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OLLI Mason A Return Plan
 2021 OLLI Town Hall
 Jennifer L. Disano
 Executive Director

3 Modes of Program Delivery

- Zoom Only
 - Dedicated Zoom offerings for every class session.
- In Person Only
 - Fallfax, Reston and Loudoun classrooms
- In Person with a Zoom component
 - Fallfax and Loudoun classrooms are available to support hybrid offerings
 - Reston is under evaluation

Health and Safety

- All OLLI Mason members, teachers, staff, and visitors must wear a mask at all times in any classroom, library, office, or other indoor space.
- All OLLI Mason members, teachers, staff, and visitors must maintain the 6-foot social distancing rule in any classroom, library, office, or other indoor space.
- OLLI Mason members, teachers, staff, and visitors must wear a mask indoors.
- Do not sit at any classroom with the potential of water bottles for the duration of the program.

Some Interesting Facts About Class Registrations

- 2019 Fall Term – All in-person classes – pre-Zoom
- 193 offerings, 7674 registrations, 493 wait-listed
- 2021 Fall Term – All classes via Zoom
- 138 offerings, 9246 registrations, 22 wait-listed
- 20 % more registrations with 29% fewer classes

OLLI – GMU Annual Meeting
 November 5, 2021

OLLI Membership Growth

Year	Members
2012	100
2013	150
2014	200
2015	250
2016	300
2017	350
2018	400
2019	450
2020	500
2021	550

OLLI Membership Growth by Campus

Campus	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Fallfax	100	150	200	250	300	350	400	450	500	550
Reston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Loudoun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Herndon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manassas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Staff	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	100	150	200	250	300	350	400	450	500	550

President Paul Howard and Executive Director Jennifer Disano host annual OLLI Town Hall, November 5

November 12, 2021

Editor of the Week: David Gundry

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Alerts & Notices

- Watch for your winter-term catalog, which should arrive in the mail within the next two weeks. Winter-term registration begins November 29.
- Remember, when you register for 2022 winter term, you must register for clubs. This allows OLLI to maintain current club rosters and ensures that you receive emails about your club's activities and events.
- The next issue of *OLLI E-News* will be published Friday, November 26; regular deadline for submission of items is Tuesday, November 23, at 6:00.

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Save the Date: Help Plan OLLI Mason Programs, Thursday, December 2, 10:00



By Pat Bangs, Literature, Language, and Theater Program Planning Group Co-chair

All OLLI Mason members are invited to our all-campus program planning group meeting for **Literature, Language, and Theater program planning**. Mark your calendars and set aside some time on **Thursday, December 2** from **10:00-11:30** via Zoom to share in the planning of these popular topics.

Is there a favorite author or playwright you want to know more about? Want to dabble in new writing workshops or suggest a new language to offer? Know any local teacher resources or—thanks to Zoom—instructors farther afield? Maybe you just want to see how the program-planning process works. Don't miss this opportunity to offer your thoughts and suggestions as we plan programs for our summer 2022 term and beyond.

Also, learn about the planning for our return to in-person teaching on all campuses in our spring term, with Zoom and hybrid options available to instructors and members as well. And, of course, if you, or anyone you know, would like to join our committee, here is your opportunity to see the process in action.

See you December 2 at 10:00. [Click this Zoom link](#) to join the meeting. The Zoom link and other information will also appear in the OLLI Daily Schedule email for December 2.

If you can't make it and want to share program ideas, feel free to contact me by email at Pbangs68@gmail.com.

Thanks so much for your interest and contributions.

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Support the Outreach Committee



By Debby Mossburg, Outreach Committee Chair

Looking for a way to use your personal and professional skills to help OLLI? The Outreach Committee needs you! We welcome **anyone** interested in helping us to spread the word about this amazing learning community, but we especially need people with any of the following:

- Marketing and/or advertising experience
- Graphic arts and/or video production experience
- Social media savvy
- An interest in increasing the diversity of our membership
- A background in journalism and/or a love of writing
- An enthusiasm for spreading the word about OLLI.



Many of the benefits we enjoy as OLLI members are only possible with a robust membership, but our membership numbers have been in decline since 2016. Joining our Outreach Committee is one way to help reverse the trend and improve your OLLI. Please contact debby.mossburg@verizon.net if you want to be part of the solution. Thanks!

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Computer Club

**3rd Saturday, November 20, In-Person/Zoom Hybrid
Removing Bloatware from Android Devices
Overview of Apple Computers for Windows Users**



By Paul Howard, OPCUG Program Chair

The Computer Club (OLLI Personal Computer User Group, or OPCUG) will meet with its partner, the Potomac Area Technology and Computer Society (PATACS), on Saturday, November 20, in an in-person/Zoom hybrid session. Program activities begin at 1:00.

Removing Bloatware from Android Devices – Presented by John Krout. Bloatware is any application on a portable device that was installed before you bought the device and is not used by you. Bloatware takes up storage space on your device and, if started accidentally, can track your phone location and your uses of other applications, so it makes sense to remove bloatware. This presentation will show you three removal methods. Multiple methods are useful because some bloatware is specifically designed to resist the normal method of un-installation. Learn the normal method, application assistance for removing bloatware, and the application-developer method for removing bloatware.

John Krout's articles on a variety of topics appear regularly in the *PATACS Posts* newsletter. He is a frequent presenter at OPCUG/PATACS joint meetings, and served as an officer of WACUG, a predecessor organization of PATACS.

Learn in 30: Overview of Apple Computers for Windows Users – Presented by Lorrin Garson. This isn't a sales pitch for Apple computers, rather a presentation to acquaint Microsoft Windows users with the user interface and basic functions of Macs. Topics to be covered: (a) the desktop, dock, and menu bar, (b) basic "getting around," (c) system preferences, (d) applications and utilities, (e) the Mac operating system (macOS), (f) the App Store, (g) "Spotlight", (h) backup and recovery.

Lorrin is a regular speaker at OPCUG/PATACS sessions on a wide variety of computer and scientific topics.

See full details on this meeting by [clicking here](#). For information on the Computer Club, see the [OPCUG Website](#). OPCUG dues are \$5 for 2021—see <http://ollimu.org/opcug/comm.html> for details on making payment.

Attend via Zoom's cloud meeting service, beginning at 1:00. Please click [this link](#) to join the meeting and use passcode 458615 or enter meeting ID 846 0789 9770 in the Zoom app and use the above passcode.

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Poet's Corner

Courtesy of the Poetry Workshop

Us

Bodies imperceptibly dissolving away
turning into swamp soup
hormone driven desires long
gone.

That is as they say
the "March"
so our minds
at least for now
float happily on

not even close to gone.

Tony Rounds

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Arts & Music at George Mason

Performances, November 12 through November 22



By Shelly Gersten, OLLI E-News Staff Writer

As Mason's campuses reopen, programs are offered at both Fairfax and Manassas campuses, along with virtual events. Proof of vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test result is required for all audience members. Dr. Linda Apple Monson produces a periodic "Notes from the Director." This email is full of interesting online performances by the students and faculty of the School of Music. If you would like to receive these bulletins, just send an email to Brianna Schoen at bschoen@gmu.edu. Also, the Center for the Arts has a website Mason Arts at Home, which has a calendar of online events and access to many past performances. Information can also be found at [CFA ticket purchase page](#), [Center for the Arts YouTube Channel](#), or the [Hylton ticket purchase page](#).

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At the Fairfax Campus Venues

Virginia Opera: *La Bohème*

Sat, Nov 13, 8:00
Sun, Nov 14, 2:00
Concert Hall
Admission: \$110, \$70, \$40.

Keyboard Conversations® with Jeffrey Siegel: The Glorious Music of Chopin

Sun, Nov 21, 7:00
Concert Hall
Admission: \$48, \$41, \$29.

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Mason Student & Faculty Performances

(see [music.gmu.edu](#) for additional student recitals)

Kathy Mulcahy: Clarinet Masterclass

Sat, Nov 13, 10:00

Virtual Event, check [music.gmu.edu](#) for details
Admission: Free.

Mason Jazz Vocal Night

Mon, Nov 15, 8:00
Concert Hall
Admission: \$12 adults; \$8 seniors.

Mason Fall New Dances Concert

Fri, Nov 12, 8:00
Sat, Nov 13, 8:00
Merchant Hall
Admission: \$15 adults; \$10 seniors.

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At the Hylton Center (Manassas Campus)

Gallery Exhibition: Carroll Sockwell - Grey

Continuing through Sun, Nov 14
Hylton Performing Arts Center, Buchanan Partners Art Gallery
Admission: Free.

Somers Voice LLC: *Sistas the Musical*

Fri, Nov 5, 7:00
Sat, Nov 6 and Nov 13, 2:00, 7:00
Sun, Nov 7 and Nov 14, 3:00
Gregory Family Theater
Admission: \$25.

The War and Treaty, Concert

Sun, Nov 14, 7:00
Merchant Hall
Admission: \$44, \$37, \$26.

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For further details on any of the above events, see the [CFA event calendar](#) and the [Hylton Center event calendar](#).

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Meetings & Clubs

Please note: Physical meetings for clubs and activities are canceled until further notice in accordance with Mason’s guidelines. OLLI is conducting its classes and activities online. Refer to the university’s [coronavirus website](#) for official university updates and check the [OLLI calendar](#) for revised information.

The following list covering the next two weeks is extracted for your convenience from the master online calendar maintained by the office. The list is accurate as of mid-week but for the most up-to-date information, please view the latest forecast of coming events on our website (News/[OLLI Calendar](#)). *Note: All OLLI members are welcome at, and encouraged to attend, meetings of the Board of Directors, committees and resource groups, kick-off coffees, etc. (bolded below). The OLLI office has sent (or will send) emails with links and meeting passwords to club members; you may also log in at the [member portal](#) and click on ZOOM CLASS LINKS.*

Sat Nov 13	10:30 am	Tai Chi Club
Tue Nov 16	4:30 pm	Tai Chi Club
Wed Nov 17	10:00 am	Mah Jongg Club
	6:00 pm	Ethnic Eats Club
Thu Nov 18	10:00 am	Humanities and Social Sciences/Current Events Program Planning Group Meeting
	4:00 pm	Reston Book Club
	4:30 pm	Tai Chi Club
Fri Nov 19	9:30 am	Craft and Conversation
	10:00 am	Board of Directors Meeting
	11:00 am	Homer, etc.
	2:00 pm	OLLI Players: <i>Starline 1-17</i>
Sat Nov 20	10:30 am	Tai Chi Club
	1:00 pm	Personal Computer User Group
Tue Nov 23	9:30 am	Annex Art
Wed Nov 24	2:00 pm	Memoir and More Writing Group

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About OLLI E-News

OLLI E-News was created by Rod Zumbro, who served as its editor from 2005 to 2013.

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Deadline: Tuesday, 6:00, for that week’s issue (Monday, 6:00, for letters to the editor); early submissions are greatly appreciated. Please limit articles to about 250 words.

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