

# USC EMERITI CENTER

## **Emeriti Center College**

### USC Emeriti Center College Enrichment Courses- Spring 2011

For further updates concerning the following courses please visit the Emeriti Center College website at [www.usc.edu/ecc](http://www.usc.edu/ecc). All are welcome!

#### **The Great Decisions Lecture Series – Skirball Cultural Center, Los Angeles**

**Thursdays, January 27; February 10, 24; March 10, 24; April 7, 21; and May 5, 2011;  
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

The USC Emeriti Center College in collaboration with the Skirball Cultural Center is offering a series of eight discussions with USC faculty on key foreign policy challenges.

**Erroll G. Sothers, Ph.D., Michael Parks, Ph.D., Alison Dundes Renteln, Ph.D.,** are confirmed speakers.

#### **The Play's the Thing – Investigating Theatre's Literature, Performance, Audience Response - University of Southern California, UPC**

**Mondays, February 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2011; 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

This class will range freely among some disparate plays, classic to modern, such as *Oedipus Rex*, *Antigone*, *The Tempest*, *Glass Menagerie*, *Arcadia*. The focus will be on questions of performance, on analysis of meaning and historical importance, and why we respond the way we do to issues of empathy.

**Jim Kincaid, Ph.D., Robert Scales, Ph.D., and Michael Arbib, Ph.D.**

#### **The Huntington Library Speakers Series, Pasadena**

**Wednesday, May 4, 2011; 7:30 p.m.**

The Japanese Arts and Culture Lecture Series sponsored by the USC Emeriti Center in memory of Professor Noboru Inamoto and the Langham Huntington Hotel and Spa Pasadena will be inaugurated on Wednesday, May 4 at 7:30 p.m. in Friendship Hall at the Huntington. **Professor Ken Brown** will lecture on "Evolution and Variety in the History of Japanese Gardens in Pre-Modern Japan and Modern America."

#### **Vocal Gymnastics – University of Southern California, UPC**

**Spring 2011; six-week course**

The rule of vocal cords is simple, use 'em or lose 'em! This six-week course is planned to offset some of that change in vocal efficiency, using simple singing exercises that help regain some of the vigor of past days. One need not be an operatic perfectionist; precision in singing is not the goal. Proper exercise is.

**William Thomson, Ph.D.**

## **Piano for Seniors Course – University of Southern California, UPC, Andrus Gerontology Center**

**Thursdays, January 27; February 10, 17, 24; March 3, 10 17, 24, 2011; 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
Join colleagues for this eight-week course, learn to play popular songs of your choosing, and have fun in the process.

**Robert Lipson, master pianist and accompanist**

## **Introduction to Social Media: How to Use Facebook – South Pasadena**

**Spring 2011; three sessions**

Learn how simple new forms of technology can be! Learn to set up a Facebook account and network with friends. Form communities around common interests.

**Robert Stallings, Ph.D., and Katie Walker, Gerontology graduate student**

## **Guided Autobiography and Computer Course – USC's Orange County Center**

**Irvine, Wednesdays, Spring 2011; ten sessions**

Write and share life stories with others as a way to find new meaning in life as the uncertainties of the past, and the contradictions, paradoxes and events of life are put into perspective.

Join the computer course and learn simple page layout, scanning photos, internet resources, book planning and design, and much more.

**Cheryl Svensson, Ph.D., and Anita Reyes, MA, MS**

## **Intergenerational Forum on Global Change – Honors House Residence, USC, UPC**

**Thursdays, January 27; February 24; March 24; and April 21, 2011; 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Join us for great conversations about pressing contemporary issues. The *Economist* (on-line) is encouraged as a common source of topics and information.

**Jack Wills, Ph.D., James Moore, Ph.D., and Jerry Walker, Ph.D.**

## **Wisdom Course – Davis School of Gerontology, USC, UPC**

**Spring 2011**

Join Professor Bob Knight, Davis School of Gerontology, as he guides participants through topics such as: How wise are we? An overview of psychological definitions of wisdom and discussion of where participants feel that they are in developing wisdom.

**Bob. G. Knight, Ph.D.**

<http://www.usc.edu/dept/gero/faculty/Knight/>

## **Half Century Trojans – Going Back To College Day – USC, UPC**

**Thursday, February 17, 2011; 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

This event provides an annual opportunity for Half Century Trojans to return to campus on a typical school day to engage in academic, cultural and spirit-related activities. Events will include classroom lectures, lunch, and guided tours.

**Abraham Lowenthal, Ph.D., and Sharon Walker, Ph.D.,** are confirmed speakers.

Please refer to link below for further details:

[http://alumni.usc.edu/spotlight/going\\_back\\_to\\_college\\_day\\_2011.html](http://alumni.usc.edu/spotlight/going_back_to_college_day_2011.html)