times. The course considers the scientific evidence, the

growing environmental impact, our use of energy, and possible realistic solutions that can both offset the impact of climate change and increase the economic competitiveness of the United States.

M • Feb 2, 9, 16, 23 • 10:30–11:30 AM
\$60-SILVER • David Kitchen

Erin go Bragh: Ireland Forever

READING, LECTURE, DISCUSSION

NEW! We will read three mystery novels set in the Emerald Isle: 'Absolution by Murder' by Peter Tremayne, 'Christine Falls' by Benjamin Black, and 'In The Woods' by Tana French. The three mysteries are set in different times in Ireland and highlight the early Celtic period, the 1950s through the 1980s. We will meet every other week with three classroom sessions followed by a fourth meeting off-campus at a local topic-related spot. Guests are welcome at the fourth session.

M • Feb 2, 16; Mar 2, 16; • 1:00–3:00 PM
\$60-SILVER • Sheryl De Leo

A Step-by-Step Guide to Our New Course Listings

TITLE	70 Kilometers of Shelves: Finding The Medici in The Archivio di Stato
FORMAT	LECTURE, DISCUSSION
PROGRAM TYPE	Ri NEW! Documents collected at the Archivio di Stato in Florence, one of the richest archives in the world, can be used to explain the ruthless and effective governance of the Medici family who effectively made the city the cradle of Renaissance civilization. We will view what is in these archives and consider the process of accessing and reading these documents in the digital age.
DESCRIPTION	
DAY, TIME & COST (if any)	W • Feb 4, 11 • 10:30 AM–Noon
COURSE LEADER	\$40-SILVER • Christine Contrada



◀ At the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, our mission is to be a community of mature lifelong learners engaging in stimulating and fun learning activities in an academic setting. We value the shared knowledge and talents of our members; the support of our members for the Osher Institute; a spirit of collaboration and respect among Osher members and with the University of Richmond; and the diversity of our members that enhances learning opportunities.

70 Kilometers of Shelves: Finding The Medici in The Archivio di Stato

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*W • Feb 4, 11 • 10:30 AM–Noon
\$40-SILVER • Christine Contrada*

Rosenwald Schools and African American Education in Early 20th Century South

LECTURE, DISCUSSION, FIELD TRIP

NEW! This course will examine the history of African American education in the early twentieth century South, with emphasis on Virginia. This course will examine the development of the separate and unequal educational system in the South and forms of African American educational activism, with emphasis on Virginia. Particular emphasis will be placed on Rosenwald schools in Virginia. Students will have the opportunity to view oral history interviews, and the class will culminate in a field trip to a restored Rosenwald school in Goochland County, Virginia.

*W • Feb 4, 11, 18, 25; 1:30–3:30 PM
\$60-SILVER • Alyce Miller, Justin Sarafin, Cris Silvent*

Osher Member Orientation I



Learn from other Osher members how to access and fully enjoy the many benefits of being an Osher member and a member of the UR community.

R • Feb 5 • 9:30–11:00 AM • Members Free • Osher Membership Team

The Petersburg Campaign: June 1864-April 1865

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

NEW! Join this study of the causes, course, and consequences of the Siege of Petersburg from the failed opening engagements in June 1864 through to the eventual Union success in April 1865. We'll examine the Union efforts to capture the city, the lifeline for Richmond, and the Confederate efforts to protect not only the Confederate capital, but also Lee's Army of Northern Virginia.

*T • Feb 3, 10, 17 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$60-SILVER • Karl Rubis*

Understanding Opera

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

UPDATED! This course completes the survey of the operas presented in Virginia Opera's 2014-2015 season. These include Richard Strauss's exotic drama *Salome* and Giuseppe Verdi's beloved classic *La Traviata*. Students will receive complete musical and dramatic analysis, illustrated with audio and video excerpts. Recommended for beginners and aficionados alike.

*T • Feb 3, 10, 17 • 1:00–3:00 PM
\$60-SILVER • Glenn Winters*

Campus Walk/Tour



Join us for a walking tour of the beautiful University of Richmond campus. Led by Osher members, the tour provides an orientation to important campus locations, including the Heilman Dining Center, OneCard Office, Post Office, various eateries, and parking lots. Also included will be the locations for Osher member benefits, including the Modlin Center for Performing Arts and the Boatwright Library. We will begin our tour at the location of the Osher Member Orientation, getting underway as soon as it has completed. (Good walking shoes are recommended.)

*R • Feb 5 • 11:00 AM–Noon
Members Free • Marshall Ervine, Floyd Myers*

Born To Be Wild: Rediscover the Freedom of Fun

LECTURE, DISCUSSION, ACTIVITY

REPRISED! For many of us, somewhere on the journey to becoming responsible adults, we have forgotten how to have fun. Perhaps life's responsibilities, hurts and losses have sent your sense of joy underground. If so, this interactive course invites you to take a journey through your own life to rediscover the freedom of fun that is inside you, waiting to be resurrected. By the end of class, you will have completed a custom-designed plan for bringing more celebration and adventure into your days. There will be homework but, of course, it'll be fun!

*F • Feb 6, 13, 20 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$60-SILVER • Jill Baughan*

Mindfulness: Today (Stop Waiting For The Other Shoe To Drop)

LECTURE, ACTIVITY

NEW! Do you fret over the future? How many moments of your life have slipped by you, leaving you longing to reclaim them all and not waste one more moment? We will look at mindfulness, explore its history and

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uses, and develop mindfulness adventures to help you 'Be Here Now.'

*F • Feb 6, 20, 27 • 1:30–3:00 PM
\$60-SILVER • Kate Deaton, Anita Crean*

An Introduction to Investing

LECTURE, Q&A

NEW! This course will highlight and examine a wide variety of investment concepts. We will look at types of investments, valuations, behavioral finance, diversification, and resources to evaluate stocks, mutual funds, and electronically traded funds (ETFs).

M • Feb 9 • 1:30–3:00 PM

OR

*T • Feb 17 • 6:00–7:30 PM
\$20-SILVER • Dave Frimpter*

The Etruscans

READING, LECTURE, DISCUSSION

The Etruscans created the first urban culture in the Western Mediterranean. They also were the dominant culture on the Italian peninsula prior to the ascendancy of the Roman Republic. Ancient writers tell us the Etruscans exerted important influences on Roman political, social, religious, and artistic traditions. The Etruscans developed in central Italy over a period of 700 years, yet much remains unknown about these interesting peoples.

*R • Feb 12, 19, 26; Mar 5, 12, 19
9:30–11:30 AM • \$60-SILVER
Glenn Markus*

Slow, Simple & Selfless: What America and Contemporary China Can Learn From the Chinese Tradition

LECTURE

Se Ri **NEW!** The opening speaker for ChinaFest 2015 is Robert Daly, Director of the Kissinger Institute on China and the United States at the Woodrow Wilson Center. Mr. Daly will share what he calls 'reflections of an impressionable American after 30 years' engagement with China.' He has extensive working experience



in China, having served at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing in the late 1980s and worked on TV and theater projects in China as a host, actor, producer (Chinese versions of Sesame Street), and commentator on Chinese affairs for radio programs and TV. He was the American director of the Johns Hopkins University-Nanjing University Center for Chinese and American Studies and the Director of the Maryland-China Initiative at University of Maryland. He has interpreted for world leaders, including former Chinese President Jiang Zemin, Jimmy Carter, Henry Kissinger, and Zbigniew Brzezinski. For additional ChinaFest information, please visit: www.theROSEgroup.org. Co-sponsored by UR's Osher Institute and Office of International Education.

*R • Feb 12 • 7:00–8:30 PM • FREE
Robert Daly*

Hidden Treasures: UR's Galvin Rare Book Room

Bo Ri Are you curious about what hidden treasures are housed in the UR Rare Book Room? This session will provide an introduction to the resources and materials available in the Galvin Rare Book Room and Special Collections, including highlights of the collection.

F • Feb 13 • 1:00–3:00 PM • Members Free • Lynda Kachureck

The Bounty of the Boatwright: An Orientation to the Boatwright Library

Bo Ri Do you want to make the most of your Osher membership? This workshop will help you understand how to use the fantastic resources of Boatwright Memorial Library.

*T • Feb 24 • 10:00 AM–Noon
Members Free • Carrie Ludovico*

Mortgage Meltdown: Cause and Opportunity

LECTURE, Q&A

NEW! Come hear a Virginia foreclosure defense and distressed property attorney share insights into the cause of the mortgage meltdown, its effect on the housing market in the Commonwealth, and strategies for recovery and investor opportunity. Highlighted will be the pitfalls and profits of real estate investment in pre-foreclosure, post-foreclosure, and short sales of distressed property.

*T • Feb 24 • 1:30–3:30 PM • \$20-SILVER
Karen Kennedy*

The Conflict in Ukraine

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

Ri **NEW!** Since 2013, the Ukraine has been a hotbed of political strife, especially regarding its status with the European Union (EU), its unstable relationship with Russia, and political pressure from the US and NATO. Is this the new Cold War? What are the pros and cons of Ukrainian decisions, changes in leadership, and connections to other countries, and how will these affect the US?

*W • Feb 25 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$20-SILVER • Art Gunlicks*

Legal Ethics: Yes, Lawyers Have Ethics

LECTURE, Q&A

NEW! Law cases routinely hit the front page. But how can lawyers represent the 'bad guys'? The seminar will open a discussion designed for laypersons on the role of ethics in the legal profession and how it impacts society at large.

*F • Feb 27 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$20-SILVER • Jeff Geiger*

The Hard Problem

a new play
by Tom Stoppard

Additional NT Live broadcasts will be added throughout the season. For tickets and the latest information, visit modlin.richmond.edu, call the box office at (804) 289-8980, or find us on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and LinkedIn.



MARCH

Beowulf

READING LECTURE, DISCUSSION

NEW What did it mean to be human in the year 1000? 'Beowulf' is an exciting hero-and-monster story set in Scandinavia's mytho-historic period (about 450 C.E.). It is also a first-hand account of the problems that attended the transition from Iron Age paganism to rudimentary monotheism. The English author, probably not far removed from his barbarian forebears, struggles with the eternal issues of humanity, identity, and life after death. We'll read Seamus Heaney's translation.

T • Mar 3, 10, 17, 24 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$60-SILVER • Riker Purcell

History of Music Part II: Baroque and Classical Eras

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

REPRISED! We will discuss the music of some of the most famous composers. What makes Bach sound so different from Mozart? How can one learn to hear the difference? How did the invention of the piano and opera change classical music? Part I is not a prerequisite for this course, and no

◀ The Modlin Center for the Arts, in partnership with the Osher Institute, is proud to present another season of filmed performances by the National Theatre, London. This season's productions include **Treasure Island**, **The Hard Problem**, and **Man and Superman**. Details are available at modlin.richmond.edu.

musical background or experience is required.

T • Mar 3, 10 • 1:00–3:00 PM
\$40-SILVER • Sheryl Smith

Attracting Wildlife into Your Classical Southern Garden

LECTURE, DISCUSSION, FIELD TRIP

NEW! Come explore how the classical southern garden so valued by your typical neighborhood association can evolve into a more wildlife friendly Habitat Garden that's more pleasing to Mother Nature's birds, bees, and butterflies as well as to the neighbors. And learn to please yourself, too, by using nature's way of making your flowerbeds almost maintenance free! Not mandatory, but extremely helpful is the book 'Bringing Nature Home: How Native Plants Sustain Wildlife in Our Gardens' by Douglas W. Tallamy. A possible field trip following the last class will be discussed and incorporated if desired by the students.

W • Mar 4, 11, 18, 25 • 10:00 AM–Noon • \$60-SILVER • Ginger Pelling, Carol Heiser, Emily Glanfortoni, John Hayden

The Language of Narrative: How Authors Communicate to Readers

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

NEW! Authors write in a linguistic language, but they intend for readers to 'hear' other languages as well (emotional language, event language, etc.). To the degree that the reader learns to hear these, the story gains a deeper richness.

W • Mar 4, 11, 18 • 1:30–3:30 PM
\$60-SILVER • Eric Douglass

History of the Automobile In USA and American Car Culture

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

REPRISED! This class explores the history of US-made automobiles from 1891 to the present. We will discuss why some great cars died, how the Allies were 'rescued' by

the industrial might of automobile companies in World War II, and how your car might 'speak' Japanese, Korean, German, Swedish, English, Italian or even American, given that the automobile industry becomes more global every day.

F • Mar 6, 13, 20, 27 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$60-SILVER • Madison Price

Introduction to Memoir Writing

LECTURE, ACTIVITY

NEW! What's your story? What are the tales that you've been dying to tell but haven't had the time or framework to put pen to paper? Get started and learn a few tools to help you write about your life in this three-hour workshop. There will be an in-class writing exercise, so bring your laptop or pen-and-paper.

M • Mar 9 • 10:00 AM–1:00 PM
\$20-SILVER • Dave Singleton

California Rail: San Francisco, Lake Tahoe, and the Napa Valley Wine Train

INTRODUCTORY SESSION FOR TRIP

Come to an introductory session to hear about this wonderful seven-day tour out west, which will feature rail experiences through the Napa Valley and Sierra Nevada, as well as cruises in the San Francisco Bay and Lake Tahoe. Visits to Sausalito, San Francisco, and Virginia City are also included. The trip includes roundtrip airfare, nine meals, and six nights of accommodations. Tentative departure date is October 7, 2015, and the cost will be approximately \$2,500. For details, contact Amanda Speer at aspeer@premierworlddiscovery.com or 1-919-609-5325.

M • Mar 9 • 2:00–3:30 PM • Members Free • Amanda Speer

Grand and Anti-Grand: Landscape in Contemporary Art

LECTURE, DISCUSSION, TOUR

NEW! This class examines the subject of landscape in contemporary art in a variety of media, including painting, drawing,



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photography, video, and videogames. We will engage with contemporary art in an exhibition at the University Museum through discussion, observation, and interaction.

M • Mar 16, 23 • 10:00–11:30 AM
\$40-SILVER • Elizabeth Schlatter

Aging Safely in Your Own Home

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

NEW! This course covers the effects of physical aging on a person's ability to be safe in the home and addresses environmental factors that increase the risk of injury. The instructor will identify hazardous areas of the home, discuss ways to reduce the risk of falls, and explore energy-saving Universal Design modifications.

T • Mar 17, 24, 31 • 1:00–2:00 PM
\$60-SILVER • Sandra Mitchell

Reader's Theater

READING, ACTIVITY, DISCUSSION

UPDATED! This class is for anyone who loves the theater and enjoys reading scripts with fellow thespians. No experience is necessary, simply a desire to participate with fellow class members. Allowing frequent participation, the class includes short scenes from well-known plays, complete plays, screenplays, monologues, comedy skits, notable works of poetry and prose, and sometimes Radio Theater. Learning about playwrights' and authors' lives and motives for writing can enhance the reading experience. Participants will receive the scripts several days before class. This spring we will be reading 'The Crucible' by Arthur Miller, 'Tartuffe' by Moliere, and 'A Streetcar Named Desire' by Tennessee Williams. In this class, the emphasis is on having fun while you learn. Break a leg, thespians!

T • Mar 17, 24, 31; Apr 7, 14, 21
2:30–4:30 PM • \$60-SILVER
Linda Ventura

Evaluating and Grading Coins

ACTIVITY, LECTURE, DISCUSSION

REPRISED! The course will provide insight into of how coins are priced and discuss resources to utilize in evaluating your own coins.

W • Mar 18, 25 • 5:00–6:30 PM
\$40-SILVER • Bill Ventura

A Zooman's Expeditions

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

UPDATED! The San Diego Zoo's former Curator of Mammals shares highlights of animal expeditions to Sri Lanka to bring back a baby elephant, research wood bison in northern Canada, deliver of an orangutan and hippopotamus to a Chinese zoo, capture of a muskox in Alaska, and more.

R • Mar 19, 26; Apr 2 • 1:00–3:00 PM
\$60-SILVER • Mark Rich

Damsels in Distress

MOVIE, DISCUSSION

UPDATED! This examination of Gothic ladies in scary movies from 1939 to 1946 will investigate how they cope with their nightmare worlds in 'Wuthering Heights,' 'Rebecca,' 'Jane Eyre,' 'The Uninvited,' 'Gaslight,' and 'The Spiral Staircase.' Join this class to watch and discuss these classics!

F • Mar 20, 27; Apr 3, 10, 17, 24
1:00–4:00 PM • \$60-SILVER
Greg Hall

The Archaeology of King David

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

NEW! Using the recent archaeological information obtained from VCU excavations (in partnership with Hebrew University) in Israel's Khirbet Qeiyafa and Tel Lachish, this course will explore one of the most debated issues in Biblical archaeology/history: the historicity of the United Kingdom.

M • Mar 23, 30, Apr 6, 13 • 1:00–2:30 PM
\$60-SILVER • Jon Waybright

Osher Member Orientation II

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W • Mar 25 • 1:30–3:00 PM
Members Free • Osher Membership Team

Campus Walk/Tour

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W • Mar 25 • 3:00–4:00 PM • Members Free • Marshall Ervine, Floyd Myers

Course Audit Opportunities

Osher Institute members may audit selected University of Richmond credit classes, which meet for 15 weeks beginning at the start of each semester in fall and spring; summer classes have shorter and more intense schedules and are not recommended for a first-time Osher audit student.

Osher members who audit credit classes do not participate in graded assignments or tests and are asked to be sensitive to the needs of the degree-seeking students to have ample 'air time' in class discussions.

Gold members pay no additional fees to audit credit classes. Silver members pay \$100 for each audit class.

Contact Debra Guild at dguild@richmond.edu for registration procedures.



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For tickets and the latest information, visit modlin.richmond.edu, call the box office at (804) 289-8980, or find us on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and LinkedIn.

◀ New for the 2014-2015 season, the Modlin Center in partnership with UR's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute will broadcast the fifth season of Pathe Live's Bolshoi Ballet featuring ballet productions direct from the grand Bolshoi Theatre in Moscow. Audiences will be able to enjoy these outstanding performances with the Bolshoi principals, soloists, and corps de ballet.

and anti-Semitism, the rise of Nazi Germany, and the history of the Second World War.

T, R • Mar 31; Apr 2 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$40-SILVER • Charles W. Sydnor, Jr.

APRIL

Spring Migrant Bird Walk

NARRATED WALK

Ri **NEW!** We will take an early morning walk through the lovely University of Richmond campus to look and listen for spring migrants. Please dress appropriately for the weather, wear comfortable shoes, and bring binoculars, if you have them.

W • Apr 1 • 8:00–10:00 AM
\$20-SILVER • Mary Elfner

Harry Stilson's Richmond: Photos From Our Past

LECTURE, BOOK TALK

Bo **NEW!** Harris Stilson was a Richmond streetcar driver whose camera never left his side. His great-granddaughter, Kitty Snow, will share some of Harry's photos and stories. Her books will be available for purchase and signing afterwards.

W • Apr 1 • 11:00 AM–Noon
Members Free • Kitty Snow

Commonwealth of Nations, Continued

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

UPDATED! We will continue our study of the economic, political and historical geographies of Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, India, the Caribbean and various regions of Southeast Asia such as Burma, Malaysia and Singapore, as well as the evolution of the British Empire into the Commonwealth of Nations and its role in present-day world affairs.

F • Apr 3, 10 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$40-SILVER • William Seay

The Impact of British Monarchs on Virginia 1607-2007

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

NEW! This course will explore the political and historical relationship between British Monarchs (and their governments) and the citizens of Virginia. It will focus on how the understanding of political rights changed up to and after the American Revolution. Written by Mann, "The Queen and the U.S.A." will be the course textbook and will be available at the campus bookstore. Several chapters will be assigned prior to the first class.

M • Apr 6, 13, 20 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$60-SILVER • Horace E. 'Chip' Mann

State of the World Today and in 10 Years

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

NEW! This course will assess the current and future world order from an economic, social, and political perspective and will address the following questions: Is the outlook generally positive or negative? If negative, what corrective strategies are being pursued by the major countries? Do the actions of minor countries make a difference to the world order? Will the world be a better place 10 years from now? (Spoiler alert: absolutely!)

M • Apr 6, 13, 19, 27 • 5:30–7:00 PM
\$60-SILVER • Raj Chatterjea

The History of Our University

LECTURE

Ri **NEW!** The University of Richmond has enjoyed a long, fascinating history, and no one is better qualified to tell its story than our current president and eminent historian, Dr. Ed Ayers. Come hear how this notable institution of higher education began and evolved into the beautiful campus and school of great repute that we have today.

T • Apr 7 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$20-SILVER • Edward Ayers

Scalawags, Revisionists and Visionaries: Creating the American Civil War Museum

LECTURE, Q&A

Bo **NEW!** In November 2013, The Museum of the Confederacy and the American Civil War Center announced they were joining forces to create a new museum. While well-received by a majority of constituents, scholars, and the public, the organization also faced harsh criticisms from some heritage groups and others. Get a 'behind-the-scenes' look at how the new museum is being developed from internal systems and processes to physical structures.

R • Mar 26 • 10:00 AM–Noon
Members Free • Christy Coleman

The Holocaust of the European Jews 70 Years After: Transforming Memory into History

LECTURE, TOUR

NEW! In one two-hour session on campus at UR, and then with a two-hour follow-up class/tour at the Virginia Holocaust Museum, this course will place the Holocaust in the context of 20th century racism

Reflections on My Time at the University

LECTURE

Ri **NEW!** From 1971 to 1988, UR Chancellor E. Bruce Heilman served as president of the University. Come hear Dr. Heilman as he talks about his long association with UR and his life as president here. This World War II Marine veteran and avid biker has many wonderful experiences to share.

T • Apr 7 • 1:30–3:30 PM • \$20-SILVER
E. Bruce Heilman

Post-Referendum Scotland; Pre-Election UK

LECTURE

NEW! This course will review the implications of the September 2014 vote on Scottish independence in the context of the UK General Election set for May 2015.

W • Apr 8 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$20-SILVER • Tony Pelling

At the Scene of the Crime and Beyond

LECTURE, DEMONSTRATION

REPRISED! Fans of the crime scene investigation shows popping up on television can learn what really happens behind the scenes. Forensic nurses from Bon Secours will discuss how victims of violence are cared for from the scene of the crime through to the hospital.

W • Apr 8, 22: 1:30-3:00 PM and April 15: 1:30-4:30 pm • \$60-SILVER • Bonnie Price

Maggie L. Walker: Her Life, Her Times, Her Legacy

LECTURE, TOUR

NEW! You've probably heard of Maggie L. Walker (1864-1934), but how much do you really KNOW about her? Join National Park Rangers for a two-part session exploring the life and times of Richmond's iconic African American entrepreneur and civic leader.

R • Apr 9, 16 • 10:00–11:30 AM
\$40-SILVER George Peeterse,
Ben Anderson

Is Kansas Flatter than a Pancake? A Geography of the Great Plains

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

NEW! This interactive and lecture course covers the physical, cultural, and economic geography of the Great Plains. We will discuss this largest of American regions in terms of its physical origin and history, climate, settlement patterns, land use, and economy. We will also look into emerging issues facing the Great Plains: groundwater use, energy development, environmental quality, and demographics.

R • Apr 9, 16, 23 • 1:30–3:30 PM
\$60-SILVER • George Pangburn

University of Richmond's Architecture: Past, Present, and Future

LECTURE, Q&A

Ri **NEW!** Come hear about the role and responsibilities of our University Architect. Learn about UR's beautiful Collegiate Gothic architecture and how the Master Plan preserves this important aspect of campus. We'll touch on upcoming building projects and discuss LEED certification of our buildings, how that happens, and why it's important.

T • Apr 14 • 10:00 AM–Noon • \$20-SILVER
Andrew McBride

Campus Hike

Se Ri Join us for a hike of the magnificent University of Richmond campus. Led by Osher members, the tour will showcase what the dynamic UR campus has to offer. Learn about the history and architecture of UR, walk some off-the-beaten-path trails, explore some secluded spots on campus, and listen to a few interesting stories along the way. We'll meet at the Modlin Center entrance near the sculpture. Parking is available in the visitor section of the Modlin Center lot. (Good walking shoes are recommended; check weather forecasts to determine if you should bring a water bottle and/or rain gear.)

T • Apr 14 • 1:30–3:30 PM • Free
Marshall Ervine, Floyd Myers

Osher Volunteer Leadership Opportunities

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute depends on its members to volunteer to help with many aspects of the Institute: serving as a class assistant, leading an Osher class, serving on



Osher project teams and on the Osher Leadership Council. Details of leadership opportunities, including a list of the current Osher Leadership Council and members of project teams for Curriculum, Development, Leader Support, Marketing, and Membership, are online at osher.richmond.edu.

Mount Airy to Mayberry: The Andy Griffith Show

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

NEW! This course will take a look at the early years of the Andy Griffith Show. The class will incorporate several books that have been written about the show, reference DVD recordings of the show, and cite interviews with cast members. Come learn about the production of the show and expand your appreciation for the writers, actors, and actresses who made the show a success!

W • Apr 15 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$20-SILVER • Bill Pike

UR Behind the Scenes: Cannon Memorial Chapel

LECTURE, TOUR

Bo Ri **REPRISED!** This stately building with the dramatic stained glass windows has served the UR campus since its dedication in 1929, not only for religious services, but also for cultural and academic events. Learn more about Cannon Chapel, which recently underwent a major renovation and was designated a National Historic Landmark in 2013. We will also include the Columbarium and the Wilton Center in this program.

F • Apr 17 • 10:30 AM–Noon
Members Free • Betty Ann Dillon

Our Nation's Capitol: Past, Personalities, and Politics

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

Join this class for a view of Washington DC's history as our nation's capital, discuss some of its famous - and infamous - participants, and explore the present political climate and how it became this way.

M • Apr 20, 27; May 4 • 1:30–3:00 PM
\$60-SILVER • Phil True

The History of Continuing Education at UR

LECTURE, Q&A

Ri **NEW!** The University of Richmond has a long tradition of providing

educational opportunities to members of the larger community. This course will examine that history in the context of what was happening in higher education, both locally and nationally.

T • Apr 21 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$20-SILVER • James L. Narduzzi

UR: A Virtual Tour

PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION

Ri **NEW!** Take a virtual tour of the distinctive, lovely University of Richmond campus. See examples of its distinctive architecture and landscaping, find out about some out-of-the-way places, and learn about its history. Alumni reminiscences will be encouraged.

T • Apr 21 • 1:30–3:30 PM • Members Free
• Marshall Ervine, Floyd Myers, Tim Hanger

Richmond's Urban Expressways: Race, Politics and Urban Design

LECTURE

Bo **NEW!** American urban expressways, symbols of progress and mobility, were often constructed through dense, vibrant working-class neighborhoods, destroying connectivity and leaving a landscape of unhealed scars. This lecture will examine the history and legacy of Richmond's urban expressways, the impact on urban form, and the opportunities for architecture and urban design to heal the damage to our cities.

W • Apr 22 • 10:30 AM–Noon
Members Free • Andrew Moore, John Moeser

How Much Do I Need/ How Much Can I Spend?

LECTURE, Q&A

NEW! What are your retirement goals? This class is to help those who are still working sort out how much they need to save to meet their retirement goals, and to assist those who are retired in determining a spending rate that will help

ensure they won't outlive their savings. We will look at various personal factors that impact the results and help students sort out what works for them rather than applying than a one-size-fits-all approach.

W • Apr 22 • 6:00–7:30 PM
OR
R • Apr 23 • 10:00–11:30 AM
\$20-SILVER • Dave Frimpter

'Ladies, Keep Your Buckets Full!'

LECTURE, Q&A

NEW! This course is designed to help women understand strategies for creating and assuring a life-long income. The presentation and discussion will take you through both the accumulation and the withdrawal phases of retirement income.

F • Apr 24 • 10:00 AM–Noon
OR
T • Apr 28 • 5:30–7:30 PM
\$20-SILVER • Wayne Bullis, Keith Burton

Westhampton College: 100 Years in the Making

LECTURE, Q&A

Ri **NEW!** Westhampton College is celebrating its centennial year. What better time to reflect on the past, celebrate the present, and anticipate a great future? Come hear Dean Landphair's thoughts and hopes for Westhampton, a vital component of UR's coordinate structure.

T • Apr 28 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$20-SILVER • Juliette Landphair

Mapping Slavery

LECTURE, READING, DISCUSSION

Ri **NEW!** This short course will examine maps of slavery. It will begin with a short discussion of the ways that maps of slavery impacted the Civil War and then explore new digital maps of the American slave trade that are being developed by the Digital Scholarship Lab at the University of Richmond.

T • Apr 28 • 1:30–3:30 PM
\$20-SILVER • Robert Nelson

Canals of Mars and the Gastrointestinal Tract, Part II

LECTURE, Q&A

Bo **NEW!** We will continue our study of the treatment of gastrointestinal disease and changes based on new research findings and increasing knowledge. Just as long-held beliefs about Mars have been rethought, this field of medicine is ever-changing, with scientific discoveries leading to new and different approaches to treatment.

W • Apr 29 • 10:00 AM–Noon
Members Free • Peter Goodman

The History of Blandford Church and Cemetery

FIELD TRIP

NEW! Students will meet at Petersburg's historic Blandford Church and Cemetery, which boasts more than 300 years of art and history, from the Colonial-era tombstones to the beautiful L.C. Tiffany stained glass windows. Enjoy and explore this historic site with a tour of the church and a walk through the cemetery. Dress for the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes.

R • Apr 30 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$20-SILVER • Martha Mann Atkinson

MAY

The EU: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow

LECTURE, DISCUSSION

Ri **UPDATED!** This course will review the origins, purpose, organizational structure, expansion, and functioning of the EU since its inception in 1957. We will look at some of the many challenges the EU faces, including above all the financial crises regarding the Euro, as well as expansion, its role as a major trading partner in the world economy, and foreign affairs in general. There is no required reading, but the following book is strongly

recommended because of the material that compares the EU with major European governments and the US: 'Comparing Liberal Democracies,' by Arthur Gunlicks, available at the first class meeting at the discounted price of \$20.00. It is also available as an e-book at www.iUniverse.com for \$3.99.

T, W • May 5, 6, 12, 13 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$60-SILVER • Arthur Gunlicks

Behind the Scenes at Community Idea Stations

TOUR

What does it take to bring us the wonderful programming we enjoy on public television and radio? We will learn about production, programming, and more in this tour behind the scenes at the Community Idea Stations. Come join us at 23 Sesame Street!

R • May 7 • 1:00–3:00 PM • \$20-SILVER
Trish Poupore, Curtis Monk

Gardening with Moss Lawns and Shade Loving Plants and Shrubs

LECTURE, TOUR

Work with nature as you nurture and appreciate beneficial mosses in your shade garden. The gardens of Eden Woods in Bon Air have been documented by the Smithsonian Institute in their Archives of American Gardens. Learn more as you stroll through the gardens yourself.

M • May 11 • 10:00 AM–Noon
\$20-SILVER • Norie Burnet

Bald Eagles of the James River

FIELD TRIP

REPRISED! Travel with Captain Mike on this two-hour pontoon boat tour of the James River. Learn about and view resident bald eagles in their natural environment. The class will meet at Deep Bottom Park, 9525 Deep Bottom Road, Henrico, VA 23231. Bring your camera and dress appropriately for the weather.

F • May 15 • 9:15–11:30 AM
\$50-SILVER/GOLD • Mike Ostrander

Sailor's Creek: A Critical Battle of Lee's Retreat

FIELD TRIP

NEW! On April 6, 1865, nearly a quarter of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee's army - more than 7,700 men - were killed, wounded, or captured here. Lee surrendered 72 hours later at Appomattox Court House. Join this field trip, which will depart from UR, to hear renowned Civil War historian Chris Calkins describe this site of national significance and the details of this battle which ultimately led to the surrender of the Confederate army. (Bus and box lunch included; raindate will be May 22, 2015)

R • May 21, Raindate May 22
8:30 AM–3:30 PM • \$50-SILVER/GOLD
Chris Calkins

Southern Italy: Sorrento, Naples, Capri, Pompeii, and Amalfi

OVERSEAS TRIP

Sorrento, Italy is a lovely old town of exquisite gardens and historic buildings, and it is also a perfect base for excursions along the majestic Amalfi Coast. With visits to the famous ruins of Pompeii, the Isle of Capri, and a day in Rome, this tour provides some of the very best of Italy. This fully escorted nine-day tour includes round-trip airfare, all breakfasts, and seven dinners. Tentative departure date is November 6, 2015, and the cost will be approximately \$3,000. For details, contact Bryan McDowell at bmcdowell@worldculturaltours.com or 1-877-218-8687.

Osher Interest Groups **Ig**



Formed and led by Osher members, our vibrant Osher interest groups are listed below. More details about interest groups are online at osher.richmond.edu. UR Osher Institute membership is required for interest group participants.

Bicycling

This group will explore bike trails mainly in the Richmond area, with possible rides on trails around Virginia. Group members will use their personal bikes and helmets and provide their own transportation to the bike trails. Most rides will be on week days, of moderate difficulty, and several hours duration. The group coordinator is John Votta at johnjoy2you@verizon.net.

◀ If you would like to explore forming a new interest group please contact the Osher office at (804) 287-6344 or margaret.watson@richmond.edu.

Bridge

The social/party/duplicate bridge-group meets on the first Friday of each month at 1 p.m. A short bridge lesson is taught at the beginning of each session. Please contact Ellen Hollands at efine98@aol.com or (804) 741-0221 if you are interested in joining. These are FUN groups. All levels are welcome!

Great Conversations

We meet monthly to discuss memorable poems, stories, and essays. Applying our own experience to what we learn can transform good discussions into great conversations, full of twists and turns and modern, personal meaning. To learn more, send an email to Don Warner at donald.warner@richmond.edu.

Hikers

Come explore the outdoors with us on trails of varying difficulty, both in Richmond and throughout Virginia. The group coordinator is Tim Hanger at tmhang5@gmail.com

Investments

Now is a great time to join the Investments group. Share your knowledge and gain new ideas that may help you in your personal portfolio. Participants assume any and all risks related to their investment decisions. The group coordinator is Charlie Huffstetler at clh1146@verizon.net.

Literary Dreamers

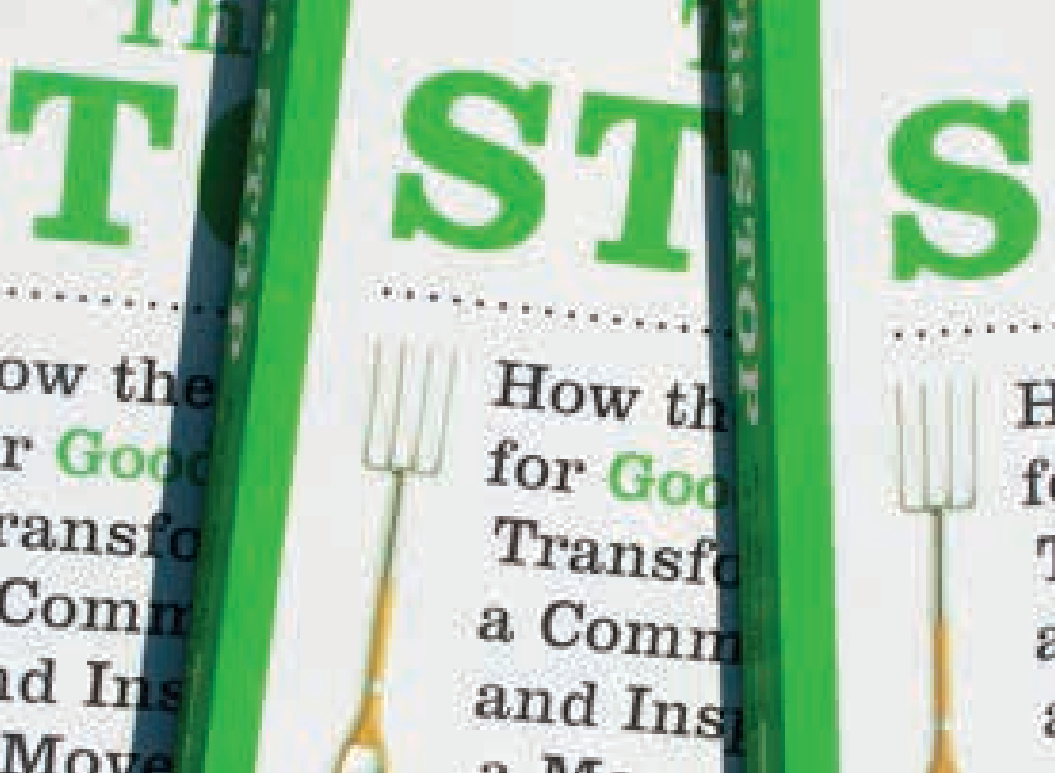
Osher members are welcome to join this group founded in 2001 by dedicated School of Professional and Continuing Studies students. Readings range from academic non-fiction to literary fiction to popular fiction. The group coordinator is Linda Ventura at linda.ventura@richmond.edu.

Mystery Lovers

From the Hardy Boys and Nancy Drew, to Spencer, Jack Reacher, and Kinsey Millhone, many Osher members have spent a lifetime cherishing popular mysteries. This new interest group will meet monthly to read mysteries, explore new and different mystery genres, and share favorite authors and series. To learn more, contact the group coordinator, Ken Heland at kheland@verizon.net.

Theatre Lovers

A love for live theatre is the only prerequisite for joining this interest group. This new Osher interest group hopes to explore the Richmond theatre scene by selecting and attending various performances throughout the year. There is a wonderful social aspect to this group. When appropriate, we plan to gather after a performance for discussion and a meal. We also hope there will be occasions to go backstage and talk with local actors. To learn more and to join, please contact Linda Turner at ltturner@richmond.edu.



Spiders in the Kitchen

Join in this community exchange of recipes, entertaining, and cooking ideas shared among campus foodies. All will be held in the Richmond Room, on the lower level of the Heilman Dining Center. The menus will be announced three weeks before each event.

One Book, One Richmond

One Book, One Richmond is a campus-wide effort that encourages students, staff, faculty, and members of the Richmond community to read and discuss a selected book on a social justice issue. Book discussions on various themes are offered each semester, and participants are welcome to attend one or all of the sessions.

The One Book, One Richmond book for the 2014-2015 academic year is *The Stop: How the Fight for Good Food Transformed A Community and Inspired A Movement* by Nick Saul and Andrea Curtis. It is a

book about the transformation of a cramped food bank into a thriving community food center with a mission to revolutionize our food system. The Stop aims to help combat hunger and poverty and argues that everyone deserves a dignified and healthy place at the table.

The Office of the Chaplaincy leads the program. Copies of *The Stop* are available for purchase in the UR bookstore, and e-books and hard copies are available for checkout in Boatwright Library. Look for details in upcoming SpiderBytes.



Dates:

February 13, 2015
March 24, 2015
June 12, 2015

Time: 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Fee: \$13.75 per person; reservations are required.

Contact Cindy Stearns at cstearns@richmond.edu or 804-289-8788 to reserve your spot.



Osher Speakers Bureau

Need a speaker for your club or book group? The Osher Speakers Bureau can provide presentations on the history and current offerings of the University of Richmond's Osher Institute. For more information contact Peggy Watson at margaret.watson@richmond.edu or (804) 287-6344.

Member Benefits at a Glance

- Membership is good for 12 months from date you join
 - Several membership options
 - Free Osher member orientation and tour
- Osher members receive a discount at the Modlin Center for the Arts
 - Free parking on UR campus
 - Online 'Osher Insider' newsletter each semester at osher.richmond.edu
 - Unlimited borrowing privileges at the UR's Boatwright Library
- Use of more than 100 online databases at the UR Library
 - UR 'One Card' used to access full privileges at the UR Library and discounts at some area retailers
 - UR email address
- Daily 'SpiderBytes' notice of free UR campus programs and events
 - Access to UR help centers for preparing presentations and using technology
 - Opportunity to audit credit classes
 - Unlimited on campus classes for Gold members

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