NO CLASSES FOR WEEK OF NOV. 20-24
The OLLI office will be closed Nov. 20-24 for Thanksgiving. Classes will not be held during the break.

OLLI GALLERY OPENING RECEPTION IS NOV. 28

Gallery to spotlight OLLI artists

OLLI member and Peer Leader Jim Kirks is bringing his vision to life through a generous donation that is transforming the walls of OLLI’s largest classroom into a public gallery. And everyone is invited to the opening!

Come see the inaugural exhibition on Tuesday, November 28, from 3:30 to 5:30pm, in the Bradley 2 classroom at Craig Student Living on W. 3rd Street. Artist and OLLI Peer Leader Susan Proctor will show 25 original paintings, one of which (detail shown at right) will be raffled off at the event, with proceeds going to our Annual Fund Campaign.

Oh! We almost forgot. Treats by Bacio Catering!

Learn More & RSVP

HEARING WORKSHOP SPARKS CRUCIAL CONVERSATION

University partners with OLLI to improve hearing in our classrooms

Earlier this month, Dr. Suzanne Bonneau Miller, program director and professor of Communication Sciences & Disorders (CMSD), conducted a two-part workshop on hearing for OLLI as part of a class assignment. The student-led workshops featured hearing screenings, a poster session, and group discussions about hearing loss and the implication on teaching and learning. “I learned about my own hearing, as well as ways to mitigate hearing challenges,” said Pamela Beeman, an OLLI member who participated in the first workshop.

In the second workshop, Dr. Miller and her students focused on OLLI peer leaders. The first part of the workshop focused on small group discussions, where OLLI leaders talked about issues of hearing loss in teaching and learning environments with CMSD students. They later came together to debrief with Dr. Miller and detail strategies for improving the teaching and learning environment for those with hearing loss and auditory-based processing disorders. Watch a video with highlights from the workshop.
“I don’t think any of us realized how many of us older adults are affected by hearing loss,” said William Tefteller, OLLI peer leader and chairman of the Facilities Committee. “As part of the audio-visual team, I’m thinking about how we can improve the OLLI learning experience every day. What I didn’t realize was how many people are affected and what resources we have available to us through Dr. Miller and the University.” William continued, “This partnership could really improve the whole environment for our OLLI students—and our peer leaders—in each of our major classrooms.”

Dr. Miller has pledged to participate in future peer leader orientations and to continue consulting with OLLI on how to best address these issues.

DIREKTORS’ WORKSHOP MESMERIZES OLLI AUDIENCE

**Humanities & Fine Arts faculty member and students demonstrate stage directing process**

In early November, Assistant Professor Mathew Teague Miller and two students from the Music and Theater Department led a workshop for OLLI members. The workshop is part of a grant-funded partnership pairing CSU, Chico faculty and students from the HFA School of the Arts with OLLI members who plan to participate in the 2018 play festival or who simply have an interest in theater.

Mr. Miller’s workshop focused on how to direct a play and involved students, both sophomores, who performed a single scene from a play. Miller’s collaborative style drew audience members into the action by soliciting their feedback and explaining his notes and comments. As the scene developed and improved through Mr. Miller’s direction, OLLI members were enthralled. “I was surprised to learn so much just by watching them figure stuff out together,” said Pam Loyd, writer, director, and play festival founder. “It was like a little window into the director’s mind.” Watch a video and see Mr. Miller and his students in action.

The Directors’ Workshop is the first in a series of programs that HFA faculty, students, and alumni will be presenting as OLLI prepares for the 2018 play festival. The mentoring aspect of this new partnership appealed to the grantor and is clearly invigorating OLLI participants to aspire to new heights. If you’d like to participate in future workshops and/or the 2018 play festival, call the OLLI office for more information.

**Reminder:** Play submission **deadline for 2018 festival is December 15.** Call for guidelines and more information.

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OLLI HOLIDAY LUNCHEON APPROACHING

**Wednesday, December 13, 11:30am to 1pm, at the Canyon Oaks Country Club**

Come socialize with friends and celebrate the holidays with OLLI! Luncheon tickets are $18. Entrée choices are a 1) **Bacon Wrapped Pork Loin with Rice and Veggies** or 2) **Manicotti with Cheese, Chiles, Mushrooms** (vegetarian).

**Reserve your seat and register online!** If you prefer to pay with a check or cash, please give us a call at (530) 898-6679. **Deadline is December 6.**
DEADLINE APPROACHING FOR “JERSEY BOYS” BUS TRIP

A dozen seats remaining

OLLi Bus Trips to the Broadway Sac Series are a chance to watch a Broadway Show and not having the stress of driving! In regards to past bus trips Maureen Fredrickson said, “It is just so fun to go with my friends!” Come with your friends to explore Old Town Sacramento and see one of the greatest hits on Broadway.

Jersey Boys is the Tony, Grammy, and Olivier Award-winning Best Musical about Rock and Roll Hall of Famers, The Four Seasons: Frankie Valli, Bob Gaudio, Tommy DeVito, and Nick Massi. This is the true story of how four blue-collar kids became one of the greatest successes in pop music history. Watch a video and register online today!

FALL 2017 CALENDAR

Mark your calendars!

November 20-24 .......... Thanksgiving Break (No Classes, Office Closed)
December 13 ................. Holiday Luncheon at Canyon Oaks Country Club
December 15 ................... Play Submission Deadline
December 15 ................. Fall Classes End

HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE?

If you have something to say, a photo to share, or a question to pose to the editor, you can submit information using our new “OLLi Newsletter Submission” form.

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