Come Explore New Dimensions in Life
A dynamic approach to learning in history, science, the arts, and current events
Spring 2013
Your SAGE Program

SAGE, part of OLLI at USM, provides academic lecture and discussion programs chosen by members of the Program Planning Committee 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 if space allows. 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. Refunds will not be issued for individual SAGE lectures.

Parking

OLLI pays for our students to park in the USM garage on Bedford St. Simply push the button at the entrance to gain access to the garage. The exit gates will open automatically as you leave.

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; do not call the OLLI office.

Program Planning Committee

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Tuesday, March 19

**Finding Your Voice and... Using It.**

*Presenter: Suzanne Nance: Singer, and MPBN's Music Director and Classical Music Host*

The ability to communicate well allows one to express needs, take initiative, exercise independence and protect personal values. Suzanne Nance will talk about finding her voice both as a singer and a broadcaster and how life’s experiences (both serious and comical) continue to alter her tone and massage her message.

Tuesday, March 26

**Protecting the Nature of Maine**

*Presenter: Lisa Pohlmann, Executive Director, Natural Resources Council of Maine*

The Natural Resources Council of Maine has served as Maine’s leading environmental advocate for 54 years. Lisa will highlight Maine's landmark environmental victories, give a frontline view of environmental issues being debated in the Maine legislature, and tell firsthand stories about the critical role that citizen activists play.

Tuesday, April 2

**DNA Analysis, Our Human Origins, and Family History**

*Presenter: Thomas Roderick, Ph.D, Scientist and Professor Emeritus, Jackson Laboratory in Bar Harbor, Maine*

Our understanding of human origin in Africa, and our great dispersal north into Europe, Asia, and Australia about 60,000 years ago is unveiling at an exponential pace due to recent intense global scientific effort and new technology. Our new understanding stretches in considerable detail down to our own contemporary personal genealogies and family histories. No previous study of biology necessary.

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We welcome suggestions for future speakers and/or interesting programs.
9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
All lectures will be in 102 Wishcamper Center,
on the Portland campus of the University of Southern Maine

Tuesday, April 9

Are Farms the Key to Maine’s Future?
Presenter: John Piotti, Executive Director, Maine Farmland Trust

Join John Piotti, for a lively presentation and discussion about the state of farming and how—if we are smart about it—Maine farms can not only become the centerpiece of a sustainable future for our state, but help feed all of New England!

Tuesday, April 16

Destination: Portland, Maine. Tourism in our Town…
Presenter: Lynn Tillotson, Director of Tourism Marketing, Greater Portland Convention and Visitors Bureau

Ever wonder where all our visitors come from? Hear how the Convention and Visitors Bureau attracts potential tourists through conventions, cruise ships, sporting events, motor coaches, travel writers, international visitors, and destination weddings that are so crucial to the economic health of our region.

Tuesday, April 23

Spy The Lie: How to Detect Deception in Your Everyday Encounters
Presenter: Don Tennant: Former Intelligence Analyst and Journalist

Whether interviewing a prospective employee or speaking with your child about drugs, having the ability to unmask a lie can have life-altering consequences. This lecture will present a model for detecting deception, developed within the CIA and used extensively throughout the U.S. intelligence community, and show how it can be applied in our everyday lives.

Due to the popularity of our lectures, preregistration is STRONGLY encouraged in order to secure a seat.
Tuesday, April 30

**Journalism + Well-informed Citizens = Healthy Democracy**
*Presenters: John Christie, Publisher and Senior Reporter, and Naomi Schalit, Executive Director and Senior Reporter, Maine Center for Public Interest Reporting*

Lifelong practitioners of journalistic excellence, John and Naomi will describe the decline of in-depth reporting nationwide and in Maine. They will share a lively tale of how they developed a trustworthy, unbiased on-line publication designed to hold the powerful accountable and help citizens engage meaningfully with their government.

Tuesday, May 7

**The Heart and Soul of Lawyering.**
*Presenter: Peter DeTroy, Partner at Norman Hanson & DeTroy.*

The role of the modern trial lawyer is replete with ethical, legal and moral challenges. Peter DeTroy has been a trial lawyer in Maine for forty years and will discuss a number of cases in which those challenges have posed stark and difficult choices.

Tuesday, May 14

**Poetry, Practicality, and Pleasure: Why Poetry is a Way of Knowing As Well As Fun**
*Presenter: Nancy K. Gish, Professor of English and Women's Studies, USM*

We are led to believe that the "practical" is what gets a job, makes money, makes things. And that is true. But I say the most practical things are what make us most human and give us most joy. We will explore how poetry has always provided knowledge and absolute delight.

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In the highly unusual event of an emergency, we reserve the right to substitute one of our speakers for another.
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 1,500 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 17 Senior Colleges. For more information or to find a Senior College near you, visit www.maineseniorcollege.org or call (207) 780-4128.

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 (207)780-5242.

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SAGE REGISTRATION — SPRING 2013

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City _________________________________ State______ Zip________

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