

## COURSES AND INTEREST GROUPS FOR 2<sup>ND</sup> HALF OF 2017

Please phone to attend any of the courses or join any of the interest groups. Otherwise, put your name on the lists available at the quarterly meetings. Any further details regarding dates, days and times can be obtained from the presenter. Most lists will be available in the tea hall at the quarterly meetings of U3A. When you sign up for a course, PLEASE write your details CLEARLY for the course presenter or co-ordinator. AND write the dates down in your diary immediately! Note that some of the courses will only be available later in the year.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT ONCE YOU HAVE REGISTERED TO ATTEND ANY COURSE YOU ARE OBLIGED TO ATTEND ALL SESSIONS, UNLESS IT IS ABSOLUTELY IMPOSSIBLE TO DO SO. IN THIS CASE PLEASE MAKE YOUR APOLOGIES TO THE COURSE LEADER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

You are also requested to switch your cell phone to silent during all U3A presentations.

Course fees are usually R10 per session (R5 for tea and biscuits, and R5 to U3A Pretoria) paid to the course leader, plus the cost of any materials provided. In some cases there may also be a venue-use fee of R5.

**PLEASE PAY ALL COURSE FEES AT THE FIRST SESSION.**

NAME OF COURSE OR TOPIC	PRESENTER / CO-ORDINATOR'S CONTACT DETAILS
<b>MONDAY</b>	
<p><b>Medieval Europe until the Millenium (1000 AD).</b> The course will consist of three weekly sessions: A Rural Europe, a Religious Europe, and a Royal Europe. The course will be offered twice this year, but both sessions are already fully subscribed. It will be offered again next year and for as long as there is a demand. Dates: 7, 14, &amp; 21 August from 10.00 to 12:00.</p>	<p>John Lambert            012 460-5089 lambertb@mweb.co.za</p>
<p><b>Mandala Drawing Workshops.</b> There will be two workshops. The first is an introduction and background &amp; the second is a practical session. NB R20 for materials. Dates: 11 &amp; 27 September 09:45 for 10:00 to 12:00. Note that the second session is on a Wednesday as the Monday is a public holiday.</p>	<p>Jannie Van Alphen    012 991-8376                                   083 412-5555 valphenjc@mweb.co.za</p>
<p><b>Introduction to Origami.</b> Origami is the art of paper folding. Its principles are used by NASA when they design equipment that has to be as small as possible during the launch of a space rocket, but has to 'open up' in space. In this course participants will start with the basics of traditional origami and then explore some alternative folding procedures. The course will take place over 3 sessions. If there is a demand for it, the course will be repeated. Dates: 7, 14&amp; 21 August from 14:00 to 16:00. There will be some extra cost to cover materials.</p>	<p>Helga Nordhoff            012 804-9000 helga@qwerty.co.za</p>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	
<p><b>Simon Schama's Power of Art.</b> A DVD viewing in 3 sessions: Session 1 Caravaggio &amp; Bernini; Session 2 Turner &amp; van Gogh; and Session 3 Picasso &amp; Rothko. Dates: 8, 22 &amp; 29 August 13:45 for 14:00 to 16:00</p>	<p>Jenny Janisch            012 460-8270                                   082 923-7982 davenjen@mweb.co.za</p>

<p><b>A Look at the Wacky, Wonderful World of <i>Alice in Wonderland</i>.</b> Date: 26 September 09:00 for 09:30 to 12:00.</p>	<p>Irene Downer 081 898-5395 iedowner@gmail.com</p>
<p><b>Let's talk about Interesting People:</b> 1. Hans Merensky 2. Percy Fitz Patrick and 3. Alois Hugo Nelmapius. Please phone to book your place. Dates: These have not yet been finalised, but will probably be 3 Tuesday mornings in October.</p>	<p>Glyn Williams 012 348-9870 072 226-7665 ggow@mweb.co.za</p>
<p><b>Some Aspects of the City of Tshwane's Public Transport System.</b> A 3 session course covering: (1) A summary of the City of Tshwane Comprehensive Integrated transport Plan (CITP) 2015-2020, highlighting the public transport elements of it, and including some Home Travel Survey results; (2) Some background to the Integrated Rapid Public Transport Network (IRPTN), upgrades to Prasa's passenger rail system, the Bus Rapid Transit System (A Ra Yeng) and some insights into the Gautrain Rapid Rail link, and (3) Some aspects of Green (Sustainable) Transport, touching on Travel Demand Management and alternative energy sources for (public) transport, including electric and Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) powered vehicles. Dates: 7, 14 &amp; 21 November from 09:45 for 10:00.</p>	<p>Miles Arnold 012 346-5446 082 653-8942 <a href="mailto:amarnold@iafrica.com">amarnold@iafrica.com</a></p>
<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p>	
<p><b>Enduring the Anglo-Boer War.</b> This is a 4 session course which will be presented in September. Dates: 6, 13, 20 &amp; 27 September from 10:00 to 12:00.</p>	<p>John Boje 012 993-0680 <a href="mailto:ecboje@gmail.com">ecboje@gmail.com</a></p>
<p><b>THURSDAY</b></p>	
<p><b>Learn about Wine.</b> This four session course will be both theoretical and practical. The theoretical will include a bit of the history of wine-making and the different types of wine, while the practical will focus on tasting for discussion and appreciation. . Sessions will cost R25 which includes the cost of the wine as well as the usual R10 per session course fee. Dates: In late September / October. Exact dates and times to be advised</p>	<p>Glyneth de Jager 083 263-4384 dejager.glyn@gmail.com</p>
<p><b>FRIDAY</b></p>	
<p><b>The Science that lies behind Music.</b> Four 1 hour illustrated talks. Dates: 18 &amp; 25 August, 1 &amp; 8 September at 09:30 for 10:00 start.</p>	<p>Richard Clark 012 460-8407 082 850-6613 ricclark@telkomsa.net</p>
<p><b>Listening to Classical Music more Effectively: An Introduction.</b> This course is being presented twice and both sessions are fully subscribed. Dates: (1) 1, 8, 15 &amp; 22 September; (2) 13, 20 &amp; 27 October, 3 &amp; 10 November.</p>	<p>Gus de Villiers 012 331-2355 082 772-4967 <a href="mailto:gusdev@outlook.com">gusdev@outlook.com</a></p>
<p><b>Optical Illusions.</b> This 2 session course will discuss the weird and wonderful world of how our eyes can deceive us. It will give examples of how our senses can distort things like shapes, sizes, colours and forms. As only 9 people can be accommodated at a time, the course will be repeated if there is sufficient demand for it. Dates: 20 &amp; 27 October starting time 10:00.</p>	<p>Johan Brink 012 807-8822 083 399-9661 johanbrink@lantic.net</p>

<p><b>Bybelvertaling:</b> Om die Bybel uit die oorspronklike tale te vertaal is 'n veelmeer komplekse saak as wat algemeen geglo word. Hierdie kusus behandel:  (1) Hoekom verskil Bybels?  (2) Hoekom word die Bybel voortdurend weer vertaal? en  (3) Watter Bybel vertaling is die beste om te gebruik?  Daar is plek vir nege mense en the kursus kan herhaal word indien nodig.  Datums: 3 &amp; 10 November: begin tyd 10:00.</p>	<p>Johan Brink                    012 807-8822      083 399-9661  johanbrink@lantic.net</p>
<p><b>A Revolution in the Head The Beatles and a Decade like no other.</b> This is a four session course.  Dates: Still to be decided. Those who sign up will be informed. It will be on Friday mornings.</p>	<p>Karen Batley                    012 341-2338      082 415-6650  <a href="mailto:batley@wol.co.za">batley@wol.co.za</a></p>
<p><b>DAYS / DATES STILL TO BE DETERMINED</b></p>	
<p><b>Introductory Mosaic Course.</b> Make a pot / potplant stand without cutting any tiles and find out what fun mosaicking can be in a two session course. Those on the list will be contacted about exact dates. The course will probably be given in October. R60 will cover the cost of the materials over and above the usual R10 required by U3A per session.</p>	<p>Gail Victor                      082 669-3884  mommyvictor@hotmail.com</p>
<p><b>Drawing for Dummies.</b> This is a once-off light-hearted session to prove that <i>anyone</i> can draw. The only prior experience you need is the ability to write your name. Details will be provided at the meeting.</p>	<p>Gill Udal                        082 578-4192  gillmudal@gmail.com</p>
<p><b>The Time of your Life.</b> This 3 session course will cover aging and its challenges; memories and memoirs; creativity and living creatively.</p>	<p>Rae Labuschagne            012 007-1704      083 255-3772  raelab@telkomsa.net</p>
<p><b>Cracks in the Great American Dream.</b> Studies of corruption in <i>The Great Gatsby</i> and racism in <i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i>. The next 4 session course is fully booked, but a further series may possibly be scheduled.</p>	<p>Verna Brown                    012 804-8248  kvbrown@mweb.co.za</p>
<p><b>A Visit to the Sci-Enza and its Camera Obscura.</b> This is in the Science Centre at the University of Pretoria. It is proposed that a visit there takes place some time between mid-September and early October, meeting at 10:00. A maximum of 60 people can be accommodated. Visits to the Camera will be in smaller groups of 15 to 20 people while the others explore the science centre. People will have to organise their own transport.</p>	<p>Helga Nordhoff                012 804-9000  helga@qwerty.co.za</p>

INTEREST GROUPS	CO-ORDINATOR'S CONTACT DETAILS
<b>MONDAYS</b>	
<p><b>The Travel Club</b>, complementary to the Armchair Travel group, is a group of people who are enthusiastic about travel and, in particular, those who would love to travel but hesitate to do so on their own. This is a forum for discussing and planning possible trips. We also view travel documentaries, watch presentations by tour operators, share travel tips etc. We meet in the afternoon of the first Monday in the month.</p>	<p>Hilarie Riphagen 012 345-3196 072 625-7482 hilarie@telkomsa.net</p>
<b>TUESDAYS</b>	
<p><b>Walking Group.</b> This group meets once a week, usually on a Tuesday but sometimes on a Wednesday. The walks are not too 'rugged'. The group has time to enjoy coffee or a meal afterwards.</p>	<p>Cheryl Cloete 012 361-2180 076 258-6375 cherylcloete70@gmail.com</p>
<b>WEDNESDAYS</b>	
<p><b>Art group.</b> Members take turns to lead a discussion on a particular artist. We meet in the morning on the first Wednesday of the month</p>	<p>Barbara Gilmour 012 460-8735 083 407-8474 hubar@mweb.co.za</p>
<p><b>Music Interest Group.</b> This group focuses on classical music but could include other genres such as jazz. We listen to music or someone gives an illustrated talk. Members are kept up to date with concerts and musical events taking place in Pretoria. We meet on the second Wednesday of the month.</p>	<p>Mia Rich 012 362-1105 082 443-0770 wamrich@mweb.co.za</p>
<b>THURSDAYS</b>	
<p><b>History Interest Group</b> meets once a month in the morning on the first Thursday, and one of the group presents a topic.</p>	<p>Felicia Fourie 012 991-3101 083 376-2001 <a href="mailto:feliciafourie@lantic.net">feliciafourie@lantic.net</a></p>
<p><b>Armchair Travel Group.</b> Members present their trips to the group on the second Thursday morning of the month. Anyone with a trip to share is welcome to join the group.</p>	<p>Paula Herrmann 012 424-9147 paulaherrmann@gmail.com</p>
<b>DAYS / DATES STILL TO BE DETERMINED</b>	
<p><b>Film Club.</b> We are looking for members who have an interest in or a knowledge of film to assist with the popular movie group meetings which have not been offered this year due to Ann's ill-health. Gill suggests that a suitable movie be selected and a 'save the date' email be sent to members who then have a chance to read reviews and perhaps Google information before viewing the movie. The actual viewing dates will, therefore, vary each month.</p>	<p>Gill Udal 082 578-4192 Jenny Janisch 012 460-8270</p>
<p><b>IPad Support Group</b> for anyone who wants help with making the most of this device.</p>	<p>Gill Udal 082 578-4192</p>
<p><b>Brooklyn Theatre Group.</b> Our contact at the theatre is Jean-Pierre Verster. Sometimes the theatre offers reduced price tickets for certain performances, usually in the evenings as the Sunday matinee shows are well supported. Jean-Pierre has the email addresses of all members who belong to this group and he will mail details when reduced prices are available – which is not often! However they do have a slightly reduced price for pensioners.</p>	<p>Jenny Janisch 012 460-8270</p>