SAGE
Part of
Osher Lifelong Learning Institute
at USM

Intellectual Fun for People Over 50!

Come Explore New Dimensions in Life
A dynamic approach to learning in history, science, the arts, and current events

Fall 2011
Your SAGE Program
SAGE, part of OLLI at USM, provides academic lecture and discussion programs chosen by its members in topic areas such as history, culture, the arts, geography, anthropology, and science. Drawing upon University and community resources, the SAGE program offers a format in which enthusiastic learners can discover new realms of intellectual challenge and academic pursuit. SAGE encourages learners to explore new areas of interest and to meet and share their ideas and expertise.

General Information
Registration
A registration form is provided on the last page for your convenience. You may register by phone, by mail, or in person. Walk-ins are accepted on the day of the program; however, due to the increased popularity of these presentations, preregistration is STRONGLY recommended.

   OLLI office phone: (207) 780-4406
   OLLI office location: 210 Wishcamper Center, USM Portland Campus
   Mailing address: OLLI/SAGE, USM, P.O. Box 9300, Portland, ME 04104

Cost
$7 per session, or $50 for the entire program per person. OLLI membership is not required.

Parking
Visitors may park in the USM parking garage on the Portland campus for $1 per hour. There is easy access to Hannaford Hall in the Abromson Center, which is connected to the parking garage. Handicapped parking spaces are available in the garage.

Weather Emergency
When weather conditions are judged hazardous, the decision to cancel classes at the University of Southern Maine will apply to all SAGE programs as well. For up-to-date cancellation information, please call the University of Southern Maine Storm Cancellation Line at (207) 780-4800 or listen to local radio stations.

Program Planning Committee
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FALL 2011 SCHEDULE
Nine Tuesdays: September 13 - November 8
9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Unless otherwise noted: Hannaford Hall, Abromson Center,
on the Portland campus of the University of Southern Maine

Tuesday, September 13
The Show Must Go On

Presenter: Anita Stewart, Executive & Artistic Director, Portland Stage

“I’ve got a barn, let’s put on a show!” Learn what it really takes to produce professional theater. Take a backstage tour of a process that combines creative artistry with business savvy. What other industry announces the exact date and time of a project a year in advance — and then does it?

Tuesday, September 20
Remember the Maine: The Birth and Death of America’s First Battleship, 1889-1898

Presenter: Joel W. Eastman, Professor of History Emeritus, USM

This fully illustrated presentation is a complete history of the USS Maine, from conception to construction, service, sinking, raising, scuttling, and presentation of artifacts to towns and cities around the country, including Augusta, Bangor, Lewiston, and Portland.

Tuesday, September 27
The Practice of Gratitude

Presenter: Deb Bergeron, CPCC, ACC, Personal and Professional Life Coach, Ocean of Possibilities

Gratitude makes every day sacred; it’s the key to living with an open heart. From the moment we wake up, life presents many opportunities to be grateful. The daily practice of gratitude will enrich your life as it realigns your focus into the present moment. Experience new ways to develop an “Attitude of Gratitude” and understand its restorative power.

We welcome suggestions for future speakers and/or interesting programs.
Tuesday, October 4, 2011
**Common Loons: Natural History and Their Role as Indicators of Lake System Health**

*Presenter: Patrick Keenan, Outreach Director, BioDiversity Research Institute*

Common loons are an icon of Maine’s lakes. They also serve as indicators of lake health and offer a window into the natural world. We’ll discuss loon natural history as well as results from long-term research examining loon productivity and exposure to mercury in Maine’s lakes and beyond. BioDiversity Research Institute is a non-profit, science-based organization.

Tuesday, October 11
**Songs for Peace and War**

*Presenter: Steve Romanoff, Ph.D., Professor of Interdisciplinary Studies, Founding Member, Schooner Fare*

We mark America’s history with its songs, from the War of Independence to World Wars I & II. The Vietnam War initiated the “peace movement,” which produced more anti-war than pro-war songs. From “When Johnny Comes Marching Home” to “Where Have All the Flowers Gone,” songs are on the tips of our collective tongues when Americans ponder war and peace.

Tuesday, October 18, 2011
**Sustaining and Leveraging the Gulf of Maine During The Ocean Century**

*Presenter: Donald Perkins, President, Gulf of Maine Research Institute*

The next century will be the Century of the Ocean. The Ocean is playing an increased role in the areas of energy, food resources, recreation, and transport. Don Perkins and his colleagues from GMRI will explore the challenges and opportunities in sustaining the Gulf of Maine as one of the world’s most extraordinary ecosystems and economic engines.

Due to the popularity of our lectures, preregistration is **STRONGLY** encouraged in order to secure a seat.
Tuesday, October 25 — ROOM 102, WISHCAMPER
Making Sense of Health Reform: Policy, Politics, and Tough Choices

Presenter: Andrew Coburn, Chair and Director, Population Health and Health Policy, Muskie School of Public Service

Professor Coburn will summarize the key provisions in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 and whether and how they address our fundamental problems in the American health system. He also will review where we are in implementing the law and discuss the tough challenges and choices that lie ahead.

Tuesday, November 1
Making Maine Work: The Role of the Public University System

Presenters: Laurie Lachance, President and CEO, Maine Development Foundation; Dana Connors, President, Maine State Chamber of Commerce

The Maine Public University System is one of our greatest economic-development assets, and yet the depth and breadth of the role that higher education can play in driving innovation throughout our economy is largely unknown and underappreciated. How can private and public sectors mesh to ensure a high quality of life for Maine’s people?

Tuesday, November 8 — ROOM 102 WISHCAMPER
The Art Factory: The Changing Face of American Art and Culture

Presenter: Tan Larrabee, Artist and Retired Professor of Fine Arts, Columbus College of Art and Design

Art is a mirror reflecting who we are. Professor Larrabee will convey images of the face of American fine arts and what those images might reveal about our cultural values and their effect on the education of artists from John Singleton Copley through Andy Warhol.

In the highly unusual event of an emergency, we reserve the right to substitute one of our speakers for another.
SAGE Lectures are held in Hannaford Hall in the Abromson Center on the Portland campus of the University of Southern Maine, near the intersection of I-295 and Forest Avenue in Portland, connected to the USM parking garage.

SAGE is part of another program of interest for older learners:

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at USM

Are you 50 or older, with a curious mind and a keen interest in learning, just for the joy of it? You are invited to join with more than 1,400 like-minded Portland-area older learners who are members of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, a learning community at the University of Southern Maine.

As a member of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, known as OLLI, you may choose from an extensive array of courses in the liberal arts and sciences. The courses are peer taught; there are no entrance requirements — nor grades or tests. Your experience and your love of learning are what count. No college background is needed.

Annual membership in OLLI is $25. There is a fee of $50 for each course each term, as well as nominal fees for other learning and social opportunities. Scholarships of $50 per person per term are available through a simple, friendly, confidential process. For a listing of classes, call (207) 780-4406 or visit www.usm.maine.edu/olli.

OLLI participates in the Maine Senior College Network (MSCN), an organization of the state’s 16 Senior Colleges. For more information or to find a Senior College near you, visit www.maineseniorcollege.org or call (207) 228-8129.

Campus Safety
The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act of 1998 requires universities to disclose three years of statistics regarding campus crime, including crime at off-campus buildings the University owns and on public property adjacent to campuses in Portland, Gorham, and Lewiston. The USM Safety and Security Information Report also includes policies concerning campus security, including alcohol and drug use, crime prevention, the reporting of crimes and sexual assaults, and other related matters. A copy may be obtained by accessing the following Web address: www.usm.maine.edu/police/safetyreport.htm or by calling the Office of Community Standards at 780-5242.

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SAGE REGISTRATION — FALL 2011

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☐ Register me for the following SAGE lectures at $7 each (check box)

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