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As we wrap up the Winter 24 Term, we would like to give our members the opportunity to share your experiences and impressions of the courses you took at OLLI@Furman. **Please follow the links below to survey your courses** or contact [pam.roberson@furman.edu](mailto:pam.roberson@furman.edu?subject=Pam%20Roberson) with questions.  Arts, Culture, Literature, Music, Hobbies... <https://furman.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6WpbbWNrkJPo3sO> General Courses... <https://furman.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6sYcnTlbJvKJaV8> Fitness Courses... <https://furman.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bJH2BViXupqHOXs>    ***Chihuly and Champagne***  ***April 15***  LAST CALL TO SIGN UP! Featured in museums and gardens around the world, including the spectacular 2018 Chihuly at Biltmore exhibition, Dale Chihuly’s awe-inspiring works have captivated millions. A new experience of the artist’s iconic creations makes its debut at Biltmore Estate this spring. Presented in an intimate gallery setting at Amherst at Deerpark, *Chihuly at Biltmore* includes pedestal works, drawings and large-scale installations of Chandeliers, Towers, Mille Fiori and Neon. Contact the OLLI Office at 864.294.2998 to signup or [Heidi Wright](mailto:heidi.wright@furman.edu) for more information.  **OLLI Special Event** **March 28,@ 3:15 p.m. in The Herring Center**  Join retired Furman professor, Conductor Thomas Joiner and cello soloist Seth Russell as they  discuss the music of “Appalachian Elegie”  to be featured in two Greenville Symphony Concerts coming up on April 6 and 7, 2024. Dr. Joiner will explain how he chose specific pieces on the program as well as what will go into rehearsals and preparation for the concerts. Soloist Seth Russell will discuss and demonstrate his interpretation of Faure’s Elegie.  ***Take Note!***This month Furman University will begin construction on the renovation of Timmons Arena. This will impact parking in the area of the Herring Center.  The lower parking lot adjacent to Timmons will be cordoned off and not available for parking. Please plan accordingly. The parking lot directly in front of the Herring Center and the parking area just below the Younts Building remain open to OLLI members for parking.  OLLI will host a FREE **Shred Day on Tuesday, March 26, 11-2 p.m.**in the Upper Herring Center Parking Lot. Please limit your items to 3 boxes.   ***OLLI Happenings***  **Baiden Wall Spring Art Display Submission Call.** OLLI artists and photographers are invited to submit art art pieces for the Spring 24 Baiden Art Display. The theme for this display will be *Sunny Dispositions.*Please direct questions to [Paula Winiski](mailto:pwiniski@bellsouth.net) or [Jessica Justice](mailto:jessica.justice@furman.edu) in the OLLI Office. Please include the attached submission form [HERE*.*](https://www.furman.edu/osher-lifelong-learning-institute/member-resources/forms-policies/)  The OLLI SIG, **Theater of the Spoken Word,**will do the Readers Theater production of *'Echoes in the Chambers of the Heart'.* **Auditions will be 1:00 - 4:00 p.m., March 19 HC104.** Everyone is invited to try out. The Show will be 6:30 p.m., April 22 HC110. For more information contact Bill Burns, [talsydon437@gmail.com](mailto:talsydon437@gmail.com)  **Euchre anyone?** That’s right. OLLI is starting a  Euchre (**yoo**·kr) SIG. If you have played this card game that is quite popular in the Midwest, join us at this re-instituted SIG to allow for a time for fellow Euchre enthusiasts to play at the Herring Center. The Euchre SIG will meet on the 4th Friday of the month from 1-3 in Rm 113. The next meeting is Friday, March 22. Please contact Carol Williams [cjw0808@outlook.com](mailto:cjw0808@outlook.com) or text 317.494.8326 for questions or to confirm attendance.    ***Furman Features***  OLLI Members are cordially invited to the opening reception of “*Rhizomatic/Automatic,”* an exhibition by Furman’s 2024 True Inspiration Artist in Residence, [Danni O’Brien](http://www.danielleobrienart.com/)**.** The informal gathering on **Wednesday,** **March 13**is an opportunity to casually speak with the artist and explore how their exhibition—which addresses topics such as environmentalism, pollution, capitalist consumption, and queer identity. Light food (cheese, crackers, fruit) and drink (water, beer, and wine) will be available. All are welcome to stop by the **Thompson Art Gallery in the Roe Art Building,** **4:30pm** **and 5:30pm**. Registration is appreciated via [this link](https://furman.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eWhSKHPQyG0yNdY)**.**  **A WOMAN'S PLACE: A CONVERSATION WITH FORMER S.C.SUPREME COURT JUSTICE KAYE HEARN** **March 27, 2024 | 6:30-7:30 p.m. | Watkins Room, Trone Student Center, Furman University** *presented by the Riley Institute*[*Advance Team*](https://furman.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a64ad6281fb45b24b5fd7ccf2&id=d790064642&e=2eb49b1144) As the longest-serving state court judge in South Carolina history and serving as the second female member of the South Carolina Supreme Court from 2009-2023, Justice Kaye Hearn has paved the way for generations of women in the South Carolina legal system.  During Justice Hearn’s time on the Supreme Court, she authored countless opinions on landmark cases that continue to shape South Carolina law. As the high court’s lone female justice, she wrote the majority opinion overturning the state’s 2021 six-week abortion ban, which was reinstated upon her retirement by an all-male South Carolina Supreme Court Join in an evening of conversation and reflections on the past, present, and future of South Carolina’s judicial system with Justice Hearn and Furman Politics and International Affairs faculty.  [REGISTER HERE](http://www.furman.edu/riley/speaker-award-events/speaker-events/a-womans-place-a-conversation-with-former-south-carolina-supreme-court-justice-kaye-hearn/#Registration)  Embark on an empowering journey at **Citizens' Climate Education's Southeast Regional Conference**,*"A Community-Centered Climate Future"* in partnership with the [SHI Institute for Sustainable Communities](https://www.furman.edu/shi-institute/). This dynamic two-day gathering will take place on **April 6-7** at [Furman University](https://www.furman.edu/)'s stunning Upstate campus. Learn more and purchase tickets**HERE.**    ***What's Happening in the Upstate***  **Upstate International** will present a Beyond the Headline Lunch & Learn event, ***China, the U.S. and the War on Drugs***on **Wednesday, March 13** **at Noon**featuring Furman University's Dr. Katherine Kaup, Professor of Asian Studies and Politics & International Affairs. More than 109,000 Americans died last year from drug overdoses. More than two-thirds of these deaths involved fentanyl and related synthetic drugs. Though China banned the sale of fentanyl in 2018, it remains the largest supplier of the drug’s precursor ingredients. These ingredients supply Mexican drug cartels that then smuggle finished fentanyl into the United States. Fierce competition and tensions between the US and China have stalled counter-narcotics cooperation. Recent agreements may signal progress in this arena, but will they be enough to stem the US overdose epidemic? What needs to be done to stop the influx of fentanyl? Do we need to compromise on other US priorities to gain China’s cooperation? this in -person event will take place at the Kroc Center Greenville.  [**Register HERE**](https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07ek9q3mvyb7d43957&oseq=&c=&ch=)  **The Greenville Symphony has an epic line up for the month of March!**   **March 16 7:30 pm and 17 3:00 pm** our last conductor candidate, Yaniv Attar, joins the GSO for *"The French Connection."*This epic program will feature Hector del Curto on Bandoneon, in a beautiful concerto by Astor Piazolla. The orchestra will shine on the second half, with the majestic *"Pictures at an Exhibition"* by Modest Mussorgsky.  **March 21, 12:00 pm and 5:30 pm,** the Principal players of the GSO will present a fun chamber music program at the Greenville Center for the Creative Arts' Gray Loft. Enjoy lunch from the Project Host food truck, or a glass of wine while listening to the music of Mozart, American composer Valerie Coleman, and French composer Jean Francaix.  **Foothills Philharmonic** returns to the concert stage with Czech composer Josef Suk’s *Symphony Asrael.*A difficult, deeply emotional piece, this symphony shows off Foothill’s musical “chops.” Tchaikovsky’s *Marche Slave,*follows*.*Imagine his *1812 Overture* without the canons. It’s Tchaikovsky at his absolute best. And Foothills knocks it out of the park! Following enjoy meeting  the musicians over refreshments. **Saturday March 23 at 7p.m.** Riverside Baptist Church, 1249 Suber Rd, Greer, 29605[foothillsphilharmonic.org](http://foothillsphilharmonic.org/)– **FREE!**  After a three-year absence. **TEDxGreenville** is back on **Thursday, March 28, 6:30 p.m**. at *Zen*, 924 South Main Street, Greenville. Greenville is on most of the country's top ten lists. Most livable, friendliest people, most optimistic. This is not by accident. However, with Greenville's growth come growing pains. How is Greenville County preparing for issues of traffic congestion, housing affordability, infrastructure pressures, and more people.Join in ther March salon where you will learn more about how Greenville is addressing these issues. Join us a little early for a beverage and the chance to reconnect with old friends while meeting a few new ones.. Questions?  Learn more about TEDxGreenville at [www.TEDxGreenville.com.](http://rstall@tedxgreenville.com/)**H**ave questions? Call 864.430.0636 or email [rstall@tedxgreenville.com](http://rstall@tedxgreenville.com/)  **A Special Invitation to ShalomFest‘24** A Cultural Festival of Jewish Music, Arts, History, Customs, and Food. ShalomFest is back and better than ever!  Returning for its 12th year following a four-year hiatus, this favorite community event will feature choir performances; folk dancing demonstrations; presentations, exhibits, and short films on Jewish history and customs; a mock Jewish wedding and Passover Seder; children’s story-telling and hands-on activities.  Traditional food, pastries, drinks, and giftable items will be available.  **April 7, 2024** from **11:00 am to 4:00pm** Temple of Israel Campus, 400 Spring Forest Rd., Greenville SC  FREE admission \* Family-friendly | | |
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