



Winter 2012 Course Offerings at Arbor Trace

Mix and Mingle

Arbor Trace and The Center for Lifelong Learning are hosting a mix and mingle for all Arbor Trace residents and the Center's administrators and invited guests. Join us as we celebrate our learning center partnership, make new friends, highlight the winter learning schedule, and enjoy some toe-tapping entertainment. Wonderful refreshments and spirits, along with raffle prizes will be another highlight. Don't miss out on all of the fun!

Date: Friday, January 13

Time: 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Eye of the Beholder : The Everglades

Some saw the Everglades as a land to be drained and conquered; still others as a sanctuary to be saved for future generations. Go back in time and see how South Florida had been drained, diked, and dredged to near ecological collapse until a few brave individuals fought to save the Everglades. Join an Everglades National Park ranger for a look at the Everglades from different perspectives over the last 500 years.

Date: Tuesday, January 31

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Instructor: Andy Webb

Machu Picchu and the Galapagos

This travelogue will include a look at Lima, "the capital of the New World," encompassing the last five centuries of Peruvian history. Cuzco is your entrée to the life and culture of the Inca people. And then there's Machu Picchu, the Incan city in the sky that has only begun to reveal its mysteries since archaeologists began their explorations some 60 years ago. It sits 3,000 feet beneath Cuzco, but it'll likely be the high point of our photos. We will also share our adventures in Ecuador's Galápagos Islands—a living laboratory of Darwin's landmark theory of evolution.

Date: Thursday, February 2

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Instructor: Dr. Marcia Maloni

The Women of Frank Lloyd Wright

Catherine Lee Tobin, Mamah Cheney, Miriam Noel and Olga Hinzenburg all played important roles in the life of Frank Lloyd Wright; yet, as one biographer states, "They remain for the most part, historical footnotes". This program brings them to life in dramatic monologue, with each woman reflecting on her own experience in what has been described as the "roller coaster atmosphere of crisis" surrounding the acclaimed architect.

Date: Tuesday, February 7

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Instructor: Peg Kaiser

Bellissima: Three Great Cities of Italy

In this series of classes, we will explore the history and examine the art and architecture of three of the most beautiful and beloved cities in Italy: The Art and Architecture of Rome, The Art and Architecture of Florence, The Art and Architecture of Venice.

Dates: Thursdays, February 9, 16 and 23

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Instructor: Carol Jonson

Great Decisions

This popular forum encourages discussion and debate on current global challenges. Founded by The Foreign Policy Association (FPA) in 1954, the program is offered by academic and foreign affairs institutions throughout the country. Eight topics chosen and researched by the FPA are covered in six weekly sessions. Topics for 2012 include: Middle East Realignment, Promoting Democracy, Mexico, Cybersecurity, Exit from Afghanistan and Iraq, State of Our Oceans, Indonesia and Energy Geopolitics. This is a group discussion format, not a lecture series. As such, participants will have the best experience by reading the brief text assigned each week and being prepared to share their thoughts with the group. The goal is to promote thoughtful discourse, to bring people together to express their opinions and to learn from others.

Dates: Tuesdays, February 14 through April 3

Time: 2:30p.m. – 3:45p.m.

Facilitator: Ray Fick

The Most Affectionate Daughter: Galileo's Daughter

An original, one-woman drama focuses on the life and beliefs of Galileo's eldest child, Maria Celeste. The Most Affectionate Daughter is a lesson in history and philosophy, wrapped in an entertaining package of humor, sorrow and filial devotion.

Date: Tuesday, February 21

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Instructor: Janina Birtolo

Shrimp: The Fruit of the Sea

Did you know that Americans eat more shrimp than any other type of seafood? Join Florida Sea Grant Extension Agent Bryan Fluech as he provides an overview of American's demand for shrimp and discusses some of the environmental issues associated with this global fishery.

Date: Tuesday, February 28

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Instructor: Bryan Fluech

Vivaldi's Four Seasons: A Celebration of Spring

The Four Seasons has become one of the most popular pieces of classical music in the world...there are over 150 recordings; it is regularly used for television advertising and as film music. Yet most people never realize that Vivaldi was writing *program music*. We will explore his poetry which prefaced the first edition and the music itself to see how each illuminates the other. But mostly we will bask in the glorious music of SPRING in Vivaldi's Italy.

Date: Tuesday, March 6

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Instructor: Dr. Tom Turricchi

Travelogue of Ireland, Wales, and England

Participants will enjoy slides from a recent trip to The Republic of Ireland, Northern Ireland, Wales, and England. The emphasis will be on unusual sites which are not well known, such as Glendalough, Kinsale, and Cong in Ireland, and Conwy, Portmeirion, and Porthmadog in Wales.

Date: Thursday, March 8

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Instructor: Doug Bracy

The Sculptures of Auguste Rodin

His works are iconic - *The Thinker*, *The Kiss*, *The Burghers of Calais* – even though his name may not be a household word. Nineteenth century sculptor Auguste Rodin is credited with being the father of modern sculpture. He is acknowledged for the realism and emotionalism of his work that also captured his subject's personality and physical characteristics in a radical new way.

Date: Tuesday, March 20

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Instructor: Carol Jonson

The War of the Worlds: Orson Welles and the 1938 Broadcast

In the 1930's, radio was king. In those turbulent times of Hitler and Mussolini and the threatening clouds of war, Americans were used to hanging on every word of the special news announcements. When Orson Welles tried to have some Halloween fun with a martian invasion, using dramatic news announcements, he unleashed a panic across the country. Dr. Franz will retell this fascinating and sometimes humorous story that occurred a short 74 years ago.

Date: Thursday, March 22

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Instructor: Dr. Gerry Franz

The Music and Marvels of the Middle Ages

Once we got rid of the barbarian hoards and made it through the Dark Ages, music began to flourish as line upon line of tone and tunes built to a polyphonic explosion. The story of western man's cultural regrouping, post fall of the Roman Empire, is fascinating, if slightly a ways back in time. The Church plays an important role in the music revival and the education of the medieval man. Even though the times were slightly pessimistic, man's general optimism was growing. The Renaissance and Humanism are just ahead! Join us for this music and history lesson with Dr. Ron Bowman.

Date: Tuesday, March 27

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Instructor: Dr. Ron Bowman

Pompeii: A Window Into Antiquity

This class will look at how the excavations at Pompeii and surrounding cities buried by the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in 79 AD provide us an extraordinary glimpse of what life was like when Rome ruled the world.

Date: Thursday, March 29

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Instructor: Carol Jonson

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO ATTEND ANY AND ALL OF OUR CLASSES.