

## **Stripping Kentucky's Beauty: Mountaintop-Removal through the Eyes of Kentucky Writers**

After watching an excellent documentary entitled *Coal Country*, we'll examine essays, interviews, and documentaries focused on the devastating environmental, social, financial, and physical impacts of Mountaintop-Removal in Appalachia. Some of the writers we'll discuss are: Silas House, Barbara Kingsolver, Wendell Berry, Jason Howard, Erik Reece, and Jack Spadaro. These works never fail to prompt engaging and enlightening discussion.

**INSTRUCTOR:** Karen Morris, M.A., is an adjunct instructor at Bellarmine University. Her love of the Kentucky landscape caused her to research and support the end of Mountain-top Removal in Appalachia.  
**HMAN 450 / 7 Wednesdays / Sept. 19 – Oct. 31 / 6:30 – 8 p.m. / \$69** (\$79 after Sept. 12)

## **Exploring Louisville History**

From legendary individuals like George Rogers Clark and Abraham Lincoln, to landmarks such as Churchill Downs and Olmsted Parks, we'll explore the who, what, when, where and why of Louisville history. We'll also discuss techniques for researching local history topics you want to know more about.

**INSTRUCTOR:** Steve Wiser, AIA, is a Louisville architect, historian, and author. He regularly gives lectures on local history and is three-time president of the Louisville Historical League. He has written *Louisville Tapestry: People and Places who made America's Most Livable City* and *Louisville 2035*.

**HMAN 451 / 2 Wednesdays / Nov. 14 & 21 / 7 – 9 p.m. / \$39** (\$49 after Nov. 7)

## **Cave Hill Walkabout: Reading Nature, Stone, and Symbol**

Cave Hill Cemetery, established in 1848, is one of America's premier, large urban cemeteries. This walking tour of selected sections will focus on tombstone symbolism, some of the unique historic personalities interred within the grounds and the wide range of trees and plantings at Cave Hill.

**Guide:** Clyde F. Crews, Ph.D., is a Louisville historian, priest and professor.

**HMAN 130 / Sunday / Oct. 21 / 1:30 – 4 p.m. / \$35** (\$45 after Oct. 14)

## **Catholicism in America: History and Issues**

Catholicism grew from a handful of British settlers to become the largest denomination in the United States. We'll explore the Catholic imagination as it was transformed by American culture and how it moved beyond the anti-Catholicism that characterized much of its history. We'll discuss: "Is the current multi-presence of Catholics among our political leaders a sign that Catholicism has adapted to the United States or that the United States has adapted to Roman Catholicism?" and "How did Catholics move from being hated and suspect to be so apparently mainstream?"

**INSTRUCTOR:** Rev. Adam Bunnell, OFM Conf., Ph.D., is an historian who has served in several universities and has traveled the world promoting ecumenism and inter religious dialogue. He is currently Special Assistant to the President of Bellarmine University for International and Interfaith Relations.

**HMAN 449 / 7 Thursdays / Sept. 13 – Oct. 25 / 6 - 7:30 p.m. / \$69** (\$79 after Sept. 6)

## **Drawing Without Fear**

Have you ever said "I wish I could draw?" Well, you CAN draw. Take this refreshing course to over-come your fear of not "getting it right." We all See and Draw in different ways... but the process is the same for all. You will discover, and be able to embrace, your own unique style of drawing in this class. We will focus on basic steps to drawing successfully, and on making the Left-brain & Right-brain connection. Each class session will build upon the last to culminate in getting the "whole picture" and being able to relax and enjoy focusing on the world around you.

**INSTRUCTOR:** Susan Lacewell Clements, M.F.A., has taught at the University, College & Museum levels, as well as in the groundbreaking Notre Dame/Memorial Hospital Humanities Project, where she taught Art to practicing Physicians.

**ARTS 171 / 6 Wednesdays / Sept. 19 – Oct. 24 / 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. / \$119** (\$129 after Sept. 12)

## **Lock of Ages: A Guided tour of McAlpine Locks**

At one time, the Falls of the Ohio was the most serious obstruction to navigation on the 981-mile Ohio River. Since the early 1800s the US Army Corps of Engineers has undertaken a series of projects to provide safe and efficient navigation at the Falls. Take a guided tour of the newest completed project – the 1200' lock chamber. Learn interesting information about the history of the river and the Falls area. If timing is just right, you will see a towboat and barges move through the lock.

**GUIDE:** Chuck Parrish is a retired Historian for the US Army Corps of Engineers, Louisville.

**HMAN 415 / Sunday / Oct. 7 / 2 – 4 p.m. / \$35** (\$45 after Sept. 30)

## **Thomas Merton: Insights from a Personal Friend**

Thomas Merton was an acclaimed Catholic spiritual writer, poet, author and social activist. Gain insights on Merton's life, thoughts, and spirituality from one of his personal friends. Dr. Hinson will explore Merton's ecumenical perspectives, his view of monasticism in today's world, his search for the true self, his understanding of contemplation and the need for it in a world of action, his commitment to non-violence and peace, his views on other social issues, and his thoughts regarding spiritual direction.

**INSTRUCTOR:** Glenn Hinson, DPhil (Oxford University), taught Church history at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary for thirty years and served as a guest professor in numerous other schools. Dr. Hinson has published a number of essays on Merton.

**HMAN 456 / 7 Thursdays / Sept 13 – Nov. 1 (except Oct. 18) / 6:30 -8 p.m.**

**\$69** (\$79 after Sept. 6)

## **Zoroastrianism: Ancient Religion of Kurdistan and Persia**

Although very few Americans are familiar with Zoroastrianism, it is one of the great world religions as recognized by religious scholars. This monotheistic religion has much in common with both Christianity and Judaism. We'll explore the history of Zoroastrianism and the important role of Kurdistan in the modern Middle East. A Zoroastrian guest speaker will present one evening.

**INSTRUCTOR:** Roy M. Martin, MBA, MA is a foreign policy consultant and a member of the Director's Circle of The Chicago Council on Global Affairs. Roy is in his eleventh year of teaching for Bellarmine's School of Continuing & Professional Studies.

**HMAN 452 / 2 Mondays / Oct. 1 & 8 / 7 – 9 p.m. / \$49** (\$59 after Sept. 24)

## **The Chinese Century**

What might our world be like at mid-21st century if China replaces the United States as the preeminent global economic power? How might China's increasing presence on the world stage affect the status of U.S. foreign policy and global influence? We'll discuss the continuing rise of China as a global power, look at the changes taking place within the upper echelons of the Chinese Communist Party and explore how these leadership changes may affect China's foreign policy in the future.

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**HMAN 453 / 2 Wednesdays / Sept. 12 & 19 / 7 – 9 p.m. / \$49** (\$59 after Sept. 5)

## **\*\*\*NEW The Fantasy of European Unity**

We'll discuss how the very diverse nations that make up 21st century Europe "fit" into Europe as a whole and explore whether "European unity" is real or merely wishful thinking. We will also discuss the growing immigrant population in Europe, the increasing economic and foreign policy profile of Turkey, and the effects of Russian foreign policy. A guest speaker will address the sometimes controversial role of the Euro currency and the realities of the monetary union.

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**HMAN 454 / 3 Thursdays / Sept. 27 – Oct. 11 / 7 – 9 p.m. / \$59** (\$69 after Sept. 20)

### **The Reemergence of the Political Center**

Are you tired of perpetual conflict between the left and the right? Had enough of political extremism and gridlock? Sick of hearing the two ends of the political spectrum tell us what, in their opinions, is wrong with America? Whatever happened to moderate political leaders? What about optimism? We'll look at the current state of politics in America, with a focus on the urgency of restoring and energizing the political center. We will also preview the upcoming federal and local elections.

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**HMAN 455 / 3 Mondays / Oct. 15 – 29 / 7 – 9 p.m. / \$59** (\$69 after Oct. 8)