



Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Johns Hopkins

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Mission:

Osher at JHU is a lifelong learning community dedicated to creating a supportive and enjoyable environment for senior adults, semi-retired and retired individuals through intellectually stimulating non-credit courses, social activities and other educational opportunities within an inspiring and dynamic university setting.

Osher at JHU



- Began in Columbia, Maryland
- 30 members and 3 classes
- 1986

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- Expanded to Baltimore, Maryland
- 1991

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- Expanded to Montgomery County (MCC)
- 1995

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Invited to be an Osher Program

- 2008: 707 members
- 2018: 1,157
- 3 campuses and 6 satellite locations

Why Osher at JHU?

A learning community that includes:

- **Membership**
Join peers who value learning in and out of the classroom
- **Teaching Opportunities**
Share your passion and knowledge with engaged adult learners



OLNEY THEATER TRIP SEPTEMBER 28

We started off the semester kicking off a new partnership with the Olney Theater. Members from all campuses enjoyed Shakespeare's Twelfth Night, participated in a "talk-back" with the National Players, ate lunch in the courtyard, and took a tour of the campus.

NATIONAL MALL TRIP SEPTEMBER 29

Judy Scott Feldman,
Chairman of the National
Mall Coalition, toured the
mall with Osher members.
They discussed the Mall's
history, modern, and future
use. Featured stops included
the Capitol, several
memorials, and vacant land
for potential expansion.





FALL LUNCHEON OCTOBER 19

The annual Fall Luncheon featured Antero Pietila, author of *Not in My Neighborhood: How Bigotry Shaped A Great American City*. He discussed how continued discrimination practices toward African Americans and Jews have shaped the cities in which we now live, the prominent theme in his book. The food was catered by Andy Nelson's BBQ.





HOWARD COUNTY 50+ EXPO OCTOBER 19

Osher at JHU participated at the 20th annual Howard County 50+ Expo. Members volunteered to man the booth and spread the word about our wonderful program. We had over 60 people sign up for information!

Osher Institutes National Conference

October 22 – 24

Susan Howard, Director of Osher at JHU, attended the Osher Institutes National Conference in Scottsdale, Arizona.

The Osher Foundation holds a conference every 18 months so Osher program directors and volunteers can share emerging trends and best practices in lifelong learning. No two programs are exactly alike.





SUPREME COURT TRIP OCTOBER 26

Thanks to Osher instructor Jim O'Hara, Osher members were able to meet the Marshal of the US Supreme Court, the Honorable Pamela Talkin, and ask her questions. The remainder of the day was spent exploring this historic building and exhibits.



TOBY'S DINNER THEATRE *AIN'T MISBEHAVIN'* OCTOBER 26

Osher members from all campuses enjoyed brunch and a matinee of *Ain't Misbehavin'*, a Tony Award winner for Best Musical featuring music from Thomas "Fats" Waller.



NATIONAL OCEANIC & ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION (NOAA) TRIP NOVEMBER 9

At the NOAA tour we learned about the Climate, Weather, and Ocean Prediction Centers, the Satellite Analysis Branch, and Science on a Sphere. NOAA's datacenter houses the hard drives that countries across the world tap into to get their weather forecast, and we got to see it up close!





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To kickoff our new partnership with WYPR Public Radio, we toured the station, talked with popular hosts and enjoyed refreshments catered by City Seeds.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS



To increase social opportunities, Osher helps facilitate -

- Walking Group
- Knitting Club
- Scrabble Club
- Foreign Language Club
- Book Club
- Memoir Writing Group

SPRING 2019 CLASSES

Highlights

NAVIGATING ACT III

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This class offers a roadmap for approaching life's third act—primarily deciding where to live in our later years. We'll address senior living options, resources available and staying healthy while aging.

SHAKESPEARE'S *KING LEAR*: PARENTS, CHILDREN, POWER, & THE DYNAMICS OF AGING

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course focuses on a deep reading of Shakespeare's *King Lear* and its relevance for today's issues concerning parents, children, power, and the dynamics of aging.

We'll explore several theories of aging, look at the way these theories emerge in the play, and how literature and gerontology illuminate the richer aspects of Shakespeare's powerful tragedy.

ENGINEERING SYSTEMS LITE

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Cell phones, cars, trains, planes, space items, communications, electrical grids, and home entertainment systems are part of our daily lives. How are these systems developed?

We will discuss real examples of good and bad system development projects in an informal and non-technical way.

THE REALIGNMENT: CAN TRUMP BE RESTRAINED?

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

With President Trump in the White House, Democrats counted on a blue wave to return them to power and some relevancy. 2019 kicks off a wide-open race among Democrats to challenge Trump in 2020.

We'll discuss the party divisions, presidential candidate possibilities, the GOP and the political engagement sparked by this most unprecedented president.

FANTASTIC INTERIM: THE TIME BETWEEN THE TWO WORLD WARS

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Between WWI and WWII was a period of unrivaled prosperity followed by this country's worst economic decline. Government's role was changing, an influenza pandemic killed thousands, and a dust bowl raged in the mid-west. The radio and automobile became commonplace, air travel began, and television was introduced.

Never before have there been so many changes in the American lifestyle. The World, too, was changing—join us to explore this fantastic interim.

UNDERSTANDING GENETICS PART I

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Genetics play an undeniable role in our every-day lives, from cell replenishment to reproduction. How did ancients view “likeness” and what were the notable contributions of Darwin and Mendel? We’ll explore the structure of DNA, inherited disorders and, time permitting, epigenetics and eugenics.

INTRIGUING WORLD OF GLASS ART

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course explores the work of six visionary glass artists to discover their knowledge and artistic techniques. In addition we'll return to the present with a visit from a current Contemporary Glass artist, Michael Janis, who makes evocative graffito glass paintings. As a culmination to the course, we'll visit Michael and his fellow artists' studios at the Washington Glass School in Mt. Ranier, Maryland.

REGISTRATION SPRING 2019

IMPORTANT DATES

- Course catalog emailed out Wednesday, January 3rd
- Pickup course catalog at Columbia Center Wednesday, January 3rd
- Registration begins Monday, January 7th at 9 a.m.
- Semester starts Monday, February 18th and ends Thursday, May 9th

TRIPS & EVENTS

- Friday, March 10th ~ *Scheherazade* and pre-show lecture with Jonathan Palevsky
- Friday, March 15th ~ Holocaust Museum with Osher member Carol Goodman
- Friday, April 26th ~ Spring Luncheon in Baltimore
- Friday, April 12th ~ Supreme Court Trip with Jim O'Hara
- Friday, May 3rd ~ Glenstone Museum with Ann Wiker
- Saturday, May 18 — Saturday, May 25 ~ New Mexico Trip with Rob Forloney
- Tuesday, May 21 ~ Goddard Space Trip with Jim O'Leary

Register now	Osher at JHU Full Member	Covers classes Spring and Fall 2019	\$560	With Tuition benefit: \$280
Trial Membership	Guest Membership	One 12-week class during 1 semester in Baltimore <u>or</u> Columbia	\$150	With Tuition benefit: \$75
Dual Campus Trial Membership	BC Guest Membership	One 12-week class during 1 semester at <u>both</u> Baltimore and Columbia	\$250	With Tuition benefit: \$125
Stay in Touch	Prospective Member List	Receive emails about Osher courses and activities. Call 410-516-9719 or email osher@jhu.edu	\$0	\$0
Teaching Opportunities	Propose a Course	Contact us for a course proposal form. Call 410-516-9719 or email osher@jhu.edu	Honorarium or membership discount.	Receive tuition remission and an additional discount as a member-instructor.