



PROGRAMS IN MEMORY OF

Joseph H. Levine

Policies

Cancellation

When appropriate, Golden Slipper Gems will issue a credit, not a refund.

Credit

Credit will not be given after the first day of classes except in the event of illness or injury. Written documentation from a physician is required.

Registration

Please visit

GoldenSlipperGems.org

Click on "Gems Learning during Covid-19"

Couples or friends: It is required that each individual of a couple or friends register separately

Registration by credit card only via our website

**Program Sponsor
Bernard and Etta
Weinberg Fund**



**GOLDEN SLIPPER
Gems**

Mainline Director

Moriah SimonHazani

MSimonHazani@goldenslipper.org

610-359-8632, option 2

Bucks County Director

Lettie Switzer

LSwitzer@goldenslipper.org

267-984-0722

Enrichment
for Older Adults

GoldenSlipperGems.org
LIKE us on Facebook



MARCH PROGRAM

2021



GOLDEN SLIPPER

Gems

The History of
Comedy!



Enrichment
for Older Adults

GoldenSlipperGems.org
LIKE us on Facebook



Welcome to Golden Slipper Gems

MARCH PROGRAM 2021

MONDAYS 4 WEEKS FEB 22 - MARCH 15

Speakers Bureau

► 11-12 PM | COURSE FEE: \$34

Each week we bring you an exceptional variety of topics and speakers. Our line-up of guests includes (in order of appearance): Naftali Aklum, Co-Founder Yerus Project, *Ethiopian Jews Past and Present*; Adena Astrowsky, Author and Speaker, *A Study of the Recent Rise in Hate Crimes*; Dr. Adam Gremerman, Associate Director of the Institute for Jewish-Catholic Relations, Saint Joseph's University, *The Christian Churches and Israel*; Lettie Switzer, Director, Golden Slipper Gems in Bucks County, *My Journey from Mormonism to Judaism*.



TUESDAYS 4 WEEKS FEB 23 - MARCH 16

Moral Issues in Popular Films

► 11-12 PM | COURSE FEE: \$34

Instructor: Dr. Katherine Henn, Retired Professor of Philosophy

In this journey, we will discuss the moral and philosophical principles in popular films that demonstrate these principles and their application in various situations. Each film selection is coordinated with specific principles. The morality principles will reflect four historical time periods: the Classical era, the Enlightenment period, the Age of Science, and today's (Modern/Post-Modern) world. Even a familiar film will reveal new insights when viewed from these key moral perspectives. Some films contain adult content/language.



4 WEEKS FEB 23 - MARCH 16

The History of Comedy

► 1:30-2:30 PM | COURSE FEE: \$34

Instructor: Dr. John Paul Spiro, Assoc. Teaching Professor, Villanova University

This course will survey some of the major practitioners of comedy from Aristophanes to Larry David and Tina Fey. We will explore comedy as a genre (or a family of genres), as a stance and as a world-view. Some questions we will ask and attempt to answer: Is comedy subversive or conservative? Is it local or universal? What makes something or someone funny? What does comedy show us about ourselves? We will consider plays, novels, films, television, the visual arts and stand-up.



WEDNESDAYS

4 WEEKS FEB 24 - MARCH 17

Funny Girls - The Music of Fanny Brice & Barbara Streisand

► 11-12 PM | COURSE FEE: \$34

Instructor: Leila Joffe, MFA, American Conservatory Theater, Member AFTRA, Screen Actors Guild and Actors Equity

Fania Borach, known professionally as Fanny Brice or Fannie Brice, was an American comedienne, singer, theater and film actress who made many stage, radio, and film appearances. She is known as the creator and star of the top-rated radio comedy series *The Baby Snooks Show*. She was one of the Ziegfeld Follies' most famous stars. The Broadway musical *Funny Girl*, starring Barbra Streisand, was based on her life. In this course, we will take an in-depth look not only at Fanny Brice, but also at the powerful icon who brought her life story to the Broadway stage, Barbra Streisand.



THURSDAYS

4 WEEKS FEB 25 - MARCH 18

Political Affairs

► 11-12 PM | COURSE FEE: \$34

Instructor: Susan Myers, Graduate of Brandeis University, National Leader of American Jewish Congress, Founder of JSPAN, Adult Education Lecturer

Join us as our esteemed speaker discusses politics, including current national and international topics in the news.



4 WEEKS FEB 25 - MARCH 18

Religion and the Constitution

► 1:30-2:30PM | COURSE FEE \$34

Instructor: Alan Gershenson, Lawyer and Lecturer

The First Amendment to the Constitution prohibits any laws respecting establishment of religion or the free exercise thereof. But what constitutes "establishment of religion," and what happens when the "free exercise" thereof impinges on the rights of others or upon established societal norms? In this course, we will discuss how the courts have wrestled with these issues.

