INTRODUCTION:
Welcome to the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Nevada, Reno! Nestled in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada mountains, OLLI at the University of Nevada, Reno is a spirited community of seasoned adults who gather to explore new interests, share ideas and make friends. Distinguished professors and knowledgeable instructors volunteer their expertise in programs and activities spanning such diverse topics as art, current events, economics, health, history, literature, music, science, travel, theatre and writing.

There are no grades, no tests and no pressure at OLLI. We welcome every adult learner regardless of previous educational experience.

An annual membership fee of $85 covers attendance at as many programs and activities you choose to attend, including:
- 150+ learning experiences every semester
  - in person at our Moana Campus
  - online via Zoom
  - outdoors throughout the Reno-Tahoe area
- social gatherings and cultural programs
- special events, field trips and a host of other enriching activities.

JOIN OLLI
You must be a paid-up member to attend any in-person or online programs and to receive the OLLI Weekly with links to Zoom programs. Please visit us at med.unr.edu/olli, where you will be able to create your user account, purchase membership, and browse upcoming programs. If you need help enrolling online, individual assistance is available at any of the Tech Help sessions on Tuesdays or Wednesdays.

CONNECT WITH OLLI
OLLI Weekly eblasts provide the most current program information. Only OLLI members who have paid their 2022-2023 membership will receive the OLLI Weekly. If you renewed your membership and are not receiving the OLLI Weekly emails, please notify the office at olli@unr.edu. Many programs are presented as Hybrid, with a live audience on Campus simultaneously with an online audience on Zoom. Online classes are hosted on OLLI’s Zoom account using free, web-based software that you can download, without needing to create an account, onto your computer, phone or tablet. Go to https://zoom.us/download to get it for your device. Links for Online only and Hybrid programs will be in the OLLI Weekly’s program listings.

To add program sessions to your personal online calendar, go to our new website at med.unr.edu/olli. Choose and click on the blue CALENDAR box. Click on the specific program title, then click on “copy to my calendar.” Note: This does NOT register you for any programs; it’s just a calendar function.

This month’s programs are listed in four sections.
- Lectures and Mini-series are listed in chronological order, by date and then by time. Some programs may consist of a short series of sessions, and participants are encouraged to attend all sessions in the listing.
- Tours and Special Events are listed by date. Some of these programs may require pre-registration. Fees may apply. Please check the program descriptions for complete information.
- Outdoor Activities are listed by activity and day. See ollireno.com/outdoor/ for specific locations and times to meet.
- Interest Groups are ongoing classes that meet regularly throughout the year. New participants are welcome to join at any time unless the class is shown as full.

ALL programs start promptly at the time specified.

December 2022 Catalog
**LECTURES AND MINI-SERIES**

**Thursday, December 1**

**Movies with Robin Holabird:**

*Fools Rush In (1997)*

**MOANA:** at 12 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Instructor: Robin Holabird, film commentator, author, world traveler

Robin will again introduce movies related to her work as Nevada’s film commissioner and others that showcase locations she has visited.


**Writing Poetry**

**MOANA:** December 1 and 15 at 2 p.m.
Instructor: Joan Brick, OLLI member

Examine different types of poetry, then write poems based on style and subject. The class will work in small groups to share ideas and evaluate individual writing. This will be a hands-on interactive workshop.

**Friday, December 2**

**Green Burials**

**ONLINE:** December 2, 9 and 16 at 10 a.m.
Instructor: Mary Perry, M.A., sexton, Forest Conservation Burial Group

Let’s face it! We are all going to “go” one of these days and green burial is the greenest way to “go.” This 3-session program is a discussion about the science and practice of green burial and other alternative disposition methods like water cremation and human composting. We will discuss the green burial movement and its connection with land conservation and restoration.

**Literature’s Great Villains: “Tom Ripley” from Patricia Highsmith’s The Talented Mr. Ripley**

**HYBRID:** at 2 p.m. (This series is NOT recorded.)
Instructor: Joseph Sanpietro, M.A., English instructor, TMCC

Charisma, envy, love and admiration follow Tom Ripley through four decades of books. Is he just a plain con man and serial killer, or is he misunderstood? He tops our list for a vigilante villain in our pre-holiday discussion.

**Monday, December 5**

**Contemporary Economic Policy Issues**

**HYBRID:** at 12 p.m.
Instructor: Jon Haveman, Ph.D., The National Economic Education Delegation (NEED)

Economics plays a central role in the functioning of every aspect of our society. This series of lectures will address a small set of currently important policy issues — each having economics at its core. We will explore their origins as policy matters, the underlying data and evidence available, and what policy levers exist to deal with them. The lectures will each be stand-alone and taught by different subject matter experts from NEED. (Presenters will be on Zoom; a discussion will be facilitated live at OLLI)

**Intergenerational Discussions: Aging in America**

**MOANA:** at 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Join students from the Gerontology Academic Program (GAP) at the University of Nevada, Reno to discuss changing viewpoints of aging in America. Topics will include social policies, healthcare and lifespan issues. Help students understand the differences between theory and reality by sharing your personal experiences.

**PRE-REGISTRATION RECOMMENDED. Email ollirenosignup@gmail.com by December 1 with "AGING" in the subject line.**

**Wednesday, December 7**

**hOLLIday Cookie Exchange**

**MOANA:** at 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Calling OLLI bakers! Join the Events Committee in providing and packaging homemade holiday cookies or candies for door prizes at our hOLLIday Open House. Please bring AT LEAST four dozen homemade cookies or candies to the exchange and arrive at Moana by 12:30 p.m. Any extra cookies will be divided among the participants and can be taken home with you. Please be on time as we will be boxing and wrapping the cookies.

**hOLLIday Open House**

**MOANA:** at 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Instructor: Inez Butterfield, OLLI Advisory Council; chair, Finance Committee

It is the holiday season — time for the hOLLIday Open House! Watch for details in the OLLI Weekly.

**Thursday, December 8**

**Collecting Music & Pop Culture**

**HYBRID:** at 12 p.m.
Instructor: Paul Doege, owner, Recycled Records

Get a better idea of “What’s that worth?” at this informative
and lighthearted look at the collecting game. This isn’t Antiques Roadshow or Storage Wars. It’s the reality of buying and selling in the used music and associated pop culture fields. Join Paul Doege, owner of Reno icon Recycled Records for 40 years, and discover the best and most economical ways to find out the value of your stuff and the best ways to realize that value.

Discover the Joys of Opera: Kevin Put’s world premiere of The Hours and Giordano’s classic Fedora
HYBRID: at 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Instructor: Lynne Gray, Ph.D., OLLI Advisory Council, OLLI member
Why do so many people love opera? Partly it’s the music, partly it’s the stories, partly it’s the incredible spectacle of the costumes and sets, but mostly it’s the thrilling emotional power of the human voice. In this class you will get an in-depth introduction to each opera that the New York Met broadcasts live in HD to our local movie theaters this season. You will hear many of today’s most amazing opera stars and learn about the stories, the music, the history and the voices that enthrall audiences all around the world.

Turkey’s Kurdish Question in the City
HYBRID: at 2 p.m.
Instructor: Jessie Clark, Ph.D., associate professor, geography, University of Nevada, Reno
Clark will discuss how the ethnopolitical anxieties of Turkey’s Kurdish Question are negotiated through urban and infrastructural development.

Friday, December 9
Green Burials
ONLINE: at 10 a.m.
See description on Friday, December 2

Revitalizing American Democracy in the 21st Century
MOANA: at 2 p.m.
Instructor: Fred Lokken, professor of political science, chair business, history, political science, TMCC
Fred Lokken will look at various strategies — proposed or implemented — that are intended to address chronic flaws in Constitutional design, the election process, hyper-partisan behavior, the impact of social media, the role of the media in a 21st century democracy and the complexities of the American political system.

Wednesday, December 14
OLLI Travelers: Robin Holabird presents “Of Moose and Men”
HYBRID: at 2 p.m.
Instructor: Judi Whiting, OLLI member

Whether you have travel adventures to share or just enjoy hearing about other folks’ travels, please join us. Members are invited to show pictures or tell their travel stories. We will draw from members’ experiences and from invited travel professionals to answer your travel questions. If you have something to share with the group, please contact Judi Whiting at fjwhiting@sbcglobal.net or (775) 826-2728.

Thursday, December 15
MOANA: at 12 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
See description on Thursday, December 1

Writing Poetry
MOANA: December 1 and 15 at 2 p.m.
See description on Thursday, December 1

Friday, December 16
Green Burials
ONLINE: at 10 a.m.
See description on Friday, December 2

TOURS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Monday, December 5
FREE TOUR: Copper Cat Studio
OFF-SITE: Two sessions — at 10 a.m. or 12 p.m.
Instructor: Susan Moffitt
Discover your inner artist at Copper Cat Studio, when you join us for a tour of Katie Packham’s Sparks studio. In addition to the many workshops offered in a variety of mediums such as mosaics, fused glass, mixed media, alcohol inks, felting, basketmaking, wire sculpture and silk painting, there is a gift shop representing over 20 local artists. See OLLI Weekly for registration details.

Monday, December 12
OLLI Chorus Holiday Concert
HYBRID: at 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Instructor: Jim Heller, M.A., OLLI member
The OLLI Chorus will perform a variety of seasonal and holiday music in a concert setting. Pre-registration is not required.
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OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES GROUPS

Mondays

Light Hikers

OUTDOOR MEETUP: Mondays, times to be announced. See ollireno.com/outdoor/ for details.

Instructors: Bill Bowers, Toni Chaucer, Debbie Lambeth, Floyd Whiting and Warren Ronsheimer, OLLI members

Light Hikers will explore trails and paths in the Truckee Meadows and surrounding areas. Light Hikes are usually 3 to 5 miles in total length with some elevation change. Events will take from 2 to 3 hours. Times and places will vary.

Thursdays

Thursday Hikers

OUTDOOR MEETUP: at 8 a.m.

See ollireno.com/outdoor/ for details.

Instructors: Delia Greenhalgh, Gary Souza, Mary Walkiewicz, OLLI members

Hikers explore the Reno, Sparks, Lake Tahoe, and Sierra area by trails, paths and roads. Meeting times and places will vary. Most hikes are 6-12 miles in total length and moderately difficult with elevation changes. Hikes will take 2-6 hours, depending on distance and difficulty. Late Spring and early Summer hikes may require driving a longer distance to allow members to enjoy our local mountains and the pace may quicken because of the longer distances both driving and on the trail. For the most up-to-date information, visit ollireno.com/outdoor/ every week before the Thursday hike.

Variable Days

Snowshoeing

OUTDOOR MEETUP

(December start tentative, see OLLI Weekly for details.)

See ollireno.com/outdoor/ for details.

Instructor: Naomi Silvergleid, coordinator, OLLI Outdoor Program, OLLI member

Snowshoers will explore the trails and fire roads of the Greater Tahoe and Galena area. Snowshoe hikes will be from 3 to 9 miles, total, and generally will occur on Mondays or Tuesdays. Meeting times and places will vary according to the quality of the snow and weather conditions. Because of the changeable weather, we will post events as soon as reasonably feasible but at least a couple days beforehand. For additional information, check the OLLI Reno Outdoors Events Calendar at ollireno.com/outdoor/.

INTEREST GROUPS

Mondays

Drop-in Watercolors

MOANA: December 12 at 10 a.m.

Instructor: Barbara Laber, Robert Newbury, OLLI members

Have you thought of dusting off your watercolors and paintbrushes, but need ideas about what to paint or feel a little rusty? Perhaps you have never tried painting with watercolor but would like to give it a try? Come, bring your supplies and join OLLI members twice a month to paint and share ideas in a friendly, open environment. Find out what watercolorists are doing and, perhaps, learn about projects such as making personal greeting cards or sketching impressions from your travels.

French 2 — Conversation

ONLINE: December 5, 12 and 19 at 12 p.m.

Instructor: Cora Robey, Ph.D., OLLI member

For students who have some previous knowledge of French and would like to review and build on that knowledge. We will practice dialogues written to help travelers and those who love France and its cultural traditions. Students will also have plenty of opportunities to talk in French about their experiences and interests.

Mystery Books Discussion Group:

UNSUB by Meg Gardiner

HYBRID: December 12 at 12 p.m.

Instructor: Kenn Rohrs, OLLI member

Join fellow mystery buffs to discuss mysteries of all types — from cozies to hard-boiled crime fiction. Everyone who is interested is welcome to join the discussion. See http://ollirenomyysterybg.blogspot.com for more information.

OLLI Chorus

MOANA: December 5 at 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Instructor: Jim Heller, M.A., OLLI member

Weekly OLLI chorus rehearsals provide an opportunity to enhance your singing ability, including four-part harmony. Members perform at OLLI functions and community events in the Reno-Sparks area. Participants are asked to bring drinking water and a black, three-ring binder for each session.

Recorder 2 — Intermediate

MOANA: December 5, 12 and 19 at 2 p.m.

Instructor: Sandy Young, American Recorder Society member, OLLI member

Continue to learn to play the recorder. Participants should have some experience from the beginner’s class and have a soprano or alto recorder and a music stand. Participants
must also be able to read treble clef notes. Class text *The Recorder Guide* by Johanna E. Kulbach and Arthur Nitka, is available for purchase online. Class is limited to 8 members. Please contact Sandy Young at sandypiano7@gmail.com for pre-registration and more information.

**Warm Hats for Cool Heads**

**ONLINE:** December 12 at 2 p.m.
**Instructor:** Leslie Davis, OLLI member

Join us online to knit and/or crochet hats and scarves for Reno’s homeless and needy. If you don’t know how to knit or crochet, someone will be happy to teach you. We’ll share patterns, techniques and inspiration while satisfying our need to create and our desire to support the community. You’ll experience the glow of gratification by providing a thing of beauty and comfort to a fellow human in need.

**Tuesdays**

**Colloquy — From Soup to Nuts Discussion Group**

**HYBRID:** December 6, 13 and 20 at 2 p.m.
**Instructor:** Fred Frampton, Judith Frampton, OLLI members

This ongoing Interest Group discusses questions submitted by participants. Topics include anything galactic, international, national, state and local. Because any subject “from soup to nuts” (i.e., from A-Z) is possible, this is a fun way to expand your understanding of the world around us. Come experience the camaraderie of fellow OLLI members, each bringing their own, unique perspective! For more information, email the Framptons at fpframpton@gmail.com

**Flicks with Friends**

**OFF-SITE:** December 6, 13 and 20 (times vary).
**Instructor:** Jim Bernardi, professor emeritus of theater, University of Nevada, Reno, OLLI member

Jim Bernardi shares his weekly movie recommendation for the first (budget) matinee on Tuesdays at a local theater. Check out [http://jimsflicks.blogspot.com](http://jimsflicks.blogspot.com) to see Jim’s movie pick for the coming Tuesday. Purchase your own ticket online or when you arrive at the theater. Make a plan to meet friends, or just show up and see who’s there!

**Lifescapes Group A**

**HYBRID:** December 6 at 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
**Instructor:** Phyllis Clark, chair, OLLI Advisory Council

Lifescapes classes focus on evoking memories and facilitating writing about one’s life experiences. At each session, a piece of literature is read and discussed as a springboard for writing. Students also are given topics for writing short pieces on their own that they may share with the class. All class members are encouraged to contribute stories to a themed anthology that will be published at the end of the year. Class is limited to 20 students for in-person and online combined. Seats are available for interested members. For more information or to join the class, please email Phyllis Clark at phylclarkpcsya@yahoo.com

**Lifescapes Group B (Class is full)**

**HYBRID:** December 13 at 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
**Instructor:** Sharon Honig-Bear, Karen Martin, OLLI members

See description above.

Seats are available in Lifescapes A or Lifescapes C (Thursdays).

**Spanish 3 — Advanced Conversation**

**MOANA:** December 6, 13 and 20 at 10 a.m.
**Instructor:** Sandra Bailey, OLLI member

Intermediate level students with some prior knowledge of Spanish will engage in interactive practice in speaking, listening and writing with limited translation. Students will practice verb tenses, grammatical structures and vocabulary. In addition, Sandra will teach students about travel, food, shopping and holidays such as the Day of the Dead, current events, well known persons, art, folk art and points of interest in the Spanish-speaking world.

**Tech Help for Computers and Personal Devices**

**MOANA:** December 13 at 12 p.m.
**Instructor:** Karen Hanks, OLLI member

This is a drop-in class for anything electronic: computers (Apple or Microsoft), software (Word, Excel, Zoom, E-Mail, etc.), cell phones (Apple or Android), etc. Remote tech help is also available between meetings by sending questions to tech@ollireno.com.

**Ukulele 2 — Intermediate Group**

**HYBRID:** December 6 and 13 at 12 p.m.
**Instructor:** William Papa, ukulele instructor, OLLI member

Intermediate ukulele is for those familiar with the instrument and who feel comfortable reading music. If you’ve already taken the beginning ukulele class, this intermediate class will continue your ukulele adventure.

**Ukulele Beginners Group**

**HYBRID:** December 6 and 13 at 2 p.m.
**Instructor:** William Papa, ukulele instructor, OLLI member

Ever wanted to play the ukulele? Learn the correct way to hold the instrument and two chords for playing multiple songs. You can bring your own instrument, or 10 ukuleles will be available for people who want to try one. Call William Papa at (775) 240-4930 if you need to reserve one of the 10 ukuleles. These ukuleles are for classroom use only.
Wednesdays

French 1 for Beginners
MOANA: December 7 and 14 at 10 a.m.
Instructor: LeeAnn Wade, M.Ed., OLLI member
French 1 is a structured beginning French class. Vocabulary and grammar concepts are sequentially introduced to help students build a solid foundation while they are learning their new language. For the 2022-2023 academic year, this course will use the workbook Easy French Step-by-Step, 1st Edition by Myrna Bell Rochester (ISBN-13: 978-0071453875 or ISBN-10: 0071453873). Participants should purchase this text on their own. All levels of beginning abilities are invited to join this class. Short stories, conversations, songs, videos and games will have you speaking French in no time!

Nature Lovers’ Book Discussion Group:
The Bears Ears: A Human History of America’s Most Endangered Wilderness by David Roberts
HYBRID: December 14 at 10 a.m.
Instructor: Kenn Rohrs, OLLI member
Discuss books with topics of wildlife, ecology and the natural world and our place in it. Explore the literature of landscape, place, natural history and the environment. Everyone who is interested is welcome to join the discussion. See http://ollirenonatbooks.blogspot.com for more information.

Tech Help for Computers and Personal Devices
MOANA: December 21 at 12 p.m.
See description under Tuesdays

Reading Poetry Together
HYBRID: December 21 at 2 p.m.
Instructor: Tom Wolf, OLLI members
Meet with other poetry lovers to explore insights and pleasures in response to poetry. Group members will share poems that are meaningful to them. For more information, email Tom Wolf at twolf1960@gmail.com with POETRY in the subject line.

Colloquy — From Soup to Nuts
HYBRID: December 1, 8, 15 and 22 at 10 a.m.
See description under Tuesdays

Lifescapes Group C
OFF-SITE: December 8 at 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.
Meets at South Valleys Library
Instructor: Kathy Peltier, OLLI member
See description under Tuesdays (email instructor at kathy@peltierventures.com)

Spanish 2 — Enrichment
MOANA: December 1, 8 and 15 at 12 p.m.
Instructor: Judy Aukeman, B.A., OLLI member
This class is designed for advanced beginners to low intermediates. The goal is to improve listening comprehension, reading comprehension, and speaking ability using reading passages, conversation practice (with a partner or in small groups), songs, podcasts, YouTube videos (with transcripts I provide) and other free online resources. For more details email judyaukeman@yahoo.com with “OLLI Spanish Class” in the subject line.

Big Questions
MOANA: December 1 and 8 and 15 at 2 p.m.
Instructor: Ronald Foster, Nita Jameson, Tom Wolf, OLLI members
A challenging and engaging book discussion group for individuals seeking new insights into the big questions of our lives. Past areas of inquiry have been science, religion, philosophy, history, politics and economics. Group members select, read, and then discuss a book for several sessions. The class is built on the respectful exchange of ideas and perspectives as we read and enjoy thoughtful discussions about the big questions. For more information, email olli.big.questions@gmail.com

Thursdays

Reading Great Literature Discussion Group
MOANA: December 1 and 15 at 10 a.m.
Instructor: Cora Robey, Ph.D., OLLI member
Read and discuss selections from the Norton Anthology of World Literature Third or Fourth Edition, Volumes A, B, C and D, E, F available in paperback in two distinct sets from Amazon or used book sellers. Readings are selected by the group each semester. Together we explore the big ideas and issues of the readings in historical and contemporary context.

Reading Great Literature Discussion Group:
Traitor by Jonathan de Shalit
HYBRID: December 9 at 10 a.m.
Instructor: Kenn Rohrs, OLLI member
Join other readers to discuss spy novels and discover new authors and plot twists. Everyone who is interested is welcome to join the discussion. See https://ollirenoebgebg.blogspot.com for more information.

French 3
MOANA: December 2, 9, 16 and 23 at 12 p.m.
Instructor: Arlette Lessig, OLLI member
This class is for students who are fluent enough to exchange ideas comfortably with others in a relaxed conversational setting. Some new vocabulary will be introduced on topics of interest to the students.