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FALL REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Registration for the fall semester is now open. Fall catalogs are being printed and should arrive via mail around the week of August 5. The lottery selections for class placement will be September 3. The fall semester starts the week of September 23. Please visit our website to register, or click [here](#).

July Shorts Registration

The July Shorts start Monday! You may still register throughout the weekend online [here](#). Please note that for any OLLI academic session, the fee listed entitles you to take *up to* three classes. We do not charge per class.

Support Environmental Sustainability

A class member in the June Mini “Wildlife Conservation” suggested that OLLI let its members know about some of AU’s sustainability efforts. Study group leader Heather Heckel provided us with the information below that we’re excited to pass it on to you.

In 2018, American University became the first university in the US to achieve carbon neutrality. The campus has many sustainability efforts including use of renewable energy, carbon offsetting, LEED buildings (that have been designed, constructed, operated, and/or maintained to more efficiently use resources), green roofs, pursuit of zero waste, and a campus food garden. AU is also a nationally recognized Arboretum. You can read about more ways in which AU is a leader in sustainability [here](#).

There are many opportunities for the OLLI community to engage in environmental sustainability at AU, including:

Recycling

- o batteries on the second floor (next to the elevators) and by the back door of Room A
- o plastic bags by the back door of Room A

- o food for compost and mixed recycling in the lobby
- o printer cartridges and cell phones at AU's library

Reusing

- o Bring a reusable water bottle or coffee mug to class with you
- o Use reusable utensils and avoid single-use plastic when eating in the Social Space

Transportation

- o Walk to OLLI if you live nearby
- o Take public transportation or carpool with other members
- o Use AU's bus system, powered partially by biofuel produced on campus from AU food waste.



Plastic bag recycling bin near the back doors of Room A on the first floor.

Battery recycling bin on second floor near the elevators.

OLLI Book Exchange

Starting next week, there will be an OLLI book exchange located in the Social Space on the 5th floor. Members are welcome to donate books from study groups they have taken and no longer need, as well as to take books they would like. There will be a box with slips of paper to fill out, pens, and paper clips. If you donate a book, please fill out one of the slips of paper with as much information

that you know (title, number, and study group leader from the class in which the book was used) then clip it to the cover of the book. **The book exchange will be ongoing. Jacqui Gallagher, the organizer, hopes this will be an activity that will enable members to share interests and make new connections - both intellectual and personal.** If you have any questions, please contact Jacqui at gallagherjacqueline@gmail.com or 202-333-7957.

2019 National Book Festival



The 19th annual Library of Congress National Book Festival will be held Saturday, Aug. 31, 2019, at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center, and they **still need volunteers!**. The event is free and open to the public. For news and updates, follow the festival blog and subscribe to the latest updates. More than a hundred best-selling authors, novelists, historians, poets and children's writers will be on hand. Some featured authors will be restaurateur/chef Jose Andres and award-winning journalist Henry Louis Gates, Jr. For more information, please visit the Library of Congress website or, click [here](#).

Housing Program

OLLI at AU is working with the American University School of Public Affairs (SPA) to gauge interest of OLLI members in providing accommodations to SPA graduate students in exchange for rent and/or agreed-upon services. Many graduate students from across the country come each year to AU, and need housing while they study for two years towards earning a Master's degree or four years towards a PhD from SPA.

Each SPA student seeking housing prepares an online form providing relevant personal information as well as the type of housing he or she is seeking. Interested OLLI at AU members can contact the office (202-895-4860) to get the list of such data and contact the student directly online, by e-mail and/or by phone.

If you are interested and/or would like more information, please e-mail OLLI at AU at olli@american.edu.

AU Shuttle Summer Schedule

The Red Route AU shuttle that runs between our Spring Valley Building and the Tenleytown-AU metro station is now on a summer schedule. **As such, the shuttle will only run every 15 minutes from 7:00 AM - 10:15 AM. Thereafter, it will only run every 30 minutes between 10:15 AM - 4:00 PM.** For more details, you may visit the AU website's shuttle services page, or click [here](#).

Citizen Kane: What Makes It Great? **A Lecture by Dan Sherman**

Made nearly 80 years ago, *Citizen Kane* was immediately recognized for its technical brilliance and creative energy. This lecture will describe the making of this great film, its creators, and the controversies behind it. **OLLI Study Group Leader Dan Sherman will be holding this event on Thursday, July 25, from 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM in Room A on the 1st floor** of our Spring Valley building. There is no cost to attend, but please register by clicking [here](#).

Upcoming Events at American University

NOTE: For any AU-specific event, please contact the sponsoring department directly.

Summer Exhibitions and Events at the AU Museum

Gallery Talk: Plans to Prosper You

July 20, 3-4:30PM

Anthropologist Delande Justinvil, who served as one of the curators on this exhibition, will be joined by historians and activists from historic black communities of Montgomery County and Dr. Adrienne Pine for a talk on Plans to Prosper You. Free and open to all, no RSVP required.

African Twilight

A Forty Year Odyssey Meets the Return of a Legend

Film screening, August 1, 6:30PM

Angela Fisher and Carol Beckwith have spent over 40 years traversing the African continent photographing the vanishing rituals, ceremonies and cultures of Africa. This documentary by Realitymediaonline documents the spectacular launch of their double volume book of the vanishing rituals and ceremonies of the African continent with a carnival of music, dance, fashion, cuisine, costumes and fashions created of the vanishing hand woven and hand printed textiles of Africa at African Heritage House, Nairobi. Free, please RSVP to museum@american.edu

AVATAR: Figurative Sculpture Class with Melissa Ichiuji

Two Day Intensive Workshop, August 3 & 4, 10AM-4PM

In this two-day workshop participants will have a hands-on opportunity to work with one of DC's most dynamic sculptors, Melissa Ichiuji, known for her visceral, emotionally charged, and doll-like sculptures. Ichiuji will demonstrate her method of building a figure from the inside out using found materials, textiles, and meaningful artifacts. Participants will use movement, sketching and guided visualization to unlock the body and mind and learn techniques to create a uniquely personal AVATAR sculpture. Cost for the class is \$275 (all materials included).

Melissa Ichiuji is an American artist based in Virginia. Her art explores themes relating to empowerment and fragility. She has exhibited in museums and galleries in Paris, Brussels, Munich, Berlin, NYC and Washington, DC. Her work has been featured in Modern Luxury, Art in America, Art Investor, NYART, Textiel Plus, the Washington Post and the book 100 Artist of Washington, DC. Read more at www.melissaichiuji.com.

Our online ticketing system is unavailable due to a software update. In order to register for the class,

please call 202-885-3617 or email museum@american.edu. We will collect payment over the phone. Alternatively, you may send a check made out to the American University Museum once you are registered by phone or email.

Being Here as ME - New Media Art Exhibition of Women Artists from Taiwan

Curated by Yu-Chuan Tseng

June 15-August 11, 2019

Being Here as ME presents six women artists striving towards constructions of female subjectivity. Pey-Chwen Lin, Tzu-Ning Wu, Yung-Chieh Wu, I-Chun Chen, Pei-Shih Tu, and Hui-Chan Kuo create new media artworks through diverse mediums and methods. Their work transcends gender discussions, and through social strategies, action, and engagement they express their concerns and create artworks revealing their anxiety and opinions about the ecology of society, science, technology and the environment.

Plans to Prosper You: Reflections of Black Resistance and Resilience in Montgomery County's Potomac River Valley

June 15-August 11, 2019

The exhibition title takes its name from bible verse Jeremiah 29:11 to echo the central role of the Black church in bringing communities together, inspiring hope, and acting as a vector for social change. The goal of this exhibition is to offer a space of learning and meditation that highlights the Black history of Montgomery County and western Washington, DC and pay homage to the communities who championed fights against racial discrimination through faith, family, and fellowship. While this exhibition highlights the communities of Scotland, Tobytown, and Macedonia-Moses, we hope that Plans to Prosper You will inspire similar exhibitions and continue to prompt in-depth collaboration within and beyond these communities.

Passages: Keith Morrison, 1999-2019

Curated by Judith Stein

June 15-August 11, 2019

Passages: Keith Morrison, 1999-2019 surveys thirty paintings and watercolors by the Jamaican-born Keith Morrison. A magician of color and space and a teller of tales, fanciful and real, Morrison focuses on the tangible and spiritual components of culture. His subjects encompass Afro-Caribbean and Meso-American art and architecture, as well as the somber history of the Middle Passage. By turns mystical, meditative and joyous, Morrison's work invites our entry into the rich visual world of his making. I'm a new Text block ready for your content.

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The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at American University is an association of, by, and for the people in the Washington, DC area who wish to continue to study and learn. OLLI at AU is dedicated to the proposition that learning is a lifelong process and that curiosity never retires.

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