55+ TRAVEL & VIRTUAL PROGRAMS NEWSLETTER

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TRAVEL AND VIRTUAL PROGRAMS NOTES:

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- Waterford Fair Sat., Oct. 5
- Kennedy Center Building Tour Mon., Oct. 7
- Jazz Age Illustration at Delaware Art Museum Wed., Oct. 9
- Eastern Market DC Sat., Oct. 19
- Maryland Live Casino and Arundel Mills Outlets Tues., Oct. 22
- Michener Art Museum and Mercer Museum Tours Fri., Oct. 25

<u>WELCOME TINA AND TOM!</u> We are delighted to welcome our two new volunteer travel leaders, Tina Asinugo and Tom Curtis, who have joined our team of the BEST travel leaders around!

VIRTUAL PROGRAM RECORDINGS NEWLY ADDED TO THE 55+ YOUTUBE CHANNEL:

- Jefferson's Virginia
- Painting Demonstration

TRIP REMINDERS: Trip reminders are emailed about a week to 10 days prior to departure. If you believe you are registered for a trip and have not received an email, please contact Sheila Budoff at sbudoff@arlingtonva.us or 703-228-4718. Individuals who are not registered will not be permitted to board the bus.

PLEASE SEE PG. 7 FOR INSTRUCTIONS ABOUT PARKING AND PICK-UP AT THOMAS JEFFERSON (TJ) AND GUNSTON.

VIRTUAL CENTER FOR ACTIVE ADULTS (VCAA): You are welcome to participate in any VCAA program, not just those provided by Arlington County on Thursdays. To view the schedule of upcoming free virtual programs, visit the VCAA website. To join any VCAA program, use this Zoom link: https://bit.ly/VCAAzoom2. To join by phone, call 1-301-715-8592 (Meeting ID: 905 123 5932#; Meeting password: 3636#).

OCTOBER 55+ VIRTUAL PROGRAMS HIGHLIGHTS

There are many excellent virtual programs coming up in October, but we only have space to highlight a few. Please refer to the 55+ Guide and the calendar (pp. 4-5) for a complete listing.

Appalachian Trail Stories

Arlington resident Tom Curtis will discuss hiking the Appalachian Trail. Tues., Oct. 1, 5:30-6:30 p.m., #911400-34 (Walter Reed); #911400-35 (Virtual)

Fortunes in the Attic

Community Arts Programmer Jennifer Droblyen will explain how to identify authentic antiques and how to rule out reproductions. **Fri., Oct. 4, 9-10 a.m., #911302-06**

Paris 1874: The Origins of French Impressionism

Explore the origins of French Impressionism with art historian Joan Hart.

Monet, Pissarro and Sisley: Mon., Oct. 7, 1-2:30 p.m., #911302-08

(Aurora Hills), <u>#911302-09</u> (Virtual)

Renoir and Morisot: Mon., Oct. 14, 1-2:30 p.m., #911302-10 (Aurora

Hills); #911302-11 (Virtual)

<u>Degas and Cassatt</u>: Mon., Oct. 21, 1-2:30 p.m., <u>#911302-12</u> (Aurora Hills); #911302-13 (Virtual)

Secret Lives of Famous Fakers

Delve into the biographies of several well-known forgers, how they created their works and how they were eventually caught with Community Arts Programmer Jennifer Drobleyn.

Thurs., Oct. 17, 9-10 a.m., #911302-14

Introduction to Basic Spanish

Lubber Run 55+ Center Director and fluent Spanish speaker Ashley Gomez Figueredo will introduce you to some basic Spanish vocabulary, grammar and conversational phrases.

Thurs. Oct. 3, 1-2 p.m., #911650-03

Thurs., Oct. 17, 1-2 p.m., #911650-04

Thurs., Oct. 31, 1-2 p.m., #911650-05

Virtual Central and North American Tour

Learn about the history, culture, food, geography, politics, travel destinations and more of various Spanish-speaking countries with Ashley Gomez Figueredo. Lubber Run 55+ Center Director.

Guatemala: Thurs., October 10, 1-2 p.m., #911400-31 Panama: Thurs., October 24, 1-2 p.m., #911400-32

Around the World to... Scotland

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., #911400-36 (Lubber Run); #911400-37 (Virtual)

Virtual Art Classes:

Artist Cookbook

Thurs., Oct. 3, 9-10 a.m., #911302-04

Secrets Revealed

Mon., Oct. 7, 10:30-11:30 a.m., #911302-02

Paint & Sip

Thurs., Oct. 10, 10-11:30 a.m., #911303-02

Painting Demonstration

Mon., Oct. 21, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m., #911303-12



Photo Gallery

Antietam National Battlefield Tour



Matisse and Renoir: New Encounters at the Barnes



Photo credits: Jim Mason

Discussion Groups/Brain Play:

Trivia: Thurs., Oct. 3, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., #911600-07

History Roundtable: Wed., Oct. 9, 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m., #911402-05

Study of Words: Wed., Oct. 9, 10:30-11:45 a.m., #911402-16 (Lubber Run); #911402-17 (Virtual) History Discussion Group: On hiatus in October.

UPCOMING OCTOBER 55+ TRIPS

Tues., Oct. 1 - Spirit and Strength: Modern Art from Haiti Exhibit at NGA

Washington, DC: Gain insight into Haiti's significant yet often overlooked role in the culture of the African Diaspora.

MAD 9:30 a.m., GUN 10:00 a.m., return 3:30 p.m., #902410-01 \$11 Arlington County/ \$13 Out-of-County

Sat., Oct. 5 - Waterford Fair

Waterford, VA: Celebrate Virginia's arts, culture and history in the Village of Waterford. Lunch on your own at the fair.

TJ 9:00 a.m., MAD 9:30 a.m., return 4:00 p.m., #902410-02 \$40 Arlington County/ \$46 Out-of-County

Mon., Oct. 7 - Kennedy Center Building Tour

Washington, DC: See exclusive performance venues, reception lounges, special artwork and *Arts and Ideals: President John F. Kennedy* exhibit. Lunch on your own at the Kennedy Center's Café.

MAD 9:30 a.m., BAR 10:00 a.m., return 4:45 p.m., <u>#902410-03</u> \$13 Arlington County/ \$15 Out-of-County

Wed., Oct. 9 - Jazz Age Illustration Exhibit at Delaware Art Museum

Wilmington, DE: View the first major exhibition of the art of popular illustration in the U.S. from 1919 to 1942. Pre-ordered lunch included.

WR 6:40 a.m., MAD 7:10 a.m., return 6:30 p.m., #902410-04 \$111 Arlington County/ \$128 Out-of-County

Fri., Oct. 11 - Kennedy Center Coffee Concert

Washington, DC: Noseda conducts Strauss' *Ein Heldenleben* and Beethoven's final piano concerto. Return time subject to change.

MAD 9:30 a.m., GUN 10:00 a.m., return 3:00 p.m., #902410-05 \$33 Arlington County/ \$38 Out-of-County

Sat., Oct. 12 - Graves Mountain Apple Harvest Festival

Syria, VA: Apple picking, hayrides, live music, craft vendors and lunch at the Farmhouse Restaurant at Graves Mountain.

TJ 8:30 a.m., MAD 9:00 a.m., return 6:30 p.m., #902410-06 \$61 Arlington County/ \$70 Out-of-County

Mon., Oct. 14 - Western Maryland Scenic Railroad

Cumberland, MD: Experience a heritage railroad ride through the picturesque Allegheny Mountains. Lunch is included in the fee.

TJ 6:30 a.m., MAD 7:00 a.m., return 7:30 p.m., #902410-07 \$186 Arlington County/ \$214 Out-of-County

Wed., Oct. 16 - Beautiful: The Carole King Musical at Riverside Center

Fredericksburg, VA: Carole King's journey to achieving her own groundbreaking success and crafting the soundtrack of a generation.

MAD 9:45 a.m., BAR 10:15 a.m., return 6:15 p.m., #902410-08 \$105 Arlington County/ \$121 Out-of-County

Sat., Oct. 19 - Eastern Market DC

Washington, DC: Features fresh local produce, handmade crafts and unique antiques in indoor and outdoor markets.

MAD 8:00 a.m., TJ 8:30 a.m., return 1:00 p.m., #902410-09 \$11 Arlington County/ \$13 Out-of-County

Tues., Oct. 22 - Maryland Live Casino and Arundel Mills Outlets

Hanover, MD: Gaming, live entertainment and diverse dining options at the casino. Shopping deals, dining and entertainment at the outlets.

MAD 10:30 a.m., GUN 11:00 a.m., return 6:00 p.m., #902410-10 \$13 Arlington County/ \$15 Out-of-County

Fri., Oct. 25 - Michener Art Museum and Mercer Museum Tours

Doylestown, PA: Explore major exhibits at two unique museums. Box lunch included in the fee.

BAR 6:30 a.m., MAD 7:00 a.m., return 9:00 p.m., #902410-11 \$144 Arlington County/ \$166 Out-of-County

Sun., Oct. 27 - Fine Arts and Flowers 2024 at VMFA

Richmond, VA: An exquisite array of floral designs inspired by works from VMFA's permanent collection. Lunch on your own at the museum. **MAD 7:30 a.m., TJ 8:00 a.m., return 6:00 p.m., #902410-12**

\$34 Arlington County/\$39 Out-of-County

THANKS TO OUR WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS!

55+ Travel Advisory Committee:

Mary Bacchus Ginger Bevard Sidney Bruce Dawn Edwards Linda Harper Cathy Knowles Jim Mason Judy Metcalf

55+ Travel Leaders:

Tina Asinugo Bobbi Curry Tom Curtis Pamela Daragan June Gallagher Mort Glassberg Linda Harper Kathleen Harrison Carole Lieber Sandra MacPherson Jim Mason Mary Jane Nelson Annmarie Pittman Randolph Randall Benjamin Scott **Sharon Sellers** David Young

YOU ARE THE BEST!!!!

Wed., Oct. 30 - President Lincoln's Cottage

Washington, DC: A docent-led tour of the historic house museum. Lunch on own in Brookland area. MAD 8:30 a.m., TJ 9:00 a.m., return 3:00 p.m., #902410-13

\$26 Arlington County/\$30 Out-of-County

Thurs., Oct. 31 - Hollywood Cemetery Tour Richmond, VA: Guided tour of cemetery's history and landscape. Lunch on own in Carytown.

MAD 9:30 a.m., BAR 10:00 a.m., return 8:30 p.m., \$17 Arlington County/ \$20 Out-of-County #902410-14

SUBSCRIBE TO THE 55+ ENEWS!

Keep up to date on 55+ programs and trips by subscribing to the 55+ eNews. The 55+ eNewsletter is emailed to subscribers once a month with highlights of upcoming programs and helpful information. Also, the 55+ Guide is emailed to subscribers in an eNewsletter. Sign up by entering your email address on the <u>55+ Website</u> (look for the 55+ eNews subscribe box on the lower right).

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
	Trip: Spirt & Strength: Modern Art from Haiti at NGA*^ MAD 9:30 a.m., GUN 10:00 a.m., Return 3:30 p.m. Appalachian Trail Stories*++++ 5:30-6:30 p.m. Virtual/Hybrid	2
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28	29	Trip: President Lincoln's Cottage*^ MAD 8:30 a.m., TJ 9:00 a.m., Return 3:00 p.m.

Weather Watch:

- Trips with an umbrella symbol in the 55+ Guide are rain or shine.
- Otherwise, if your trip is cancelled due to inclement weather, you will receive a phone call and/or an email to let you know.
- You can also call the Inclement Weather Hotline at **703-228-4715** or go online to <u>arlingtonva.us</u> Inclement Weather.

THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Introduction to Basic Spanish* 1-2 p.m. Virtual, VCAA Artist Cookbook* 9-10 a.m. Virtual, VCAA Trivia* 11 a.m12:30 p.m. Virtual, VCAA	German Conversation* 10 a.m12 p.m. Virtual Fortunes in the Attic* 9-10 a.m. Virtual
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TRAVEL & VIRTUAL PROGRAM CALENDAR OCTOBER 2024

Key:

- ^ = fee required
- * = registration required
- + Hybrid; virtual and at Lubber Run
- ++ Hybrid; virtual and at Aurora Hills
- +++ Hybrid; virtual and at Arlington
- ++++ Hybrid; virtual and at Walter Reed
- VCAA=Virtual Center for Active Adults

Weekend Programming:

Trip: Sat., Oct. 5 - Waterford Fair*^ TJ 9:00 a.m., MAD 9:30 a.m., Return 4:00 p.m.

Trip: Sat., Oct. 12 - Graves Mountain Apple Harvest Festival*^ TJ 8:30 a.m., MAD 9:00 a.m., Return 6:30 p.m.

Trip: Sat., Oct. 19 - Eastern Market DC*^ MAD 8:00 a.m., TJ 8:30 a.m., Return 1:00 p.m.

Trip: Sun., Oct. 27 - Fine Arts and Flowers 2024 at VMFA*^
MAD 7:30 a.m., TJ 8:00 a.m.,
Return 6:00 p.m.

LOOKING FOR A LINK?

If you registered for a virtual program but haven't received a Zoom meeting link, here's what you can do:

- If the program is a discussion group or other program that meets regularly and you know who the programming staff member is, contact the staff member to request the link.
- If you don't know who the programming staff member is, contact Sheila Budoff at sbudoff@arlingtonva.us to request the link.

PLEASE NOTE: Zoom links typically are emailed about two days before the program. This is because registration for virtual programs closes 48 hours in advance. For last-minute registration, call the Registration Office at 703-228-4747 and ask them to notify the programming staff member so they can send you the link.

NEED TO CANCEL A TRIP? Please call the 55+ Travel Office at 703-228-4748.

<u>PICK-UP LOCATION</u>: Check the <u>bottom</u> of your registration receipt (under "Special Questions") to confirm your bus pick-up location. "Class Location" at the top is not necessarily where you will be picked up.

REFUND POLICY FOR TRIPS:

- No refunds are granted for any trips that require meal reservations, tickets or chartered transportation unless staff is able to sell your reserved space.
- No refunds within 48 hours of trip departure time.
- Call Administrative Services at 703-228-4747 for refund requests.

FIND VIRTUAL PROGRAMS ON ARLINGTON'S 55+ YOUTUBE CHANNEL

If you missed a virtual program, you may be able to view it on Arlington County's 55+ YouTube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8iQ7UX39JclKJZ3TEMb3cg.

Each month we record several selected programs and post them on the YouTube channel. Subscribe to the channel and watch past sessions of the 55+ Live! Talk Show, exercise videos, history and other educational programs.

Recently added:

- Jefferson's Virginia
- Painting Demonstration



The 55+ Travel Program is committed to providing safe charter bus rides for our travelers, even in these unprecedented times. To ensure participants' safety as much as possible aboard charter buses, several Covid-19 guidelines were put into place in March 2022 when 55+ Travel resumed. As Covid-19 indicators improved, those guidelines were modified accordingly, keeping in mind that older adults are more vulnerable to serious illness from Covid.

On May 11, the federal Covid-19 public health emergency declaration officially ended for the U.S. And on May 5, the World Health Organization declared an end to the Covid-19 public health emergency globally. In light of these announcements, Arlington County 55+ Travel is updating its policy regarding face coverings on 55+ Trips. Effective immediately, face coverings will be strongly recommended, but not required, on the bus. As before, if the trip venue (museum, theater, etc.) requires masks to be worn, travelers must comply with that requirement. Although the public emergency declaration has concluded, people are still contracting Covid-19 with the potential of serious consequences for adults 55 and over. You are therefore encouraged to be courteous to your fellow travelers and wear a mask covering your nose and mouth when boarding, riding and exiting the bus.

The following requirements continue to remain in effect:

- If you are sick with or have tested positive for Covid-19, please stay home for at least ten (10) days, isolate from others and do not travel.
 - If this means you will have to miss a 55+ trip you registered for, you may obtain a credit for the trip fee. Please email a photo of your positive Covid test or a note from your doctor to Sheila Budoff at sbudoff@arlingtonva.us to request a credit.
- 2. If you were exposed to or cared for someone with Covid-19 within the past ten (10) days, please get tested and do not travel unless you are able to wear a face mask for the duration of the trip, not just the bus ride.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

IMPORTANT TRAVEL INFORMATION:

- · You must have a valid 55+ Pass, except for first-time guests.
- Bus leaves promptly at the specified time from each pick-up site. Arrive at least 15 minutes prior to bus departure. Upon arrival, check in with volunteer travel leader.
- Please note: The first bus departure will be the last drop-off on the return. Return times are estimated.
- Meals: When a meal choice is advertised, indicate your choice when you register. A dollar sign means the lunch is on your own and a plate symbol means the meal is included in the stated price.
- Parking: At Barcroft, parking is in the garage and pick-up is in the front of the center. At Madison, parking
 is in the regular lots and pick-up is in front of the center. At Gunston, parking and pick-up are in the lower
 parking lot down the hill from the entrance to the school and just north of the tennis courts and soccer
 fields. At TJ, parking and pick-up are in the parking lot to the right of the tennis courts, NOT in front of the
 community center.

HOW TO REGISTER

ONLINE ► registration.arlingtonva.us

Online registration is available 24/7 (after registration opens) through our WebTrac system.

Connect through the digital 55+ Guide:

You can link directly to the online registration system when viewing the digital 55+ Guide. After registration has opened (see dates on calendar), click on the *blue registration number* for the program that you are interested in - and a page will open in your Internet browser where you can review the class and register.

PHONE > 703-228-4747

Call us to register: Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. -- 5 p.m.

55+ CENTERS

AM Arlington MIII

909 S. Dinwiddie St., 22204

703-228-7369

AH Aurora Hills

735 S. 18th Street., 22202

703-228-5722

LB Langston-Brown

2121 N. Culpeper St., 22207

703-228-6300

LUBR Lubber Run

300 N Park Dr., 22203

703-228-4767

WR Walter Reed

2909 S. 16th St., 22204

703-228-0955

ACTIVITY / PICK-UP SITES

BAR Barcroft

4200 S. Four Mile Run Dr., 22204

703-228-0701

FAIR Fairlington

3308 S. Stafford St., 22206

703-228-6588

GUN Gunston

2700 S. Lang St., 22206

703-228-6980

LONB Long Bridge Aquatics & Fitness Center

333 Long Bridge Dr., 22202

703-228-3338

MAD Madison

3829 N. Stafford St., 22207

703-228-5310

TJ Thomas Jefferson

3501 S. Second St., 22204

703-228-5920

- 1 Go online to registration.arlingtonva.us
- 2 Enter your Login ID and Password.
 - · A new page will appear after you login.
 - If this is your first time or you do not know your ID/password, call 703-228-4747.
- 3 Click on "55 Plus", then click "Register for Classes."
- 4 Find the classes you are interested in then click on the green + sign next to each class.
 - Your selections will appear in a green bar at the bottom of the page.
- 5 After selecting classes, click "Add to Cart" in the green bar at the bottom of the page. A new page will appear showing all the items in your cart.
 - For each class, select the person who you are registering.
- 6 Choose "Continue Shopping" or "Checkout."
 - Note: YOU MUST CHECKOUT in order to complete the registration process -- even when you register for free classes and owe nothing.







