

Tuesdays-Fall 2022

History of Western Political Thought

Tues Sept 6, 13, 20, 27, Oct 4, 11, 18, 25; 6-7 pm

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What is or ought to be the purpose of government? Which form of governance best achieves our goals? The history of Western political thought begins with the ancient Greeks. We will learn and discuss the major thinkers and how their answers to the above (and other) questions have changed the world. We will touch on the defining characteristics of eight major thinkers: Socrates/Plato, Aristotle, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau, Nietzsche, and Marx. The goal of the class is to allow you to better understand why we think what we do and how we might improve our world.

Note: All readings and supplies will be optional. This will be a lecture series.

Dykeman Dairy Farm Tour

Tues Sept 13, 11am-1pm;

200 Ingersoll Rd, Fultonville, NY

Ray Dykeman

(raindate Sept 20, 11am-1pm)

Learn about life on a dairy farm. Visit the Dykeman & Sons milking facility and witness the cows being milked on a 60-cow rotary milking parlor. Also become familiar with the history of the farm, the life of a Holstein cow, and the economics of a large dairy farm.

Students should bring: Boots and a water bottle

Bio-Humanism

Tues Oct 4, 11, 18, 25; 3-4:30 pm

The Community Library

Nasreen Haque

Max 25

The term 'humanism' has been used in various contexts to describe facets of the human condition. In this course humanism is explained describing biological concepts with emphasis on gene- culture co-evolution. This course consists of four sessions which covers (i) a brief history of human evolution and how it led to the present day modern Homo sapiens. Next, we will discuss (ii) how race developed as a human concept and related consequences on human behavior. This will be followed by (iii) Gene- Culture co evolution which will be highlighted with specific examples such as lactose intolerance and sickle cell anemia. Finally we will discuss (iv) what it means to be human in the age of genomics where advances in gene editing, stem cell therapy, 3-parent embryo is set to push human boundaries to create human evolution designed by humans. Overall, this course will allow the participant to better learn how science interprets what it means to be "human".

Note: Dr Nasreen S. Haque, Ph.D. is the Founder and CSO, of Genomic Observatory, Inc. a 501 (c)(3) a Nonprofit Research and Training Organization in NYC. Dr. Haque has over 23 years of teaching and research experience in oceanography and medicine. She is interested in understanding how inflammation drives chronic disorders such as atherosclerosis and diabetes. As an Assistant Professor at New York Medical College, Valhalla, Dr. Haque developed and created a course on evolutionary medicine in health and disease to promote the understanding of what it means to be human in the context of our evolutionary past which led to the development of the offered course on Bio- Humanism; an attempt to explain biological concepts with emphasis on gene-culture co-evolution.

Beginning Collage

Tues; Oct.4,11,18,25; 10:30 – noon

The Community Library

Beth Cash

Min 4 / Max 12

In the midst of the pandemic I began to collage which is creating art by arranging and gluing materials onto paper and discovered that it is calming and fun. I decided to offer this class to others so that they could enjoy it as well. The nice thing about collage is that it is great if you are an artist and great if you are not an artist. Come and enjoy!

Students should bring: Scissors and any special material that you are interested in using for collage. Collage materials will be provided.

Fee: \$10 for glue and collage materials payable to instructor

Confident Beginners Quilt Class

Tuesdays Sept 6, 13, 20, 27 and Oct 4, 11, 18, 25

Sharon Aitchison

and Nov 1, 15; 10-4

St. Vincent's Church Hall Max 5

This class is for students who have already completed classes with this instructor, including sewing and machine maintenance as well as beginner quilting. Students will have their own machines and tools for classes, as well as a good understanding of quilting.

Notorious RBG - The Life and Times of Ruth Bader Ginsburg

Ron Ketelsen

Tues Nov 1, 2-3 pm

ZOOM

She was a fierce dissenter with a serious collar game. A legendary, self-described “flaming feminist litigator” who made the world more equal. The late Ruth Bader Ginsburg (RBG)—the trailblazing Supreme Court justice and cultural icon— with a special exhibition based on the popular Tumblr and bestselling book of the same name. The Life and Times of Ruth Bader Ginsburg takes an expansive and engaging look at the justice’s life and work, highlighting her ceaseless efforts to protect civil rights and foster equal opportunity for all Americans.