

FALL 2024 ICL STUDY GROUPS

SEPTEMBER 17 - NOVEMBER 14
REGISTER BY SEPTEMBER 6



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Taste of ICL 2024

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As part of our annual membership drive, we are excited to offer your friends and family a free taste of the ICL experience. Invite your guests to explore the opportunities for personal enrichment and social engagement that ICL provides.

This is a great opportunity to introduce others to the ICL community and the benefits of lifelong learning!



Who better to introduce a friend to the joys of lifelong learning than YOU? Share the ICL experience and help us grow our vibrant community.

The campaign kicks off with The Ice Cream Social on September 10, 2024. Interested parties and member referrals will get a free “taste” of our Study Groups throughout the Fall Session. Join by October 10, 2024 to take advantage of our special membership discounts.

Learn More

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS FOR MEMBERS:

- ❖ **REFER** a non-member friend to register and attend a free presentation(s) during the Fall Session from September 17th - November 14th, 2024.
 - Members and guests are also invited to register and attend the Ice Cream Social and Pop Up Library Event on September 10, 2024 at 3:00 PM to get the scoop about ICL.
- ❖ **REWARD** your friend and-yourself if they join ICL on or before October 10, 2024.
 - The new member receives a special \$25.00 discount off the reduced new member rate.
 - New members join for the low introductory annual rate of \$125.00; first year dues are normally \$150.00.
 - Referring Member will receive a \$25.00 Visa gift certificate.
- ❖ **REPEAT** referrals for another friend or family member.

NON-MEMBERS interested in attending a trial class are asked to contact ICL OfficeManager@ICLRU.org or use the QR code above. Registration is required.

Variety – The Spice of Life**Coordinators: Mike and Marilyn Glass****Sep 17 - Nov 5 (8 Sessions)****Zoom**

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**Experiencing Art****Coordinators: Basilio King, Christopher Melby and Alfredo Rodriguez****Sep 17 - Nov 12 (9 Sessions)****On Campus**

This workshop offers an opportunity to explore different techniques and forms of art, such as brush painting, pen and ink, watercolor and drawing. All levels of experience and expertise are welcome. Participants will bring their own supplies and materials and will work independently. While class facilitators and participants can offer encouragement, ideas and suggestions to each other, this will NOT be an instructional class.

Mosaics: A Fun Artsy Time for Creations**Coordinator: Marcy Canel****Sep 17, 24, Oct 8, Oct 15 (4 Sessions)****On Campus**

The Mosaics class will consist of both beginners and continuing artists. The class will teach you to create ornaments for Christmas and Hanukkah. All supplies, which include tools, glass, projects, and glue, will be brought by the instructor. There will be a \$10 charge per person. The objective of this class is to learn how to mosaic, cut glass and create designs that you love and, most importantly, have a fun and pleasant time. I will be able to work with both new students and students who have already had the introduction. The class can only accommodate 6 to 8 students.

**Fun and Games****Coordinator: Nancy Mieszala****Sep 17 - Oct 22 (6 Sessions)****On Campus**

How about learning to play some new games and introducing us to one of your favorite games with other ICLers? Join us for some fun times in friendly competition.

TUESDAYS 10:00-12:00

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Puritans, Indians, and the First Thanksgiving
Coordinator: Joyce Haworth
Nov 12 (1 Session)
On Campus and Zoom

It is now over 400 years since the Pilgrims and Indians feasted together on the rough shores of Plymouth. In the centuries since, many misconceptions have arisen about both the Indians and the Puritans, and some parts of the story have been obscured until recent years. Join historian Joyce Haworth as she tells the rich story of the events of 1621. Her focus will be on the political calculations of the Native Americans -- why it made sense to them to welcome and aid the English settlers. There are lots of surprises, especially the presence of Native men who had been to England already and who were on the scene advising Massasoit on what to do about the newcomers. There were veiled agendas on both sides of the feasting table!

TUESDAYS 1:00-3:00

After Dinner Conversation: Philosophy/Ethics Short Stories
Coordinators: Ruth Sellers & Lynn Shevelenko
Sep 17 – Oct 1 (3 Sessions)
On Campus



“After Dinner Conversation” is a monthly eMagazine that publishes compelling “what if” scenarios of original philosophy and ethics short stories across genres. Accompanying discussion questions are provided to encourage intentional reflection and respectful debate. Copies of each week’s short stories will be sent to participants via e-mail. NOTE: eCopies may be available from your local library. For more information about this eMagazine see <https://www.afterdinnerconversation.com/magazine>



Mysteries and Disasters
Coordinator: Beth Lloyd
Sep 17 – Oct 22 (6 Sessions)
On Campus

Join us as we learn about some major disasters, and unfortunately there seems to be an endless number of them. There are many occurrences around the world as well as here in the United States. Are we studying the causes of these so we can get in front of these situations and practice avoidance? Some are man made and others are an accident of nature. Does the source make any difference in the severity or outcome?

TUESDAYS 1:00-3:00

They Made Us Laugh

Coordinator: Caryn Amster

Oct 8 – Oct 15 (2 Sessions)

On Campus and Zoom



In two hilarious sessions you will learn some little-known facts about some famous Jewish comedians from the early age of comedy. Enjoy clips showing their unique skills that made us laugh. You don't have to be Jewish to be funny but in the early days it really helped.



The National Debt

Coordinator: Bill Amster

Oct 22 (1 Session)

On Campus and Zoom

With the election coming up, we're sure to hear a lot of talk about how the country spends too much money and our national debt is unsustainable. One party or the other will be there to rescue us. This class will describe how government funding works and how the national debt is created. We will talk about deficits, some of their history and whether they are important.

Why Don't They Just Come Legally?

Coordinator: Andrea Zietlow

Oct 29 – Nov 12 (3 Sessions)

On Campus and Zoom



The "migrant crisis" is a daily news topic and a contentious issue for the 2024 election. Although the United States is considered a nation of immigrants, immigration has been a divisive issue throughout our history. How and when did some immigrants become illegal? And, why don't they just come legally? Over a three-week period, we will look at a brief history of immigration in the U.S. and what it takes to immigrate into this country.

WEDNESDAYS 10:00-12:00



Current Events

Coordinator: Joan Brody

Sep 18 – Oct 16 (5 Sessions)

Zoom

Participate in interactive, stimulating, informative and controversial discussions of domestic and international current events. We'll discuss State and Federal politics, important Supreme Court decisions and events that touch on all of us. Your participation will make for exciting and fascinating sessions. All Democrats, Republicans and Independents are welcome!

Five-Horse Race: The Election of 1824

Coordinator: Joyce Haworth

Sep 18 (1 Session)

On Campus and Zoom



Current politics keeping you on your toes? The presidential election that took place exactly 200 years ago was also a wild one, with five candidates, a host of unforeseen and volatile issues, and a disputed outcome. After the winner was declared by the House of Representatives, one of the candidates cried foul, saying that a “corrupt bargain” had deprived him of the presidency (or as we might say, that the election was “stolen”). This talk not only charts the story of this messy election, but also focuses on the political changes roiling underneath. It will give you a framework for understanding the political context of the generation before the Civil War.



How to Identify Misinformation

Coordinator: Marlene Brusko

Sep 25 (1 Session)

On Campus and Zoom

Every election cycle provides us with error, exaggeration and outright lies. However, AI has enabled a wide variety of additional and convincing ways to depreciate the opposing candidates and distort the issues. We will explore some simple ways to find the truth amid the morass of deceptive efforts. Though I have done a class like this before previous elections, this is a revised version. I will also provide a summary email attachment with website links to anyone who signs up.

The Story of GPS

Coordinator: Richard Westgard

Oct 2 (1 Session)

Zoom



Getting lost was life or death in ages past. GPS can now tell us within a few feet where we are on earth. We'll look at how GPS came to be and how it works.



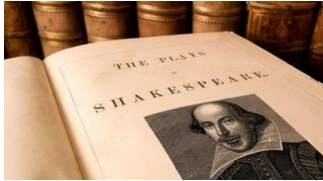
Speed Friending

Coordinator: Alice Kurtyka

Oct 9 (1 Session)

On Campus

Join us for speed friendship. A fun way to meet and get to know other ICL members, both new and old. Speed friending is a popular social activity that involves meeting new people in a fast-paced and fun environment. Speed friending allows participants to quickly get to know each other through a series of short conversations initiated with light-hearted and non-intrusive questions. The questions are designed to break the ice and spark interesting discussions, ensuring that everyone has a great time.

**The Best of Broadway: Back to the Bard - William Shakespeare****Coordinator: JoAnn Galluzzi****Oct 16 - Nov 6 (4 Sessions)****On Campus and Zoom**

We have been laughing at William Shakespeare's comedies for more than 400 years! Why? This class will explore the reasons using Kenneth Branagh's interpretation of *Much Ado About Nothing*. The play is a delightful look at men, women, love, and marriage (and the star-studded movie cast is spectacular!). We will discuss themes, characters, characteristics of Shakespearean comedy, Shakespeare's audience as well as major comic actors of his day. No acting experience necessary just a great sense of humor! **A copy of *No Fear Shakespeare: Much Ado About Nothing* will be provided electronically to class participants.

The Enigmatic World of Hieronymus Bosch**Coordinator: Bob Masterson****Oct 23 (1 Session)****On Campus and Zoom**

In this session we enter the surreal and captivating world of Hieronymus Bosch, one of the most enigmatic and visionary artists of the late medieval period. Born around 1450 in what is now the Netherlands, Bosch's work is renowned for its intricate detail, fantastical imagery, and profound symbolism. His masterpieces, such as "The Garden of Earthly Delights" and "The Temptation of St. Anthony," offer a glimpse into a world teeming with both the grotesque and the sublime, challenging viewers to explore the depths of human nature and morality.

**The Nicholas Brothers – “We Sing; We Dance”****Coordinator: Bob Masterson****Oct 30 (1 Session)****On Campus and Zoom**

Join us as we celebrate the remarkable legacy of the Nicholas Brothers, Fayard and Harold. Renowned for their extraordinary talent, these iconic African-American dancers revolutionized the world of tap and jazz dance with their unmatched acrobatics, impeccable timing, and boundless energy. Born in the early 20th century, Fayard and Harold's journey from the vaudeville stage to Hollywood stardom is a testament to their perseverance, creativity, and sheer brilliance. Their performances captivated audiences worldwide, breaking racial barriers and setting new standards in the entertainment industry. We'll have a toe-tapping morning as we look at the inspiring story of the Nicholas Brothers.

WEDNESDAYS 10:00-12:00

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Banned Books

Coordinator: Marlene Brusko

Nov 6 – Nov 13 (2 Sessions)

On Campus and Zoom



Book banning has waxed and waned through the centuries. Today seems to be a time when there is a greater effort to censor and limit what can be published and/or allowed to exist in schools, homes and libraries. Join me as we examine the history, ramifications and efforts on both sides of the issue. I will also allow more time for discussion, so though I am offering hybrid, please come in person if at all possible.

WEDNESDAYS 1:00-3:00



Is There A Flower In You?

Coordinator: Judy Krakowiak

Sep 18 - Oct 16 (5 Sessions)

On Campus

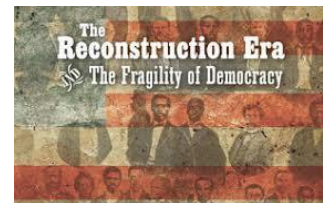
One-Stroke Acrylic painting technique continues. A \$5 supply fee will be collected at the first session. NOTE: This study group is only available to those who have previously participated in 5 or more classes.

The American Civil War & Reconstruction

Coordinator: Tom Gavigan

Sep 18 - Oct 30 (7 Sessions)

On Campus and Zoom



This is the fourth and final session of this study group. It will run for seven weeks. In this session we will be covering the final months of the Civil War, the final days of the Lincoln administration and Reconstruction. Our emphasis will be on Reconstruction. We will cover the period, that began in 1863, known as Presidential Reconstruction, followed by the legislative branch assumption of leadership in the effort known as Congressional Reconstruction. We will discuss Reconstruction's early successes and later nearly complete failure. The session will include the attempt to rebuild the economically war-devastated South; the attempt to allow the freedmen to gain their rights as American citizens; the "Lost Cause"; "Redemption"; the KKK; share cropping; segregation and much more.

WEDNESDAYS 1:00-3:00

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Gaza: Religion, Politics, and Solidarity **Coordinators: Andrea Zietlow & John Kness** **Oct 2 (1 Session)** **On Campus and Zoom**

On May 4, 2024, a group of renowned religious leaders presented a panel discussion titled, Gaza: Religion, Politics, and Solidarity. The panelists included a minister from Bethlehem, a Rabbi, an imam, and an African American minister. This study group will provide background information on the history of Palestine and the Zionist Movement prior to viewing the panel discussion.

THURSDAYS 10:00-12:00

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Come Play Bridge **Coordinator: Andrea Zietlow** **Sep 19 - Nov 14 (9 Sessions)** **On Campus**

This study group is for people who already know how to play bridge. Join us if you would like to meet other ICL members who play and want to have more opportunities to play the game. We welcome those who have recently learned the game as well as intermediate and advanced players. We will be playing for FUN, not cutthroat! Hopefully we can all learn from one another. **NOTE: This is an ongoing study group, but new participants are always welcome.**

THURSDAYS 12:00-12:45 **(Note special time)**

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Chair Yoga for the Young at Heart

Coordinator: Nancy Engel

Sep 19 - Oct 3 (3 Sessions)

On Campus



Each session will consist of 45-minutes of chair yoga beginning at Noon. Attendees will have the chance to attend other morning and/or afternoon study group sessions. No need for a yoga mat, just wear comfortable clothing.

THURSDAYS 1:00-3:00



Let's Explore Europe

Coordinator: Gene Flynn

Sep 19 - Oct 3 (3 Sessions)

On Campus

This study group will explore Ireland, France and Greece. Areas rich in history, food, and culture, each of these regions have seen their share of troubles that resonate even today. Attendees have the option to bring and share some regional food and beverages. (Sharing details to follow.)

Artificial Intelligence: The Opportunity, the Risks

Coordinators: Lynn Shevelenko & Gene Flynn

Oct 17 (1 Session)

On Campus



Artificial Intelligence is rapidly changing how people work, study, and play. This study group will explore the opportunities AI represents as well as the risks. We will also have a mini show and tell on using AI for travel and study group planning.



The Listening Path - The Creative Path of Attention

Coordinator: Alice Kurtyka

Oct 10 - Oct 24 (3 Sessions)

On Campus

Using the book, *The Listening Path*, by Julia Cameron (author of the *Artist Way*), we will explore a transformational journey to deeper, more profound listening and creativity. A six-week course, (which we will complete in 3 weeks) participants will be given the tools to become better listeners—to their environment, the people around them, and themselves.

It Really is a Small World After All

Coordinator: Anita Brandes

Oct 24 (1 Session)

On Campus and Zoom



Images from the Hubble Telescope fascinate us because they reveal a world of infinite distance and size. But there is another amazingly complex world that surrounds us. We are dependent upon it and interact with it constantly. The microscopic world. This study group will reveal the world you've never seen before.



The Art of Self-Portraiture: Ancient Egypt to Modern Day Selfies

Coordinator: Andi Basalay

Oct 24 - Nov 14 (4 Sessions)

On Campus

Explore the fascinating evolution of self-portraiture from the ancient times of Egypt to the contemporary era of selfies. This study group offers insight into how artists across different periods and cultures have used self portraiture to express identity, status and personal narrative. A combination of lecture, discussion and hands-on activities will be used to gain an understanding of the historical, cultural and technological influences that have shaped self-portraiture over millennia.

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1. Variety: The Spice of Life **Z**
Sep 17-Nov 5 (8 Sessions)
2. Experiencing Art **OC**
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3. Mosaics: Fun, Artsy Creations **OC**
Sep 17, 24, Oct 8, Oct 15 **F**
(4 Sessions)
4. Fun & Games **OC**
Sep 17-Oct 22 (6 Sessions)
5. Puritans, Indians **OC**
Nov 12 (1 Session)
6. Puritans, Indians **Z**
Nov 12 (1 Session)

TUESDAY 1:00-3:00

7. Mysteries & Disasters **OC**
Sep 17-Oct 22 (6 Sessions)
8. After Dinner Conv **OC**
Sep 17-Oct 1 (3 Sessions)
9. They Made Us Laugh **OC**
Oct 8-Oct 15 (2 Sessions)

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10. They Made Us Laugh **Z**
Oct 8-Oct 15 (2 Sessions)
11. The National Debt **OC**
Oct 22 (1 Session)
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Oct 22 (1 Session)
13. Come Legally **OC**
Oct 29-Nov 12 (3 Sessions)
14. Come Legally **Z**
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16. Five Horse Race **OC**
Sep 18 (1 Session)
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20. The Story of GPS **Z**
Oct 2 (1 Session)
21. Speed Friending **OC**
Oct 9 (1 Session)
22. Best of Broadway **OC**
Oct 16-Nov 6 (4 Sessions)
23. Best of Broadway **Z**
Oct 16-Nov 6 (4 Sessions)
24. Hieronymus Bosch **OC**
Oct 23 (1 Session)
25. Hieronymus Bosch **Z**
Oct 23 (1 Session)
26. Nicholas Brothers **OC**
Oct 30 (1 Session)
27. Nicholas Brothers **Z**
Oct 30 (1 Session)
28. Banned Books **OC**
Nov 6-Nov 13 (2 Sessions)
29. Banned Books **Z**
Nov 6-Nov 13 (2 Sessions)

WEDNESDAY 1:00-3:00

30. Flower in You **OC F**
Sep 18-Oct 16 (5 Sessions)
31. American Civil War **OC**
Sep 18-Oct 30 (7 Sessions)
32. American Civil War **Z**
Sep 18-Oct 30 (7 Sessions)
33. Gaza Region **OC**
Oct 2 (1 Session)
34. Gaza Region **Z**
Oct 2 (1 Session)

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Sep 19-Nov 7 (8 Sessions)
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Sep 19-Oct 3 (3 Sessions)

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38. Let's Explore Europe **OC**
Sep 19-Oct 3 (3 Sessions)
39. The Listening Path **OC**
Oct 10-Oct 24 (3 Sessions)
40. Artificial Intelligence **OC**
Oct 17 (1 Session)
41. Small World **OC**
Oct 24 (1 Session)
42. Small World **Z**
Oct 24 (1 Session)
43. Self-Portraiture **OC**
Oct 24-Nov 14 (4 Sessions)

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