

SAGE

2021 Spring Lecture Series

Come Explore New Dimensions in Life

A dynamic approach to learning in history, science, the arts, and current events

SPRING 2021 SAGE SCHEDULE

Tuesdays | March 16–May 4 | 9:30–11:30 a.m.

SAGE is an eight-week lecture series, held each fall and spring, exploring new dimensions in the arts, sciences, history, culture, business, recreation, and current events. Lectures are presented by experts in their fields.

March 16 | *Kelly Martin, Retired Chief of Fire and Aviation for Yosemite National Park and the National Park Service*

FIRE — Our Past, Present, and Future — How We Can Adapt and Learn to Live WITH Fire and Smoke

Kelly will discuss her up close and personal experiences with forest fires as well as fire behavior, causes, climate change, and steps that should be taken to manage fires.

March 23 | *Ed Myslik, Principal Investigator, Maine Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection*

ID Theft: How Can We Protect Ourselves?

Ed will bring his long experience with ID theft victims right here in Maine to help us be proactive in protecting ourselves and teaching us what we can do if it happens.

March 30 | *Richard Bilodeau, Lecturer of Entrepreneurship, USM School of Business*

Role of Neurobiology in Creative Decision-making

Richard will share research and practices that enhance creativity and learning through the optimization of our neurobiology.

April 6 | *Dr. Firooza Pavri, Director of Muskie School for Public Service, Professor of Geography, USM*

Shifting Landscapes in the Arctic: Observations About Climate Change from Greenland & Iceland

Firooza will discuss recent environmental and societal shifts in Iceland and Greenland as well as the implications of climate trends for the region's future.

April 13 | *Anthony W. Buxton, Chair, Energy & Utilities Practice Group, Preti Flaherty*

Right Principles for Maine Climate Crisis Mitigation Decisions

Tony will discuss how a democracy such as the State of Maine might most rapidly and effectively decrease carbon emissions.

April 20 | *Dr. Jean Murachanian, Executive Director, Portland Conservatory of Music*

The Benefits of Music Education

Jean will talk about how Portland Conservatory of Music, now in its 24th season, engages 300+ students of all ages and abilities.

April 27 | *Stephen Pelsue, Science Director, BBI Solutions*

The Science of Vaccines: Learning from the Past to Protect our Future

Stephen will examine the history of vaccines and the advances that have built the foundation for those currently being used to fight COVID-19.

May 4 | *Carolyn Nishon, Executive Director and Eckart Preu, Artistic Director, Portland Symphony Orchestra*

New Challenges and New Opportunities at the Portland Symphony Orchestra

This presentation will focus on the work that the PSO has done to adapt to COVID-19 challenges and what lies in store for the organization as it looks to its 100th season and beyond.

Registration Opens Feb 2

We ask that you register ONLINE for SAGE subscriptions and individual lectures. To begin the process, visit usm.maine.edu/olli. At this site, you will find a link to the registration website on the home page and step-by-step instructions under “Resources” at the left. You can go “shopping” on the registration website — the webinar format should accommodate large groups of attendees.

After you pay for your subscription or lectures, you'll receive an email confirmation of your registration. It's fast, easy, and secure. **Please note:** a credit card is the only form of payment you can use for online registration. If you must use another form of payment (scholarship, gift certificate), contact us at olliatusm@maine.edu. At this point, we cannot accept cash or checks.

NOTE: The Monday before each lecture, we will send you a link to access the webinar by email. All you will need to do is click on that link, and you will join the webinar online!

Each fall and spring, SAGE provides eight exceptional Tuesday-morning lectures.

This year, due to COVID-19, all lectures are provided online in a webinar format.

When you register for a lecture or subscribe to the series, we will send you a link to access the webinar on the Monday before the lecture.

You must be a member to purchase an eight-lecture subscription for \$50. The cost for each individual lecture is \$10. Membership is not required for individual lectures; however, **you must register four days in advance** to receive an access link.

SAGE Program Planning Committee

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We welcome your suggestions and comments about the SAGE lectures. Please contact us at olliatusm@maine.edu.