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### FALL 2020 CALENDAR

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| <b>Week of August 10</b> | Detailed course and event descriptions available on LLI website<br>Catalog in pdf format available for viewing or download |
| <b>August 25</b>         | Zoom Preview of Fall Program, 2:00–3:15 p.m. Zoom link will be emailed.  |
| <b>August 31</b>         | Online registration opens at 9:00 a.m.   |



Fall 2020

# PROGRAM OVERVIEW

# LLI Fall 2020 Courses at a Glance

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>11:00 - 12:30, 6 weeks Sept 28, Oct 5, 12, 19, 26, Nov 2 <b>TED Talks</b> (limit 15) Dean Spader</p> <hr/> <p>1:00 - 2:30, 4 weeks Sept 21, 28, Oct 5, 12 <b>Getting Your Ducks in a Row</b> (limit 20) Isabel Berney &amp; Sandy Schlaudecker</p> <hr/> <p>1:00 - 2:30, 4 weeks Sept 28, Oct 5, 12, 26 (skip Oct 19) <b>Mastering Machine Quilting</b> (limit 12) Paula Golden</p> <hr/> <p>1:00 - 2:30, 3 weeks Oct 19, 26, Nov 2 <b>Taste of Technology</b> (limit 20) Carolyn Meier &amp; Sandy Hagman</p> <hr/> <p>3:00 - 4:30, 4 weeks Oct 19, 26, Nov 2, 9 <b>History of Bluegrass Music</b> (limit 23) Jacob Wright</p>	<p>9:00 - 10:15, 6 weeks Sept 29, Oct 6, 13, 20, 27, Nov 3 <b>Sampler</b> (Unlimited) Molly McClintock, Coordinator</p> <hr/> <p>11:00 - 12:30, 1 week Nov 3 <b>The Wonder of Birds: A Conversation with NYTimes Science and Environmental Reporter, Jim Robbins</b> (limit 22) Katherine Allen</p> <hr/> <p>1:00 - 2:30, 4 weeks Sept 22, 29, Oct 6, 13 <b>Beginning Genealogy</b> (limit 23) Rebecca Novy</p> <hr/> <p>1:00 - 2:30, 3 weeks Oct 20, 27, Nov 3 <b>Fake News</b> (limit 23) Amanda McDonald</p> <hr/> <p>3:00 - 4:30, 4 weeks Oct 13, 20, Nov 3, 10 (skip Oct 27) <b>Harry Potter and the End of the Hero's Journey</b> (limit 23) Kaye Graham</p>	<p>9:00 - 10:30, 6 weeks Sept 30, Oct 7, 14, 21, 28, Nov 4 <b>Radical Civics: Individual Rights in the First Amendment</b> (limit 23) Alan Graf</p> <hr/> <p>11:00 - 12:30, 6 weeks Sept 23, 30, Oct 7, 14, 21, 28 <b>Political Cartoons of World War II</b> (limit 23) Edd Sewell</p> <hr/> <p>1:00 - 2:30, 6 weeks Sept 30, Oct 7, 14, 21, 28, Nov 4 <b>A Series of Murders: Red Herrings Reprised</b> (limit 23) Britton Gildersleeve</p> <hr/> <p>1:00 - 2:30, 6 weeks Oct 7, 14, 21, 28, Nov 4, 11 <b>Living Well to the End of Life: Creating a Better End-of-Life Path</b> (limit 20) Marian Silverman, Richard Shepherd, Anne Campbell, Jerry Niles</p> <hr/> <p>3:00 - 4:30, 3 weeks Sept 23, 30, Oct 7 <b>Louisa May Alcott's Little Women</b> (limit 23) Ashley Reed</p>	<p>9:00 - 10:30, 6 weeks Sept 24, Oct 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 <b>The Supreme Court: Presidents, Justices, and Cases</b> (limit 23) Jack Call</p> <hr/> <p>9:00 - 10:30, 6 weeks Oct 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Nov 5 <b>Global Change V: Organisms as Environmental Monitors and Remediators</b> (limit 35) Don Mullins, Coordinator</p> <hr/> <p>11:00 - 12:30, 3 weeks Oct 8, 15, 22 <b>Pet Portraits: Your Best Friend in Charcoal and Soft Pastels</b> (limit 15) Jesse Burgardt</p> <hr/> <p>11:00 - 12:30, 4 weeks Sept 24, Oct 1, 8, 15 <b>Yoga: A Holistic and Scientific Approach to Life</b> (limit 15) Manisha Sharma</p> <hr/> <p>1:00 - 2:30, 6 weeks Oct 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Nov 5 <b>Federalist and Progressive Perspectives on the U.S. Constitution, Part 1</b> (limit 15) Al Pearson</p> <hr/> <p>3:00 - 4:30, 5 weeks Oct 15, 22, 29, Nov 5, 12 <b>Short Stories that Stick</b> (limit 15) Molly McClintock and Jane Goette</p>	<p>9:00-11:30, 6 weeks Sept 25, Oct 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 <b>En Plein Air</b> (limit 15) Jesi Pace-Berkeley</p> <hr/> <p>10:00 - 11:30, 6 weeks Sept 25, Oct 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 <b>Exploring the George Floyd Moment</b> (limit 15) Bev Walters and Jane Goette</p> <hr/> <p>10:30 - 12:00, 5 weeks Oct 9, 16, 23, 30, Nov 6 <b>Exploring Regional Chinese Cuisines</b> (limit 15) Anne McNabb</p> <hr/> <p>1:30 - 3:00, 6 sessions Oct 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Nov 6 <b>Free Virtual Events</b> (Unlimited); register for each separately Judith Jones, Coordinator</p> <hr/> <p>2:00 - 4:00, 1 week Sept 18 OR Oct 9 (Pick one date) <b>Photos: Clutter or Priceless Memorabilia?</b> (limit 20) Carolyn Meier and Merrie Winfrey</p>



# Welcome to LLI at Virginia Tech Online!

We're keeping our members and our volunteer instructors safe by moving all fall programming online using free Zoom video conferencing software. Most LLI classes this fall will be 25 people or fewer and will offer opportunities to interact with your instructor and classmates. The Sampler class and virtual lectures and events will have unlimited enrollment. Online learning has some distinct advantages: it is easier to hear and see presentations, you can join in classes even when you travel, and people more distant or less mobile can easily participate from home.

If you missed the Zoom Basics training this summer, sign up for a session in September, listen to the recording, or view the powerpoint on the LLI website so you are ready to go. Download free Zoom software at [zoom.us](https://zoom.us). And don't miss the Fall Preview on August 25!

## Free Virtual Events

Unlimited enrollment; register for each separately. Zoom format.  
Participants will be invited to submit questions during or after the presentation

### Elections in the Trump Era

Rachel Bitecofer



**Thursday, Oct 8, 7:00 p.m.**

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**Rachel Bitecofer** is a senior fellow at the Niskanen Center in Washington DC with a

specialization in elections. She conducts survey research and elections analysis. Her innovative election forecasting model predicted the 2018 midterms five months before Election Day.

### Oct 16. The Spanish Guitar—A Presentation of Spanish Music for the Classical Guitar

**Justin Craig** has instructed guitar students and ensembles at the Renaissance Music Academy in Blacksburg since 2005.



### Oct 23. Barbershop Harmony

Wilderness Road Chorus (not mustachioed men in striped vests)

### Oct 30. Novel Ideas: How Writers Translate Dreams, Fears, and Memories into Marketable Fiction

**Tracee de Hahn** is the author of the Agnes Luthi mysteries set in Switzerland.

### Nov 6. The Price We Paid: The World and the War to End All Wars

**Alex Burke** is chief historian, exhibit designer, and speaker for the Salem Museum.

### Friday Lecture Series

1:30-3:00 p.m.

6 sessions: Oct 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Nov 6

#### Oct 2. The Hello Girls

Documentary film with comments from **Karen Finch**, a retired history teacher and a volunteer at Historic Smithfield.

#### Oct 9. Historic Jamestowne Discoveries

**David Givens** is director of archeology with the Jamestown Rediscovery Team which supports the preservation, education and archaeological investigation of Historic Jamestowne.



## FEES

Fall term membership: \$45. You must be a member to register for a course and to participate in special lectures and events.

LLI courses: \$30 per course. One-session classes: \$10. Some courses require an additional materials fee or purchase of a textbook or supplies.

Virtual lectures and events: free to members.

## FALL 2020 REGISTRATION

There are three ways to register this fall beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, August 31:

- Online with a credit card \*\*\*best option\*\*\*
- On the phone using a credit card
- Mail-in form with credit card information or check (form will be posted on LLI website on August 27th)

*Walk-in and drop-off registration is not available this Fall for safety reasons.*

Registration details available on the LLI website. Please contact CPE Registration at 540-231-5182 if you need help.

Please note that many classes have limited seats available. Early registration is recommended.

## FEE WAIVERS

The Lifelong Learning Institute is committed to accessible and affordable educational opportunities for NRV residents. Requests for fee waivers should be addressed to the LLI Registrar, phone 540-231-4364. All requests are confidential.

## GUESTS

LLI courses are intended for LLI members only. LLI students are not permitted to share Zoom access links for courses or events with any unregistered person.

## REFUNDS

Membership fees are not refundable. However, if LLI cancels a course for any reason and the member has not enrolled for any other activity, the membership fee and the course fee may be refunded.

A member must cancel enrollment one week prior to the first session of the class to receive a refund of the course fee.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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