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fall • 2021**

*The Renaissance Society  
of Sacramento*

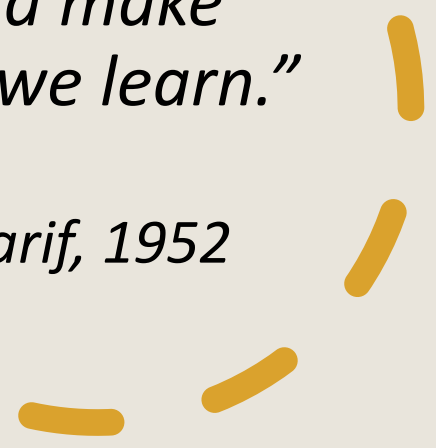
**learn • connect • share**



# patterns in life and nature

*“The more we observe patterns, the more we connect the dots and make sense out of them, the more we learn.”*

—Omar Sharif, 1952





# Sac State greetings



**Dr. Dianne Hyson**  
**Dean**

**College of Social Sciences &  
Interdisciplinary Studies**

**Sac State Renaissance Liaison**



# welcome & agenda

1 Member orientation

2 Moderated rendezvous panel

3 Service – volunteering



Ken Cross • President



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# member orientation

- learn
- connect
- share



Ken Cross



Pam  
O'Brien



Sarah Ryan-  
Roberts

# learn

and the journey  
begins . . .



Pam  
O'Brien

Program  
Committee





# ... in 1986



Origin 1986 – Four seminars and one Forum



1993 Scholarship fund



1996 Gerontology volunteers



2016 Online enrollment and registration



2017 ASI Food Pantry donations



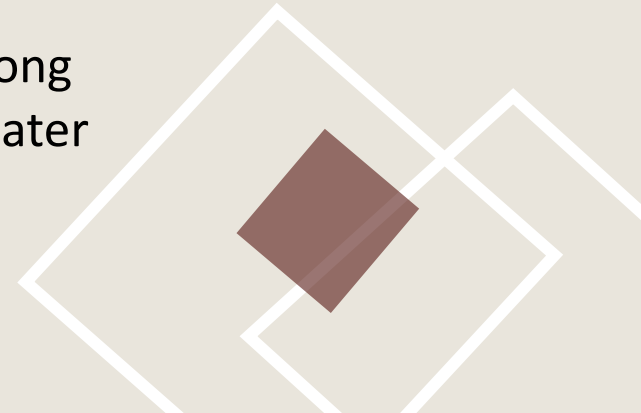
2018 Scholarship fund passes \$200,000



2020 Virtual programs



Sac State faculty push for a lifelong learning community for the Greater Sacramento area



# ... 2021 fall catalog

Embodies RS core values

- Member participation & connection
- Lifelong learning
- Diversity
- Community engagement
- Organizational integrity
- Gratitude & appreciation
- Respect
- Service



Catalog cover: David J. Grenier, renowned photographer and Renaissance member



# ready, set, go . . .



- printable catalog
- flipbook format
- programs at-a-glance

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# printed at-a-glance program schedule



The Renaissance Society of Sacramento  
Fall 2021  
At-a-Glance Program Schedule

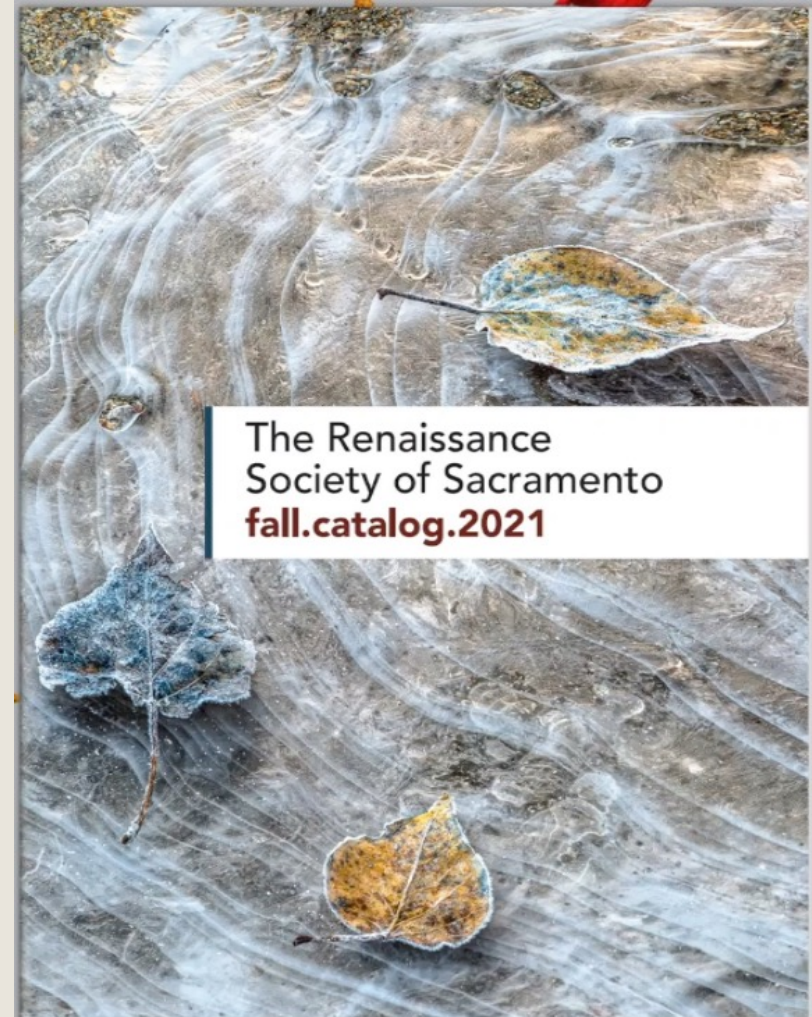
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# flip book



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- Program Schedule At-a-Glance
- Index by Topic
- Index by Program
- Seminar Leader Directory
- Member FAQs
- and much, much more







**seminars**

**shared  
interest  
groups**

**presentations**

**forums**

- **total 107 programs**
- **available Monday through Friday**







- nearly 50 seminars
- peer-to-peer learning
- all or part of semester
- catalog pages 18-35

## seminars

Roger Ebert's Great Movies

Racial Healing Circles: Conversations on Race

Cities of the Ancient World

The Origins of the Judeo-Christian Tradition

Electric Life: Exploring the Biology of Heart and Mind

World of Engineering

Wisdom Questions

All That Jazz – Classic to Cool

and more . . .

### seminars

to supplement discussion with short presentations on relevant topics, such as Bloomsday, Irish History, and Joyce's works. Outside speakers may be invited.

**Dan Rooney** has been a Renaissance Society member since 2006. He is a retired attorney and a graduate of Northwestern Pritzker School of Law. He has an abiding interest in Irish history and literature and has visited Ireland a number of times.

**Jean Cawood** joined the Renaissance Society in 1999 retiring as a high school resource specialist. She has helped to coordinate the Great Books seminar since 2001, co-lead a seminar on the book Don Quixote from 2011-2012, and is currently tech host for Dan Rooney's Ulysses class.

#### Contemporary Thought: Local and Global Perspectives

**The Banality of Evil: Racism, Prejudice, and Fascism: the Original Sins**

Greg Beale  
Thursdays, Sept 9 to Dec 2 (12 weeks)  
2 to 3:30 pm

January 6, 2021, is a date that will live in infamy. For the first time in American History our Capitol was attacked by a mob bent on upending an election and destroying democracy. What were the reasons for this calamity? What drove people to do the unthinkable? The answer lies in a study of racism, prejudice, and fascism. That's right, FASCISM...that word from WWII. America has flirted with it before; and apparently again, it raises its ugly head. The foundation of fascism is racism and prejudice. Fascism needs a foil, a reason to fester and grow, and its fertilizer is racism and prejudice.

**Greg Beale** has taught several seminars for the Renaissance Society. He studies how racism and prejudice has to have affected groups of people throughout the world. He has years of experience in education ranging from teaching to administering programs in mostly lower socio-economic schools. He has

practical experience dealing with the social, economic, and political implications of racism, prejudice, and fascism.



#### Biracial/Multicultural Identity in America

Darryl Omar Freeman  
Fridays, Sept 10 to Dec 10 (13 weeks)  
10 to 11:30 am

This seminar will explore how biracial/multiethnic people navigate life in our diverse society. We will examine how these individuals deal with the ramifications of past discriminatory public policies and public perceptions while developing their personal identity. We will also examine the changing social and political status of interracial relations in this society and how it affects those who participate in those relationships as they navigate life in our diverse society.

**Darryl Omar Freeman**, is an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Ethnic Studies at California State University, Sacramento. He is an accomplished writer, speaker, and social/political issues researcher. His scholarly work focuses on issues of public policy, transformation, and racial/ethnic identity development in our developing U. S. society.

#### Cracker Barrel

Anita Fante  
Co-leader: Per Ostlund  
Friday, Sept 10 to Dec 3 (12 weeks)  
Noon to 1:30 pm

*If a room becomes available, this program will be offered on-campus. Your leader will email you to let you know of any changes.*

This is a year-round, weekly discussion group that emphasizes thoughtful dialogue on current social, political, economic, and cultural issues. Participation in class discussion is not required, but desirable. Prerequisites include good listening skills as well as a tolerance and patience for the values and beliefs expressed by others. Once registered, participants may treat it as a drop-in class.

**Anita Fante** has been an active member of the Cracker Barrel for more than 10 years. Since the pandemic, she helped set up and administer the group starting in the summer of 2020. She has a background in public affairs management for the State of California.

**Per Ostlund** has moderated the Cracker Barrel for more than 5 years.

#### Great American Trials and Constitutional Law

Joel Primes  
Fridays, Sept 10 to Dec 3 (12 weeks)  
Noon to 1:30 pm

If you want to know more about the law and how it works, please join me in exploring some of the great American trials. Each class session discusses a major case and specific area of law. Participants will be able to request a specific case or area of law to be covered. Each step of the case will be broken down to explain and understand how the legal system works. This seminar is fun for all!

**Joel Primes** enjoyed a 37-year career in the California Attorney General's office representing the Department of Consumer Affairs licensing agencies. He also served as a temporary Sacramento County Superior Court judge and a member of the Appellate Mediation Panel for the Third District Court of Appeal. Joel is currently in private practice.



### seminars





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## shared interest groups

Book Group: Great Books  
Discussion Group

Qi Gong

Dining  
Together

Digital Photography

1st Monday Book Group

Writer's Workshop II

Conversational French

Art of the Portrait

Games for Entertainment

A Guided Tour of The University  
Arboretum

and more . . .

shared interest groups



### Digital Photography

Jane Steele  
Co-facilitator: Colleen Wong  
Tuesdays, Sept 14 to Nov 30  
(6 classes and 5 field trips)  
10 to Noon

We are geared toward photographers who are interested in exploring the various modes and settings of their cameras. This year we will explore various techniques in photography, such as architectural photography, shooting the Milky Way, and light trails, just to name a few. The class alternates between class sessions and field trips. Field trips will provide an opportunity to practice what is learned in class. We will hold the class using Zoom this semester. If possible, field trips may be held while we practice social distancing and other safety measures. This class is run by a 12-person committee. All participants help greatly in setting up this class for your enjoyment.

Jane Steele and Colleen Wong are amateur photographers who have a passion for photography.

### Dining Together

Cheryl Nelson  
Wednesdays or Thursdays, Sept 8 to Dec 8  
(Year-round monthly)  
5:30 to 7:30 pm

For over 10 years, Renaissance members have enjoyed fun monthly evening social events. We are resuming this fall in modified form to comply with all Sacramento County Health regulations in place at the time of an event. (1) On-line Renaissance registration is required. For purposes of the Renaissance Society registration system, everyone signing up for this class will automatically be enrolled in a Wednesday session. (2) Members suggest local restaurants for consideration. (3) Seminar leaders contact restaurants to make dinner reservations. (4) Each month, diners will choose between one of two possible dates at the selected restaurant—either the 2nd Wednesday or the 3rd Thursday (two dates double the number of participants possible within the likely health restrictions). (5) Members will RSVP to only one date per month. Preference will be given to the first who RSVP.

**PLEASE NOTE:** A recommended Zoom Meet and Greet meeting will be held Thursday September 2 at 3 pm to explain our new process and answer questions.

Cheryl Nelson has been the Dining Together seminar leader for the 5 years pre-COVID.

### Games for Entertainment

Roberta Frieze  
Co-facilitator: Judy Keaton  
Thursdays, Sept 9 to Dec 16 (Year-round weekly)  
1 to 3 pm

Card games, word games, dominoes, team games are played. A basic knowledge of cards and trump is helpful. We spend a few minutes socializing at each meeting before game play starts. Enjoy the opportunity to learn and socialize with people who have similar interests. Our members host and provide refreshments on a rotating basis depending upon their own calendars. We will follow all current state health guidelines for COVID safety.

Bobby Frieze has been in this group for 15 years. Bobby maintains a list of changing locations in members' homes and contacts for the group.

Judy Keaton maintains and prepares the roster. Judy has many games in her skill set and memory.

### A Guided Tour of the University Arboretum

Donna Eash  
Co-facilitator: Michael Baad  
Fridays, Sept 10 to Dec 3  
(7 tours, register for one)  
Noon to 1:30 pm

We will take a walking tour of the University Arboretum every other Friday (Sept 10, Sept 24, Oct 8, Oct 22, Nov 5, Nov 19, and Dec 3). This 3.5-acre site is now home to more than 1,400 different trees, shrubs, and herbaceous perennials from throughout the temperate regions of the world. It is a constantly changing environment from daffodils in spring, to a host of flowering plants in summer, and a striking autumnal color display each fall. This introductory walk acquaints you with a resource that is open 24/7, twelve months of the year, free of charge. Each tour is the same. The Arboretum is located adjacent to the "J" street entrance and Parking Structure 5 on Arboretum Way. Paid parking is available on campus. (There is no longer any free campus parking.)

Donna Eash has been in Renaissance since 2012. She enjoys walks through the Sacramento State University Arboretum and would like to provide arboretum walking tours for society members.

Dr. Michael Baad is a Professor of Ecology and Systematics at Sacramento State University and the caretaker of the Arboretum. He may occasionally join the group.

### Le Cercle Français (Conversational French)

Debra da Costa  
Wednesdays, Sept 8 to Dec 15 (13 weeks)  
11 to 1:00 pm

This shared interest group has traditionally met at the Campus Commons Clubhouse. It is for French speakers at an intermediate level, requiring a working acquaintance with the language through high school or college classes or from living in a French-speaking country. Members share common interests through presentations, reading, and conversation. Registration is required. Seminar size is limited to 12 participants, and a waiting list is maintained.

Debra da Costa recently sold her marketing business and is resuming activities from her earlier profession such as landscape architecture and urban design, and former interests such as art and French. In addition, Debra thrives on cycling, gardening, and yoga.



shared interest groups





- 30 presentations
- community series
- tuesday speakers series
- peer-to-peer learning
- catalog pages 43-52

# presentations

Fatal Encounters with  
Police

Founding  
Women—  
National  
Parks

Literary Hoaxes &  
Cultural Imposters

Watercolor  
Doodles: Paint  
fall foliage

History as Mystery

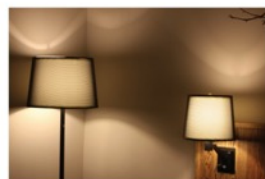
Hobos & Train Hoppers

The Science of a  
Happy Dog

Drinking with  
Jane Austen

A Cook's Tour  
Returns! and more . . .

presentations



## Books, Language, and Literature

### Literary Hoaxes and Cultural Imposters

Maryellen Burns  
Friday, Oct 15  
10 to 11:30 am

If a non-fiction book is good, if it's artful, entertaining, and informative, should it matter who the author is, or if the story or conversations recounted inside are true? William Shakespeare, Edgar Allan Poe, Jonathon Swift, John Steinbeck, Clifford Irving, James Frey, Penelope Ashe, Danny Santiago, Laura Albert, and hundreds of other authors were either victims or purveyors of plagiarism, forgery, or an outright literary hoax. We'll discuss the impact these books had when we discovered the writers weren't who we thought they were or the story they revealed was made up.

**Maryellen Burns** has been a ghostwriter and author known to artfully share a story recounted to her without checking its veracity. An avid book collector, she prizes her collection of works created by cultural imposters or literary hoaxers.

### The Mother Code with Carole Stivers

Carole Stivers in conversation with  
Anne Da Vigo  
Friday, Oct 22  
7 to 8:30 pm

The year is 2049. When a deadly non-viral agent intended for biowarfare spreads out of control, scientists must scramble to ensure the

survival of the human race. They turn to their last resort, a plan to place genetically engineered children inside the cocoons of large-scale robots. There is one hope of preserving the human order: an intelligence programmed into these machines that renders each unique in its own right. Carol will discuss the book in conversation with author Anne Da Vigo.

**Carole Stivers** received her PhD in Biochemistry at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and post-doctoral work at Stanford University before launching a career in medical diagnostics. She has combined her love of writing and her fascination with the possibilities of science to create her debut novel *The Mother Code*.

### Japanese Wood Block Prints—Ukiyo-e

Karun Yee  
Friday, Nov 5  
10 to 11:30 am

Woodblock printing or block printing originated in China in antiquity as a method of printing on textiles and later paper. Woodblock printing also changed the shape and structure of books.

**Karun Yee's** interest in community service, education, Chinese history, and love of travel was inspired by her late husband Doug. She continues to explore the world for him and unlocking hidden histories.



## Economics

### Debunking Money Myths: The Copernican Revolution in Economics

Mark Dempsey  
Friday, Sept 17  
10 to 11:30 am

A former loan officer and award-winning technical writer presents a seldom-told story of obligation, debt, and money. Their origins intersect with social, commercial, and religious themes throughout history. These origins precede even writing. Myths about them persist to this day. The truth about debt and money, its history and narrative, implies some surprising solutions to the systemic problems plaguing society today, including national 'debt,' immigration, health care, and climate catastrophe.

Retired technical writer **Mark Dempsey** has explained complex software for years. He also has experience in the real estate industry as a broker, loan officer, and member of the Sacramento County Community Planning Advisory Council. He's self-educated about Modern Money Theory, but given how little press heterodox (unorthodox) economics is given, Marks' own research, and the work of some unorthodox economists, present background for this address.

## History

### History as Mystery

Ed Sherman  
Friday, Sept 10  
10 to 11:30 am

Sherlock Holmes had a keenly developed method for sleuthing out dastardly criminals. In much the same way as Mr. Holmes, historians solve puzzles about the past. How do they do it?

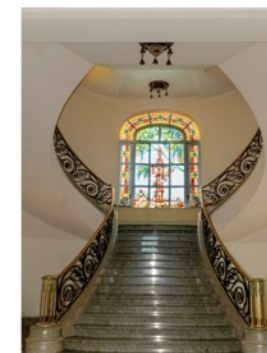
**Ed Sherman** has spent more than 60 years studying and teaching ancient history at colleges in California and Nevada. In addition, he spent nearly three years wandering around the Mediterranean exploring its antiquities and landscapes. Ed has led seminars for the Renaissance Society for the past 10 years.

### Stolpersteine, the Largest Memorial in the World

Angie Rooney  
Friday, Sept 24  
10 to 11:30 am

Stolpersteine (Eng. stumbling stones) are small brass plated memorial stones implanted to commemorate the victims of the Nazi Holocaust at their last known residence before arrest and transport. It also tells my story of having a Stolperstein installed in Munich, Germany in memory of my grandfather, who was murdered at Auschwitz. Over 75,000 such memorial stones have been installed all over Europe. The idea is now expanding to the United States to memorialize victims of lynchings and other hate crimes.

**Angie Rooney** is a retired contracts manager and has been a member of the Renaissance Society since 2007. She has participated in many Renaissance programs and has encouraged a number of friends to join. She has made presentations to the Renaissance Society, on subjects such as genealogy and her family's history in Shanghai.



presentations

- **13 community conversations**
- **arts, science, health, politics,  
economics, personal  
journeys**
- **3 to 4 pm Fridays**
- **catalog pages 53-58**

**forums**





**Dr. Katharine  
Hayhoe, PhD**  
climate scientist

**first forum**



**sept. 10**



**STEWARDS OF THE PLANET**  
*walking the path*

Thought provoking afternoon with renowned climate scientist Dr Hayhoe for a frank discussion about what we can do about climate change on a local and global level.







**CHEEWA JAMES & DR. ROSE SOZA WAR SOLDIER |**  
**The Modoc War: The Tribe That Wouldn't Die**

**PAT FONG KUSHIDA | AAPI**  
**Strong: Stop the Hate!**

**LESTER SNOW | Restoring the Klamath River:**  
**The World's Largest Dam-Removal Project**

**TOM DREESEN | A Conversation**  
**with Comedian Tom Dreesen**

**DR. MARY LEE VANCE | The**  
**Disabled Civil Rights Movement**

**DR. RITA CAMERON WEDDING | Implicit Bias**  
**Contributes to the Persistence of Systemic Racism**

**SACRAMENTO'S FANTASTIC OLYMPIC**  
**GOLD MEDALIST SWIMMERS**

**PROFESSOR LISA IKEMOTO | Selling**  
**Genes, Buying Race**

**ROB STUTZMAN, STEVEN**  
**MAVIGLIO | CA Governor Recall**

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**Electronic Wearables: E-Textiles and "Smart" Clothing**

**JUDGE JAMES MIZE | The Justice System: 2021 and Beyond**



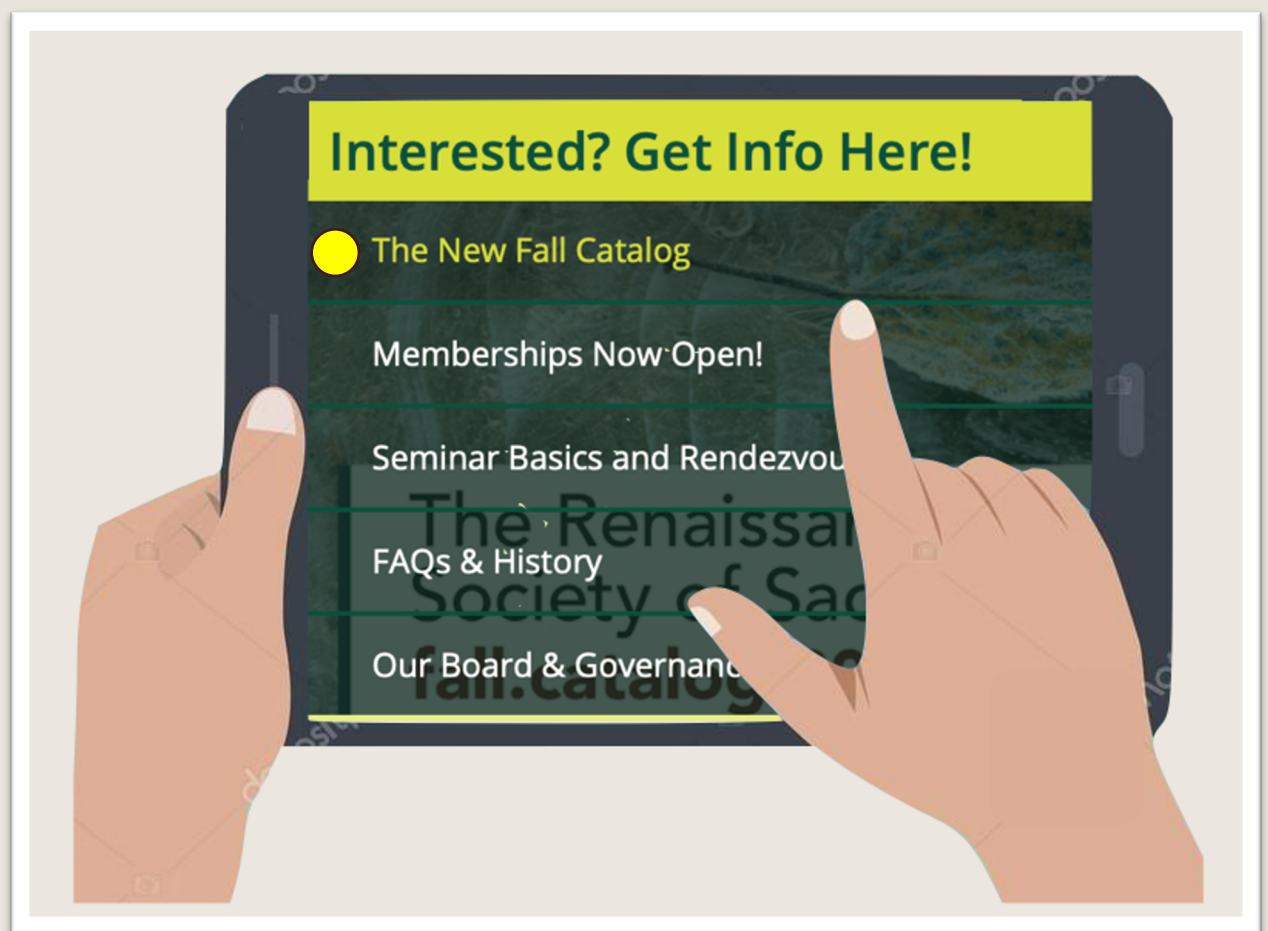
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## TUESDAY PROGRAMS AT A GLANCE

Time	Title	Leader Name	Start Date	Pg#
<i>Seminars</i>				
9-11 am	Active Retirement Investing: Session 1	Bill Bailey, Marsha Holland	Sept 7 - Oct 12	<a href="#">26</a>
10-11 am	Active Retirement Investing: Session 2	Bill Bailey, Marsha Holland	Oct 26-Dec 7	<a href="#">26</a>
10-11:30 am	Ancient Egypt - 3100 BCE to 30 CE	David Lewis	Sept 7-Nov 30	<a href="#">30</a>
10-Noon	Let's Write Some Songs: History and Practice of Songwriting	Al Zagofsky	Sept 7-Nov 30	<a href="#">20</a>
2-3:30 pm	Wisdom Questions	Mimi Dixon	Sept 7-Nov 9	<a href="#">28</a>
<i>Shared Interest Groups</i>				
9:30-11 am (yr.-round monthly)	Book Group: Tuesday Book Club	Marian Kile	Sept 7-Dec 14	<a href="#">37</a>
10-Noon	Digital Photography (6 classes, 5 field tr			
Noon-2 pm (yr.-round weekly)	Writer's Workshop II (P)			
2-4 pm (First Tues each month)	Book Group: Great Books Discussion Gr			
4-5 pm	Qi Gong			
7-8:30 pm	Art of the Portrait			

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at-a-glance  
program schedule

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link  
available

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of catalog

## MY SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE FALL 2021

Day and Date	Start Time	Program Title	Page	Zoom Meeting info
9/15 Wed	2 PM.	Women Correspondents. (Wed.)	16	
9/16 Thurs	10 AM	Woman Who Dared	26	
10/7 Tues	2 PM	Collapse of Civilization	24	

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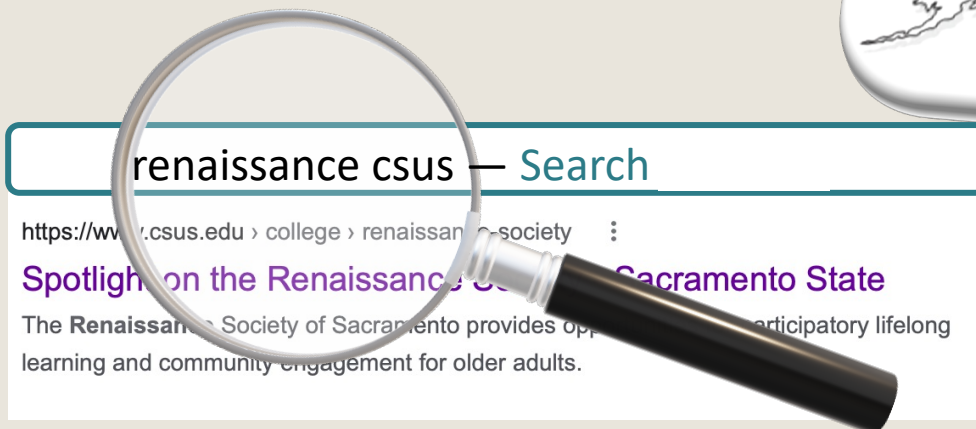
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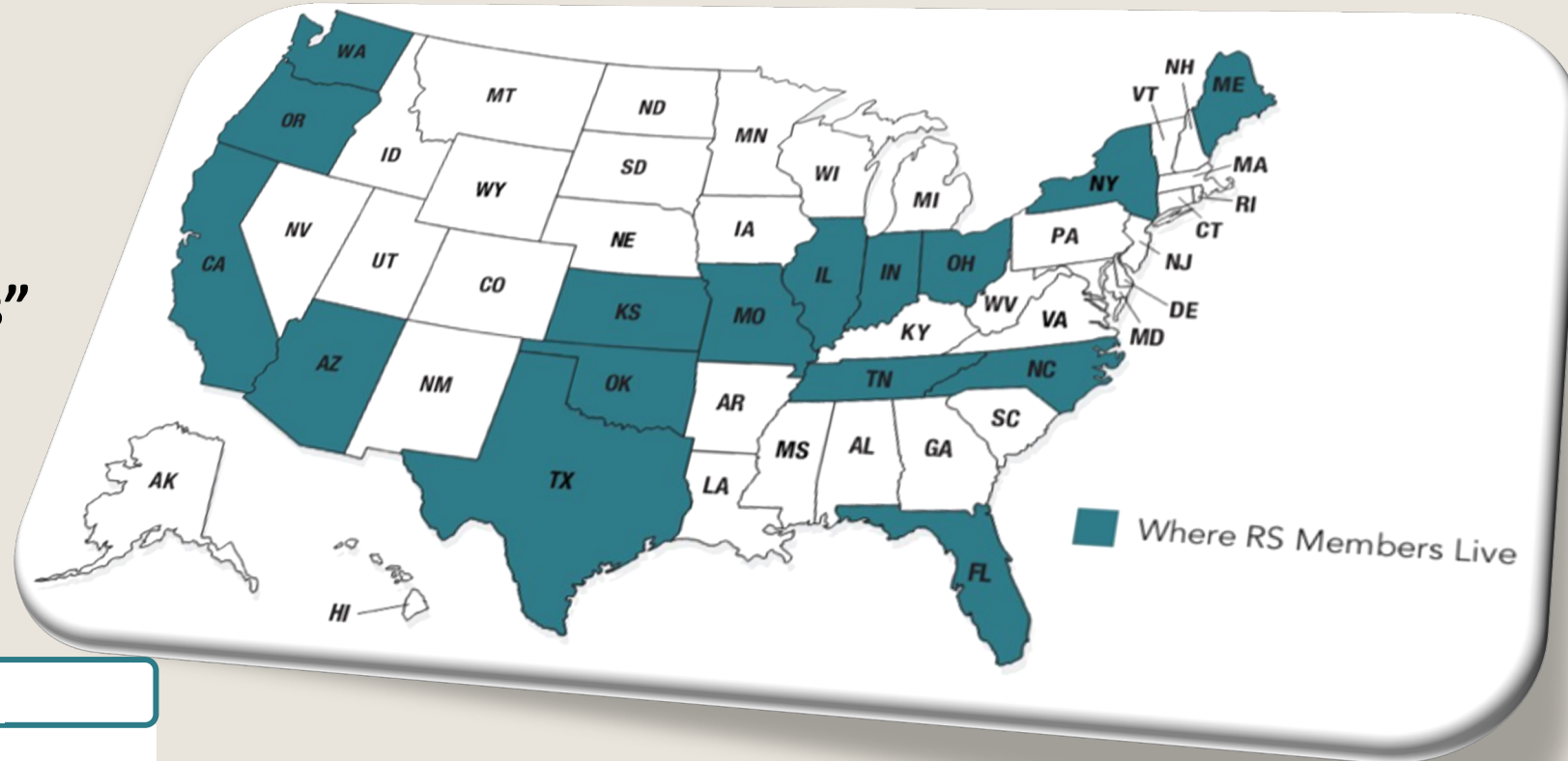
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## Sarah Ryan-Roberts

The Renaissance Society

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## Who is the Renaissance Society?

The Renaissance Society of Sacramento provides opportunities for participatory lifelong learning and community engagement for older adults. Our learning opportunities include seminars and other programs on widely varied subjects proposed and presented by our members.

We also are involved with Sac State in many helping ways to provide more learning opportunities, such as providing scholarships or volunteering for many Sac State departments.

## We're All Online!

In normal times, many of our seminars on widely varied subjects are on Fridays and Saturdays on the Sac State campus and various other locations. **Now we are all online**, using safe, social-distancing ways to deliver our seminars.

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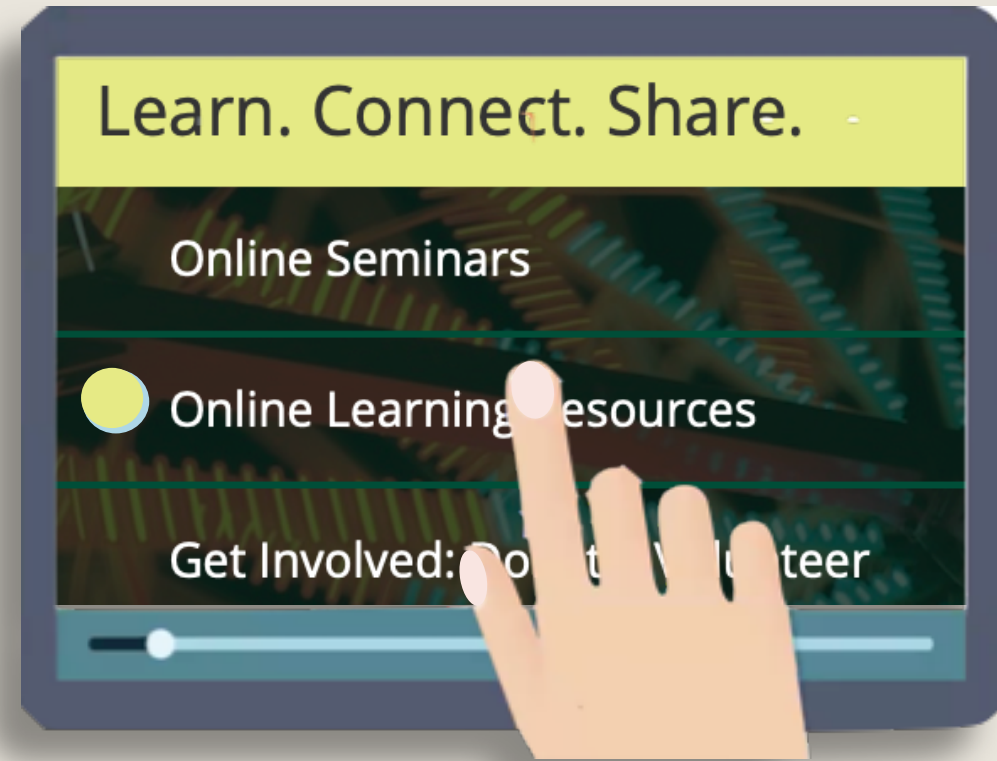
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## Joining a Zoom Meeting for iPhone



### First Step (one time only):

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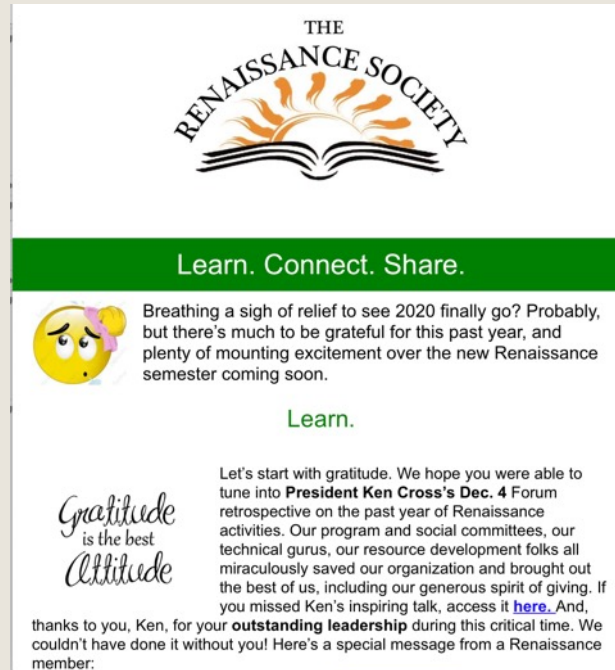


# staying connected

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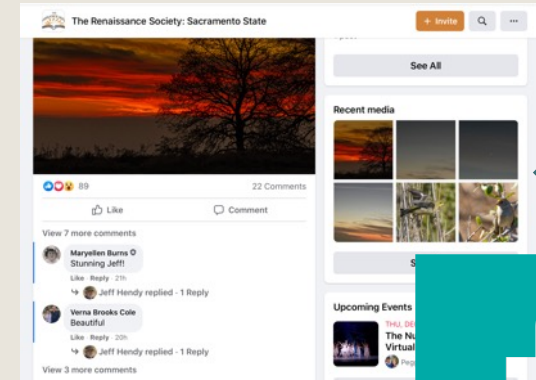


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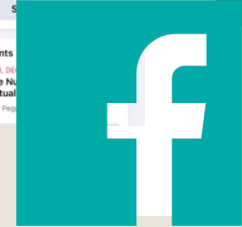


## Constant Contact

## social media



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## calendar



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OCTOBER 2021			
<b>Gerontology Committee meets</b> online Tue, Oct 5, 10 - 11:30am	<b>Executive Committee meets</b> online Tue, Oct 5, 11am - 12pm	<b>MDCE Committee meets</b> online Thu, Oct 7, 1:30 - 3:30pm	<b>Board of Directors meets</b> online Mon, Oct 11, 1 - 3:30pm
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# share

Learn. Connect. Share.

Online Seminars

Online Learning Resources

 Get Involved: Donate, Volunteer

## volunteer

- Renaissance Ambassador team
- Committees
- Zoom tech team

## donations

- ASI Food pantry
- Scholarships
- Student Emergency Fund
- Renaissance + Sac State Special Program Fund





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# OPPORTUNITIES FOR RS VOLUNTEERS

Presented by RS Gerontology Cmte  
& CSUS Gerontology Dept

# MISSION of the CSUS PROGRAM

- Career Preparation in Health & Social Services for Senior Citizens
- Real Life Experiences with Senior Citizens:
  - Interviewing
  - Casual Conversation
  - Collaboration



# CSUS/RS GERONTOLOGY COLLABORATION

- RS Gerontology Committee:
  - Recruits Volunteers
  - Coordinates RS Donations
  - Liaison between RS & CSUS Gerontology Dept
- CSUS Gerontology Dept Head:
  - Program Leader
  - Links Volunteer Mentors directly with Students
  - Coordinates Assessment Events
  - Coordinates Student / Mentor Recognition Events

# VOLUNTEER MENTOR EXPECTATIONS

- Work with assigned Student
- Face to Face (or Zoom) Meetings during Semester
  - Typically 4 to 5 Meetings
  - Must be in public setting
- Communicate with Student between Meetings
- Attend Recognition Event towards end of Semester

# ASSESSMENT VOLUNTEER EXPECTATIONS

- Attend 1 or 2 Assessment Practice Sessions during Semester
- Students Practice Real Life Client Assessments
  - Cognitive Skills, Physical Constraints, Summary Needs Assessment



# WHAT YOU CAN GAIN

- Sense of Satisfaction
- Intellectual Stimulation
- Support gerontology students with educational goals
- Share your experiences; give insights to intellectual maturity
- Feel young again; interact with young peer group

# SUBMIT YOUR INTEREST

Contact Dr. Donna Jensen:

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She will send you a BRIEF survey,  
and then contact you when she has a student for you  
to mentor.

# physical therapy

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# Sacramento State Physical Therapy- Fall 2021

- Official Launch of the **Wellness, Balance and Falls Community Clinic** at Sacramento State
  - Addition to Community Clinics in the DPT Program
  - Presentation on balance and fall prevention
- Opportunity to participate: Otago Exercise Program
  - Self assessed/ reported problems with balance; history of falls
  - Willing to participate in FIVE face to face and SEVEN Zoom/phone consultations
- Email if interested: [rolando.lazaro@csus.edu](mailto:rolando.lazaro@csus.edu)

# precision medicine

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# The *All of Us* Research Program UC Davis Health



August 20, 2021

Lizbeth Cuevas, Engagement Coordinator  
*All of Us* Research Program



# What is the NIH *All of Us* Research Program?

**All of Us**  
RESEARCH PROGRAM

The  
Future of  
Health Begins  
With You

The All of Us Research Program has a simple mission. We want to speed up health research breakthroughs. To do this, we're asking one million people to share health information. In the future, researchers can use this to conduct thousands of health studies.



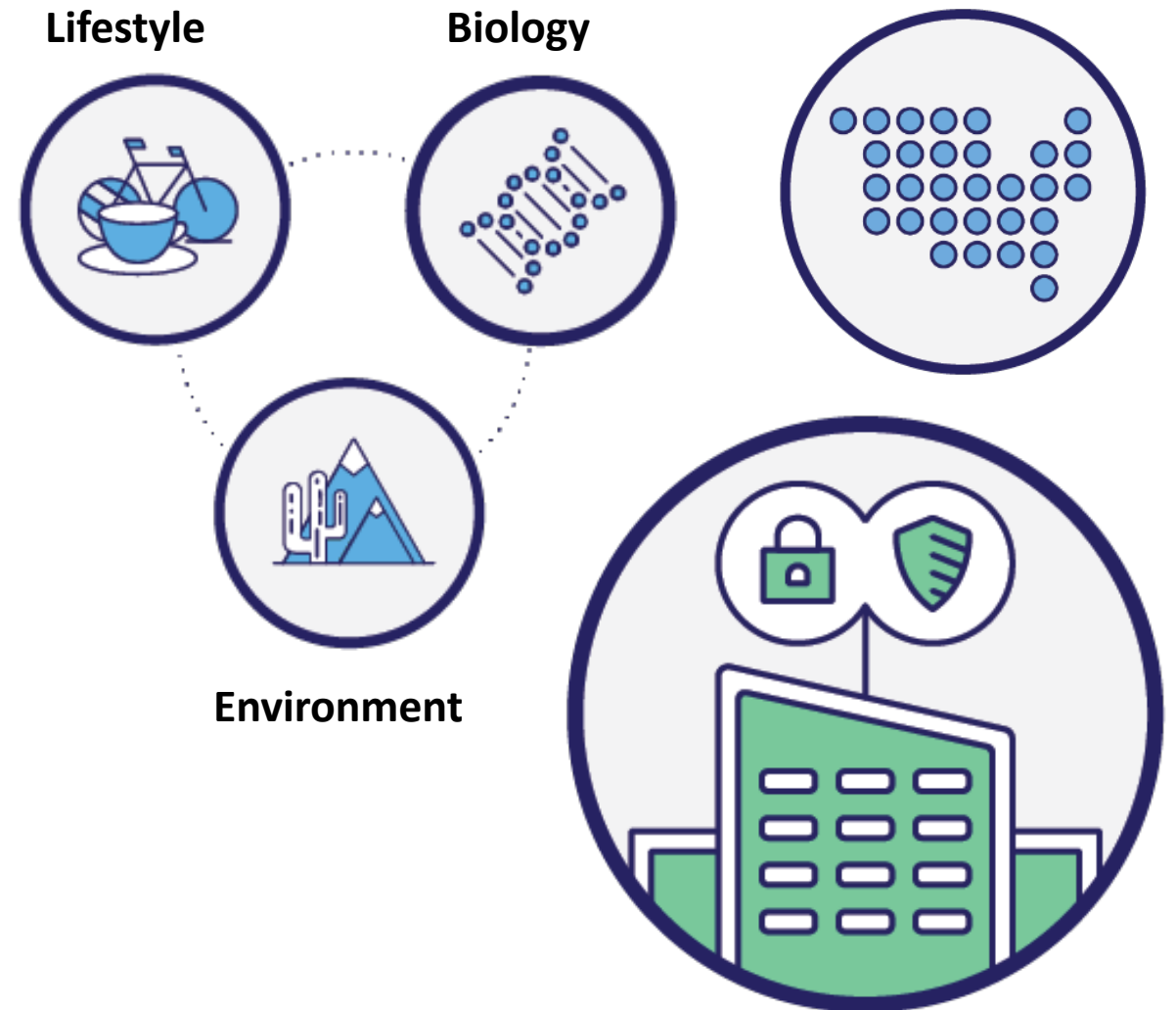
*"All of Us is among the most ambitious research efforts that our nation has undertaken!"*

*NIH Director Francis Collins, M.D., Ph.D.*

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**Precision medicine** is an emerging approach for disease treatment and prevention that takes into account individual variability in lifestyle, socioeconomics, environment, and biology.

It is a radical shift in how each of us can receive the best care possible based on our unique makeup.



# How is *All of Us* Different?

## Goals

Many research studies focus on a specific disease or population. *All of Us* will serve as a national research resource to inform thousands of studies. It will cover a wide variety of health conditions.

## Breadth

The goal of *All of Us* is to enroll one million or more participants across America. We aim to build one of the largest health databases of its kind. As the volume of data grows, we may see patterns that wouldn't be visible at a smaller scale.

## Diversity

*All of Us* aims to engage a community of participants that reflects the diversity of America. This includes many people who haven't taken part in medical research before. We welcome participants both healthy and sick, of all backgrounds and walks of life, from all regions across the country.

## Engagement

Participants are partners in *All of Us*. We seek participant input on every aspect of the program to make it better as we go. We are committed to transparency. Participants will have full access to the data they share and information about all of the research projects that use *All of Us* data.



# National Network

## National Network of Inaugural Partners



# Kinds of Questions *All of Us* May Help Answer

How can we **prevent the chronic pain** that affects more than **100 million people** across the U.S. each year?

Or develop **better pain medicines** that aren't addictive?

Or **slow or even stop** different kinds of **dementia**?

Or develop **better treatments for diabetes**, which affects almost 10% of Americans—or **prevent diabetes** altogether?

Or develop more **cancer cures that will work the first time**, so we can skip painful trial-and-error chemotherapy?

How can we help **reduce health disparities** in a way that is sustainable?

# What is the value for participants?

An opportunity to help **understand disease** and improve the health of future generations.



A chance to learn about **your own health**, including personalized risk factors or exposures.



An opportunity to **ensure that your community is included** in the studies that lead to new understanding and new treatments.

A chance to learn about **additional research opportunities** that may interest you.





# What information will we share with you?



We expect to share information about:



Your ancestry  
(where your family  
comes from)



Your traits, such as why  
you might love  
or hate cilantro



Whether you may  
have an increased  
risk of developing a  
particular health condition



How your body  
might react to  
certain medications



Other  
health-related  
information

We plan to use many different methods to check your DNA for information. You may get some DNA results sooner than others.

It will take some time to get your DNA results. Some participants may not get their DNA information for a few years.



## Enroll, Consent and Authorize EHR

- Recruiting 18+ years old initially; plan to include children later
- Online, interactive consent
- Includes authorization to share Electronic Health Record (EHR) data



## Answering Surveys

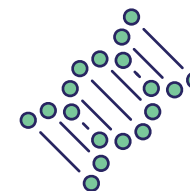
- Six initial surveys: The Basics, Overall Health, Lifestyle, Health Care Access & Utilization, Family Medical History, Personal Health History
- Additional surveys will be released on an ongoing basis.



## Physical Measurements\*

- Blood pressure
- Heart rate
- Height
- Weight
- Hip circumference
- Waist circumference
- BMI

*\*Based on diverse  
sampling and capacity*



## Provide Biosamples\*

- Blood (or saliva, if blood draw is unsuccessful)
- Urine specimen
- Biosamples will be stored at the program's biobank

*\*Based on diverse  
sampling and capacity*



## Wearables and Digital Apps

- Share data from wearable fitness devices, starting with Fitbit
- More integrations under development

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# Thank you!



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# *Special Thanks*

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