



LLI Summer 2022 Catalog

Class: **22SU01** **Mosquito & Tick Management: Pesticide Reduction for Pollinator Protection (1 Session)**

The Virginia Cooperative Extension Service provides the following information:

For mosquitoes:

- the most common mosquitoes in Virginia, their life cycle, and when and where they are most active
- the most effective non-chemical way to reduce mosquito populations in yards and communities
- the best ways to protect against mosquito bites
- how to protect pollinators and other beneficial critters

For ticks:

- key identification information for the most common ticks in Virginia
- how they spread disease
- the safest ways to avoid and repel them
- what to do if you find a tick on people or pets
- types of tick-borne diseases and symptoms of Lyme Disease and Rocky Mountain Fever

Date/Time: Tue, May 31, 1:30-3:00 PM

Location: NOVA CC Bldg, Room 217

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 43

Coordinator: Nan Peck

Instructor: **KASHA HELGET** is a master naturalist and board member of the Arlington Regional Master Naturalists (ARMN). She researched and assisted in developing outreach materials involving mosquitoes and ticks with the Virginia Cooperative Extension Service, members of the Master Gardeners of Northern Virginia, and ARMN.

Class: **22SU02** **The 2nd Amendment (1 Session)**

This class will examine the roots of the 2nd Amendment from the colonial era to the present via court decisions.

Date/Time: Thu, Jun 2, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: NOVA CN Bldg, Room 203

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 78

Coordinator: Nan Peck

Instructor: **WES CLARK** is a former Justice Department prosecutor. He was also a federal attorney for over 38 years. The last 20 years Wes was with the Drug Enforcement Agency.

Class: 22SU03 The Wildlife of Uganda (1 Session)

Uganda is an East African country teeming with birds and other wildlife. William Young will talk about the natural history of the country, with special emphasis on birds and mammals.

Date/Time: Wed, Jun 8, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: ONLINE

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 97

Coordinator: Philippa Centini

Instructor: **WILLIAM YOUNG** is a writer who lives in Arlington, VA. His book "The Fascination of Birds: From the Albatross to the Yellowthroat" examines the relationship between birds, biology, environment, history, linguistics, art, and other areas. He is the co-creator of the MPNature.com website, which contains a wealth of information about the natural history of Monticello Park in Alexandria. William teaches classes and makes presentations about birds and nature for numerous groups in the Greater Washington area.

Class: 22SU04 Fort Washington and Fort Foote National Parks (1 Session)

A National Park Ranger will give us a tour of Fort Washington. The Fort has stood as a silent sentry defending the nation's capital for over 180 years. It is one of the few remaining seacoast forts. Then a few minutes down the road we will do a self-guided tour of Fort Foote National Park. Come see the two cannons that are still there, along with the remains of the fort's earthworks. These forts were part of the wartime defenses of Washington, D.C. during the American Civil War and were also used briefly during the First and Second World Wars. **Notes: This event is open to LLI members and guests. If you wish to invite friends and family (i.e., non-member guests), when you register select the total number of participants you are registering (maximum 6) and include the names and email addresses of the guests so that we can contact them if necessary. Fort Washington National Park: 13551 Fort Washington Road, Fort Washington, MD 20744. Fort Foote National Park: 8915 Fort Foote Rd, Fort Washington, MD 20744. Carpooling is encouraged. Accessibility: Walking on paved and uneven surfaces, some slight hills.**

Date/Time: Thu, Jun 9, 09:45-12:30 (Note time)

Location: Fort Washington National Park

Class Size: Min. 5, Max. 30

Coordinator: Debi Hunsberger

Instructor: A National Park Ranger will lead part of this excursion.

Class: 22SU05 Applying the Science of Learning to Improve the Learning of Science (1 Session)

This class will provide an overview of several areas of research about how people learn, including conceptual frameworks, pre- and misconceptions, and metacognition (awareness of one's own thought processes). It will explore the implications of this research on changing the nature of teaching and learning in higher education and some of the structural barriers of the current higher education system that limits more widespread application of this work.

Date/Time: Tue, Jun 14, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: NOVA CN Bldg, Room 203

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 78

Coordinator: Philippa Centini

Instructor: **JAY B. LABOV**, Ph.D., served as Senior Advisor for Education and Communication at the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine in Washington, D.C., before retiring in 2018. He has directed or contributed to some 30 National Academies reports on K-12 and undergraduate, teacher, and international education. He was Director of the National Academies' Teacher Advisory Council, directed the committee that authored Science, Evolution, and Creationism, and oversaw efforts to confront challenges to teaching evolution in the nation's public schools. He currently serves as a Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow.

Class: 22SU06 Drumfolk (1 Session)

Electrifying percussive dance fused with contemporary art forms fuels Step Afrika!'s latest production, Drumfolk, which was inspired by events in the colony of South Carolina. The Stono Rebellion by slaves in 1739 resulted in the passage of the Negro Act of 1740 that prohibited enslaved Africans from growing their own food, reading, assembling, or beating their drums, which were used to signal the uprising. They took away the drums, but they could not stop the beat. This is the story of a movement that could not be stopped and transformed African American culture from then to the present day.

NOTE: Registration and payment are required not later than noon on May 18, 2022. Cost is \$59 for LLI/NOVA members, \$64 for non-members. To register and for more information go to

<https://llinova.org/courses/event-calendar/#!event/2022/6/14/stepafrika-drumfolk-at-the-arena-stage>

Date/Time: Wed, Jun 15, 12:00 PM (Note time)

Location: Arena Stage

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 50

Coordinator: Anna Dixon

Instructor: This event requires no instructor.

Class: 22SU07 The Borders of Our Minds (1 Session)

In his latest book on travel, history, and culture, "Postcards from the Borderlands", historian and journalist David Mould explores the meaning of borders. Are they simply political and geographical, marked by posts, walls, and fences, or should we think of them more broadly? Some borders, set by surveys and treaties, take no account of geography, language, and culture. There are borders within countries—physical, economic, or social. Finally, there are the borders of our minds—the way we may think of unfamiliar places. David's journey begins with maps and cartoons that poke fun at how we view other parts of the U.S. He moves on to the carve-up of Africa, the artificial (and often straight-line) borders drawn by colonial powers. In South Asia, he explores what *The Economist* called "the world's craziest border" between India and Bangladesh. He ends up in Central Asia, in that gerrymandered jumble of former Soviet republics whose names end in -stan.

Date/Time: Thu, Jun 16, 7:00-8:30 PM (Online Only)

Location: ONLINE

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 97

Coordinator: Richard Robison

Instructor: **DAVID MOULD**, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus of Media Arts and Studies at Ohio University, has traveled widely in Asia and southern Africa. Born in the UK, he worked as a newspaper and television journalist before moving to the US in 1978. His travel essays and articles have been published in *Newsweek*, *Christian Science Monitor*, *Times Higher Education*, *History News Network*, and other print and online outlets. His books include "Postcards from the Borderlands" (Open Books, 2020), "Monsoon Postcards: Indian Ocean Journeys" (Ohio University Press, 2019) and "Postcards from Stanland: Journeys in Central Asia" (Ohio University Press, 2016).

Class: 22SU08 Virginia Snake Identification: Overview and Discussion (1 Session)

This session will help you accurately identify native snake species and provide helpful information about Virginia snakes in hopes of improving the community's comfort level when encountering these amazing creatures!

Date/Time: Mon, Jun 20, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, Room 304

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 40

Coordinator: Richard Robison

Instructor: **BILL CRISP**, a wildlife control officer and member of the Virginia Herpetological Society, has been working with native and non-native snakes and other reptiles for over 20 years. Before his current position with K2C Wildlife Encounters, LLC, he owned Crisp B Creatures, a small reptile business that provided information on reptile and snake awareness, educational demonstrations, and reptile rehoming. Bill has training and experience in handling and relocating non-venomous and venomous snakes, and has instructed Prince William County Animal Control and forest rangers.

Class: 22SU09 Geologic History of the Chesapeake Bay and Virginia's Barrier Islands (1 Session)

35 million years ago a meteor impact formed a massive crater that resulted in the birth of the Chesapeake Bay. We will discuss the origin and subsequent geologic evolution of the bay as well as the formation and modification of the barrier islands of Maryland and Virginia's Eastern Shore.

Date/Time: Tue, Jun 21, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: ONLINE

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 97

Coordinator: Philippa Centini

Instructor: **BARRY CENTINI** has a Ph.D. in geology from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. He has been offering geology and science classes to LLI members for several years and is an LLI member.

Class: 22SU10 Two Dozen Ways to Serve Chicken (1 Session)

Every cook has a selection of favorite chicken recipes. This class will present new ideas along with recipes and cooking tips. **NOTE: There is a fee of \$5 per person payable at the door.**

Date/Time: Wed, Jun 22, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, Room 304

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 25

Coordinator: Bonnie Hopley

Instructor: **CALVIN KRAFT** attended *L'Academie de Cuisine* and The Culinary Institute of America and has taught culinary classes. He worked in the corporate world of the travel and hospitality industry for 30 years. After retiring, he was the owner and executive chef of Dinner Is Served LLC, a personal chef/catering operation.

Class: 22SU11 Is Silence Violence? Pius XII, the Vatican, and WWII - Arguments, Evidence, and Recent Developments (1 Session)

At what point does one become morally obligated to publicly denounce crimes against humanity? The record of Pope Pius XII and the Vatican during the Second World War in Europe (1939-45) has long remained a subject of consternation because of the absence of any explicit denunciation of the Holocaust. Did the Pope, a canon lawyer and diplomat by training, know of the efforts to destroy the Jews of Europe? If so, why did he not speak out? Did he attempt to act, and if so, did he succeed or fail? The recent opening of the Vatican Apostolic Archives (formerly known as the Vatican Secret Archives) provides fresh opportunity to examine a research question of profound importance to the Catholic Church and to all humanity.

Date/Time: Fri, Jun 24, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: NOVA CN Bldg, Room 126

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 68

Coordinator: Nan Peck

Instructor: **MARK R. ROYCE**, Ph.D., is assistant professor of international relations at NOVA-Annandale. He is a frequent essayist and lecturer on the intersection of religion and politics and international relations and law.

Class: 22SU12 Science: Reality or Opinion? (1 Session)

There are many in our culture and worldwide who believe science is just another opinion among many. Not so. Using chemistry as an exemplar, the following will be discussed: (a) sources of science information, (b) publishers of science, (c) where research is done and who does it, (d) how science information is vetted, (e) errors and fraud in science, and (f) science education.

Date/Time: Wed, Jun 29, 1:30-3:00 PM

Location: St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, Room 304

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 40

Coordinator: Paul Hopler

Instructor: **LORRIN GARSON** was involved for 30 years at the American Chemical Society with the development of methods to acquire and disseminate chemical information electronically. He is an expert in database development, traditional online systems, optical media, the World Wide Web, and related areas. During this period and after retirement in 2004 he used several types of computers (AMOS, Unix, Windows, and macOS) and programmed in several languages. He holds a B.A. in chemistry from the University of California at Riverside, and an M.S. and Ph.D. in chemistry from the University of

Class: 22SU13 Gold in Local History (1 Session)

This talk covers a bit of the chemistry, physics, and applications of gold: its role in world and U.S. history, mining and processing techniques, local gold discoveries and mines, and some regional legends involving gold.

Date/Time: Thu, Jun 30, 1:30-3:00 PM

Location: NOVA CN Bldg, Room 227

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 78

Coordinator: Philippa Centini

Instructor: **BRIAN SLAWSKI** serves as vice president and programs chair of the Burke Historical Society. He works as a utility patent examiner at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and is pursuing a master's degree in chemical engineering from the University of Virginia. Brian's interest in history was sparked by his fourth grade teacher, and in local history, by his mom's long-time volunteer activities with the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum.

Class: 22SU14 Affective Partisanship: The Disunited State of America (1

This presentation discusses the factors driving the increased anger evident in American politics today.

Date/Time: Tue, Jul 5, 1:30-3:00 PM

Location: NOVA CN Bldg, Room 126

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 68

Coordinator: Nan Peck

Instructor: **JACK LEHELDT** is professor of political science and history at NOVA-Alexandria. He holds a Ph.D. from the University of South Carolina.

Class: 22SU15 Genealogy (1 Session)

This class focuses on how to research genealogy, with an emphasis on immigration from the United Kingdom to New England.

Date/Time: Thu, Jul 7, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: NOVA CN Bldg, Room 126

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 68

Coordinator: Nan Peck

Instructor: **WES CLARK** is a former Justice Department prosecutor. He was also a federal attorney for over 38 years. The last 20 years Wes was with the Drug Enforcement Agency.

Class: 22SU16 You Earned it! Why Not Claim It? (1 Session)

This class will discuss the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) both at the federal and state levels, and the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program for low-income working families in Virginia, with a focus on eligibility, benefits, and how to file. The class will also cover legislative efforts that aim to reduce the tax credit and the benefits for those receiving temporary assistance under TANF.

Date/Time: Fri, Jul 8, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: ONLINE

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 97

Coordinator: Philippa Centini

Instructor: **JOHN HOREJSI** is the founder and coordinator of Social Action Linking Together (SALT), a network of 1,300 volunteers in Virginia. SALT inspires members to propose and shape fair public social policies by educating policy makers and advocating for the poor and powerless.

Class: 22SU17 Italian Art: High Renaissance and Mannerism (4 Sessions)

This class will examine works by the giants of the High Renaissance—Leonardo, Michelangelo, and Raphael—then move to Mannerism featuring Parmigianino, Tintoretto, and others. In the 16th century, the focus of new developments in Italian art moved from Florence, where the Renaissance had begun, to Rome and patronage by the Papal court. The High Renaissance filled the first quarter of the century, abruptly ending with the sack of Rome in 1527 by troops of the Holy Roman Empire. Most of High Renaissance work in painting, sculpture, and architecture was characterized by calm and order. The Late Renaissance, known as Mannerism, followed with often tense and agitated art based on works of earlier artists.

Dates/Time: Tue, Jul 12; Jul 19; Jul 26; Aug 2, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: ONLINE

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 97

Coordinator: Nan Peck

Instructor: **ROZ HOAGLAND** is a retired art historian with a B.A. from Marietta College and an M.A. from Penn State. She taught at NOVA for 40 years and also at the Corcoran College of Art + Design and gave lectures at the US State Department Training Center. In retirement she continues to take groups to Europe for study tours focusing on art, architecture, historic, and unusual sites. Since 1999 she has led 55 trips to over 20 countries.

Class: 22SU18 Tale of Four Rosies (1 Session)

We will discuss the four women who formed the basis of the World War II Rosie the Riveter phenomenon and how this name was applied to the general population of female war workers.

Date/Time: Wed, Jul 13, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: NOVA CN Bldg, Room 126

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 68

Coordinator: Thomas Plewes

Instructor: DENNIS VAN DERLASKE is a member of University of Mary Washington ElderStudy in Fredericksburg. He frequently lectures on topics of “vernacular history.” Dennis is a past member of the Prince William County Historical Commission, currently serves on the board of the Prince William County Historical Society, and is on the curriculum committee for ElderStudy.

Class: 22SU19 Cortez and the Aztecs (1 Session)

A small group of Spaniards took down the Aztec Empire. Learn how they did it and their lasting impact on Mexico

Date/Time: Thu, Jul 14, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: Theater, Village Square, Greenspring

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 40

Coordinator: Doug Johnson

Instructor: CHARLES McCLELLAND grew up in the Panama Canal Zone and has traveled extensively throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. He studied in Mexico, was a Peace Corps volunteer in Colombia, and is a professional instructor and adjunct professor at Georgetown University. In his spare time Charles is a guest lecturer on several cruise lines.

Class: 22SU20 Cooking Shellfish (1 Session)

Attendees of Chef Cal's classes asked for this class and here it is. Learn how to handle, cook, and serve shellfish. Recipes provided. **NOTE: There is a fee of \$5.00 per person payable at the door.**

Date/Time: Wed, Jul 20, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, Room 304

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 25

Coordinator: Bonnie Hopley

Instructor: CALVIN KRAFT attended *L'Academie de Cuisine* and The Culinary Institute of America and has taught culinary classes. He worked in the corporate world of the travel and hospitality industry for 30 years. After retiring, he was the owner and executive chef of Dinner Is Served LLC, a personal chef/catering operation.

Class: 22SU21 Incorporating Mindfulness Into Your Life (1 Session)

Research shows that mindfulness as a practice and way of life can lead to improved health and well-being. This class provides an introduction to mindfulness meditation with an emphasis on practical exercises.

Date/Time: Fri, Jul 22, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: NOVA CN Bldg, Room 126

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 68

Coordinator: Nan Peck

Instructor: **DEANNA DeGIDIO** has been a full-time faculty member at NOVA since 2008. She earned a Master's Degree in Clinical/Counseling Psychology and worked in that area for years. Deanna provided counseling, assessment, and behavior modification for those with mental health issues and training for the family and professionals working with them. She also completed graduate coursework at New York University's Gallatin School, where she studied morality and ethics from the perspectives of philosophy and social science.

Class: 22SU22 Bayeux Tapestry: Breaking News from 1066 (1 Session)

The Bayeux Tapestry is the 900 year old pictorial account of how William the Conqueror crossed the English Channel, won the Battle of Hastings, and changed the course of English history. Questions swirl around the Tapestry's origin and purpose. It became a symbol of power as well as art. Townspeople saved it during the French Revolution, Napoleon displayed it to enhance his own status, and the Nazis tried to appropriate its ethnic background. The very survival of 230 feet of fabric through centuries of wear and warfare has earned it a UNESCO designation of Memory of the World.

Date/Time: Wed, Jul 27, 1:30-3:00 PM

Location: NOVA CN Bldg, Room 126

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 68

Coordinator: Philippa Centini

Instructor: **BONNIE BECKER**, a former high school history and geography teacher, was with the Fairfax County Public Schools Office of Human Relations for 27 years and has been an adjunct instructor for the University of Virginia. She currently teaches adult ESL with the Washington English Center.

Class: 22SU23 Border Search Authority (1 Session)

This class will address what federal officials can search when crossing over U.S. borders.

Date/Time: Thu, Aug 4, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: NOVA CN Bldg, Room 203

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 78

Coordinator: Nan Peck

Instructor: **WES CLARK** is a former Justice Department prosecutor. He was also a federal attorney for over 38 years. The last 20 years Wes was with the Drug Enforcement Agency.

Class: 22SU24 Richard Risk's Poetry and You (4 Sessions)

Join us for one of LLI/NOVA's long-time favorite classes and learn how poetry can enrich your life. We share poems -- contemporary or classic -- illustrating a theme, occasion, form, or school/movement, or we may read and discuss poems as selected by the class. This class is dedicated to the memory of Richard Risk who established Poetry and You and was one of LLI/NOVA's founding members.

Dates/Time: Fri, Aug 5; Aug 12; Aug 19; Aug 26, 1:30-3:30 PM (Note time)

Location: Little River United Church of Christ, Room 8

Class Size: Min. 8, Max. 25

Coordinator: Marianne Moerman

Instructor: **KATHRYN O'TOOLE** joined LLI/NOVA in 2011 and recently served on the LLI/NOVA Board of Directors. She is especially fond of LLI/NOVA's poetry offerings and is active with the organization's Favorite Books Special Interest Group (SIG). She received her B.A. from the University of California.

Class: 22SU25 Working Locally: D.C. Area Artists (1 Session)

We often think of artists flocking to New York or the West Coast to study and practice; however, many artists have made the D.C. area their home. In this presentation we will look at some of the creative people who have lived, taught, and worked locally and continue to make D.C. a vibrant artistic community.

Date/Time: Tue, Aug 9, 1:30-3:00 PM

Location: ONLINE

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 97

Coordinator: Philippa Centini

Instructor: **SARA SHOOB** is a graduate of Boston University. She has a background in teaching and educational administration with an emphasis in history, social studies, and the arts. Sara currently works as a docent at the Smithsonian American Art Museum and Renwick Gallery. She has presented a number of classes for LLI and loves sharing her passion for art.

Class: 22SU26 Park Ranger Grab Bag: Part 1 (1 Session)

Join Park Rangers from the National Mall and Memorial Parks cadre as they present on a topic of their choice based on Ranger availability. Past presentations have focused on memorials, famous historical figures, and significant events in U.S. History, among others.

Date/Time: Wed, Aug 10, 1:30-3:00 PM

Location: Mason District Governmental Center, Large Room

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 50

Coordinator: Debi Hunsberger

Instructor: **BRAD BERGER** has a B.A. in European history and an M.A. in American colonial history. Brad served in the Federal Republic of Germany as a security specialist in the U.S. Air Force and interned for the National Park Service at Harpers Ferry National Historic Park. Ranger Berger currently serves at the National Mall and Memorial Parks in Washington, D.C., where he helps coordinate operations for presidential inaugurations, annual national Independence Day celebrations, and National Cherry Blossom Festivals.

JENNIFER EPSTEIN graduated from Gettysburg College and is an education specialist for the National Mall and Memorial Parks in Washington, DC. She demonstrated her historical and educational background through work in education and at several National Park Service sites such as Gettysburg National Military Park, Adams National Historical Park, Mount Rushmore National Memorial, and Jamestown National Historic Site.

SUSAN PHILPOTT is a Park Ranger with the Belmont-Paul Women's Equality National Monument in Washington, D.C. For more than 90 years the site has been the headquarters of the National Woman's Party founded by Alice Paul. The 200 year old house on Capitol Hill is now a museum dedicated to the fight for woman suffrage and the ongoing struggle for women's equality. Susan has been an interpreter for the National Park Service for over 10 years. She earned her bachelor's and master's degrees in public history from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC.) She loves to engage visitors with the history of freedom and justice in the United States and explore the stories of those who work for social change.

BETHANY BAGENT began her National Park Service career at the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial (St. Louis, MO) where she spent two summers as a seasonal. In March, 1999, she joined the staff at the National Mall and Memorial Parks. Bethany is currently involved in various projects ranging from event planning to education programs.

Class: 22SU27 Park Ranger Grab Bag: Part 2 (1 Session)

See "Park Ranger Grab Bag: Part 1" for details about the classes to be presented this term.

Date/Time: Wed, Aug 17, 1:30-3:00 PM

Location: Mason District Governmental Center, Large Room

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 50

Coordinator: Debi Hunsberger

Instructor: One or more of the Park Rangers listed in Part 1 will present this class.

Class: 22SU28 It's All About Eggs (1 Session)

Eggs are a good choice for breakfast, lunch, or dinner. This class is ALL about eggs. Recipes provide.

NOTE: There is a \$5.00 per person fee payable at the door.

Date/Time: Wed, Aug 24, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, Room 304.

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 25

Coordinator: Bonnie Hopler

Instructor: **CALVIN KRAFT** attended *L'Academie de Cuisine* and The Culinary Institute of America and has taught culinary classes. He worked in the corporate world of the travel and hospitality industry for 30 years. After retiring, he was the owner and executive chef of Dinner Is Served LLC, a personal chef/catering operation.

Class: 22SU29 Park Ranger Grab Bag: Part 3 (1 Session)

See "Park Ranger Grab Bag: Part 1" for details about the classes to be presented this term.

Date/Time: Wed, Aug 24, 1:30-3:00 PM

Location: Mason District Governmental Center, Large Room

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 50

Coordinator: Debi Hunsberger

Instructor: One or more of the Park Rangers listed in Part 1 will present this class.

Class: 22SU30 Magical Prague: A Virtual Visit

Come explore the city of Prague in this short virtual visit. Understand its history and discover its art and architecture from the Hradčany Castle to Wenceslas Square.

Date/Time: Wed, Aug 24, 7:00-8:30 PM (Online Only)

Location: ONLINE

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 97

Coordinator: Richard Robison

Instructor: **MELANIE LA FORCE** has a master's degree in public policy from George Washington University and worked for the Environmental Protection Agency. She is a Master Naturalist and a Certified Master Guide and Board Member of the Guild of Professional Tour Guides of Washington, D.C. She is fluent in French, enjoys leading tours in Washington, D.C. and the surrounding area, and loves to travel. She has visited Prague, the city of her ancestors, three times.

Class: 22SU31 The Birds of Central America (1 Session)

Central America is a long curving isthmus separating the Pacific Ocean on the west and the Caribbean Sea on the east. It occupies only 0.4% of the earth's land surface but contains 12.5% of the global bird species. Almost 1200 species comprise the core avifauna of the region, of which some 950 are native breeders and the rest migrant species from the north. Central America has cloud forests in the central highlands, dry scrubby forests in the valleys, lower altitude tropical rain forests, and tropical coastal areas. Join me for a discussion of my travels through Honduras and Guatemala where you might observe hummingbirds, trogons, motmots, tanagers, and a host of other birds that call Central America home or migrate there during our winter.

Date/Time: Wed, Aug 31, 10:00-11:30 AM

Location: NOVA CN Bldg, Room 126

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 68

Coordinator: Barry Centini

Instructor: **LARRY CARTWRIGHT** has been a nature lover most of his life, especially of birds and bats, and has recently begun exploring the world of insects and frogs. He conducts the Dyke Marsh Breeding Bird Survey for the National Park Service, runs the Bluebird Nest Box Program for Huntley Meadows Park, and is the coordinator of the DC Christmas Bird Count, and the Audubon Society of Northern Virginia's Winter Waterfowl Count. He has won several conservation awards, including the Virginia Society of Ornithology's Jackson Abbott Award in 2013.

Class: 22SU32 Park Ranger Grab Bag: Part 4 (1 Session)

See "Park Ranger Grab Bag: Part 1" for details about the classes to be presented this term.

Date/Time: Wed, Aug 31, 1:30-3:00 PM

Location: Mason District Governmental Center, Large Room

Class Size: Min. 10, Max. 50

Coordinator: Debi Hunsberger

Instructor: One or more of the Park Rangers listed in Part 1 will present this class.

Class: 22SU33 Afternoon Tea with Mrs. B (1 Session)

Tea with Mrs. B., a special event tearoom in a whimsical old warehouse in Falls Church, features etiquette training and camps primarily catering to children, but also accommodates adults for special events. Brush up on your manners while enjoying a delicious afternoon tea consisting of sandwiches, scones, and a variety of confections. This in-person event is open to LLI/NOVA members for \$52 and non-members for \$57; cost does not include transportation. **Register by September 7 at 12:00 noon.** Directions: From I-66 East take Exit 68. Turn right on North Westmoreland Street and left on Fairfax Drive. Proceed to the first intersection with a right onto Little Falls Drive and left onto West Jefferson Street. Tea with Mrs. B is on the right at 136 West Jefferson Street.

Date/Time: Thu, Sep 15, 2:00-3:00 PM (Note time)

Location: Tea With Mrs. B.

Class Size: Min. 8, Max. 20

Coordinator: Bonnie Hopley

Instructor: This event requires no instructor.