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Summer 2024 Programs
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CONTEMPOARY ASIAN ART IN THE DIASPORA

Siona Benjamin, Artist

Mondays, June 3–24 | 2–3:30 p.m. ET

This class will explore the work and influences of artists who were born and raised in Asia, but now live in the West. Their inspiration often is drawn from ancient, traditional cultures, yet they are creating contemporary art—here and now. Learn how they make these links between old and new and how they live the transition through the act of immigration. Students will explore this multicultural mosaic and, via hands-on experience, create their own place in it. Students will also learn about the art of the Indian miniature paintings and how artists use this in their contemporary artwork.

Price: $90 | Members receive 15% discount
IN-PERSON LECTURE

BOOK DISCUSSION:
THE LATECOMER BY JEAN HANFF KORELITZ

Sylvia Abrams, Professor Emeritus and former Dean Siegal College

Wednesday, June 5 | 10–11:30 a.m. ET

From The NPR Best Book of the Year bestselling author, Jean Hanff Korelitz’s The Latecomer follows the story of the wealthy, New York City-based Oppenheimer family, from the first meeting of parents to their triplets born during the early days of IVF. A complex novel that builds slowly and deliberately, The Latecomer touches on the topics of grief and guilt, Jewish traditions and religion, and family dynamics.

Price: $15 | Members receive $5 discount

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IN-PERSON COURSE

THE BLACK PLAGUE AND THE RENAISSANCE

Patrick Moore, J.D, Instructor of Lifelong Learning

Thursdays, June 6–August 1 (No class July 4) | 10–11:30 a.m. ET

The Black Plague of the 14th century killed at least one-third of all the people in Europe within four years. Many thought that it was the end of the world. Yet, what immediately followed was the Renaissance, the foundation of our modern world. How could that period of art and culture rise from such devastation? What were the connections? Articles, maps, and excerpts from eyewitness accounts will complement power point slides.

Read: The Great Mortality, John Kelly

Price: $120 | Members receive 15% discount

Hamlet Clubhouse, 200 Hamlet Hills Drive, Chagrin Falls

This course is offered with the generous support of the Association for Continuing Education.
REMOTE COURSE

ANGELS AND DEMONS: HOW DO JEWISH AND CHRISTIAN UNDERSTANDINGS DIFFER?

Todd Rosenberg, Attorney, Instructor of Lifelong Learning

Thursdays, June 6–27 | 7–8:30 p.m. ET

Do Jews believe in angels, Satan, and demons? It depends upon whom you ask, but the Hebrew Bible and traditional Jewish sources have a lot to say about each of these. How do Judaism and Christianity differ when it comes to these topics? Find out in a 4-part class. Written materials will be provided for your reference. Come with lots of questions!

Price: $90 | Members receive 15% discount

IN-PERSON COURSE

PLEIN AIR PAINTING

Patricia Sigmier, Instructor of Lifelong Learning

Fridays, June 7–28 | 10 a.m.–2 p.m. ET

Enjoy the experience of painting at the university’s scenic Squire Valleevue Farm. The instructor uses watercolor, however any medium is acceptable. The group meets each session at a predetermined location at the farm, paints for 2–3 hours, then gathers for a brown bag lunch and viewing of the paintings. The instructor provides group as well as individual instruction. Some level of experience painting is recommended. Bring a brown bag lunch. Limited enrollment.

Price: $195 | Members receive 15% discount

Squire Valleevue Farm, 37125 Fairmount Blvd., Hunting Valley
IN-PERSON LECTURE

THE HISTORY OF IMMIGRATION & MIGRATION IN CLEVELAND

Greg Deegan, Executive Director, Teaching Cleveland

Thursday, June 13
10 a.m. ET: Light Breakfast & Coffee
10:30 a.m.–noon ET: Lecture

Who came to Cleveland and changed it forever? Teaching Cleveland connects educators, youth, and community members to the city’s history and provides a collaborative forum for examining and addressing the current challenges facing Greater Cleveland. In this lecture, Teaching Cleveland’s Executive Director will discuss where immigrants settled and why and discuss the European immigrant and Black migrant experiences in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

Price: $18 | Members receive $5 discount
Landmark Centre Bldg., 25700 Science Park Drive, Beachwood

Morning Coffee & Conversation Lecture Series

IN-PERSON LECTURE

ALBION’S SEED: UNDERSTANDING AMERICAN HISTORY AND POLITICS

Irving Kushner, Professor Emeritus of Medicine, CWRU

Friday, June 14 | 10–11:30 a.m. ET

The magisterial book Albion’s Seed is a social history of the first four distinct waves of colonization from Britain to North America – the Puritans, the Cavaliers, the Quakers and the Scots-Irish. In this lecture, we will discuss these groups and how their interactions shaped our history and politics.

Price: $5 | Members receive $5 discount
Landmark Centre Bldg., 25700 Science Park Drive, Beachwood
IN-PERSON COURSE

INTERACTIVE HEBREW CONVERSATION

Nadav Linial, Lecturer, Hebrew, CWRU

Mondays, June 17–24 | 10–11:30 a.m. ET

Students with intermediate to advanced Hebrew conversation skills are invited to join Nadav Linial, new Lecturer in Hebrew at Case Western Reserve University, for a two-week discussion course. The course will be a Hebrew conversation exploring Israeli culture through texts, art, and music. Readings will be provided.

Price: $45 | Members receive 15% discount

Landmark Centre Bldg., 25700 Science Park Drive, Beachwood

THE MONEY KINGS

Barbara Greenberg, J.D., Magistrate for Bedford Municipal Court

Tuesdays, June 18–25 | 10–11:30 a.m. ET

This two-week class will be an interactive conversation about The Money Kings: The Epic Story of the Jewish Immigrants Who Transformed Wall Street and Shaped Modern America, written by Daniel Schulman. This book focuses on the lives and legacy of the men who moved to America in the mid-1800s and eventually gravitated to Wall Street to make their mark in finance and American history. Some names are still well known, others are less familiar, but each family, their interconnection and competition, left a mark that remains.

Price: $45 | Members receive 15% discount

Landmark Centre Building, 25700 Science Park Drive, Beachwood
IN-PERSON LECTURE

BOOK DISCUSSION: THE HEAVEN AND EARTH GROCERY STORE

Shelley Costa Bloomfield, Ph.D., Award-winning author

Tuesday, June 18 | 1–2:30 p.m. ET

Pottstown, PA, 1972. When a human skeleton is unearthed during the excavation for a housing development, the mystery points to old secrets. Chicken Hill, the site of the discovery, was historically a neighborhood of African Americans and immigrant Jews struggling to make their way in the context of white Christian America. Presiding over Chicken Hill’s Heaven and Earth Grocery Store is the kind and welcoming Chona, whose shop is a point of intersection for the diverse residents. When the neighborhood bands together to protect a deaf black boy from being institutionalized by the state, James McBride shows that it’s love and community that can move heaven and earth.

Read: The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store, James McBride

Price: $15 | Members receive $5 discount

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IN-PERSON COURSE

ANALYZING MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Michael Walczak, J.D., Instructor of Lifelong Learning

Tuesdays, June 18–July 23 | 1:30–3 p.m. ET

In the PBS documentary presentation of Ken Burns’ Baseball, James Earl Jones stated, “sophisticated statistical analysis now affects every facet of Major League Baseball.” This class will examine these new tools being employed to evaluate major league performance. Against a backdrop of more than one hundred years of play, questions will be addressed: Do clutch hitters actually exist? Can a team’s performance be predicted before the season starts? Are modern players as good as the old-timers? How do we evaluate managers? Are the Guardians a “cheap” organization? From bunts to zone ratings, from Bill James to Moneyball, come prepared to see the game as you’ve never seen it before.

Price: $100 | Members receive 15% discount

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IN-PERSON COURSE

THE ART AND ARCHITECTURE OF THE THREE GREAT MONOTHEISTIC RELIGIONS

Carol Salus, Professor Emerita, Art History, Kent State University

_Thursdays, June 20–August 1 (No class: July 4) | 10–11:30 a.m. ET_

The course focuses on key monuments of the three great monotheistic religions. Two sessions each will be devoted to Christianity, Judaism, and Islam. The role of art in each of these religions reveals much about the communities in which they were created and how they were perceived in their eras. Examination of houses of worship, paintings (including catacombs), and sculpture will be integral to class discussion. Discussion will also include the bonds shared by all three religions as manifested in their artistic creations.

_Price: $135 | Members receive 15% discount_

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REMOTE COURSE

AVATARS OF THE INFORMATION AGE: HACKERS IN AMERICAN HISTORY

Jacob Bruggeman, PhD Candidate, Johns Hopkins University; Fellow, Center for Economy and Society

_Mondays, July 8–29 | 1–2:30 p.m. ET_

Who are computer “hackers”? In the late 1980s, the hacker joined this cast of characters at the center of American culture and politics. Nightly news anchors warned of the hacker as an identity thief. Companies complained of the hacker as a pirate plundering copyrighted software and music. Some programmers and engineers imagined themselves honorable hackers, advancing knowledge. Later, others would describe themselves as “hacktivists,” or declare some clever thing they recently learned as a “life hack.” This course traces how the idea of the hacker evolved in the lead up to and after the turn of the 21st century. Students will grapple with how technical expertise in the late 20th century was wielded, and how society responded. By examining the tensions and contradictions within hacker groups, students will learn to dissect the cultural archetypes that permeate discourse and popular culture.

_Price: $90 | Members receive 15% discount_
SENECA: STOIC PHILOSOPHER AND TRAGIC DRAMATIST

Timothy Wutrich, Senior Instructor of Classics, Case Western Reserve University

Tuesdays, July 9–30 | 10–11:30 a.m. ET

Lucius Annaeus Seneca (4 BCE–CE 65), the Stoic philosopher and tragic dramatist, lived during the early years of the Roman Empire and flourished under the reigns of the emperors Caligula, Claudius, and Nero. Seneca was, in fact, Nero’s tutor and, while the boy-emperor learned to rule, Seneca, with the praetorian prefect Burrus, managed the daily workings of the empire. While his biography itself is fascinating, for centuries students of literature and philosophy have been drawn to his philosophical writings and his tragedies which reflect Seneca’s Stoic vision. Seneca’s tragedies would inspire Shakespeare, Racine, and a number of other early-modern European authors. In this course we will read a selection of Seneca’s shorter philosophical texts and the tragedies Phaedra, Hercules Insane, Trojan Women, and Thyestes.


Price: $90 | Members receive 15% discount

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Revisiting the Classics
EDITH WHARTON’S OLD NEW YORK
Monica Miller, Associate Professor of English, Middle Georgia State University

Tuesdays, July 9–30 | 1–2:30 p.m. ET

*Old New York* is a 1924 collection of four novellas written by Edith Wharton about high society New York in the 1840s to 1870s. Born Edith Newbold Jones in 1862, her family is rumored to be what the phrase “keeping up with the Joneses” was coined about. The stories in this collection are character studies in 19th century high society; they serve as prequels of a sort for Wharton’s 1921 Pulitzer Prize-winning novel *The Age of Innocence*. In this class, we will read and discuss Wharton’s exquisite prose and learn about the historical and literary contexts of the work.

Read: *Old New York*, Edith Wharton

Price: $90 | Members receive 15% discount

IN-PERSON LECTURE

PARALLELS TO THE WEIMER REPUBLIC IN TRUMP’S AMERICA?
Kenneth Ledford, Hiram C. Haydn Professor in History, Case Western Reserve University

Wednesday, July 10
10 a.m. ET: Light Breakfast & Coffee
10:30 a.m.–noon ET: Lecture

Since early 2017, journalists and then scholars have grappled with the question of whether social and political developments in the United States parallel those of the Weimar Republic in Germany in the 1920s and 1930s. An historian of German history shares his own thoughts and how they have evolved since January 20, 2017, as the basis for a broader discussion among the participants.

Price: $20 | Members receive $5 discount

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COURSES AND LECTURES

IN-PERSON COURSE

THE ANCIENT OLYMPIC GAMES: SPORTS AND SOCIETY IN ANCIENT GREECE

Karen Laurence, Director of Educational Programs & Faculty and Alumni Engagement Laura and Alvin Siegal Lifelong Learning Program / Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Classics CWRU

Wednesdays, July 10–31 | 1–2:30 p.m. ET

This summer, the XXXIII Modern Olympiad will take place in Paris. But what are the ancient origins of these Modern Olympic Games? Sports festivals in ancient Greece were celebrated as major religious rituals to gods such as Zeus, Poseidon, Athena, and Apollo. Sports, in fact, pervaded Greek culture, and played an active role in competitive Greek society. This course will examine both the mythical and archaeological origins of the ancient Olympic Games, as well as the events (track and field, horseracing, etc.) and other activities that made up the festival celebration. We will also examine the archaeology of the sanctuary of Zeus at Olympia, including the Temple of Zeus, which housed his cult statue, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World.

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REMOTE COURSE

CHILDREN’S BIBLE STORIES FOR ADULTS

Sarah Rosenson, Instructor of Lifelong Learning

Thursdays, July 11–25 | 1:30–3 p.m. ET

The stories of Noah’s Ark and Jonah and the whale are thought of as children’s stories because they’re fun. Animals on a boat! Man survives being swallowed by a whale! But at an adult level these complex stories raise important questions about righteousness, justice, and forgiveness. In this interactive online discussion class we will look at both ancient and modern commentary, and explore our own ideas about these fascinating stories. Please have a Bible (hard copy or digital) for our classes. Everyone is encouraged to participate and share their questions and thoughts in this interactive class.

Price: $70 | Members receive 15% discount
IN-PERSON LECTURE

A PHOTOGRAPHER’S GUIDE TO OHIO

Ian Adams, Photographer

Friday, July 19 | 10–11:30 a.m. ET

Ian Adams will introduce you to the most beautiful and photogenic places in the Buckeye State. During this lecture, you will take a photographic journey to Ohio’s most scenic vistas, waterfalls, natural areas and preserves, scenic rivers and byways, zoos and public gardens, historic barns and bridges, rural areas, holiday lighting displays, historic buildings and murals. Adams’ books, A Photographers Guide to Ohio – Volumes 1 and 2, offer more than 500 pages of text and 350 color photographs. Books will be available for purchase.

Price: $10 | Members receive $5 discount

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BOOK DISCUSSION:
DARA HORN’S ALL OTHER NIGHTS

Ruth Silon, Professor Emerita, Cuyahoga Community College

Thursday, August 1 | 1:30–3 p.m. ET

New York Times Book Review Editors’ Choice author Dara Horn’s All Other Nights is a Civil War spy page-turner that explores race and religion in 19th-century America. The novel brilliantly presents the rift in America that lingers a century and a half later between those who value family and tradition first, and those dedicated, at any cost, to social and racial justice for all.

Price: $15 | Members receive $5 discount

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IN-PERSON COURSE

THE LITERARY LANDSCAPE OF ISAAC BASHEVIS SINGER
Sarah C. Pogell, Professor of English, Cuyahoga Community College

**Wednesdays, August 7–28 | 10–11:30 a.m. ET**

Rife with themes of transcendence and the mundane – often without a comforting resolution between the two, Singer’s stories explore the morality and immorality of “what it’s like to decide to both see and not see the darkness,” as one critic aptly put it. In this course, we will read a sampling of Singer’s beloved short stories and a short novel from his literary heyday in the 1960s and 70s, as well as a smattering of his non-fiction – all translated into English by Singer and his enthusiastic collaborators.

**Price: $90 | Members receive 15% discount**

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IN-PERSON LECTURE

HACTIVISM: A BRIEF HISTORY
Jacob Bruggeman, PhD Candidate, Johns Hopkins University; Fellow, Center for Economy and Society

**Friday, August 23 | 10-11:30 a.m. ET**

“Hactivists,” or those who hack into computer systems for politically or socially motivated reasons, make the news all the time. Seemingly every week, self-styled hacktivists penetrate corporate, government, and individual networks and accounts for political ends. Some hacktivists seek to stall climate change while others troll and harass climate activists. In ongoing conflicts today, such as the wars between Russian and Ukraine or Israel and Hamas, hacktivists organize volunteer organizations and are mobilized by militaries on all sides of conflicts. This leaves us wondering: who are hacktivists and what, or who, are they hacking for? Hacktivist politics are contradictory but share certain political values across groups. In this talk, we’ll go back to the origins of hacktivism in the 1960s to explain how hacktivism has evolved — and how the rest of us changed in response.

**Price: $10 | Members receive $5 discount**

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IN-PERSON TRIP

ACE TRIP TO SHAW FESTIVAL

Wednesday, July 24–Thursday, July 25

Join ACE for a summer trip to the Shaw Festival at Niagara-on-the Lake. The two-day package includes deluxe coach travel from Cleveland, a night in a first-class hotel, two meals, and two theater productions including My Fair Lady and Candida.

Price: $550 | Members receive $20 discount

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COURSE AUDIT PROGRAM FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

CAPSC offers adults ages 65 and older the opportunity to learn alongside CWRU’s traditional students at a reduced tuition rate of $40/credit hour.

For more information, please contact Felicia Westbrooks at 216.368.2090 or seniorauditprogram@case.edu or visit case.edu/seniorauditprogram/
JOURNEY THROUGH CLEVELAND’S JEWISH HISTORY COURSE AND BUS TOUR

FOUR-WEEK COURSE:
Tuesdays, August 20–September 10 | 10–11:30 a.m. ET
Join John Grabowski, Krieger-Mueller Joint Professor in History, CWRU and Sean Martin, Associate Curator for Jewish History, Western Reserve Historical Society for this 4 week course exploring Jewish Cleveland’s immigration, suburbanization, religion and education.

Weeks 1 & 2:
Siegal Lifelong Learning, Landmark Centre Bldg., 25700 Science Park Drive, Beachwood

Weeks 3 & 4:
Mandel JCC, 26001 South Woodland Road, Beachwood

Price: $90 | Members of Siegal and The J receive 15% discount

BUS TOUR
Tuesday, September 17 | 10 a.m.–3 p.m. ET
Join Sean Martin as he guides us through a tour of Jewish Cleveland on a chartered bus departing from the parking lot of the Mandel JCC. The tour will stop in Glenville, Kinsman and Cleveland Heights. Breaks for lunch and restrooms will be included in the itinerary. Kosher boxed lunches, snacks and beverages will be provided.

Price: $52 | Members of Siegal and The J receive $5 discount
Price: $118 | Members receive 15% discount

BEGINNER HEBREW FROM ALEPH-BET (IN-PERSON)
For those with no prior knowledge of the Hebrew alphabet or language
Tuesdays, August 27–October 1 | 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m. ET
Holly Litwin, Hebrew Language Instructor
Landmark Centre Building, 25700 Science Park Drive, Beachwood

BEGINNER CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW (REMOTE)
A beginner class for those with the ability to read Hebrew
Mondays, August 19–September 30 (no class Sept 2) | 6:30–8:30 p.m. ET
Leah Cooper, Hebrew Language Instructor
Wednesdays, August 21–September 25 | 10 a.m.–noon ET
Leah Cooper, Hebrew Language Instructor

ADVANCED BEGINNER CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW (REMOTE)
Mondays, August 19–September 30 (no class Sept 2) | 1–3 p.m. ET
Leah Cooper, Hebrew Language Instructor

INTERMEDIATE CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW (REMOTE)
Wednesdays, August 21–September 25 | 10 a.m. –noon ET
Rivka Taub, Hebrew Language Instructor

ADVANCED CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW (REMOTE)
Tuesdays, August 20–September 24 | 10 a.m.–noon ET
Rivka Taub, Hebrew Language Instructor
Thursdays, August 22–September 26 | 10 a.m.–noon ET
Judith Shamir, Hebrew Language Instructor
Thursdays, August 22–September 26 | 6:30–8:30 p.m. ET
Rivka Taub, Hebrew Language Instructor

ADVANCED HEBREW LITERATURE (REMOTE)
Tuesdays, August 20–September 24 | 10 a.m.–noon ET
Judith Shamir, Hebrew Language Instructor

For information contact hxb354@case.edu or 216.368.4623.
ACE PROGRAMS

ACE BOOK SALE

The ACE Book Sale is held annually in Adelbert Gym on CWRU’S campus. As one of the region’s largest book sales, there are tens of thousands of books, DVDs, CDs, vinyl records, rare and collectible books available for purchase.

SATURDAY, JUNE 1
10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Book Sale Preview $20/person

12 p.m.–5 p.m.
Free Admission

SUNDAY, JUNE 2
12–5 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 3
12–5 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 4
9 a.m.–12 p.m.
Box Sale: $5/box
Educational Travel Program

Explore the World with CWRU

SCANDINAVIAN AND BALTIC CAPITALS
July 31–August 10, 2024
Trip Leader: Sunniva Collins, Associate Dean for Professional Programs, Professor, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, CWRU

ADRIATIC & THE DALMATIAN COAST: VENICE TO ATHENS
September 25–October 3, 2024
Trip Leader: Jenifer Neils, Elsie B. Smith Professor Emerita Departments of Classics and Art History, CWRU

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Wednesday, August 28 | 7 p.m.

3RD ANNUAL
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Join us at the Landmark Centre Building in Beachwood for a series of 10 minute lectures offered by CWRU faculty

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