



The News

Bringing OLLI Home to You

Season 2, #12 - February 1, 2023

Dear OLLI Friends,

Our Winter term is underway, and we are delighted. This will be the most well-attended term since the pandemic upended our lives. Our registrations are soaring to almost 1,200 - a 17 percent increase over last winter. Thanks for your support!

Especially welcome are new Sarasota residents, snowbirds, and those who have just discovered OLLI. Not forgotten are our stalwarts, many of whom take multiple courses while gracing our classrooms with wit and intelligence.

Our courses range from the arts, music, and science to technology, history, literature, and more. Put it together, and the halls of our gorgeous Ringling College Museum Campus are lively and welcoming again. Kudos to all! And, as always, continue to tell others about our community of learners and friends.

Join us in February for these OLLI lectures...

Lifelong Learning Through Travel Series

Thursdays, Feb. 2 and Feb. 9 • 3-4 pm
with Sherry Coles, Kay Consigny, Peggy Hayden, Terri Holsinger, and Bob Joyce
Free to Gold Members, Silver Members, and General Admission. Pre-registration required.

Reagan's Dress Rehearsal: Ike, RFK, and Reagan's Emergence as a World

Statesman Friday, Feb. 3 • 10:30-11:30 am
with Gene Kopelson

The Supreme Court and American History: Landmark Decisions That Changed the Nation's Course ([Online](#))

Tuesday, Feb. 7 • 2:30-4 pm
with Michael Scheibach

Having Fun, Wish You Were Here! An Illustrated History of the Postcard in Florida

Wednesday, Feb. 15 • 2:30-3:30 pm
with Liz Coursen

Dates to Remember

- Feb. 21: Gold Member registration
- Feb. 28: Silver Member registration
- March 13-May 5: Spring Term

Spotlight on... Holly Freedman and *Listening to Women 2023*



Interviewer Anne Perry Moore posed three questions to Holly Freedman, an Advisory Council member and chair of the *Listening to Women* committee, to learn how she developed the six-part series that runs Jan. 26-Mar. 2.

Click [here](#) to read the full interview.



For more information or to register, call 941-309-5111 or visit: <https://rcad.augusoft.net>

To view the catalog online, click [here](#).

"Go Ask Scout"



What happens when a serious writer meets a newly released bot in time for the New Year?

Most of us have such high hopes for Artificial Intelligence. Our resident writer, Dave Landsperger, takes his first foray into this world. Read just how that's going [here](#).

Don't forget to listen to Dave Landsperger's podcast *Two Old Bucks* on Apple, Spotify, and Google. Click [here](#).

Ever thought about becoming an instructor?

As you know, OLLI depends on you. So, we invite you to consider the valuable contribution you can make outside your role as a student.

We encourage you to share your interests,

OLLI at Ringling College invites you to *Trivia Tuesdays*

Which team is the smartest of them all? Find out!

- Tuesday, Feb. 21 2:45-5 pm
- Thomas McGuire Hall on the Ringling College Museum Campus at Sarasota Art Museum
- Guests of OLLI members are welcome!
- Fun prizes!
- Lightning round emceed by Jeff Ryder, OLLI instructor
- Hosted by B Trivial Productions
- \$5 per person.
- Reservations required! Call 941-309-5111

A Note From Virginia Shearer, Executive Director, Sarasota Art Museum

To our new and returning OLLI students, a warm welcome to the Museum Campus! It is such a joy to see both new and familiar faces at **Sarasota Art Museum**, walking the halls, touring the galleries, dining at the Bistro and visiting the Shop.

As we begin the year with a roster of new courses, I invite you to sample the

passions, curiosities, and knowledge with OLLI students by teaching a course for us! The possibilities are endless.

Fall course proposals are due May 1, 2023.

For more information, email Jeff Ryder, chair of the Curriculum Committee at july4writer@gmail.com or call OLLI at 941-309-5111.



many other activities happening at **Sarasota Art Museum**. Our doors are open every day, and the second Sunday of every month is free for everyone! Enjoy the galleries, Bistro, and Shop with friends and family...

Click [here](#) to read the full interview.



Make the Most of Your Giving

We know OLLI at Ringling College helps you stay engaged and connected. We encourage you, as you make your 2023 giving list, to include OLLI. Class registration and membership only cover a portion of what it takes to deliver our programming. Many companies sponsor matching gift programs and will match your charitable contributions, allowing you to double or triple the amount and impact of your gift.

Visit [here](#) and enter your employer's name to find out if your company has a matching gift program. Have questions? Feel free to call the [Office for Advancement](#) any time at 941-309-4733.

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OLLI Membership Committee:

Tom Miller (Chair) and the newsletter staff: Marion Richter (Editor), Dave Landsperger, Anne Perry Moore, Gary Reinmuth; Members: Lois Altman, Jan Parker, Jay Richter, Millie Finkel, and Meghan Burrows (OLLI staff).

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