



# ENCORE Learn Class Calendar – Fall 2019

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will be online at [www.encorelearn.org](http://www.encorelearn.org)



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p><b>All Around the Universe</b> 10:00 to Noon 3 Sessions October 7 – 21 Astoria Senior Center coffee room, 1111 Exchange St., Astoria</p>	<p><b>Writing Exchange</b> 10:00 to Noon 8 Sessions October 1 – November 19 Astoria Senior Center billiard room, 1111 Exchange St., Astoria</p>	<p><b>Science Exchange</b> <b>10:45 am to 12:15 pm</b> 8 Sessions October 2 – November 20 Astoria Senior Center classroom, 1111 Exchange St., Astoria</p>	<p><b>The “Others”</b> 10:00 to Noon 6 Sessions October 3, 10, 24, 31, November 7, 14 Astoria Senior Center classroom, 1111 Exchange St., Astoria</p>	<p><b>Humanist Discussions</b> 10:00 to Noon 8 Sessions October 4 – November 22 Astoria Senior Center classroom, 1111 Exchange St., Astoria</p>
<p>When at ENCORE functions, <b>PLEASE turn your CELL PHONE OFF!</b></p>			<p><b>Exploring Computers and the Internet</b> 1:30 – 3:30 pm 2 Sessions October 3 – 10 CCC Towler Hall 108 1651 Lexington Ave., Astoria</p>	
<p><b>Committee Meetings</b> <b>1 – 3 pm</b> 1<sup>st</sup> Mon. Trip (as needed) 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon. Curriculum 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon. Membership 4<sup>th</sup> Mon. Board Astoria Senior Center</p>		<p><b>Senior Stitchery</b> <b>2 – 4 pm</b> 8 Sessions October 2 – November 20 Astoria Senior Center billiard room, 1111 Exchange St., Astoria</p>	<p><b>Global Warming and the Economy</b> 1:30 – 3:30 pm 4 Sessions October 17 – November 7 CCC Towler Hall 307 1651 Lexington Ave., Astoria</p>	<p>Unless otherwise indicated, AM classes meet from 10:00 am – Noon, PM classes from 1:30-3:30 pm.</p>

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**When you attend an ENCORE function, you will be entering a place where photography, video, and audio recording may occur.**

**Closure Policy:** In the event of inclement weather or other unforeseen event, ENCORE will follow CCC decisions regarding class cancellation and school closure. ENCORE members should check the college website and/or radio announcements for information regarding possible closure. In the event of class cancellation for other reasons such as instructor illness, the class coordinator is responsible for student notification in consultation with the instructor.

Dear Members of ENCORE,

Your Curriculum committee is trying to put together programs and courses that appeal to a broad audience. Whereas some of these offerings may be as tame as crocheting, others can be controversial. And where we encourage our instructors, old and new, to give our members a fair advance notice of the contents of their presentations, under the principle of Academic Freedom, we neither require an absolutely unbiased presentation nor censure our instructors and facilitators.

If you are exposed to subject matter and instructors whose bias you can't share, you have the option of leaving. Short of that, we request that you respect the opinions of others just as you would expect others to respect yours.

For the Curriculum committee,

Reta Lindstrom, Chairperson, October 19, 2015



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Morning classes are 10 – noon and afternoon classes are 1:30 – 3:30 **unless otherwise noted.**  
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**All Around the Universe**

Instructor – Dave Ambrose

Coordinator – Dory Lukas, 907-302-1054, [dorylukas@yahoo.com](mailto:dorylukas@yahoo.com)

Day/Time – Monday 10 to noon; 3 sessions

Dates – October 7 – 21

Location – Astoria Senior Center coffee room, 1111 Exchange Street, Astoria

A six part course starting here on earth and expanding out into the universe. There will be some history of how we humans discovered what is out there and the facts we learned along the way. Each segment is one hour and consists of short videos, lectures, and demonstrations. No math is required, but participants are encouraged to “do the math” to find some surprising answers.

Before the first Monday sessions, try to watch the movies “Gravity” and “The Martian”

Session 1. The Earth and the Moon – Speed and distance

Session 2. The Solar system – the Sun and the planets

Before the second Monday sessions, try to watch the movie “Interstellar”

Session 3 -The Milky Way Galaxy – So many stars. Dark Matter

Session 4 – The Local Galaxy Group – Gravity and Dark Energy

Session 5 – In the beginning/ in the end – The Big Bang

Session 6 – Our place in the Universe – We are at the center

You will need:

A calculator

A ruler

## **Writing Exchange**

Instructor – Eric Anderson

Coordinator – Dale Rue, 360-581-1701, [rocketman4764@yahoo.com](mailto:rocketman4764@yahoo.com)

Day/Time – Tuesday, 10 - noon; 8 sessions

Dates – October 1 – November 19

Location – Astoria Senior Center billiard room, 1111 Exchange Street, Astoria

Are you looking for a new creative passion? Is a story or poem inside of you trying to get out? Join our friendly group, beginners and experienced, for writing thoughts and inspiration. Take part in our group's enthusiasm for writing. Come listen or share!

## **Science Exchange**

Facilitators / Coordinators – Mike Kinney, 503-994-2080, [wooferwalker@yahoo.com](mailto:wooferwalker@yahoo.com)

Karen Elder, 503-458-6833, [karen\\_elder@msn.com](mailto:karen_elder@msn.com)

Day/Time – Wednesday **10:45 am – 12:15 pm**; 8 sessions

Dates – October 2 – November 20

Location – Astoria Senior Center classroom, 1111 Exchange Street, Astoria.

Science Exchange, a staple and long-standing favorite class among ENCOREites, continues in its Wednesday morning time slot this term, starting at 10:45 am, meeting at the Astoria Senior Center's classroom. The Facilitators look forward to hosting a lively class addressing a variety of interesting topics selected from the full range of science categories. Featuring videos, member-supplied topics and perhaps some brain teasers.

## **Senior Stitchery**

Facilitator / Coordinator – Sue Zerangue, 503-338-0313, [zerangue@hotmail.com](mailto:zerangue@hotmail.com)

Day/Time – Wednesday **2 – 4 pm**; 8 sessions

Dates – October 2 – November 20

Location – Astoria Senior Center billiard room, 1111 Exchange Street, Astoria.

Our Stitchery group, now several years old, is a small, intimate gathering of friendly folks who enjoy working on their favorite handcraft projects and inspiring each other with weekly updates. There is no formal instruction, but some of the stitchers are quite knowledgeable in a wide variety of crafting skills and are eager to share their experience and use of materials. We encourage each other's efforts and enjoy each other's success. Please bring your favorite project and sit a spell.

## **The “Others” – Discussions of Migration and the United States through 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Literature**

Instructor – Lynne Ryan, 503-738-3044, [lynneryan@q.com](mailto:lynneryan@q.com)

Coordinator –

Day/Time – Thursday 10 – noon; 6 sessions

Dates – October 3, 10, 24, 31, November 7, 14

Location – Astoria Senior Center classroom, 1111 Exchange Street, Astoria.

Using literature such as *My Antonia* by Willa Cather, *The Grapes of Wrath* by John Steinbeck, *A Good Scent from a Strange Mountain* by Robert Olen Butler, *The Namesake* by Jhumpa Lahiri, *The Book of Unknown Americans* by Cristina Henríquez and *Behold the Dreamers* by Imbolo Mbembe as conversation starters, we will discuss the national and local policies and attitudes toward migrant communities. During each session we will read passages from one of the books as a basis for that day’s discussions:

- Why did these individuals migrate?
- What are the attitudes of the community to the newcomers?
- What are the attitudes of the newcomers to the community?
- Have attitudes changed in the last 100 or so years?
- Have migrant expectations changed?
- Etc.

## **Exploring Computers and the Internet**

Instructor – Leah Olson

Coordinator – Reta Lindstrom, 360-777-8750, [rrlindstrom@centurylink.net](mailto:rrlindstrom@centurylink.net)

Day/Time – Thursday 1:30 – 3:30; 2 sessions

Dates – October 3 – October 10

Location – Clatsop Community College, Towler Hall, Room 108,  
1651 Lexington Ave, Astoria

“There was a time when people felt the internet was another world, but now people realize it’s a tool that we use in this world.” – Tim Berners-Lee, Inventor of the World Wide Web

Computers and the internet are now an integral part of modern life. In this two-session, hands-on course, we’ll learn to navigate and use these powerful tools. In the first session, we’ll focus on the computer itself, learning the components, terminology, and how to use a few basic programs. In the second session, we’ll demystify the internet, learning how to safely navigate, explore, and use a few of its most powerful tools (email, social media, news, weather, maps, etc.) Computers provided.

## **Global Warming and the Economy**

Instructor – Rick Soller, 503-738-5990, [rsoller5990@gmail.com](mailto:rsoller5990@gmail.com)

Coordinator –

Day/Time – Thursday 1:30 – 3:30; 4 sessions

Dates – October 17 – November 7

Location – Clatsop Community College, Towler Hall, Room 307  
1651 Lexington Ave, Astoria

This class will explore the links between climate change and economics, both the economic results of climate change and the climate change results of economic attempts to mitigate it. The mechanics of climate change will be briefly explored to begin with but the emphasis will be on the solutions in place and the consequences of such solutions, some of which might not be as effective as one would think. Radical solutions will also be discussed. It will be an interactive course.

## **Humanist Discussions**

Instructor – Tod Lundy

Coordinator – Carole Elder, 206-660-2940, [eldercarole@gmail.com](mailto:eldercarole@gmail.com)

Day/Time – Friday 10 to noon; 8 sessions

Dates – October 4 – November 22

Location – Astoria Senior Center classroom, 1111 Exchange Street, Astoria

In a lecture by Lloyd Komley, former board member American Humanists Assn., presented the idea that living as a Humanist is sharing ideas and understandings in order to better understand yourself. It is in this spirit that the ENCORE HUMANIST DISCUSSIONS will be offered at 10:00 AM every Friday of Fall term at the Astoria Senior Center.

The topics for each day's discussions will be selected from topics you suggest as well as others which I will provide. Group participants may serve as discussion facilitators if they wish. The first meeting will be to discuss the concept of Humanism, and to select topics and facilitators for the 8 sessions scheduled.

Examples of topics from which the group may choose are:

- **What is real?** Can we decide on a definition of reality beyond the physical?
- **Theism, Atheism and None:** How do these belief systems differ? Would holding one change the course of ones life?
- **Aging:** How has it affected the character of your life?
- **Political Belief Systems:** How do the fundamental belief systems of conservatives differ from those of liberals? How are they similar?

These are a few ideas. I am hoping that those of you who are interested in joining this class will offer more. Send your suggestions to [todlundy@gmail.com](mailto:todlundy@gmail.com). Title your email "humanist discussions".

PLEASE refer to the webpage [encorelearn.org/fall-2019-classes/humanist-discussions/](http://encorelearn.org/fall-2019-classes/humanist-discussions/) for the actual list of discussion topics by week after late September.