

Sixty Plus – OLLI at San Francisco State University

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SIXTY PLUS – OLLI A Program for Lifelong Learning March, 2018

Monday, March 12: “California Politics”

Tom Ammiano, Politician and LGBT Rights Activist

Tom Ammiano has kept his topic very broad, and certainly he brings an interesting perspective on the current politics in California – and possibly the rest of the country.

Born to a working-class Italian family in Montclair, New Jersey, he attended high school there and attended Seton Hall University. He moved to San Francisco in 1963 and earned a master’s degree in special education from SF State in 1965. From 1966 to 1968 he was an English teacher in a small town in South Vietnam, serving with a Quaker development group. Tom has been an LGBT activist for many years – and also has served on the San Francisco Board of Education and San Francisco Board of Supervisors, and in the California State Assembly from 2008 to 2014.



The meeting will be held in **The Rosa Parks Room, Cesar Chavez Student Center** at 1:00 p.m. Social time will follow. Sixty Plus members whose last names begin with the letters **Ja - Ki** are requested to bring treats. If you are not attending, make sure you contribute or arrange to have someone bring something for you.

Shuttle Bus Times: Pick-up time for each program is at 12:15 p.m. at the Lake Merced parking lot at the foot of Sunset Blvd. A second bus will be available if necessary. The return trip leaves at 3:00 p.m. from in front of the Creative Arts Building on Holloway Avenue.

Monday, March 26 No Meeting

Hospitality Committee

Members are asked to provide refreshments such as cookies, fruit, or other finger food for general membership meetings according to alphabetical order. Please make a note of your turn and bring refreshments on your assigned day. In case you cannot attend your assigned meeting, please exchange with someone in another alphabetical group.

The assignments have been changed to better reflect the numbers of contributors according to the current membership. *Please note the following dates for the remainder of our year.*

Mar. 12: Ja – Ki	May 14: Nau – Pad	July 9: Sav – Swi
Mar. 26: NO MEETING	May 28: NO MEETING	July 23: Tev - Zin
Apr 9: Kn - Mac	June 11: Pal – Pru	
Apr 23: Mal - Mul-	June 25: Rin - Sar	

Welcome to Spring! The wind is roaring outside this afternoon as I write this in mid-February. We were very fortunate to have a brilliantly sunny day for our first meeting in February. This brought out fifty-three Sixty Plus members and several guests to hear a fantastic lecture by Douglas Kenning, PhD. Our Co-ordinator, Eileen Ward, is taking the OLLI class that Dr. Kenning is giving on American Immigration and she recommended him.

Dr. Kenning gave a wonderful summary of his six-week course in this one-hour lecture. Since almost all of us have an immigration story of our own, it was interesting to see how we as individuals fit into the National Immigration history. It was a great meeting followed by the lovely Valentine-themed treat table prepared by Margaret Grant and friends. Thanks to Ann McGuire for her assistance in finding hosts for the refreshments. Thanks also to all the members who brought treats.



The Sixty Plus Board met earlier that day and had a very productive meeting. The latest goals of the Sixty Plus board are to: 1) increase membership, 2) increase member participation, and 3) improve our campus identity. I am happy to report that a “SixtyPlus+” committee has been brainstorming about these goals and reports some progress in this effort. I am very pleased that this work is being done on behalf of all the Sixty Plus members. Growing our group and our relationship with OLLI is very important to me and I know the members share this goal as well.

Finally, I would like to remind everyone that we are forming a nominating committee in March to elect members to the Board of Directors of Sixty Plus for next year. The generous members who have stayed on the board for the past few years would enjoy a few more hands to help. Please consider how you can help SixtyPlus in one way or another. Some work can be done once a month from home. For other jobs, committee meetings are held on the same day as the general meeting or business is done by phone and E-mail. Thanks in advance for your consideration in the matter.

Chris Malfatti, President, Sixty Plus – OLLI at SFSU: 415-585-4811; cmalfatti@sbcglobal.net



Membership

New Members, 2017 - 2018

A warm welcome to all of our new members from all of us continuing members! Please feel free to approach any of us at any meeting, and we'll be delighted to make your acquaintance. We hope your membership is productive of new friendships, fun, and adventures.

We'll be looking out for you and hope to welcome you personally.

Fay Fua
Judith Sandoval
Randy Lavinghouse

Georgia Poehleman
Gloria Melone

Mary Clare Bennett, Membership chair: marycbennett@gmail.com



Arts and Entertainment

SFJAZZ Center – New Program

The recent jazz program was so successful – the entire house is sold out for Paul West! – we're adding a second program. By special request we are going to one of the rare matinee performances – on a Sunday. And what a performance! Former Big Band singer Liz Wright who now specializes in pop, gospel, and rock.

Sunday, May 13, 2 p.m. – **matinee!**

SF JAZZ Center, 201 Franklin St. at Fell St. BART to Civic Center or any bus Down Market or Van Ness

Curran Theater

Mark your calendars!

The beautiful, newly refurbished Curran Theater announces its 2018 season. You owe it to yourself to attend at least one event there to share in the luster of this magnificent jewel of a performance place. Wait 'til you see the new loos! The season is:

April: “Broadway Bound,” a new musical featuring songs of the GoGos (“Best female rand band”) Also “Head over Heels,” put together by one of my favorite groups, the folks who brought you “Avenue Q”

June: “Soft Power,” a contemporary Comedy of Errors turned into a musical fantasy. This “East meets west” story stars two TONY winners, one of whom is the Bay Area’s own Henry Hwang of “M Butterfly.”

November: “Taylor Mac’s Holiday Sauce,” by the 2011 MacArthur Award fellow and Pulitzer Prize candidate with a spectacular band and special guests. He will “reframe the songs you love and the holidays you hate.”

December: “Dear Evan Hansen,” winner of *six* 2017 TONY awards including best musical and also a GRAMMY award in 2018. Rolling Stone praised it as “a gamechanger that hits you like a shot in the heart.”

Erwin Kelly, Arts & Entertainment Chair: 4006 – 18th Street, SF, CA 94114; 415-552-9435

Spring Session Two, 2018: Apr 2 - May 11(Some courses may vary.)

Faculty Preview: Wed., Feb 28, 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

MONDAY

Playing at History: Re-creating the Past, Steve Harris, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Shakespeare in Disguise, Roberta D'Alois, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Fiery San Francisco Journeys (offsite locations), Monika Trobits, 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
(5 weeks, No 4/16)

TUESDAY

The Real CSI, Mary Juno, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Wagner's Ring Cycle: An Introduction and Overview, David Möscher, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Exploring the Universe: From Mars to the Stars (and Galaxies), Andrew Fraknoi, 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

The Golden Door: Passing Through Ellis Island, Doug Kenning, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

The Romantic Symphony, Alexandra Amati, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

THURSDAY

Writing: The Ten-Minute Play, Cary Pepper, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Wild Women in Art, Karen McSorley, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Drawing Still Life (with Collage), Lola Fraknoi, 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

The Law Behind Contemporary Issues, Greg Woods, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Hannah Arendt: Rethinking the Political (Begins 4/13), David Peritz, 12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
(5 weeks)

Brown Bag Lecture: Awakening to Racial Awareness and Action
Wednesday, March 7, 2018 - 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Al Crowell and Rufus Browning, two members of the OLLI course *Race in America in the 21st Century: Historical, Critical and Ethical Perspectives* that David Peritz taught in the fall of 2016, offer their reflections on this class as well as on additional readings. They talk about color-blind racism, racializing American slaves, generational trauma, and continued reinforcement of the trauma of slavery. They will also brainstorm ways in which we all can be more active and effective on the race issue. Both are tired, tired, tired of complicity in a racially oppressive society.

Not-quite-gourmet Dining....

Tuesday, March 27, 11:15 a.m.

Dumpling Time

11 Division St. between Rhode Island Street and DeHaro street

Any time is dumpling time at this aptly named, trendy hot spot in S.F.'s design district. Hungry hordes queue up to grab a seat and sink their teeth into the tender, generously-filled, flavor-packed dumplings. The menu consists of traditional dim sum fare: assorted buns, noodle dishes, and a broad array of dumplings—pork, shrimp, lobster, chicken, and vegetable—all as good as what you would get at Yank Sing, only at more down-to-earth prices. For around \$20 you can feast until your belly hollers, “uncle.”

Tables are not seated until the entire party is present so please try to be punctual. Note the slightly earlier start time.

No credit cards

MUNI lines 10 and 19

RSVP Required: Cecilia Lim, cec639sf@att.net, or 415-957-1602

St. Patrick's Day Luncheon (wear your green)

Thursday, March 8th, 2018 - 1:00 p.m.

For the upcoming Saint Patrick's Day, the tour group is sponsoring a lunch at the United Irish Cultural Center, 2700 45th Avenue, San Francisco, California 94116. A Catholic Mass will be celebrated at 12:15 p.m. at the center which you can attend if interested. Mass is optional. Lunch, at which traditional corned beef and cabbage will be served, commences after Mass. Entertainment will be provided after lunch.

Cost is \$20 inclusive. Make checks out to SF State/UCorp.

Reservations are limited, so contact Sheila as soon as possible.

Sheila Birmingham, 415-564-4133 or Sheilah8491@outlook.com

Upcoming tours with Sixty Plus – OLLI

For a complete itinerary and pricing on these tours, contact Sixty Plus at 415-405-0489

Hearst Castle Tour – May 8 – 9, 2018

This two-day/one-night trip includes a guided tour of the Hearst Castle, round-trip motor coach transportation to San Simeon, overnight stay at the Cavalier Ocean Front Resort, visit to Carmel and dinner in Cambria.

Oregon Shakespeare Festival – October 16 – 20, 2018

This trip to Ashland, Oregon, has become a very popular event. Our delightful hotel is within walking distance of the theater venues and the many shops and restaurants in this charming town. The visit will be enhanced by the pre-performance seminars offered by Dr. Marc Ratner, an accomplished and entertaining Shakespearean and theater expert who has shared his expertise on our previous tours.

TOUR FEATURES:

- Round-trip motor coach transportation from San Francisco to Ashland
- 3 nights' accommodations – Plaza Inn & Suites
- 4 theater performances – 5th performance optional (additional \$58)
- Pre-performance seminars
- Free afternoon with optional performance
- 3 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 1 dinner
- Taxes & gratuities for included meals, hotel and driver

\$975 per person, double occupancy

\$1270/ single occupancy

\$150 deposit due by June 1 ~~~ Final payment due by August 1, 2018

Price based on a minimum of 20 participants – 30 participants maximum

Theater Alert!

Two of the most popular, award-winning musicals of all time return to the Orpheum Theatre this year.

“Les Miserables” – Matinee, Wednesday, August 15

Ticket Price: \$85, Mezzanine or Orchestra

Deposit: \$20 non-refundable, due by March 10; final payment due by July 2nd

“Phantom of the Opera” – Matinee, Wednesday, September 26

Ticket Price: \$85 Mezzanine or Orchestra

Deposit: \$20 non-refundable due by March 10; final payment due by August 2nd

A minimum of 15 tickets is needed for the group pricing. If the minimum is not met, your deposit will be returned. Please make out your check to: University Corp. SF State/OLLI and mail to: Sixty Plus/OLLI, San Francisco State University, 1600 Holloway Avenue, CA 251, San Francisco, CA 94132.

Calendar of Coming Events

February 28	Wednesday	12:30 p.m.	OLLI Faculty Preview, SF State Downtown Campus 835 Market Street, Room 617
March 7	Wednesday	1:00 p.m.	Brown Bag Lecture: Awakening to Racial Awareness and Action SF State Downtown Campus, 835 Market St., Room 677
March 8	Thursday	1:00 p.m. 12:15 p.m.	Lunch, Irish Cultural Center Mass before lunch 2700 45th Avenue, SF, CA
March 12	Monday	10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	Executive Board & Committee Chairs, Rosa Parks Room D General Program Meeting, Rosa Parks Room Cesar Chavez Student Center, SFSU
March 26	Monday		NO Meeting
March 27	Tuesday	11:15 a.m.	Dumpling Time , 11 Division St. Between Rhode Island and DeHaro Streets
May 8 – 9	Tuesday	TBA	Hearst Castle tour
May 13	Sunday	2:00 p.m.	Liz Wright at SFJAZZ Center 201 Franklin St. at Fell St., SF, CA
August 15	Wednesday	2:00 p.m.	“Les Miserables” – Orpheum Theater 1192 Market St.
September 26	Wednesday	2:00 p.m.	“Phantom of the Opera” – Orpheum Theater 1192 Market St.
October 16	Tuesday	TBA	Oregon Shakespeare Festival

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